



Least Bell's Vireo's Voice

Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates Newsletter

October 2019

An Unusual View



A true relief –seeker in one of our late hot days. It maintained its position in that cool bath in spite of our proximity, until it decided having witnesses to one's bath was perhaps diminishing to one's reputation for coolness. (Identify it and win the November newsletter free of charge.)

This month:

October 5. 8:00 am. Docent Training: Birding with Mickey Long followed by presentation.

October 12. 8:00 am. Nature walk. Docent led.

October 19. 8:00 am. Short Nature Walk. Docent led.

ALSO: 9:00 am. Docent Training: History of Whittier Narrows with Paul Spitzeri.

October 26. 8:00 am. Nature walk. Docent led.

ALSO: Docent Training: Herpetology with Andrew Lauros.

Web site access:

WNNCA.org

Our email: wnnca@att.net



Ranger Raccoon's

Recycling

Rally

Last Sunday
Of
Every Month
10am—2pm

NCA Annual Volunteer Awards

Eaton Canyon Nature Center



Grace— 20 years + as a guiding force for WNNCA. posing here with NCA President and our own WNNCA President.



Ed is recognized for 20years of sharing his expertise in birds and all natural aspects of the Whittier Narrows area, although unofficially is a lot longer than that.



Lou and Socorro also recognized for 15 years of untiring service in different capacities. After being President, Lou is serving as Parliamentarian, and Socorro is the heart of our gift shop and public relations.



Below, Mireya is proudly receiving a certificate for Outstanding Volunteer .



FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE SEA

Long Beach aquarium on wheels



Children and adults were mesmerized by the marine life in front of their eyes.



They visited four times and are scheduled for more visits next year.



Besides the oceanic displays, the WNNC offered other activities, including free books for children.



A HONEY EXTRACTION DEMONSTRATION



Bill, our resident bee-keeper, is giving a demonstration of the honey extraction process he uses. His knowledge and obvious love of bees kept us captivated. Bees are not only absolutely amazing but essential for human survival.



**Available at the
Gift Shop!!!**



National Public Lands Day



Colonel Daryl Fust, Deputy District Commander of L.A. District, and Ranger Nicholas Figueroa, who was instrumental in organizing this event, welcomed well over 100 volunteers to the event.



Getting ready, grateful for the pleasant weather and enjoying the cooperative spirit that blossomed.



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Mounted units from the County Sheriff's Department took part in the clean up that produced 6,500 pounds of trash, from bottle caps to shopping carts.



Charlie and Ed being interviewed by Louis Sahagun, from the Los Angeles Times.

By the way, in the article, Whittier Narrows was called "a diamond in the rough."



**Join the fun. Join the Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates.
Membership includes out monthly newsletter and a 10% discount in our gift shop.**

The Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates is a volunteer 501(c)3 nonprofit organization actively looking for new members. WNNCA is a chapter of the Nature Center Associates, a nonprofit support organization of the natural area park system of Los Angeles County.

We were founded to help enrich educational and scientific knowledge in the community. Our primary mission is to help foster an appreciation of the natural world in children and adults and to help preserve the Whittier Narrows Natural Area and the county's other natural areas for future generations.

Our activities include leading school group tours, answering visitors' questions, arranging and leading classes, planting and maintaining plants around the nature center, helping in the nature center museum and in the gift shop, performing light office work and answering phones, and more.

Membership application

Date: _____

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Annual membership levels (circle one)

\$30 - Individual \$15 - Senior (Over 62)

\$45 - Family \$15 - Student

\$75 - Friend Associate

\$100 - Patron Associate

\$250 - Supporting Associate

\$1,000 - Golden Oak Associate

Send with check, payable to the address below.

The Whittier Narrows Natural Area and Nature Center are located within the unincorporated area of Los Angeles County in the Supervisory District of Gloria Molina. The natural area and nature center are operated by the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation, in partnership with the Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates.



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