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Amigos de Anza Equestrian Drill Team & Rose Parade

By Anne Wheeler
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Amigos de Anza Equestrian Drill Team has been accepted to participate in the 121st Tournament of Roses Parade themed, "A Cut Above the Rest". The parade will take place on January 1, 2010. The Rose Parade is one of the most viewed parades in the world. With huge crowds that attend along the route in Pasadena, an estimated audience of 5 million will also watch on TV worldwide. This will be the first Rose Bowl appearance for the Drill Team.

Amigos de Anza is a partner organization of the Anza Trail. Leading the Drill Team, portraying Juan Bautista de Anza, will be Paul Trujillo. Lt. Moraga will be portrayed by Jack "the mule man" Wilding. Pantaleon Vasquez will complete the trio of historical riders as a Soldado de Cuera.

The Drill Team will ride as a color guard behind the Anza historical riders. The team will carry the flags that tell the story of the route of the Anza Trail. They have been given a special exception by the US Marine Corp Mounted Unit to be allowed to carry flags in addition to the U.S.M.C. The team will carry the US Flag (once flown over the US Capital and a gift of former US Representative, Ellen Tauscher), the Betsy Ross flag (since that would have flown on the US east coast at the time of the Anza Expedition), Spanish, Mexican, Arizona, California, San Francisco, Anza Coat of Arms, National Park Service arrowhead, Anza Trail logo, Bicentennial and the Millennium flags. It is a dramatic and colorful display. Cardinet,



"Father of the California Trails" formed the team

in 2002. George decided that young riders needed to use their fine riding skills with a civic service focus. With a key role in the designation of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, and his passion for promoting the Anza Trail, he had an idea. A drill team would symbolically promote the Anza Trail through demonstrations, competitions, color guard ceremonies, Anza Trail dedications and parades.

The Drill Team rides in honor of the late George Cardinet. George was the "Father of California Trails", but also an inspiration and an extra grandpa to these riders. ❖

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Amigos de Anza Equestrian Drill Team
Photo: Amigos de Anza

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National Park Service

From the Superintendent

Vamos Subiendo!

The Anza Trail is on the move.

Our feature story is great cause for celebration, the Amigos de Anza Drill Team will be riding in the 2010 Rose Parade. This is a wonderful accomplishment for Amigos de Anza, and an excellent opportunity for the team and The Anza Trail to be exposed to over 5 million viewers as they head down the roads of Pasadena.



Naomi Torres
Photo: Tony Gleaton

The trail staff is also ready to get rolling. Although it was very quiet the few months after Margaret Styles left the trail, the trails office will enter the fall with a staff of three. I'm very pleased to announce that Marcy Salunga joined us in August as the new Interpretive Specialist. Marcy's an excellent interpreter and a strong Volunteer Program manager. She has jumped wholeheartedly into the Trail's interpretive programs.

We also have a new position in the Trail, an Outdoor Recreation Planner. Joining us at the end of October will be Steve Ross. As the Trail's Outdoor Recreation Planner, Steve will be working on the recreational trail segments and other planning efforts that support the Anza Trail's Comprehensive Management Plan. This fall Steve will be working with partners and a consultant to develop a web-based tool to identify and track our progress. Read more about Marcy and Steve in this issue.

To all of our partners who have weathered the changes in the Trails office, thank you so much for your continued support. We all look forward to meeting and working with you this year. ❖
Naomi

New Anza Trail Outdoor Recreation Planner

Steve has worked as a city planner and environmental consultant for over 20 years. He comes to the trail from his most recent post as a city planner for Berkeley, California. Steve also worked for many years as an environmental consultant, where he prepared environmental impact reports for many different projects in California. Previously, he worked as a planner in many different cities in Southern California. Steve earned planning degrees from both U.C. San Diego and Cal Poly Pomona.

Steve is excited to apply his wealth of experience in his new position as a planner. He has explored all over the West and has a great appreciation for the outdoors and cultural resources. Some of his favorite places include Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, the Eastern Sierra Nevada and the Owens Valley, and California's Central Coast. He looks forward to returning to the Sonoran Desert region which he often visited in his youth, during his father's geological field work. ❖



Steve Ross

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- December 1 for January issue*
- March 1 for April issue*
- June 1 for July issue*
- September 1 for October issue*



National Park Service

New Anza Trail Interpretive Specialist

Hola! Nice to meet all of you, at least on paper! I am thrilled to be starting this new position with the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, and looking forward to meeting all of our friends and volunteers in person over the coming months. My time with the National Park Service began in 2000, when I myself became a volunteer at Cabrillo National Monument in San Diego, California. While earning my degree in Geography at San Diego State University, I became a Student Career Experience Program (SCEP) employee for the division of Interpretation & Education in 2001. I quickly learned about the park service and began working in the Visitor Center and giving Ranger talks to visitors.

Upon graduation in 2002, I was offered a permanent position at Cabrillo National Monument and a career with the park service. I learned many things at Cabrillo NM through the years, but the best thing of all was how to manage a Volunteers-In-Parks program. I managed over 300 volunteers who contributed over 10,000 volunteer hours annually. I truly enjoyed meeting so many different volunteers with diverse backgrounds and reasons for donating their free time to the National Park Service. I was continually refreshed by new volunteers and learning to put their individual skills to work for the benefit of the park and the public. I also managed our Junior Ranger Program, and helped create a new booklet for children ages 1 through 7. I love connecting children with their National Parks as exciting and important places. Kids are so funny!

Fast forward about 8 years and I begin the next chapter in my career at the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail! I look forward to putting my expertise to work on such a unique trail, and to learning many new skills as an Interpretive Specialist. I am excited to meet everyone who has invested their time and hearts in the Anza trail and story. My goal is to help share the story of the Anza trail with as many people as possible. I hope

to develop many more volunteer opportunities along our 1,200 mile stretch to help carry out our message with youth and adults.

I can hardly wait for the chance to help create actual hiking trails where my great great grand-children will walk and remember that their grandmother helped to build that path.

I thank you all in advance for the vast amounts of information I will be learning from all of you in order to carry out my job! ❖

Hasta Pronto.



Marcy Salunga



View from Cabrillo National Monument

Teacher-Ranger-Teachers On the Trail

San Juan Bautista State Historical Park (SJBSHP)

By Michelle Armijo

This summer the state park teamed up with the Anza Trail for a six week project called, The Teacher-Ranger-Teacher (TRT) Program. The program provides opportunities for teachers to connect to park resources, and develop lesson plans for in and out of the classrooms. It focuses on teachers from schools with ethnically diverse populations, in which their students have had little or no experience visiting parks.

Park Rangers Diane Barr and Michelle Armijo worked at SJBSHP. They assisted with visitor services and building on the previous summer efforts, which focused on connecting local children and youth enrolled in the Hollister YMCA summer program with the Anza Trail. The ranger's

developed programs for a wide range of ages and conducted guided hikes for over 60 children. Their summer was capped off with a celebration on Public Lands Day, September 26 presented in partnership with Hollister YMCA. The event included information tables and interpretive hikes along the Recreational Route of the Anza Trail in San Juan Bautista.

During the summer program of 2008, Diane discovered her own family link to the Anza Trail and shared this new knowledge with her students. As a descendent of the early settlers, this information helped further enhance the programs and curriculum she developed. Michelle Armijo has worked for the National Park Service just over 15 years. She loves sharing her interest with the public and especially with the children enrolled in the YMCA summer program. ❖

Santa Monica Mountains NRA

By Adam Lucas

During my eight week service I created partnerships with the California State Parks, the Genealogical Society of Hispanic America-Southern California (GSHA-SC), and E.A.R.T.H.S. magnet school, which an interactive field trip was developed with the Malibu Creek State Park. I gave a presentation to the GSHA-SC library where I met Anza expedition member descendents.

The new field trips will utilize G.P.S. (Global Positioning System) technology, Internet, and physical manipulatives and will be pilot tested this school year. Teachers can download all of their field trip needs by visiting the Anza Trail website at www.nps.gov/juba and Every Trail website at www.everytrail.com. The field trip also includes backpacks with reproduced artifacts that the Anza expedition may have used and items from the Chumash Native Americans.

When I would hike the trails, I would educate visitors about Anza's expedition and how it has affected the Santa Monica Mountain NRA.



*Southern Pacific Rattlesnake
Photo: USGS*

Whether it was the free Anza Trail patches or their passion for history, most visitors asked questions and wanted to learn more.

Lastly, adventures came in many forms. There was Tule harvesting in Malibu Lagoon along the Pacific Ocean, calling rescue operations for injured mountain bikers, and the most exciting event, was picking up a rattlesnake.

In all, it was an enjoyable and educational summer for me. There are always opportunities to learn and grow within the National Park Service. The people and friendships are uniquely amazing and lifelong. ❖

Along the Trail

Pasados del Presidio: Presidio, San Francisco, CA
June 23-27
By Katie Eskra, NPS



Boys in Anza hat
Photo: Presidio Trust

A Window into Lively California History

Hundreds of visitors, including community children's groups, families, and history enthusiasts gathered in San Francisco June 25-27, 2009 for the annual Pasados del Presidio event, an immersion into California's rich past.

Hosted by the Presidio Trust in partnership with the National Park Service, the three-day festivities included performers, living history volunteers, traditional life ways educators, and area organizations that presented activities and concerts, engaging visitors of all ages in a first-hand experience of history.

Visitors explored the culture and music of early California, learned stories of Bay Area Indians, and experienced California rancho life with adobe brick-making, pottery, tortilla-making, and crafts.

Children donned the outfits of Spanish soldiers and settlers, and embarked on expeditions commanded by volunteer re-enactors, pausing to inspect horses tended by costumed riders. Both Anza and Father Junipero Serra were present throughout the festivities, and engaged in a spirited and enlightening conversation about Spanish colonial life. Musicians and dancers presented interactive children's programs and two evening "Fandangos," or concerts, enhancing the air of immersion in times past. ❖

San Jose Fandango: San Jose, CA
July 26
By Barbara Johnston

Celebrating History of San Jose

History San José celebrated the founding of the first civilian settlement in Alta California with an "old-time" "Fandango". The Peralta Adobe is the oldest adobe in San José, California.

This year, the Fandango began with the raising of the red and gold Spanish Flag of 1789. An historic letter from Governor Neves was read and the Fandango was declared opened. This year, the Calicanto Singers and the Alta California dancers provided lively music and dance.

Officers and their mounts from the San Jose Police Department Mount Patrol shared with younger visitors the importance of horses in the past and today.

Ranger Fatima Colindres taught the children how to make tortillas. Ruben Reyes, ceramic artist helped the children make pots from clay. Linda Yamane, noted Ohlone basket artist and a descendant of the early settlers, demonstrated her craft of basket making.

Docents from the de Saisset Museum from the Santa Clara University campus joined us with artifacts and hands on activities about the founding of Santa Clara Mission and the Native Ohlone of the area. ❖



Ruben Reyes and young girl making ceramic pot
Photo: Presidio Trust

Along the Trail

Family Fandango: San Jose, CA

August 1

By Jan Shriner



Anza group in the making

Photo: Ron Horii

Historical Bernal Ranch

Even before the event started, the Bernal and Joice family members gathered for feasting and visiting together in the shade of a large valley oak much like the previous generations must have always done. The day and the event emphasized FAMILY! Descendants (especially the younger participants) were asked to think about how we are part of history and what they intend to contribute to the history of the future.

It was thrilling to experience, two generations of descendants of the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of the San Francisco Bay Area gave a blessing to all who joined together in acceptance and humility. We came to the Ranch to celebrate the diversity, resiliency and vibrancy of the people of our region. The dancers, re-enactors, and all of the volunteers invited children of all ages to join into activities and demonstrations.

Anza Trail Park Ranger Katie Eskra and re-enactor Frank Martinez IV cheerfully kept the young soldados y pobladores fully outfitted for hours. It was great to see them not only marching as the ancestors must have, but also in period clothing practicing roping, watching the pottery being made, and exploring the trading post.

Please join us in August 2010 for our fifth annual Family Fandango.

Anza Trail Coalition of Arizona (ATCA):

Tubac, AZ

June 6

National Trails Day Clean Up

ATCA threw another successful trail party on National Trails Day, June 6th in Tubac. Fourteen volunteers made three working groups who pruned and cleaned up the trail from Clark Crossing to the Presidio and to Bridge Road in less than three hours! Because the turnout was so good it made it possible to break the work party into three groups for more effective use of resources and to avoid the 100 degree midday heat.



Thanks to volunteers Joan VanDenbos, Bud Eckhart, Terry Mueller, Mary Dahl, Stephen Schadler, Lee Blackwell, Pinal County Coordinator Joe Myers, Cathryn Kildall, Nick Kildall, Joy Anderson*, Michael Anderson, Sherry Sass, Carl Baker, Glenn Vierra* (*not pictured)*

Photo: ATCA

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If you are interested in donating funds to support Amigos de Anza for the Rose Parade. Please send check to:

Amigos de Anza, PO Box 30087, Walnut Creek, California, 94598

To receive a donation receipt, make sure to include your name and address.



ANUNCIOS

October

- 17 **Anza Days: Tubac Presidio State Historic Park, AZ**
9:30-4:00 pm
Tumacacori Mission
Mass, Anza Ride re-enactment, living history talks, music, dancers, children activities, and food. For more information, (520) 398-2252 or visit <http://azstateparks.com>
- 23-25 **Los Californianos Quarterly Meeting: Riverside, CA**
For more information, visit www.loscalifornianos.org
- 24 **Anza Trail Day: Nogales, AZ**
11:00 am
1904 Courthouse lower level parking lot, Morley Avenue
First annual parade with non-motorized vehicles, Anza expedition riders, and food. For more information, call the Friends of 1904 Courthouse at (520) 648-1110.
- 24 **Mesquite Milling & Marana Fall Heritage Harvest Festival : Marana, AZ**
9:00-2:00 pm
Marana Heritage River Park (Near Gladden Farms), 12375 N Heritage Park Dr.
Children's activities, food, and lots of entertainment. For more information, call (520) 841-6944 or e-mail info@anzatrail.com.

November

- 3 **240th Anniversary Discovery of SF Bay: San Francisco, CA**
Discovery site on Sweeney Ridge, south of SF. For more information, visit www.loscalifornianos.org.
- 14 **Anza Days Restoration Project: Maricopa, AZ**
Sonoran Desert National Monument
Restoration effort will include vertical mulching and hand raking.
For more information, call (520) 841-6944 or e-mail info@anzatrail.com.
- 29 **Founders' Day Anniversary Party: San Jose, CA**
Peralta Adobe (tentative)
For information, call (831) 449-0601 or e-mail mjfr@netzero.net

December

- 5-6 **La Fiesta de Tumacácori: Tumacácori, AZ**
10:00-5:00 pm
Tumacácori National Historic Park, 1891 East Frontage Road
Childrens' activities, food and crafts booth, music, and living history.
For information, call (520) 398-2341.

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Exploring the Anza Trail
In 1990, Congress established the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail as a part of the National Trails System. The 1200-mile trail in the United States traverses from Nogales, AZ to San Francisco, CA. There is another 600 miles of the historic corridor in Mexico. The trail traces the route of the 1775-1776 Anza Expedition as closely as possible. Portions of the trail can be explored by car, foot, horse, bicycle, or train.

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"Mass having been chanted. . .all its members being present. . .at eleven today the march was begun toward the north."
—Juan Bautista de Anza
October 23, 1775

¡Vayan subiendo!
"Everyone mount up!" This became a familiar call from Spanish Lt. Col. Juan Bautista de Anza. In 1776, while American patriots fought for their independence from England, Anza led about 300 people over 1600 miles to settle Alta California. It was the first overland route from New Spain (Mexico) to colonize San Francisco.

It is our pleasure to introduce you to the 3rd edition of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail brochure. Our new brochure highlights the history of Anza and his group during the 1775-1776 expedition to Alta California. The front page tells part of the story of Anza's trip with colorful images. The back page opens up to a colorful map showing where we believe Anza and his group traveled (Historic Route) and where you can drive (Auto Route) along the 1,200 miles of the Anza Trail. This new brochure is available for free! Please call (510) 817-1323 for a copy.