Earth Day Volunteer Event at Castle Rock

This Earth Day, about 50 volunteers gathered at Castle Rock State Park to replace the fire rings, groom trails, power wash the buildings, and generally refurbish the trail camp. (The fire rings in particular may last for generations!)

For more, visit:
http://www.portolaandcastlerockfound.org/earth-day-2018-camp-refurbishment/

PCRF Endorses Yes on Prop. 68 for Safe Parks and Clean Water

We are proud to support Yes on 68 as it takes a smart and efficient approach to protecting California’s natural resources.

Click here for more information about Proposition 68.

PCRF Members and Volunteers
Appreciation Day
May 19, 2018

The Portola and Castle Rock Foundation are hosting their annual Member and Volunteer Appreciation Event on Saturday May 19th. We greatly appreciate the donations of both time and money you make to help the Portola and Castle Rock Foundation fulfill its mission to *Inspire the Protection of Castle Rock and Portola Redwoods State Parks Through Quality Educational Experiences and Infrastructure Improvements.* For more information and sign up - see: [http://www.portolaandcastlerockfound.org/pcrf-members-and-volunteers-appreciation-day-may-19-2018/](http://www.portolaandcastlerockfound.org/pcrf-members-and-volunteers-appreciation-day-may-19-2018/)

Directions to the Partridge Interpretive Shelter

The entrance to the Partridge Farm is on Skyline Blvd. about 2 1/2 miles east of Saratoga Gap, about 1/4 mile from the Castle Rock main Parking lot. There will be sign on Skyline identifying the entrance and signs on the interior road to the Interpretive shelter.

![Map of Castle Rock State Park](image)

Parks and Partners Activities

California State Parks
Portola Redwoods State Park is open for camping
Campers and visitors will enjoy visiting the PCRF Store in the Visitors center. Camping supplies, nature books, souvenirs and convenience items are available.

Registration for California State Parks Backpacking Adventure is open!
Phone: (831) 335-1743
Email: Backpacking@parks.ca.gov

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Save the Redwoods League’s Centennial Events
Reading the Redwoods, a free, online contest for kids in grades K-5 (through 5/10), Earth Day SF 4/21, Free Second Saturdays at Redwood State Parks all year long, and more. [https://www.savethere_redwoods.org/100-years/centennial-events/](https://www.savethere_redwoods.org/100-years/centennial-events/)

Sempervirens Fund
The Fund has opened a new website dedicated to celebrating Castle Rock State Park’s 50th anniversary. Site includes video of the new ethnobotanical garden that is being planted at the new Kirkwood Entrance along with historical pictures of the park. The public celebration will take place on 9/28. For details visit: [https://www.castlerock50.com/](https://www.castlerock50.com/)

*The Life and Times of Castle Rock State Park with Miles Standish*
Special Lecture by **PCRF Director Miles Standish** on May 30th at the REI San Jose Store meeting room - go to:

Peninsula Open Spaces Trust
POST sponsors various activities in the many open space reserves. [https://openspacetrust.org/get-involved/](https://openspacetrust.org/get-involved/)
Senior Manager Jennifer Koeckc - Describes local impact of Prop. 68 - [What Need to know about Prop. 68](https://openspacetrust.org/blog/prop-68/)

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REI Classes

REI holds climbing and outdoor classes in both Castle Rock and Portola Redwoods State Park. [For current classes, visit REI.com](https://www.rei.com).
Spring rains have brought the spring wild flowers to the Parks. Are you eager to get outside and see some early signs of Spring in our local mountains? Not sure where to hike? Become a member of Portola Castle Rock Foundation today and we will provide you with free detailed hiking maps of both Portola Redwoods and Castle Rock State parks. Other Membership benefits include a 20% discount at Portola Redwoods Visitor Center Store, free docent led hikes and special events and invitation to our annual membership appreciation event. Click here to learn more: http://www.portolaandcastlerockfound.org/become-a-member/

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