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GLENN BAILEY, EDITOR

A Beautiful Slide Presentation and Informative Talk
on the Unique Santa Susana Mountains and Simi Hills

DATE: Monday, March 20 TIME: 8:00 pm

PLACE: Glendale Federal Community Room
21821 Devonshire St. Chatsworth
(just east of Topanga Cyn. Blvd.)

Join us at the monthly general membership meeting of the Santa Susana Mountain Park Association for this special program. If you haven't seen it before you should be sure not to miss this meeting. Your friends and neighbors will also appreciate your letting them know about the presentation and inviting them!

The agenda will also include reports, updates and discussion on several important news items including:

- * State Park Progress--How Much, How Soon?
- * Status of Nichols Acquisition--It's Ours!
- * Chatsworth Park South--A No-Win Situation?

Refreshments will be served. The new SSMPA T-Shirts will also be sold--the perfect Easter gift for all the members of your family!!! Nominations for new officers will also be conducted.

SSMPA meetings are held the third Monday of every month at the above time and location. They are always open to all interested persons. Please mark your calendar today for our next meetings: April 17, May 15, June 19.

(T E A R - O F F) Jan Hinkston 998-7231 *Founder*
Pearl Turbush 345-1102 *Pres.*

Dear Friends:

Your support is needed now more than ever. If you are not currently a member of SSMPA, how about joining today? If you are a member, please check the mailing label to determine when your membership expires. (No date indicates complimentary copy--please join!)

Your involvement is also needed. Do you have a few hours a month to volunteer toward our efforts?

PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU TODAY OR AT OUR MARCH 20 MEETING!

NAME(S) _____ TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

Yes, I would like to volunteer a few hours a month to help make the mountain park a reality. My special interests:

ANNUAL DUES: Individual \$5.00 Business or Organization \$10.00
Family \$7.00 Student or Senior Citizen \$3.00

PLEASE SEND TEAR-OFF WITH CHECK TO: SSMPA, P.O. Box 831, Chatsworth 91311

We would like to send complimentary information to people you think may be interested in our organization. Please print their names and addresses below. (Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

Names _____

Addresses _____

City, Zip _____

STATE PARK FUNDS MAY BE AVAILABLE IN JULY, IF....

The California State Department of Parks and Recreation has requested, and Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. has approved, funds for the purchase of the McDonald-Nichols and adjacent properties to the north in its next budget.

According to information received from Department Director Russell W. Cahill, the request for the 1978-79 budget includes funds for the purchase of the Nichols, Transcontinental and Retz properties (all in the area between the Santa Susana Pass Rd. and the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks). If the legislature grants the Department's request, funds for acquisition would be available in July 1978.

In addition to this pending action, the Legislature passed a bill which was signed in September by Gov. Brown providing \$2.5 million for early acquisition of the 480-acre Brandeis property. The property, also known as the Open Diamond Bar Ranch, is located generally north of the Simi Valley Freeway and east of the Ventura-Los Angeles County boundary.

Cahill indicated that if the Department could identify a funding source, they would budget for the balance of the lands needed to assure preservation of the Old Stagecoach Trail in the 1979-80 fiscal year.

Letters supporting this budget request and urging the timely purchase of the Nichols, Transcontinental and Retz properties as well as the historic stagecoach trail should be sent to:

Your State Assemblyman & Senator
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr.
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Parks and Recreation Commission
1416 Ninth St. 14th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Please send us copies of any letters you receive in response. Thanks!

VALLEY CIRCLE PROPOSAL TO BE HEARD

The Los Angeles City Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing at 10:15 am on Thursday, March 23, 1978 at the Van Nuys Woman's Club, 14836 Sylvan St. in Van Nuys on an ordinance that would create a Valley Circle Blvd-Plummer St. Scenic Corridor.

The proposal would set forth width, improvement standards and guidelines for development within a 1500-foot corridor on both sides of Valley Circle Blvd. and Plummer St. from Roscoe Blvd. to Topanga Cyn. Blvd.

SSMPA supports the Scenic Corridor proposal and will speak in favor at the hearing on Thursday.

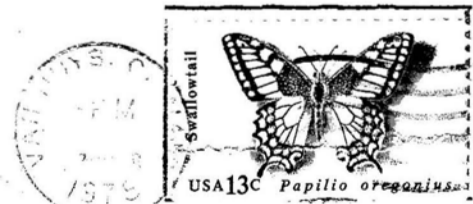
NEW L.A. COUNTY GENERAL PLAN TO BE REVIEWED FRIDAY

A special meeting to review in detail the new proposed L.A. County General Plan has been slated for 10 am Friday, March 24 at the West L.A. County Resource Conservation District office, Room 108-B, 6950 Hayvenhurst Ave. in Van Nuys.

The working meeting will especially emphasize the Santa Susana Mountain area in planning for proper land use controls. If you are interested or have special knowledge in this area, please attend. Call Glenn Bailey 344-5366 for reservations so we know to expect you.

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