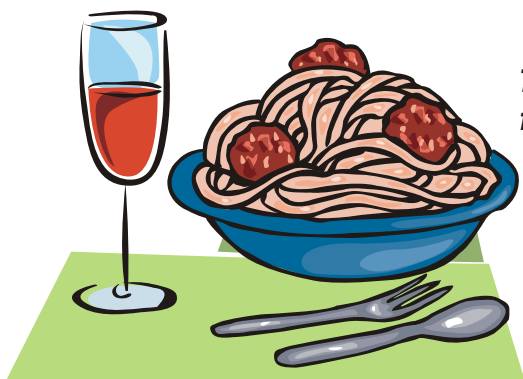


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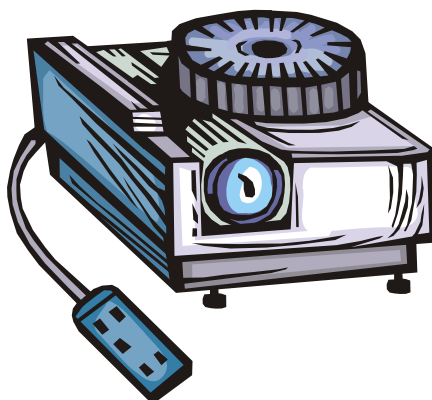
The Yolano Group Sierra Club invites you to join us for our second annual December potluck to celebrate the holiday season. Our potluck and slide show last year was a great success, and we hope that all of you will join us this year for another evening of great food, entertainment, and fellowship.



The potluck will take place Thursday, December 1, 2005 from 6:30 to 9 in the Blanchard Room of the Yolo County Library, 315 14th Street in Davis. The potluck will begin at 6:30 with a slide show or film (TBA) at

approximately 7:30. Please bring your own utensils, plates, cups and a favorite dish to share. The Yolano Group will provide beverages.

For more information, contact Pam at 530-756-6856, pnieberg@dcn.davis.ca.us or Holly at 530-753-2773 or holly@hollytime.com.



Annual Election to the Management Committee of the Yolano Group

The annual election to the Yolano Group Management Committee is upon us. You will find a ballot in this issue of the Flame.

The time line for the election is as follows:

- Nov 14, 2005: ballots mailed;
- Dec 17, 2005: election closes
- Dec 20, 2005: ballots counted
- Jan 12, 2006: new board takes office

Ballots must be postmarked no later than December 17, 2005

For information, contact Pam Nieberg at 530-756-6856

Dixon Citizens for Quality Growth Fight the Dixon Downs Racetrack.

By Ada Preston

Dixon Citizens for Quality Growth (DCQG) continues its effort to keep the horse racetrack proposed by Canada-based Magna Entertainment Corporation out of Dixon. If built, the horse track and betting parlor will attract thousands of cars and cause gridlock in Dixon and Davis (on I80 and Pedrick road) on most week ends. Noise levels will exceed city standards, and air quality will further degrade. The project would require a rezoning and the loss of potential jobs that would pay better than jobs from a racetrack and casino. Gambling probably would bring more crime to our area. For more information on the impacts see our website: www.dumphthedowns.org. The track would permanently change the quality of life of Dixon and Davis residents.

Our main goal is getting enough "Letters to the Mayor" signed to convince the City Council that the majority of the residents don't want the racetrack. We meet every Saturday morning for a "knock and talk" walking

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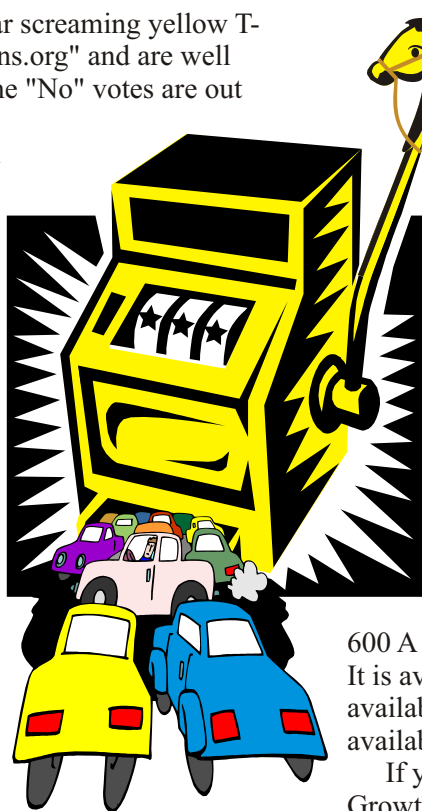
Call Ida to help sell Sierra Club calendars at the Farmers Market

campaign. Neighborhood walkers wear screaming yellow T-shirts emblazoned with "dumthedowns.org" and are well received by the majority of citizens: the "No" votes are out there.

The group continues to speak at all city council and planning commission meetings using the 3-minute allotted time during the non-agenda item. A Councilman asked for a special election on the racetrack issue, but the City Council decided that it would rather make the decision by itself. Council members did mention that the citizens had recourse if they didn't like it, we will be ready on that day.

The proposed racetrack draft EIR has been published and DCQG members are studying it in order to make comments.

Last Friday, Gail Preston and Shirley Humphrey participated in a Speaker Series seminar at UCD named "Doing/Debating Development" (Sponsored by Dr. Al Sokolow). The subject was: "Fighting City Hall: Dixon Citizens Take on the Racetrack."



The next fundraiser is a Book and Bake Sale, Sunday, November 20, 11:00 - 3:00 pm, 2040 Regency Parkway, Dixon. Phone (707) 628-9211. The public is cordially invited to the sale. Remember, everyone needs another book!"

DCQG thanks the Sierra Club for their ingoing support and encouragement

TAKE ACTION!

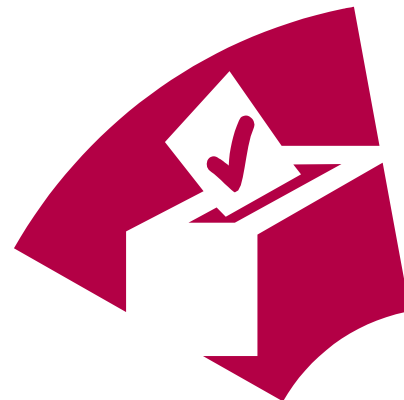
Contact Dixon City Council members Steve Alexander, Loren Ferrero, Mike Smith, Gil Vega, and Mayor Mary Ann Courville by email at citycouncil@ci.dixon.ca.us. Their phone numbers are on the city website at www.ci.dixon.ca.us. Let them know you do not want the Dixon Downs track.

Check out a copy of the draft EIR and submit comments. It is available at the Dixon City Hall at 600 A Street, and the Dixon Library at 230 North First Street. It is available for purchase at Dixon City Hall. It is also available online at www.ci.dixon.ca.us and on CD-ROM available for loan or purchase at Dixon City Hall.

If you would like to help the Dixon Citizens for Quality Growth by knocking and talking, writing letters, or in other ways, contact Gail and Ada Preston at Gsp5@aol.com or by calling 707-693-0642. ☒

Yolano Group Elections

- ☛ This election is for 4 members of the 7 member Management Committee.
- ☛ Terms are for 2 years.
- ☛ Please vote for up to 4 candidates.
- ☛ Ballots must be postmarked no later than December 17, 2005.



The candidates' statements follow in alphabetical order:

Holly Bishop

I am running for re-election to my position as a member of the Yolano Group Management Committee. I have always worked diligently to preserve the natural beauty of our land. As co-chair of the Yolano Group Management Committee, I've worked hard to build a team atmosphere where doing conservation work is rewarding spiritually as well as physically.

During this past term, I have worked on campaigns to try to prevent development in the delta, and to slow development behind decaying levees. I was part of the mega-dairy campaign subcommittee that worked to encourage adoption of strong standards to regulate large animal factories in Solano County. I am also working on the Covell Village issue to preserve farmland and habitat for wildlife.

I am a stay-at-home mother with four children and two grandchildren. I live in the city of Davis. I have served two terms on the Parks and Recreation Commission (the second as vice-chair); served on the Finance and Economics Commission; and was a member of a citizen's Budget Committee. I was a founding member of the Open Space Commission and of Adopt-A-Park. I helped coordinate the planting of over 100 trees and at least 1,000 plants in my community.

My philosophy is that no one neighborhood shall benefit from another neighborhood's loss. I would be honored if you elected me to carry on this work.

Ida Bryan

All my life I've had a love affair with nature and the animals in it. As a member of the Sierra Club for over forty years, I have served the Club in a variety of functions: hike leader, member of the local management committee, editor of the Yolano Flame, membership chair and, for the past twelve years, coordinator of our calendar sales.

The Sierra Club is an important part of my life and, since I am retired I have the time needed to again serve effectively on the Management Committee. I would appreciate your vote.

Carolyn Hinshaw

It has come to my attention that most of the members of our Management Committee believe they have this gig for life. Between them they have amassed a whopping 113 years of incumbency. The Yolano Group has become a haven for environmentalists with job security issues.

Protecting the environment is tedious and never-ending. Now that I am a retired person with time on my hands and a hankering for power, I thought I'd try to find out what it is about the Yolano Group that makes these people stick it out year after year.

While I believe that the current Management Committee is doing a great job, - it looks suspicious when the ballot contains just four candidates and the instructions say "vote for 4".

For this reason, and because I actually have experience - having served on the Management Committees of both the Sierra Nevada Group and the Tuolumne Group, I am adding my name to the ballot. Now we can have true "choice" voting.

Bern Kreissman

Hi. I'm Bern Kreissman a candidate for the Management Committee of the Yolano Group. I have served the Club in a variety of elected positions, nationally, regionally, statewide, and locally for almost 30 years and I bring this wealth of experience and background to the deliberations of the Group. The fires of conservation burn fiercely in my breast though I bear the scars of the battles for the Desert Bill, Mono Lake, and wilderness designations. I believe that my experience in the Club, and as an environmental publisher will serve the Group well, and I solicit your vote. Thank you

Pam Nieberg

I am a long-time Sierra Club member and currently co-chair of the Yolano Group. I have been active for 25 years in efforts to protect open space and habitat and to fight sprawl.

Current activities include working with Dixon Citizens for Quality Growth opposing the Dixon Downs Race Track proposal, writing letters, and commenting on the EIR; working with other concerned citizens regarding proposals to build in or near the primary zone of the delta; participating in efforts to stop further development behind levees until those levees meet appropriate safety standards; working on the Covell Village proposal in efforts to reduce impacts and to conserve valuable farm land and habitat.

Other activities include serving on the Mother Lode Chapter Genetic Engineering Committee to implement Club policies regarding GMO's in the environment; worked with a coalition of the Sierra Club and other groups on a campaign encouraging adoption of strong regulations for large animal factories in Solano County. As a result, Solano County has adopted some of the strongest regulations in the state; participated in development of a restoration plan for Yolo County's Grasslands Park; working to protect and enhance habitat for Burrowing Owls in the county;

My goals are to see the local club take a more active roll in education, advocacy, and activism to ensure protection, preservation, and restoration of the environment and to broaden public participation in conservation issues. I would like the opportunity to continue to work toward these goals. I would appreciate your vote.

Ballot

These candidates are running for two-year terms on the Yolano Group Management Committee.

Vote for up to 4 candidates.

Use one column if you have a single membership or both columns for a joint membership.

Holly Bishop

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Ida Bryan

(or if you prefer, you may cut this ballot and mail it in an envelope.)

Carolyn Hinshaw

Ballots must be postmarked no later than Friday December 17, 2005.

Bern Kreissman

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Pam Nieberg

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Conaway Ranch Legacy Purchase The Real Facts

by Bob Schneider and Chad Roberts.

Scenic creeks, farmland, wildlife habitat, water resources, and a stunning open space area – all of these describe Conaway Ranch. But Conaway Ranch is not just scenic and environmentally valuable, it is also an essential passage needed to protect Davis and Woodland from destruction by floods. Conaway Ranch encompasses over 17,300 acres in and around the Yolo Bypass, just a few miles west of downtown Sacramento. Over 50,000-acre feet of surface water and groundwater rights go with the land. Conaway Ranch is home to snowy egrets, ducks, and hawks. The Ranch is generally located between I-80 and I-5, although part of the Ranch lies north of I-5 and includes the Cache Creek settling basin. Driving north from Davis on Pole Line and east on Route 27, the patient photographer can capture the nuances of ... a no trespassing sign!

Yolo County Supervisor Mariko Yamada wrote: “The public benefit resources of the ranch are numerous, far-reaching and absolutely vital to the future of Yolo County, including agricultural land, open space and essential water and flood control management rights. Given recent events, the importance of the latter point cannot be overstated.” Yamada and the Yolo County Board of Supervisors have moved to buy the ranch in order to preserve it for future generations.

A judge in Superior Court must soon decide whether Yolo County can use the eminent domain process to buy Conaway Ranch from an unwilling seller. The purchase of the Conaway Ranch property makes a lot of sense when the facts of the case are known. The present owners, Steve Gidaro and a group of fellow developers, are by no means long-time owners of the property. Gidaro bought Conaway Ranch a year ago in a closed-bidding sale. Legally, Yolo County was not allowed to participate in that closed process. Gidaro bought Conaway from Maryland-based National Energy & Gas Transmission (NEGT), a bankrupt successor of PG&E Properties.

Gidaro and his partners founded the green-sounding Conaway Preservation Group (CPG) to promote their interests, but by all of his actions, Gidaro's group is anything but green. Although a Maryland company owned Conaway, over the last twenty years Gidaro and his partners have done their best to pave Conaway and sell its water. In the early 1990s, when Gidaro (in a previous green-sounding development group called the “Conaway Conservancy Group”) contracted with the NEGT to develop the Ranch, he sold 64,524 acre-feet of Conaway's water to the state's Drought Water Bank for more than \$6.5 million. About 80 percent of this water went to Southern California and the Bay Area even though economically this hurt Yolo County. A study by the Water Education Foundation found that this sale of water forced Yolo farmland out of production, increased unemployment, and raised the county's social service costs.

When Gidaro's group holds its “a-steak-on-every-plate”

outreach campaigns and posts its websites, it likes to claim that it supports “wildlife-friendly” farming. This is hardly the case. In 1990, Gidaro's “conservancy group” unsuccessfully tried to convert 4,000 acres of Conaway land into residential and commercial lots, including a golf course. Had the City of Woodland not decided to grow in a different direction, the Conaway Ranch could well already be full of houses and business parks, rather than ranchland and habitat. Other developers in the group share similar histories and are responsible for thousands of development units throughout the region.

Over the last twenty years, every member of the supposed “Conaway Preservation Group” has fought local, county, and state officials in order to expand urban sprawl across the Sacramento Region an effort that has clearly paid off quite nicely for these developers. It is hard to believe that Gidaro and his crowd are interested in preserving anything but their development profits.

Recently Gidaro's group has abandoned its veiled criticism of the County and shown its ugly underside. CPG spokesmen Tovey Giezentanner stated in a recent Sacramento Bee article that a number of potential weapons could be used to thwart the County's actions, including a countywide ballot initiative, recall drives against supervisors, or contributions in 2006 supervisor's campaigns: “All options are on the table,” said Giezentanner.

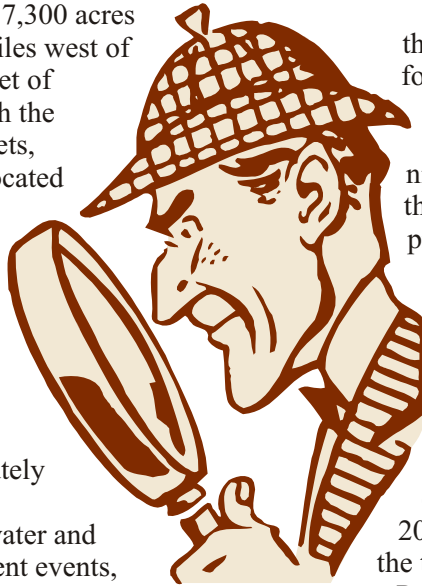
Perhaps the Conaway Preservation Group is under the misimpression that residents of Yolo County will simply roll over and watch as one of the County's greatest local treasures is converted, bit by bit, into new McMansions, Wal-Marts, apartment complexes, and car dealerships. The County's Conaway Ranch purchase is an important step in ensuring the long-term protection of agriculture, habitat, open space, and water in Yolo County. Yolo County residents support the long-term protection of Conaway Ranch and our other agricultural and environmental concerns, and County residents who share this vision support the County's actions for Conaway Ranch.

The Facts:

The Conaway Preservation Group - The “Preservation” Group was founded by developer Steven Gidaro to control and develop the Conaway Ranch property. Gidaro has been an officer, partner, or registered agent for more than two dozen real estate business entities in California. The Group includes several land developers and the Sierra Health Foundation. It bought Conaway Ranch from a bankrupt affiliate of PG&E for a reported \$60 million.

Gidaro's Conaway Development History - In 1989, PG&E Properties purchased Conaway Ranch for \$35 million. In 1990, under the name “Conaway Conservancy Group,” Gidaro and other investors secured a contract to develop Conaway Ranch.

The “Conaway Station Project” proposed golf courses, commercial development and single-family and multi-family residences on 4,000 acres of Conaway farmland. The Conaway Station Project failed when the City of Woodland decided to grow in another direction.



According to a promotional document seeking financial partners, "... [T]he financial aspects of 4,000 acres of development adjacent to the 2nd fastest growing city in California will...produce significant long term gains."

Gidaro's Sale of Yolo County Water - In 1991 and 1992, the Conaway Conservation Group sold more than \$6.5 million in water (64,524 acre feet, or more than 21 billion gallons) to the state's Drought Water Bank. In 1991, Conaway's water sale was 80 percent of the water sold out of Yolo County. In 1992, Conaway's sale was 46 percent of the water sold out of Yolo County. About 80 percent of the Drought Water Bank's sales went to Southern California and the Bay Area.

Additional Gidaro Information - Additional information about can be found at <http://www.gidaroelectionwatch.org/>. Gidaro is actively seeking to develop 3,500 homes in western Yolo County and a 424 acre, 1,500-home project adjacent to the City of Davis. (<Http://www.yolocounty.org/org/BOS/agendas/2005/040505/54.pdf>)

Other Conaway Development Group Members:

According to the Sacramento Business Journal (May 17th, 2005) Conaway Ranch was purchased by Steve Gidaro, John Reynen, Carl Panattoni, and Jack Sweigart. <Http://www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/stories/2005/05/16/daily15.html>

John Reynen - A partner in Reynen and Bardis, a homebuilder with projects in California and Nevada who is also working on the Placer Vineyards project (see below)

Carl Panattoni - Panattoni Construction, a western US commercial builder with plans to expand nationwide. More information can be found at <http://www.panconinc.com/about-1.html> and <http://www.panattoni.com/home.cfm>

They specialize in the sort of urban sprawl that Yolo County residents have indicated is not desirable in the county - miles and miles of office parks with freeway frontage.

Jack Sweigart - One of the founding partners of JTS Communities, a development and homebuilding company. See <http://www.jtscommunities.com>.

JTS has built over 10,000 houses in the Sacramento region. Right now JTS is working on a 20,000-home plan in Placer County called Placer Vineyards.

Tovey Giezentanner - As the spokesperson for Conaway, he states that the developers want to "preserve the ranch and make sure land and water is available for family farmers for generations to come."

Giezentanner was the spokesperson for Bickford ranch, an urban-sprawl development in Lincoln. As part of this development, the developers destroyed 10,000 blue oak trees and 960 acres of blue oak habitat on a 1,942-acre housing development. The developers razed the oak trees after the Sierra Club sued, so that getting an injunction was moot.

More information can be found at http://www.californiaoaks.org/html/oak_report_02-02.html and http://www.lincolnnewsmessenger.com/articles/2005/06/23/news/top_stories/25bickford.txt

Giezentanner has worked as a district director for Republican Doug Ose, and was the director of external affairs under Pete Wilson. Check <http://www.wilsonmillercom.com/bios/tgiezentanner.html>

Marko Mlikotin - Executive Director of the California Alliance for Private Property Rights. Mlikotin is the former Chief of Staff for conservative congressman and real estate developer Doug Ose. He's a spokesman for the California Healthy Foods Coalition, founded in June, 2005, which is an "Astroturf" front-group for agri-business trying to stop regulations on genetically modified crops. (<http://www.cawomen4ag.com/id36.html>) His firm was paid about \$22,000 for working on two Schwarzenegger committees in 2004. (<Http://www.dcnavigators.com/downloads/Consultant%20Army%20Aids%20Governor.pdf>)

The California Alliance for Private Property Rights seeks to protect wealthy and politically-connected developers from the legitimate activities of duly-elected representatives to protect Yolo County's natural resources. This is a corporate-funded public relations group that seeks to undermine local government land-use controls for the benefit of wealthy developers.

(Research for this article was conducted by Tuleyome and portions of the article are taken from the Yolo County webpage on the Conaway Ranch issue. Additional information can be found at <http://www.yolocounty.org/conaway>.) ☒

Governor Signs Wild & Scenic Bill To Protect Cache Creek

California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed legislation on October 6, 2005 adding 31 miles of Cache Creek in Yolo and Lake Counties to the California Wild & Scenic Rivers System. The Governor signed it with several other environmental bills, noting that "Protecting our environment and preserving California's natural beauty for future generations is a top priority for my administration." Cache Creek Wild, the Sierra Club Yolano Group, Friends of the River and other conservation organizations applauded the Governor's signature on what turned out to be one of the most important environmental bills in 2005 session of the California Legislature. Assemblymember Wolk deserves thanks for

introducing the bill, meeting with all concerned parties to address key issues, and for persevering against unreasonable opposition to fulfill her promise to protect Cache Creek.

Bob Schneider of Cache Creek Wild stated, "We are ecstatic. State wide recognition for the wild and scenic



values of Cache Creek is truly awesome. My thanks go out to the many volunteers that worked on this campaign and to the political leadership shown by Assemblymember Wolk and others that made this happen.”

According to Steve Evans, Conservation Director of Friends of the River, “Assemblymember Wolk and the bill's supporters worked hard to address the interests of all who depend on this vital resource. It was a collaborative and bi-partisan effort, and we commend Governor Schwarzenegger on his action to preserve one of California's most spectacular wild places.”

Introduced by Assemblymember Lois Wolk (D-Davis) in February 2005, the Cache Creek Wild & Scenic River bill (AB 1328) weathered an often stormy legislative process to achieve bi-partisan support in the California Legislature. The key to its passage was tremendous public support. The bill was ultimately endorsed by the Lake and Yolo County Boards of Supervisors, the cities of West Sacramento and Davis, the Woodland Chamber of Commerce, the Los Angeles Times, the Woodland Daily Democrat, Whitewater Adventures, numerous local businesses, dozens of scientists and university professors, and a long list of conservation and recreation organizations.

Amendments adopted in the Assembly to address water rights issues eliminated the opposition of the City of Woodland, the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the Association of California Water Agencies. But Assemblymember Doug La Malfa and a handful of anti-environmental Republicans in the Assembly, along with the Yolo and California Farm Bureaus, continued to oppose the bill.

Despite the opposition, AB 1328 garnered bi-partisan support in both the Assembly and the Senate. All other Legislators who represent portions of Cache Creek supported the bill, including Senator Mike Machado (D-Linden), Senator Wes Chesbro (D-Arcata), and Assemblymember Patty Berg (D-Eureka). Notable Republican supporters of the bill included Senator Abel Maldonado (R-Santa Maria) and Assemblymembers Tom Harmon (R-Huntington Beach) and Keith Richman (R-Northridge). The California Chapter of Republicans for Environmental Protection (REP) also endorsed the bill. In their support letter to the Governor, REP noted that Republican Senator Peter Behr and Republican Governor Ronald Reagan established the original California Wild & Scenic Rivers System in 1972.

Cache Creek is perhaps best known as one of the most popular recreational streams near Sacramento and the Bay Area. It offers a class II whitewater experience for kayaks and small rafts, as well as an opportunity for locals to camp, picnic, wade, fish, and generally escape the Sacramento Valley's summer heat. A series of Yolo County parks line the lower portion of the designated segment, while the upper segment flows through federal lands proposed for wilderness designation in legislation currently pending in Congress. The rich habitat along the creek supports some of the largest populations of bald eagle and tule elk in the state, along with more than 150 songbirds. The oak woodlands, savanna, and chaparral through which the creek flows, contrasts sharply with dramatic sedimentary rock formations that have been upended and folded by tectonic movement.

No dam building plans were active on Cache Creek, but

former versions of the California Water Plan had identified numerous potential dam sites on the creek. Although many AB 1328 opponents professed to be uninterested in building dams on the creek, others indicated a desire to retain the option to build future dams. Designation as a California Wild & Scenic River ensures that no dams will be built on the 31 miles of the creek added to the system. Designation will not affect the operation of upstream and downstream water projects, private property and farming along the creek, mercury pollution remediation, or the management of non-native vegetation all issues originally raised by the bill's opponents.

Thank those who made Cache Creek Wild & Scenic a reality!

Write to these key supporters of AB 1328 and thank them for supporting the Cache Creek Wild & Scenic River designation (all addresses are State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814):

- ✍ Arnold Schwarzenegger: visit www.govmail.ca.gov
- ✍ Lois Wolk: assemblymember.wolk@assembly.ca.gov
- ✍ Patty Berg: assemblymember.berg@assembly.ca.gov
- ✍ Tom Harmon: assemblymember.harmon@assembly.ca.gov
- ✍ Keith Richman:
assemblymember.richman@assembly.ca.gov
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- ✍ Wes Chesbro: senator.chesbro@sen.ca.gov
- ✍ Abel Maldonado: senator.maldonado@sen.ca.gov ✉

Sierra Club Outings

Led by local leaders

Nov. 16, Wed. Tour

Charles Schulze Museum, Santa Rosa.

We will make a leisurely day trip. Meet at Market Place Shopping Mall Park & Ride, I-80 at Truxel at 9:00 a.m.; at Mace Park & Ride in Davis at 9:30. Admission to the Museum is \$5.00 for Seniors; lunch at Warm Puppy Cafe nearby or picnic tables are available. Reservations required, **call by Nov. 10. Leader, Estelle Miller (916) 925-0700, Co-leader Sue Barnette (530) 753-5855**



Nov. 26, Sat. Day Hike (1A) (Seniors)

American River Parkway. Enjoy salmon spawning and post-Thanksgiving exercise. Hike about 3-5 easy miles, depending on group. Bring lunch, water and wind protection, and binoculars (optional). In Davis, meet at 9:15 a.m. at the Park and Ride, Mace exit off I-80. In Sacramento area, meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Nimbus Fish Hatchery Parking Lot (2001 Nimbus Road, Gold River-Hazel Ave. exit off Hwy. 50.) **Leaders, Lin and Peter Lindert, (530) 758-6418 or llindert@sbcglobal.net.** Hard rain cancels.

Other Outings

The Yolano Group is part of the Mother Lode Chapter. To find out about other Sierra Club outings, find them listed at: www.motherlode.sierraclub.org/ and click on “outings”. There are outings for people of all ages and at all levels, including hiking, backpacking, kayaking, paddle trips, etc.

Yolano Group Management Committee

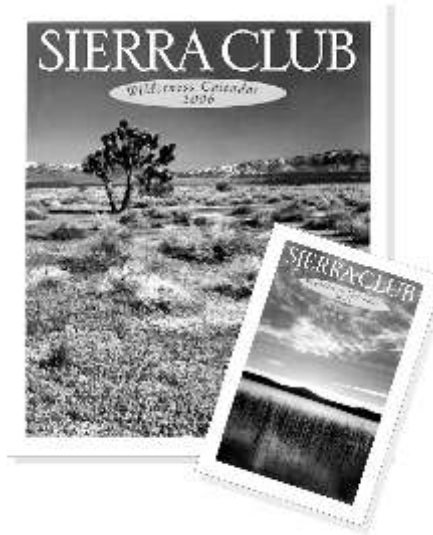
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- ⊗ Bern Kreissman; bkreissman@ucdavis.edu; 530-756-2328
- ⊗ Don Mooney; dbmooney@dcn.davis.ca.us; 530-758-5433
- ⊗ Marc Vayssières; marc@dcn.davis.ca.us; 530-758-3969

The Management Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month. The public is invited to the meetings. Watch for announcements in the Enterprise for location or you can call Pam at 530-756-6856 for information or to get on our email list.

- ⊗ Treasurer: Marc Vayssières
- ⊗ Secretary: Pam Nieberg
- ⊗ Newsletter editor and webmaster: Marc Vayssières
- ⊗ Flame Distribution and membership: Ida Bryan; 530-758-1807

<http://motherlode.sierraclub.org/Yolano/>

Sierra Club 2005 Calendar Sales



Beginning on Saturday November 12, Sierra Club calendars will be for sale at the Davis Farmers Market and sales will take place every Saturday morning through January 7, weather permitting.

Two calendars will be available; the engagement calendar and the very popular wilderness wall calendar. We offer substantial discounts over bookstore prices and are happy to make home delivery in Yolo County to people who are not Farmers Market shoppers or need a large number of calendars.

This year we'll also be selling Sierra Club holiday greeting cards and we hope this will be as successful a fundraiser as our calendar sales have always been.

We need volunteers to assist at our Farmers Market table on Saturday mornings. First time volunteers receive a free calendar. If you'd like to help, please call Ida at 530-758-1807.

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