

January 2012 Free Hikes, Activities & Volunteer Opportunities List

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All events are contingent upon weather. Call for updates. Hike distances and elevation gain are approximate.

DATE/TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	LEADERS	SIGN-UP
Saturday, January 7 9:00 AM	Snively's Ridge Resolution Hike: Start the year off right with a can- do attitude! Get your heart pumping on this 3-4 hour hike up to Snively's Ridge and back. The panoramic views of the ocean and Carmel Valley make the steep trek worth it! Elevation gain: 1,600 ft. Distance: 4.5 miles. Bring lunch, plenty of water, and hiking shoes with good treads. No sneakers allowed.	Garland Visitor Center	Andy Weiss 236-7690 Ken Stewart 298-7023	Click here to register or Call Debbie Wyatt at 659-6065
Sunday, January 15 10:00 AM	Tremendous Trees of Mill Creek: Meet at the Mill Creek Trailhead on Palo Colorado Road for a leisurely 3-4 hour hike through towering redwoods, stately tan oaks, and magical madrones. Stop for lunch on a sunny knoll with spectacular views of Palo Colorado Canyon and the Pacific Ocean. Elevation gain: 230 ft. Distance: 5.5 miles. Bring water, lunch, and hiking shoes with good treads.	Mill Creek Trailhead	Michael Mitchell 625-9300 Sue Addleman 915-4538	Click here to register or Call Debbie Wyatt at 659-6065
Saturday, January 21 10:00 AM	Community ALIVE!: Living Fabric Restoration Join us for a fun and rewarding 2-hour dune restoration project. We will plant native dune plants at the Marina Dunes Preserve. Bring water, a hat, a snack, wear layers and sturdy closed-toed shoes.	Marina Dunes Preserve	Return of the Natives-CSUMB	Click here to register or Call Debbie Wyatt at 659-6065
Sunday, January 22 10:00 AM	Discover Kahn Ranch: This annex to Garland, tucked in on the southeastern end of the park, boasts a seasonal waterfall, lush flora, and beautiful vistas year-round. The vigorous 2-3 hour hike on the Hitchcock Loop will take your breath away. Elevation gain: 1,100 ft. Distance: 3.7 miles. Bring water, snack/lunch, and hiking shoes with good treads. No sneakers allowed.	Kahn Ranch Parking Lot	Cath Farrant & Mary Dainton 372-7427	Click here to register or Call Debbie Wyatt at 659-6065
Friday, January 27 5:30 pm	Star Party: Look up at the night sky and revel in its vast mysteries. Come out and join us as amateur astronomers share their knowledge of the cosmos. These 2-hour events begin approximately at sunset. Wear warm clothing and bring a flashlight.	Garland Parking Lot	MIRA and MPRPD Staff and volunteers	Click here to register or Call Debbie Wyatt at 659-6065
Sunday, January 29 9:00 AM	Oakview/Mesa Loop: For a different perspective, meet for a 3-hour hike up to and around the back side of the Mesa on the Oakview Loop, enjoying grand views of Garzas Canyon before crossing over to the Maple Canyon Trail for the return trip. Elevation gain: 700 ft. Distance: 5 miles. Bring water, lunch, and hiking shoes with good treads.	Garland Visitor Center	Gordon Williams 372-6374 Paulette Struckman 869-1320	Click here to register or Call Debbie Wyatt at 659-6065

Space is limited. Please pre-register for all hikes and activities. Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.