

Save Our Trails!



Promoting trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all

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Board Meeting

Caffe Frascati

315 South First Street; San Jose 95113

April 21, 2014 - 5:15 p.m.

DRAFT AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

Welcome to visitors.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Approval of the minutes of March 17 and March 24, 2014

NEW ISSUES

1. Issues to raise at the Mayoral Candidates' Forum -- Bill
2. Focus on Partner groups. Who are our partner organizations? Mary-Ellen will present information from our Twitter and Facebook outreach programs.
3. What can we do to promote rangers for parks and trails in San Jose? See Addendum A.
4. Grants from California Trails and Greenways Foundation. See <http://www.ctgf.org/grants/>. Grant applications posted May 1, 2014, due Sept 30, 2014. -- Bill

Addendum A

Info from Jean Dresden ~April 4 2014.

Two of the rangers' positions are scheduled to come to an end on June 30th. LG Creek and Guadalupe River clean-ups are dependent on the availability of ranger staff to attend/coordinate. Parks Dept has asked for money from the City Manager to keep those positions. When can we make a difference:

- 1) Now. Write a letter to the city manager. Ed.Shikada@sanjoseca.gov. He is preparing a recommended budget that will go to the City Council at the end of April.
- 2) Mid-April to mid-May. Send letters to Council Members and meet with them about your program. Mention the importance of rangers.
- 3) Mid-May to June. City conducts budget meetings in council districts. Talk about the importance of rangers to your program.
- 4) May/June Budget Hearings at City Hall. When a calendar gets posted, the parks dept will have a day. Testify or write another letter in favor of park rangers.