

Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods

Preservation through Education and Stewardship

Russian River District State Parks

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Making Dreams Come True

Michele Luna, Stewards Executive Director

It is with great pride and appreciation that I recap Stewards' successes in the past year, made possible by our volunteers, donor contributions and donated in-kind services.

Thank you for helping us accomplish so much on the path to realizing our dreams:

- A Mobile Marine Education Center (our Steward Ship) with interactive programming,
- New nature trail signs and interpretive panels at Armstrong Redwoods,
- The nomination of Pond Farm Pottery to the National Registry of Historic Places,
- The implementation of a camping reservation system for Bullfrog Pond campground,
- Engagement with Latino community members and
- New program activities, including overnight opportunities, for youth and families.

Developing our new Marine Education Program has truly been a fulfilling process. We are sincerely grateful to the Dean Witter Foundation for funding the purchase of the Mobile Marine Education Van in 2013 and very recently for funding the retrofit of the inside. After purchasing the van in early 2014, we worked with artist Christopher Lods to design the fabulous exterior graphics, while our Marine Team began developing programming to go with the van. As of this date, the Steward Ship has been exhibited at an event in Armstrong Redwoods, at the Bay Area Science Fair, where it was a huge hit, and in the Guerneville Parade of Lights. In 2015, we look forward to working to develop an inviting and interactive interior complete with backlit interpretive displays, a coastal diorama and an LCD screen for video presentations. (See our wish list on page 6).

The Steward Ship will travel to schools and special events and be available on the Sonoma Coast throughout the year with enlightening programs about our extraordinary marine environment.

Austin Creek State Recreation Area's Bullfrog Pond Campground was visited by 60% more park visitors this year, thanks to our reservation partnership with Hipcamp.com. As we enter year three of our operating agreement with State Parks, we have learned a lot about park operations, including maintenance and visitor services, with the help of grant funding and technical assistance from the California State Parks Foundation. CSPF has helped us build the groundwork for a successful future for Austin Creek SRA that moves us closer to sustainability.



Mission

Stewards Promotes, Restores, and Protects Your State Parks.

Vision

Stewards is the Link between People and Their Parks.

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"Most campers are very happy with their experience. They call Bullfrog Pond 'A magical place' and 'A world apart.' They wave goodbye and say 'See you next time!'" Amy Racina, Camphost

Pond Farm Pottery is now listed on the National Registry of Historic Places at the National level of significance—an achievement that took many years to bring to fruition, with support from State Parks, as well as from our project partners, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the California State Parks Foundation. Next year, we will see the beginning of the renovation of Pond Farm with the stabilization of the barn and Marguerite's house. A reuse plan for the site will not overshadow the legacy of Pond Farm, but will honor its heritage and the people who lived there. The site will be incorporated into the State Park General Plan process in the coming year, which will provide many opportunities for community input.

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Our volunteers touch the lives of over 110,000 visitors a year

Our growing volunteer and naturalist-led programs serve more park visitors each year. This year Stewards made reservations for over 7,000 students who used their State Parks as an outdoor classroom. Over 3,000 children experienced hands-on learning about the coast redwoods and the intertidal on the coast, with some enjoying camping and hiking for the very first time. We expanded our engagement with native peoples and the Latino community. Our visitor centers are open year-round and our stewardship crews are maintaining trails, building cable steps and bridges, and keeping campsites safe.



Dottie & Bill Ruppert & Donna Roper



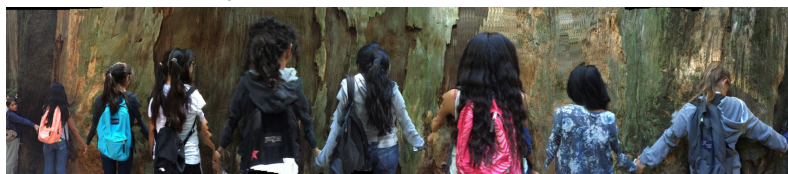
Elizabeth Vega & Guest



Bill & Lois Bambrick

We welcome your donations and volunteer help for our exciting programs!

Stewards invites you to invest in our success – every dollar you give is leveraged 6 times over with funding from other sources. Our Board of Directors contributes at least \$10,000 annually. Your matching contributions between now and January 2015 will help keep Stewards’ programs strong and sustainable. You can donate by mail or on our new website.



Panoramic shot of Roseland Accelerated Middle School youth surrounding a snag

Thankful for our Volunteers and Staff

Interspersed throughout this issue of our newsletter are photos taken at our Annual Volunteer Celebration on December 5th — another fun evening of sharing with one another, honoring all our volunteers, and giving recognition to some whose number of hours and years of service to State Parks stands out. I especially want to thank our Volunteer Program Coordinators who are listed on the sidebar on page 6. They each provide an invaluable service by being the person who works closely with our staff to ensure each and every volunteer has the support they need to be successful. This year the following volunteers received recognition: **Larry Tiller, Angela Sturr, Carol Farnes, Jim Fleming, Amy Southwick, Teri Wichert, Duane Nibblett, Ursula Nibblett, Cindy Gillease, Suzanne Abrams, Kathrin Williams, Dori Heath and Allen Bealer.**

In addition, the following volunteers received Poppy Awards from California State Parks. This is one of the special awards that State Parks gives to Volunteers who have gone above and beyond in providing leadership to others. This year **Joan Bacci, Hollis Brewley, Linda Fisher, Jacque Mielke, Amy Racina, and Bill and Dottie Ruppert** were Poppy Award recipients.

I also want to personally thank the Stewards staff for being an incredible group of people to work with. I am very excited by all that we will be able to accomplish in the coming year with such a dedicated and accomplished team.

Board of Directors Update

For the first time in nine years, Stewards has a new President of the Board. Bill Bambrick turned over the reins to Mike Von der Porten at the Annual Board Retreat in November. Bill was honored for his wonderful leadership by Board and Staff with the promise of a Nature Trail Sign on the coast dedicated in his honor. The board also welcomed Glen Blackley as a new board member and Hollis Brewley was appointed Vice President.

CAL REPORT

Ranger Greg Probst, Cooperating Association Liaison

I was fortunate enough to attend the recent Stewards Board and Staff retreat on November 22nd. At the retreat we discussed the importance of the personal narrative of each of our visitor's experiences and how it directly relates to their relationship with our parks. This made me think of two personal experiences I had with California State Parks just over 20 years ago. I have chosen to write the personal narrative which had the greatest impact upon my life.

It was mid-January 1994 and I was a navigator in the Air Force stationed in Sacramento. I knew that I was soon to be transferred to Kansas so I wanted to experience as much of California as I could before I departed the state. I ended up experiencing something utterly earth shattering: the great Northridge earthquake. That quake caused my road to diverge - and I took the one less traveled by. And that has made all the difference.

I experienced the quake while staying in Palm Springs. The earthquake woke me up from a deep sleep and I didn't think much about it --until I drove back to Los Angeles later in the week to discover the full extent of devastation that the quake had caused. The quake forced me to re-route my trip and I ultimately left the L.A. area by driving up the scenic Coast Highway until I found myself at Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument- commonly referred to as "Hearst Castle." A friend had once told me about the beauty and grandeur of both the San Luis Obispo Coast and the Castle. He was spot on and I was amazed at every turn. I found myself winding my way up the ranch road towards the looming Castle on an old school bus while a tape explained how William Randolph Hearst always considered this property "The Ranch."

On this day in 1994 there is one moment that is indelible in my memory. It occurred when our tour guide brought us through the gardens prior to entering the main house, Casa Grande. The gray stormy skies above departed. Suddenly the sun illuminated the bottom of the outdoor Neptune Pool. The color of the water in the pool turned from a dark gray/blue to a brilliant bright turquoise. This was caused by the sunlight hitting the water and reflecting off the white marble on the bottom of the pool. Just as I got used to that sight, a rainbow appeared and grew slowly across the sky. This rainbow framed my view of the pool, the gardens, and the rolling green coastal hills in a way nothing else could. I was spellbound. I knew then that this was a special place, a place that somehow had changed me.

Four years passed since I saw that rainbow and I once again found myself at Hearst Castle and living a different life. I was now one of those people fortunate enough to actually be getting paid while giving tours of the Castle. I was getting to share the story and the beauty of what Hearst called: "La Cuesta Encantada." That is how my story with California State Parks began and I haven't stopped enjoying this wonderful park experience since.



"La Cuesta Encantada," Hearst Castle

STEWARDSHIP DEBUT

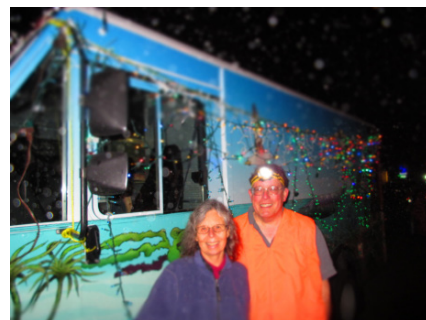
The Steward Ship is providing exciting opportunities to introduce our programs to new audiences. On December 6th, a festively-decorated Steward Ship was unveiled to parade-goers lining Main Street for Guerneville's 14th annual Festival of Lights. Board Members Donna Roper and Marcy Beck carried the Stewards banner in front of our Steward Ship, which was expertly piloted by Board President Mike von der Porten and his wife Elaine. Our wonderful Outreach Coordinator April Reza walked along-



Donna Roper and Marcy Beck



Photo of Nickolas Siggins, Senior Park Aid and Justin Thaman, Skilled Laborer, from our Russian River Trail crew. They have about one third of the Armstrong Visitor Center Deck to complete and hope there will be one week of dry weather soon so they can finish up!!!



Elaine and Mike Von der Porten

side handing out information about State Parks and Stewards' upcoming programs to many in the crowd with outstretched hands. Stewards received shout-outs and applause all along the route on a mellow evening that invited celebration and camaraderie. We felt honored to share in and contribute to the spirit of the Season with our sparkling new mobile marine education vehicle.

Marcy Beck, Board Member

PROGRAM UPDATES

WHALE WATCH



Volunteers at Bodega Head, Photo by David Berman

Our annual whale watch orientation on Saturday Nov 15 was as usual a great success. We had about 40 people in attendance with both seasoned volunteers and several new comers. David Berman and Pete Bidigare welcomed everybody and after everyone had a chance to introduce themselves we had a nice presentation from Michele Luna about Stewards and all our programs. After a short break it was time for Bea (with the help of Norma) to talk about whales in general and our gray whales in particular, ending up with what our duties are at Bodega Head during our whale watch season, and of course time to sign up. Also a great thank to Michele Sokol for helping out at the door making sure everyone signed in. We then adjourned for lunch and everyone went up to Bodega Head where we had a presentation from the lifeguard about ocean safety. It was a beautiful day on the coast with lots of visitors and barely any parking at the Head. However, Bodega Head lived up to its name “Blowdega Head”, as it was a cold and windy day. We had a successful orientation with many volunteers signing up for our 2015 season and it ended great with our sighting of 3 humpback whales out on the horizon.

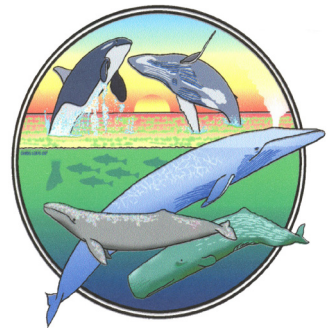
New Year's Day Hikes at Armstrong Redwoods and the Sonoma Coast

In 2015, make the resolution to take your family outside and enjoy our parks! This January 1st, the Stewards will be hosting guided, family-friendly hikes at Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve and on the Sonoma Coast. The Armstrong Redwoods hike will meet at 10:00 AM at the Visitor's Center and go until 12 pm. Guests will be treated to a fun and easy walk under the magnificent old

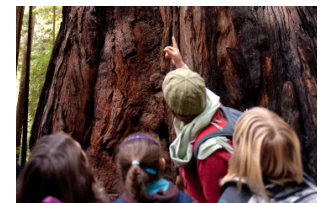


Sonoma Coast

growth redwood trees with stops to view the rushing waters of Fife Creek. The Sonoma coast hike will meet at 1:00 PM at the Shell Beach parking lot and go until 3:00 PM. On this easy walk, the group will be led through rare coastal prairie habitat and will enjoy stellar views of the ocean below. Both hikes are led by experienced Stewards docents and are free of charge. Participants are encouraged to dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes, bring a water bottle and snacks. All ages welcome. Rain cancels both events. For more information please contact Pete Bidigare, Volunteer Manager, at 707-869-9177 ext. 1#



Bea Brunn, Whale Mother



Armstrong Redwoods

THE HISTORY CORNER

It Was Murder!

One of Stewards' long-time supporters, Carmen Finley, has a tie, not only to Armstrong Woods, but to the history of Guerneville. Her great-uncle, Samuel J. Finley, has the dubious distinction of being Guerneville's first homicide.

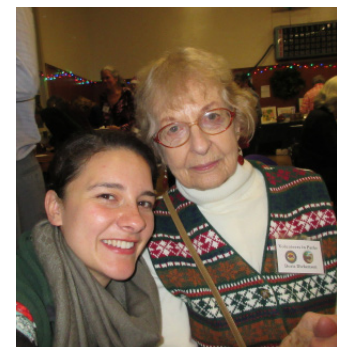
Sam Finley, born in 1826, was originally from Indiana, but grew up in several areas of the Midwest. However, after his marriage he was attracted by the California gold rush. By 1870 he and his family were living in Bodega. On July 22, 1876, he went to Guerneville to visit a local saloon and play cards, which he apparently had done many times before. And that is where his life ended in the street outside the saloon, but the reason why remains a mystery, in spite of many witnesses.

One account said that Sam owed the bar owner, Hi Epperly, money for his bar tab. Another said that it was Sam's son who owed the money, and Epperly was going to spread it all over town. And yet another said the dispute was over a recent horse trade that had been made by the two men several days before the shooting.

Nevertheless, after a day of drinking, Sam went looking for Epperly, and they finally confronted each other in the street in front of the saloon. Epperly was armed with a pistol and Sam with a pocket knife. Sam dared Epperly to shoot—which he did. Sam only managed to give one slash with his knife before he went down in history as Guerneville's first homicide, shot through the heart. All of which goes to show that you can't always predict who will turn up in a family history.

This will be my last History Corner article as I go off searching for my own family history. Thanks to all my readers.

Doris Dickenson, Docent and Author



Doris Dickenson takes her first selfie in history with Outreach Coordinator, April Reza

UPCOMING 2015 ORIENTATIONS AND SEMINARS

Tidepool Education and Roving Program Orientation Saturday, January 17, 2015. 9 am – 12:00, Armstrong Redwoods Volunteer Office - Introduce school groups to the amazing life in the intertidal zone.

Exploring the Intertidal Zone Field Seminar Saturday, January 17, 2015. 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Shell Beach. Instructor: Karl Menard, Bodega Marine Lab - A session of tidepool exploration and learn techniques for interpreting this fragile resource with the public, especially children.

Seabird Monitoring Orientation & Training Thursday, January 22, 2015. 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM, Bodega Bay Fire Protection District - Help protect seabirds from disturbances that affect their breeding season.

State Parks Volunteer Docent/Stewards General Orientation – Session I Saturday, January 24, 2015. 9 am - Noon, Armstrong Redwoods Volunteer Office - General Orientation about all volunteer opportunities available in Russian River Sector State Parks.

Art of Interpretation: Engagement with all Age Groups Saturday, January 24, 2015. 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve. David Berman, Stewards Program Director - Interpreters teach, entertain and provoke to awaken curiosity.

Armstrong Tour Guides Orientation Saturday, January 31, 2015. 9 am – 12:00 pm, bring lunch, Armstrong Redwoods Volunteer Office - Learn to share fascinating redwood ecology tours and/or activities with adults and school children.

Redwood Ed: Teaching about Redwoods Saturday, January 31, 2015. 1:30 - 4:30 pm, Volunteer Office, Armstrong Redwoods Volunteer Office. Instructor: Mike Roa, Environmental Ed educator and writer Interdisciplinary workshop will provide background knowledge, skills and resources to help teach about the coast redwoods.

Pinnipeds (Harbor Seals ~ Sea Lions...) of the Sonoma Coast Saturday, February 7, 2015. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Bodega Bay Fire Protection District. Instructor: Dr. Sarah Allen, Ecologist - Learning about the pinnipeds from Dr. Sarah Allen is always a treat.

Seal Watch Orientation Saturday, February 7, 2015. 1:00 pm - 4:00pm, Bodega Bay Fire Protection District - Help protect the harbor seals at the mouth of the Russian River during the pupping season (March to Labor Day)

Pinniped (Harbor Seal) Monitoring Orientation Tuesday, February 10, 2015. 9 am - 2 pm, bring lunch, Bodega Bay Fire Protection District. Instructors: Dr. Joe Mortenson, Jessica Martini-Lamb, SCWA, Andy Pecharich, SCWA - Join Stewards' pinniped monitoring program. Volunteers collect data required by the Sonoma County Water Agency to ensure the protection of harbor seals during Russian River estuary activities as they pertain to mandated work by the Biological Opinion.

Armstrong Redwoods Visitor Center Orientation Saturday, February 21, 2015. 9 am - Noon, Armstrong Redwoods Volunteer Office - Learn to interact and inspire visitors from all over the world about the natural and cultural resources by staffing the Visitor Center (VC) at Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve.

California Naturalist UC Certification Program Tuesday, February 24, 2015. 6:30 pm - 9 pm, Armstrong Redwoods Volunteer Office. Instructors: David Berman, Programs Director and Meghan Walla-Murphy, Biologist -The California Naturalist UC Certification Program is a 9 week course that continues on the following dates: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 14, 20-21. (all classes 6:30 to 9 pm)

Mobile Marine Education Program Orientation Saturday, February 28, 2015. 10 am - 2 pm, Campbell Cove - Come and join us to learn all about our new Marine Education Van A.K.A. the "Steward Ship".

Jenner Visitor Center Orientation Saturday, March 7, 2015. 9:00 am to Noon, Jenner Visitor Center Interact with and inspire visitors from all over the world by staffing our visitor center on the beautiful Russian River estuary in Jenner.

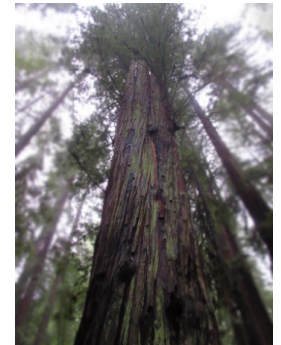
One General Orientation is REQUIRED for all new volunteers.

1. For ONLINE REGISTRATION please visit www.stewardscr.org .
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Please enter your username/email address and password, and press the green log-in button to proceed. If this is your first time accessing your account, please contact Tracie at 707-869-9177 x 3# .



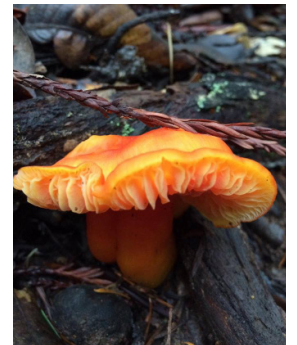
The Steward Ship



Redwood Triplets



Harbor Seals by Christopher Lods



*Waxy Cap by
Annie Cresswell*

Volunteer Opportunities

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869-9177 x1# or email
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Sonoma Coast State Park

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Whale Watch
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Watershed Programs
Environmental Living Prog.
Sonoma Coast Stewardship
Pinniped Monitoring
Seabird Monitoring

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Office Help & Special Events

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Laura Parent, Pond Farm
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Jim Fleming, Seal Watch
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Water Quality Monitoring
Trail Crew
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Hollis & Jerry Bewley,
Tidepool Programs
Hollis Bewley,
Seabird Monitoring
Louise Patterson, MAU
Mark Anderson, Foot Patrol

SUPERHEROES AMONG US

When I think of superheroes I think of valiant characters. They usually go about their daily lives and are suddenly called into action. They willingly step into the unknown and come out victorious. Just like Peter Parker or Clark Kent, part of a superhero's awesomeness is the ability to just blend in with the crowd, while keeping their amazing talents to themselves. When given a situation or opportunity to shine, they deliver. The noblest aspect of a superhero's character comes after the show is over, when they return to daily life, with little or no recognition at times, but with the satisfaction of having taken part in something good.



Buz Rowell - Super Docent

Those superheroes are among us today. We may not recognize them if we see them, or even know their names. We may not know what their daily lives entail. What we do know are the results of their countless generous acts and how their intentions are harvesting a better world. Ecologist and educator, Dr. Maceo Carrillo Martinet states:

"Humanity's instinctual ability to help each other and work together is indeed our defining trademark. One might not know what "sustainability" means, but the idea and principle of this word is in our DNA, as is the urge to treat each other with dignity, respect and justice. These traits are just a small sampling of who we really are."



Trail Crew Superheroes



Tree Clearing Superheroes



Virgil Weiss & his crew of Avengers



Super Auctioneers - Clara Else and Amy Racina



Super Caterers



Super Docents
Glen & Terri Blackley

VOLUNTEERS! Your hours for the year are due by 12/31/14.

To our 300+ volunteers, your time and dedication is invaluable! Thank you! The time has come to document all your volunteer hours for State Parks! In California, the Independent Sector currently equates the value of your volunteer time to \$26.34 per hour. Grants match funds we solicit according to the value of volunteer hours documented. To file your volunteer hours, please fill out the [Volunteer Hours Form](#) that can be found in "Forms", located within the "Resources Store" tab on our website: www.stewardscr.org. Call our office at (707) 869-9177 or email us at stewards@stewardscr.org.

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Sleeping bags, pads, flashlights etc. • Cooking Equipment • Laptop Computer - Windows 7
Desktop Computer - Windows 7 • Binoculars
LCD Screen • Digital Microscope • Generator with 120/240V capabilities • Air Compressor
Belt Sander • Circular Sander • Hand Grinder
Hammer Drill • Compound Miter Saw
Welder: Stick or MIG • Landscaping tools
Ladders • Roll-Away Tool Box • Building Tools
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I'd like to help with an additional donation of \$_____

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Make check payable to Stewards. Account # _____ Exp. Date _____

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Your Gift to the Future of State Park Preservation

With your help, future generations will enjoy the State Parks in the Russian River District, including education and stewardship programs supported by Stewards. A gift to Stewards is a rewarding form of giving from your estate. There are several types of charitable bequests by will (or beneficiary designation).

Sample:

I hereby give and bequeath to Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods, a nonprofit organization incorporated under the laws of the State of California, with a principal address at P.O. Box 2, Duncans Mills, CA 95430, _____ percent of my estate, (or) the sum of _____ dollars, (or) the following assets _____, Tax ID # _____ provided upon request. Contact your legal advisor for further information. There are also other planned giving options for your consideration.