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LARPD January Nature Programs

LIVERMORE — The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District ranger staff is offering the following programs during the month of January. There is a \$5 per vehicle parking fee at either entrance to Sycamore Grove Park, and a \$2 donation is requested to help support the programs, unless other fees are specified. Participants may call 925-960-2400 for more information.

Predators

Saturday, Jan. 7

10 a.m.

They kill for a living. All branches of the evolutionary tree have them. Birds, mammals, insects and even plants all have killers in the family. Join this program for a look at a few of the predators that have existed in the past and rule today in the present.

Ranger Dawn Soles

Sycamore Grove Park
5049 Arroyo Road

Bright Winter Stars

Saturday, Jan. 14

6 p.m.

It may be getting cold at night, but the cold clear air is perfect for astronomy. Come out to Sycamore Grove for a moderate walk into the park for some astronomical fun. Learn the stories behind some of winter's most stunning constellations, and watch satellites zip overhead. Please dress warmly and wear comfortable walking shoes. Canceled if raining. In the event of an overcast sky, there will be a night hike instead.

Ranger Glen Florey

Sycamore Grove Park
1051 Wetmore Road

New Year's Resolution Hike

Saturday, Jan. 21

10 a.m.

Already struggling with your New Year's resolution to exercise more? How about a little motivation? Join us for a vigorous two mile hike through the new trails of Holdener Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and be prepared for some steep terrain. The trails may be muddy, but we are hiking rain or shine! Park near the water tanks at the east end of Hansen Road.

Ranger Jamie Greco

Holdener Park
Eastern end of Hansen Road

After the Burn

Sunday, Jan. 22

10 a.m.

In the fall, the Park District did some prescribed burns in the upper part of Sycamore Grove Park.

Join this program to learn about how fire can be used as a resource management tool and to see what's growing in the areas that were burned. This will be a slow-paced hike of about four miles with some wandering off the trails into the areas that were burned.

Ranger Amy Wolitzer

Sycamore Grove Park
1051 Wetmore Road

Winter Owls

Sunday, Jan. 29

5 p.m.

Local owls are very active during the winter. For species such as the Great Horned Owl, the "dead of winter" is nesting time. Join this easy hike just before dark to start listening for owl vocalizations. If it's a lucky night, prepare to see a silent flier or two. Dress warmly; no flashlights. Appropriate for ages 8 and older; children must be accompanied by adult. Please call 925-960-2400 in advance to reserve your spot. Canceled if raining.

Ranger Patti Cole

Sycamore Grove Park
1051 Wetmore Road.

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