

Fall = High wildlife traffic at AFC properties!



Say hello to our younger, male mountain lion, seen here at Millard after traveling through the man made tunnels under Canyon Crest Road. September is a busy month for wildlife - especially at AFC properties with water sources. Over the last month we captured images of mountain lions, bobcats, bears, deer and coyotes...all looking for water and food. Here are a couple more of our photogenic fellows at Cottonwood and Rosemont.



Along with this frequent visitor to Millard...thanks to photographer Denis Callet for all these great shots!



"There is no exercise so beneficial, physically, mentally, or morally, nothing which gives so much of living for so little cost, as hiking our mountain and hill trails, and sleeping under the stars."

-- Will Thrall, explorer, historian, author, and protector of the San Gabriels

Two Community Water Forums at Cottonwood



Learn what individuals can do to address the California drought and global water crisis.

AFC will host two community forums led by Dr. Ling O'Connor, Professor of Environmental Science at Pasadena City College, beneath the oak canopy and along the trickling spring of Cottonwood Canyon - between 1950 - 2010 Linda Vista Ave, Pasadena, CA 91103. Street parking near the balloons marking the entrance.

California Drought - October 15
Global Water Crisis - October 22
4:00 - 6:00 pm.

Bring your own chair!

About Dr. O'Connor:

"All my life experiences from raising children to working at the corporate world, from traveling to Siberia to teaching environmental science, have culminated in a passion for our planet and for future generations.



These seemingly disparate experiences taught me that all is connected. Each individual's personal choices affect the environment and future generations in profound ways. This realization motivates and drives me to share all that I have learned so we can all make more informed decisions in our every day lives."

For more information on these Community Forums, contact [Tim Martinez](mailto:timmartinez@arroyosfoothills.org) at timmartinez@arroyosfoothills.org

Did you know...

'Tis the season of Workplace Giving!

This is the time of year when employees can enroll in payroll deduction charitable giving programs. You choose the charity you want to help and the amount you want to donate each pay period and your employer deducts it and causes it to be sent to the charity. Each year billions of dollars are donated to charities through these programs.

Further, companies often match workplace giving by employees. Bank of America, Capital Group, Disney, Google, Tesoro, Verizon and Wells Fargo currently match donations from our donors. You'll want to check with your employer to see if they offer a workplace giving program and/or match employee donations.

We appreciate you considering AFC along with other organizations that are important to you. Any amount per pay period will be gratefully accepted. It will bring your gift to us effortlessly and insure an income stream throughout the year.

If your employer has a program but AFC is not listed, there will be a place for you to write us in. You must include the full name, contact information, and tax identification number.

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If you have any questions, contact [Jennifer Taylor](#), Donor Administrator

Volunteer Spotlight

Rosemont Heroes Frank Colcord & Paul Rabinov

A trip to La Crescenta is not complete without a stop at the Rosemont Preserve. Thanks to Frank Colcord and Paul Rabinov and all the Friends of Rosemont, this AFC property is a treasured natural resource in the La Crescenta community! Frank & Paul's leadership is a testament to both their love for natural open space and for their community. AFC is fortunate to have their dedication and guidance.

Frank and Paul's selfless attitudes toward volunteerism create the backbone of our group's work ethic - a true "get it done" mentality.



Paul Rabinov with girl scouts.



Frank Colcord with cub scouts.

Paul & Frank, you have created an incredible model for AFC property stewardship with the Friends of Rosemont. Thank you so much!

Annual Report

On the heels of this eNewsletter, AFC is mailing out our Annual Report. This is our "State of the Union" address that lets you know how we're doing and what we've accomplished in the past year. If we have your mailing address, it will land in your mailbox soon. To be sure you receive it, please send your mailing address to [Jennifer Taylor](mailto:jennifertaylor@arroyosfoothills.org) at jennifertaylor@arroyosfoothills.org

Events & Volunteer Opportunities with AFC!

Rosemont Preserve

Habitat Restoration Days

2nd Saturday of every month, 9:00-11:00am
Join us in removing invasive plants and replacing them with natives.

Open Gate Days

3rd Sunday of every month, 9-11am
Come visit the Preserve at your leisure, take a stroll...
Count the deer and enjoy this beautiful open space in your backyard.



Upcoming Docent-led Tours

October 22nd, 9-11am: Rich Toyon, Native American History & use of native plants at the Rosemont Preserve

No RSVP necessary for Rosemont Preserve events unless noted. Rain cancels.

Rubio Canyon

Volunteer Day

December 3rd, 9am-11am: Join us at Rubio Preserve as we pull weeds and improve the historic trail. Learn to identify the plants of the San Gabriel Mountains and their uses. Bring water and dress appropriately. Meet at the intersection of Rubio Vista Road and Pleasant Ridge Drive in Altadena, CA. The trail begins between the two houses (1351 and 1342) on the corner.

Millard Canyon

Tree Watering & Planting

November 5th, 9am-11am: We will be watering young saplings and planting new trees in anticipation of fall and winter rains. We will also be checking our wildlife cameras. Come and experience the beauty of autumn in Millard! Meet at the "hairpin turn" along Canyon Crest Rd in Altadena, in front of the chain link fence.

Old Marengo Park

Gardening Day

November 19th, 9am-11am: Join us as we beautify Old Marengo Park! Help plant native plants, pull weeds, and bring nature back into the city. Old Marengo Park is located at the intersection of Marengo Ave and Woodbury Rd in Altadena, CA.

Gardening Day

December 17th, 9am-11am

Cottonwood Canyon

California Drought: What You Can Do

October 15th, 4pm-6pm: Yes, we are in a drought again. Is this anything new? What does this mean for California, the largest agricultural state? What can each individual do to be part of the solution beyond landscaping? Come and be part of the conversation.

Global Water Crisis: What You Can Do

October 22nd, 4pm-6pm: In this discussion, Dr. Ling O'Connor will lead us in exploring solutions to this serious threat to environmental health and political stability. Learn how our personal choices can improve environmental health, personal health, and help save us money!

If you would like to volunteer with AFC [click here.](#)



Legacies & Bequests

You can create a legacy that commemorates your commitment to AFC's mission. By making a gift through your estate or naming AFC as a beneficiary of your retirement or insurance plan, you will ensure that our work of protecting the land and the wildlife on it will continue. If you would like to learn more, please contact us at 626.796.0782.

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