

February 2008 INTERPRETIVE SCHEDULE



ARCHAEOLOGY WEEKEND Anza-Borrego Desert State Park Visitor Center Borrego Springs, California February 2-3, 2008

This will be one action and information packed weekend - a celebration of 75 years of archaeology in the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. There will be field trips, displays, activities for kids, lectures, tours, basket weaving and pottery demonstrations, a free ice cream social and even a silent auction. And on Saturday night there will be a special campfire event with Native American story telling and gourd singing.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, February 2, 2008

Saturday Events

- 9-4:30** Silent Auction at the Begole Archaeological Research Center. Bidding closes at 4:30 pm. Winning bids announced at 5:00 pm. (Winners need not be present)
- 9-2** Kids Activity Area. Fun Table, Archaeological dig, arts & crafts, poster contest, & scavenger hunt.
- 9-10** Desert Cacti and their uses by Native Americans. By: Don Rideout.
- 9-4** Native American basket weaving, and pottery making demonstrations, including pit-firing of pottery. Craft items will be for sale.
- 9:30-4** Walking tours to the Archaeology and Paleontology Labs. Groups depart from Visitor Center front door approximately every half hour.
- 12-1** Native American uses of desert plants. By: Abby Barker.
- 3-5:30** Free Ice Cream Social, with announcement of silent auction winning bids at 5:00. Begole Archaeological Research Center.
- 7-8:30pm** Campfire event at Palm Canyon Amphitheater with Native American storytelling and gourd singers.

Saturday Lectures

- 10-11** 75 years of Colorado Desert District Archaeology. Introduction: Sue Wade, Joan Schneider
- 11-12** Ceramic Research in Anza-Borrego. By: Margie Burton and Patrick Quinn (Begole Grant recipients)
- 1-2** The early work of D.L. True in the Park during the 1950s. By: Suzanne Griset, Claude Warren
- 2-3** Who's Who of State Parks Archaeologists in the Colorado Desert District. Moderated by: Sue Wade.
- 3-4:30** Round Table Discussion. History of Archaeology in the Park. Panelists include: Dr. Timothy Gross, Dr. John Hildebrand, Dr. Suzanne Griset, Dr. Meg McDonald and Robert Begole.

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Saturday Field Trips

9-11:30 Box Canyon - Offers vivid examples of the hardships faced by many overland travelers. This easy walk yields evidence of road building and views of wagon road scars dating to the 1840s. By: Chris Wray

11:30-12 Agave Roasting Pits (Continuation of Box Canyon field trip) This optional trip will take participants to agave roasting pits a short distance away. By: Hank Barber and Sam Webb

1-3 Interpretive walk through Morteros. Discover the hidden archaeological secrets of the Morteros prehistoric village site on this 1 mile hike. View Native American rock art, mortars, and cupules. Learn how Kumeyaay Indians used this area to harvest and process agave. By: Astrid and Sam Webb.

(Note: All field trips require pre-registration and payment. For reservations call ABF&I at 760/767-4063. During Archaeology Weekend, check for last-minute field trip availability at the ABF&I table in front of the Visitor's Center)

Sunday, February 3, 2008

Sunday Events

9-12 Kids Activity Area. Fun table, archaeology dig, arts and crafts.

9-3 Native American basket weaving, and pottery making demonstrations, including pit-firing of pottery. Craft items will be for sale.

9:30-2 Walking tours to Archaeology and Paleontology Labs. Depart from Visitor Center doors every ½ hr

10-2 Display of desert plants that Native Americans for food, clothing, & medicine. By: Marge Hatcher.

Sunday Lectures

10-11 75 years of District Archaeology. Introduction: Sue Wade, Joan Schneider.

11-12 Cultural History of Sentenac Cienega. By: Rae Schwaderer

1-2 Faunal Analysis, Methods and Results of Historical and Prehistoric Research in the Anza-Borrego Desert. By: Susan Arter.

2-3 Early work of William and Edith Wallace in southern part of the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. (Includes short film) By: Joan Schneider and Meg McDonald

Sunday Field Trips

9-12 In the 1930, the Civilian Conservation Corps built the infrastructure in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. Learn about the CCC and visit their work on this driving and walking tour of Green Valley and Paso Picacho Camp Grounds. By: Sue Wade, Colorado Desert Archaeologist.

8:30-12 The Bombing of Clark Dry Lake during World War Two. Primarily a driving tour to visit these sites and learn their history. By: Fred Jee, Supervising Park Ranger.

9-12 Hike to Clark Valley Petroglyphs – Moderate 3-mile hike to early Cahuilla petroglyphs. By: Chuck and Mary Bennett.

For further information call: ABF&I at: 760.767.4063

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11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour -

1 Hour

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Sunday, February 3, 2008

8:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon

3.5 Hours

Volunteer naturalist Toni Alexander will be roaming the Borrego Palm Canyon Trail searching for bighorn sheep and other interesting features along the trail. Look for her as you hike to the palm oasis. This is not a guided hike.

Monday, February 4, 2008

9:00 a.m. - Hike – South Palm Wash

3 Hours

Join Volunteer Naturalists Paul Larson and Mary Ekelund for a hike up a wash, then into a beautiful slot canyon up to a 20-25 foot dry waterfall. There is a rockfall about 100 meters before the waterfall that can be negotiated by those who choose. Meet at the overlook at mile marker 38 on S22 (at the phone call box near the Calcite Mine) for this moderate 4-mile hike.

Wednesday, February 6, 2008

11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour

1 Hour

Join Ranger Jennifer at 11:00 a.m. at Paroli's home site, where the past, present, and hopeful future of that resource will be interpreted. These programs are being conducted to help honor the 75th Anniversary of Anza Borrego Desert State Park. From Montezuma Grade, turn left on Culp Valley Rd. near mile marker 10.5 and drive about one mile. The site will be on your left.

Thursday, February 7, 2008

10:00 a.m. - Talk ♿ - Those Rambunctious Ravens!

45 Minutes

Can you tell Ravens from Crows? Do you believe the myths and poems about Ravens? Come hear Volunteer Naturalist Joan Rosen give an outdoor presentation in the Plaza about our Borrego Ravens and their lively times.

11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour

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Join Ranger Don at 11:00 a.m. at Bailey's cabin, where the past, present, and hopeful future of that resource will be interpreted. These programs are being conducted to help honor the 75th Anniversary of Anza Borrego Desert State Park. A 4x4 vehicle is required for this program.

2:00 p.m. – Talk ♿ - Our Ever Changing Desert

45 Minutes

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Saturday, February 9, 2008

- 8:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3.5 Hours**
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- 10:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour** **1 Hour**
Join Ranger Steve at 10:00 a.m. at Palm Springs, where the past, present, and hopeful future of that resource will be interpreted. These programs are being conducted to help honor the 75th Anniversary of Anza Borrego Desert State Park..
- 10:00 a.m. - Junior Rangers** **45 Minutes**
Special program for children ages 7-12. Discover secrets of the desert environment. Sign up at the Visitor Center as space is limited
- 10:00 a.m. – Walk - ♿ - Hardy Desert Survivors** **45 Minutes**
Join Naturalist Abby Barker as she introduces you to some unique and amazing hardy desert survivors in the garden, the desert plants. This is an easy walk around the visitor center garden.
- 12:00 p.m. – Tailgate Tour** **1 Hour**
Join Ranger Kelly at 12:00 p.m. at the Borrego Springs Airport, where the past, present, and hopeful future of that resource will be interpreted. These programs are being conducted to help honor the 75th Anniversary of Anza Borrego Desert State Park..
- 1:00 p.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
Volunteer Naturalist Paul Larson will be roaming the Borrego Palm Canyon Trail searching for bighorn sheep and other interesting features along the trail. Look for her as you hike to the palm oasis. This is not a guided hike.
- 2:00 p.m. – Talk ♿ - Our Ever Changing Desert** **45 Minutes**
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- 7:30 p.m. - ♿ Campfire Bats of Borrego and Beyond** **1 Hour**
Bats are in the air, everywhere! Find out why these mysterious night flyers are Disappearing and how you can help protect them. Meet Ranger Jeri Zemon at the Borrego Palm Canyon Campfire center.

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Sunday, February 10, 2008

- 8:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
Volunteer naturalist Joe Hopkins will be roaming the Borrego Palm Canyon Trail searching for bighorn sheep and other interesting features along the trail. Look for him as you hike to the palm oasis. As an experienced naturalist, he can answer many of your questions about the park. If bighorn are about, he is sure to find them! This is not a guided hike.
- 9:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
Volunteer Naturalist Bonnie Loizos will be roaming the Borrego Palm Canyon Trail searching for bighorn sheep and other interesting features along the trail. Look for her as you hike to the palm oasis. This is not a guided hike.
- 11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour** **1 Hour**
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- 11:00 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - Behind that Pretty Face is a Stealthful Killer** **1 Hour**
The long-eared owl has several unique adaptations for survival. Join Volunteer Naturalist Beth Shugan and discover what makes this owl such a stealthy hunter.
- 12:00 p.m. - Talk ♿ - Home Sweet Home** **1 Hour**
Join Park Interpreter Scott Kraynak as we talk about how our amazing plants and animals have been able to turn a hot, dry, barren, rocky desert into "Home Sweet Home." We will meet outside the visitor center and stroll through the garden, then go inside to talk about the animals.

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Wednesday, February 13, 2008

9:00 a.m. – Hike - Badlands Bench with a View

2 Hours

Join Volunteer Naturalists Paul Larson and Mary Ekelund for a moderate 2 ½ mile hike up a badlands wash to a memorial bench with a marvelous view. Learn about some interesting plants and geological features along the way. Meet at the intersection of Inspiration Wash and S-22 by driving east on S-22 past mile marker 28 for 1/2 miles.

10:00 a.m. - Talk ♿ - Ok, Now What Do We Do?

1 Hour

Whether you are a first time visitor or one who has not had the opportunity to visit sections of the park, join volunteer interpretive guide Ron Shugan for a slide show presentation meant to provide an overview of the many activities and sights of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. This series of slides will make you want to get out and visit some of the many wonders of California's largest state park. Meet in the visitor center discovery lab.

1:00 p.m. –Walk ♿ - Desert Scents

1 Hour

Enjoy an easy stroll through the visitor center garden with volunteer naturalist Ingrid Coffin. Use your senses on this plant exploration program that meets at the visitor center entrance.

Thursday, February 14, 2008

10:00 a.m. -Talk ♿ - Those Rambunctious Ravens!

45 Minutes

Can you tell Ravens from Crows? Do you believe the myths and poems about Ravens? Come hear Volunteer Naturalist Joan Rosen give an outdoor presentation in the Plaza about our Borrego Ravens and their lively times.

11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour -

1 Hour

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Saturday, February 16, 2008

- 8:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
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- 10:00 a.m. - Junior Rangers** **45 Minutes**
Special program for children ages 7-12. Discover secrets of the desert environment. Sign up at the Visitor Center as space is limited.
- 10:00 a.m. – Talk ♿ - Desert Safety** **45 Minutes**
Ever wonder what to do if you get stranded out in the desert? Join Volunteer Naturalist Bill Barker as he gives great safety tips and real life adventure stories about being out in the desert on foot or in your car.
- 11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour** **1 Hour**
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- 2:00 p.m. – Talk - ♿ - Desert Drug Store** **1 Hour**
Join naturalist Abby Barker to discover the Native American drugstore, the creosote bush. Meet in the Visitor Center Discovery Lab.
- 7:30 p.m. – Campfire Talk ♿ - The Carrizo Railroad** **1 Hour**
Enjoy an armchair hike to visit the historic railroad and its present reconstruction effort. Meet volunteer naturalist Ron Shugan at the Borrego Palm Canyon Campfire center.

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Sunday, February 17, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
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- 11:00 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - Behind that Pretty Face is a Stealthful Killer** **1 Hour**
The long-eared owl has several unique adaptations for survival. Join Volunteer Naturalist Beth Shugan and discover what makes this owl such a stealthy hunter.
- 11:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour -** **30 Minutes**
Tamarisk Grove played an unusual role in the opening of the West and the history of Anza-Borrego. Find out about the story behind the scenery of this area through old photos. Meet Ranger Jeri Zemon at the Day Use tables at Tamarisk Grove Campground for a 30 minute talk. Bring a camp chair if you have one.
- 1:00 p.m. – Talk ♿ - Our Ever Changing Desert** **45 Minutes**
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Monday, February 18, 2008

- 10:00 a.m. - Talk ♿ - Ok, Now What Do We Do?** **1 Hour**
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Wednesday, February 20, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. – Hike – Mine Wash Vista** **3 Hours**
Join Volunteer Naturalists Mary Ekelund and Paul Larson on a drive back into mine wash where we will continue on foot for a 4 mile round trip hike with ever-changing sights around each bend. We will need to climb a couple 4-foot dry waterfalls on our way to a spectacular view of Shelter Valley. Be sure to bring the usual water, hat, and sturdy footwear. Meet at the beginning of Mine Wash Road, 2.7 miles east of the Tamarisk Grove intersection on Highway 78.

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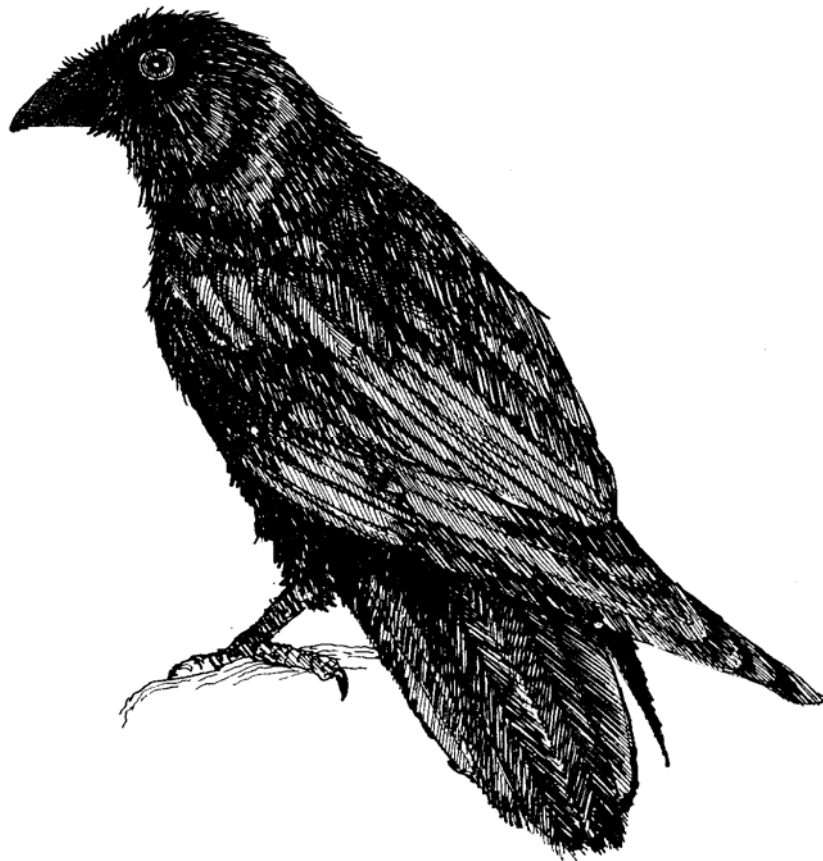


Thursday, February 21, 2008

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Saturday, February 23, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
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- 10:00 a.m. – Tailgate Tour** **1 Hour**
Join Ranger Steve at 10:00 a.m. at Palm Springs, where the past, present, and hopeful future of that resource will be interpreted. These programs are being conducted to help honor the 75th Anniversary of Anza Borrego Desert State Park..
- 10:00 a.m. - Junior Rangers** **45 minutes**
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- 10:00 a.m. – Talk ♿ - Desert Safety** **45 Minutes**
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- 11:00 a.m. – Hike – Discovering the Archeological History of the Morteros** **2 Hours**
Discover the hidden secrets of an ancient Native American village site. Join Volunteer Archeologist and Naturalist Sam Webb to explore both rock art and historic milling features. This 1.5 mile hike is over uneven terrain. Be sure to bring the usual water, hat, and sturdy footwear. Meet at the Morteros trailhead in Blair Valley, 3 miles off Highway S-2.
- 11:30 a.m. – Book Signing** **3 Hours**
Photographer Ernie Cowan will be signing his new book “Anza Borrego – A Photographic Journey” in the visitor center lobby.
- 1:00 p.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon** **3 Hours**
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- 2:00 p.m. – Walk - ♿ - Hardy Desert Survivors** **45 Minutes**
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- 7:30 p.m. - Campfire Talk - “Boulders, Palm trees and Water, Oh MY!”** **1 Hour**
What happens when a 16 foot wall of water comes pouring out of Borrego Palm Canyon? Join Ranger Jennifer Rodriguez at the Borrego Palm Canyon Campfire center as she tells all.

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Sunday, February 24, 2008

7:30 a.m. – Talk - The Borrego Hawk Watch Experience

1 Hour

Discover the hawk watch phenomenon with Volunteer Naturalist and hawk watcher Joe Hopkins. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole to caravan out to the site, observe hawk watchers on duty, and we hope, see migrating raptors. Bring binoculars, water, snacks, and appropriate clothing.

8:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon

3 Hours

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9:00 a.m. – Hike – Voices, Visions, and Views of Alcoholic Pass

3 Hours

Hike Alcoholic Pass! Experience and discover the prehistory, history, and present day journey of those who have used this trail for food, water, work, and fun. This is a 3 hour excursion into the pass. Meet at the Alcoholic Pass Trailhead 2 ½ miles past the end of the blacktop on DiGiorgio Road. This is a strenuous but relatively short hike, bring water, snacks and wear hiking boots.

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11:00 a.m. – Talk ♿ - Bats - Myths and Marvels

1 Hour

Join volunteer naturalist Norma Decker at the visitor center discovery lab for this intimate look at the wonders of bats.

2:00 p.m. – Talk ♿ - Our Ever Changing Desert

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Wednesday, February 27, 2008

9:00 a.m. - Hike - Earthquake Valley Panorama

3 Hours

Join Volunteer Naturalists, Paul Larson and Mary Ekelund, for a moderate 4 mile hike up Plum Canyon to an overlook high over Earthquake Valley. Discover some interesting plants and geological features along the way. Meet at the entrance to Plum Canyon off Highway 78.

10:00 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - Behind that Pretty Face is a Stealthful Killer

1 Hour

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