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American River Conservancy



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## Communities Connected to Place: Reflections on Conservation, Public Land and Recreation

By Elena DeLacy

I have noticed that my level of contentedness with life is directly correlated with my connectedness to people in my life – family, friends, colleagues, and others in my community. Similarly, when I spend more time indoors (and behind a screen), I tend to lose sight of the things that truly matter. Living connected to place provides an antidote to alienation in divisive times by increasing and deepening our daily interaction with each other, our communities, and nature. We know how to connect to the places where we live – it's deep in our DNA. It's only recently that we've begun to ignore (at our own peril) how we depend on and are part of nature. One of the ways in which we connect with place is through recreation and time spent outdoors on public land or land made accessible to the public through the efforts of land trusts like American River Conservancy (ARC).

The origins of public land in the United States date back to the 19th century when the federal government began acquiring vast amounts of land through treaties, purchases, and, in many cases, forced removals of Indigenous peoples. The Homestead Act of 1862, and the establishment of Yellowstone National Park in 1872—the world's first national park—were key milestones in the development of public lands. The creation of the U.S. Forest Service in 1905 and the National Park Service in 1916 further formalized the management of public lands for recreation, conservation, and resource use.

The formation of these parks and protected areas often came at the expense of native American tribes. Lands that had been stewarded by Indigenous peoples for generations were seized and repurposed, displacing communities and severing them from their cultural and spiritual ties to the land. Yosemite, Glacier, and Great Smoky Mountains National Parks, among others, were originally inhabited by Indigenous groups who were forcibly removed to make way for tourism and conservation. In recent years, efforts have been made to acknowledge this history and integrate Indigenous

voices into land management decisions, including initiatives to return lands to tribal stewardship or allow co-management. American River Conservancy is committed to continuing our partnerships with local tribes to advance land back and tribal co-management projects.

There's no doubt that recreational lands like Cronan Ranch Regional Trails Park or Salmon Falls Ranch (both are ARC land conservation projects) provide immense benefits to communities. They offer opportunities such as biking, hiking, fishing, and horse riding, which improve physical and mental well-being. Protected lands are part of vital ecosystems that help combat climate change, preserve biodiversity, and maintain clean air and water. Additionally, outdoor recreation contributes significantly to local economies, supporting jobs and tourism.

To ensure that everyone has access to these benefits, it is important that we prioritize the protection of lands for recreation, agriculture, and wildlife habitat while addressing historical injustices. As an ARC supporter, you can get involved in these efforts by engaging in our stewardship and education programs and supporting projects like El Dorado Ranch that include partnerships with local Indigenous groups to honor their historical connections to the land. Connect with your natural surroundings and neighbors (both human and non-human) by visiting your local park or green space.

I invite you to contemplate the ways in which you do or could connect to place in your life. What challenges do you see in shifting our society to enable living connected to place? How can ARC help overcome those challenges on a local level? Your comments are welcome. A great way to help shape how ARC supports community connections to land is to participate in our Supporter Survey – visit

[bit.ly/ARCSurvey2025](https://bit.ly/ARCSurvey2025)  
or use  
QR  
code.



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passion for outdoor recreation. I adore all the volunteers who give their time, energy and expertise to steward protected land. I especially adore my husband Brad with whom weekend bumble bee surveys have become an irresistible recreational activity, and my amazing sons, Alex, Owen and Walden, who enjoy the beauty of protected land and tease their parents for their nerdy focus on fuzzy bees.

Looking ahead, I'm excited to expand opportunities for people to connect with the land, grow our community, and inspire even more people to support our mission. We couldn't do this work without our volunteers, and I'm proud to be part of a community so dedicated to protecting the land.

—Special thanks to JoAnn McAllister for her support in writing this article.

## MEET THE STAFF

**Cathy Mueller**  
Stewardship Manager



Cathy and husband Brad at PBA burn

My heart has been connected to ARC since 1994, when I became a river guide on the South Fork American River. ARC's mission resonated with my values of protecting wild lands for the benefit of plants, animals, and people. These values were shaped by my nature-based childhood in the Sierra Nevada Foothills and further nurtured through my studies at UC Davis, where I earned a bachelor's degree in evolution and ecology.

In the early years of my career, I focused on wildlife and botanical surveys, biological monitoring, and small-scale organic farming. Later, as my three boys navigated their elementary school years, I decided to return to school myself, earning a K-6 teaching credential. This path eventually led me to ARC, where I began as Education Manager in early 2021 before transitioning to Stewardship Manager in fall 2022. This role has brought together all the diverse threads of my career in a deeply fulfilling way.

As an educator, I've always believed in creating hands-on learning experiences to help students engage directly with nature. I found unexpected joy in developing educational programs for adults, including my time as an instructor for the California Naturalist and Climate Stewards programs. In my current role, I apply the same philosophy to stewardship by fostering connections to the land through volunteer programs like the Land Stewards Program and projects such as the Leek Springs Meadow Restoration Project.

Through these experiences, I've come to understand that people are drawn to ARC for a variety of reasons—whether it's a love of nature, a sense of community, or a



Cathy and family on the South Fork American River

**THE AMERICAN RIVER CONSERVANCY OFFICES ARE LOCATED IN THE MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY STATE HISTORIC PARK AT 348 HWY 49, COLOMA, CA**

OUR OFFICES ARE OPEN TO VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORTERS MONDAY–FRIDAY 8AM–4PM  
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## LAND CONSERVATION UPDATE

For 36 years, ARC has worked with private landowners, public agencies and funding partners to preserve native habitat, agricultural lands, recreational access and riparian corridors. As the human population grows, conservation of large open spaces is critical to allow systems to adapt and maintain resiliency in the face of changing ecological processes produced by climate change. We are currently working towards the advancement of several exciting conservation projects in the Upper American River and Upper Cosumnes River watersheds, including the following:

**El Dorado Ranch** — Over the last 11 years, ARC has protected 4,182 acres of El Dorado Ranch in 4 different phases. We are now working with the landowner to purchase and permanently protect the remaining 3,000 acres of this beautiful oak woodland landscape along the Cosumnes River in El Dorado County. Once the site of a planned residential development, El Dorado Ranch will become a unit in El Dorado County's first Wildlife Area – a special designation by California Department of Fish and Wildlife that allows for non-motorized wildlife-related recreation. This ambitious final phase of the acquisition will require strong support from our community – we hope you'll join us in making this project happen! Visit [www.arconservancy.org/eldoradoranch](http://www.arconservancy.org/eldoradoranch) to learn more and donate to this exciting project. Please join us for spring hikes at El Dorado Ranch to get a sneak peek of the Phase 5 acquisition (See page 6 for more information).

**Steely Ridge Conservation Easement** — American River Conservancy has been working with the Frost-Hurzel family for nearly 2 decades to facilitate the permanent protection of the Steely Ridge-North Fork Cosumnes River confluence area in Somerset. After donating the 150-acre Wells Preserve property in 2021, this conservation-minded family is now ready to place a conservation easement on their adjacent 158-acre property. Bordered by the Wells Preserve and BLM land, this conservation opportunity will ensure the permanent protection of North Fork Cosumnes River riparian habitat, mixed conifer forest, pond habitat (we've observed many native pond turtles here!), and several beautiful heritage black oak trees. The Latrobe Fund awarded ARC with a \$25,000 grant to facilitate this conservation transaction. ARC is actively seeking an additional \$25,000 to match their generous contribution. Please contact Elena ([elena@ARConservancy.org](mailto:elena@ARConservancy.org)) if you are interested in contributing to this project!

Lotus View Ranch



**Lotus View Ranch Conservation Easement** — Over the past year or so, ARC staff have been working with the owner of this 1,000-acre ranch to craft a conservation easement document that protects the biodiversity and agricultural resources of the property. Located adjacent to Cronan Ranch Regional Trails Park, Lotus View Ranch is an important keystone for habitat connectivity in the South Fork American River canyon. We are pursuing multiple funding sources that will allow us to purchase this conservation easement and protect this land in perpetuity.

### 2024 Board Election Results

The following members were voted in for the 2025-2026 term.

**Cathy Ciofalo**  
**Christina Salomon**  
**Scott Vail**  
**Howard Levenson**  
**Julie Marston**  
**Randy Barrow**

Thank you for your votes!

### 2025 Supporter Survey

Help Shape ARC's Future!

You're a vital part of ARC's story. Your support and involvement make it possible to preserve special places where people and nature thrive. We need **your feedback via our survey** to help us improve. It should take no longer than 15 minutes to complete. Your responses are confidential and will remain anonymous unless you request our follow-up. General results will be shared with our community by April 2025. Please complete **one survey per supporter** by **March 10, 2025**. Find the survey at [bit.ly/ARCsurvey2025](https://bit.ly/ARCsurvey2025).

Thank you in advance for helping us grow together!



## ARC SPECIAL EVENTS 2025 SAVE THE DATES!

**Viva ARC! - A Premium Event**  
Hosted by The Villa Agave in Placerville  
Sunday, **April 13** from 3:00 to 5:00 with  
overnight options

**Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night"**  
Presented by Folsom Lake College at  
Wakamatsu Farm  
**May 8 to 11** – Four evening performances

**Concerts for a Cause**  
Featuring Wani's Tacos at Wakamatsu Farm  
• **June 21 – Island of Black and White**  
• **July 26 – Achilles Wheel**  
• **August 16 – Red Dirt Ruckus**

**RIPE AREA:** Art of Native Plants Festival  
**September 21** – All day

Find ticketing and information on ARC's event  
page at [ARConservancy.org/events](https://ARConservancy.org/events).

### Tequila and Tastings for River Lovers



#### Viva ARC! – A Premium Event

On Sunday, April 13, indulge in late afternoon luxury during an exclusive tequila and small bite pairings at The Villa Agave in Placerville. Savor rare, artisanal tequilas perfectly paired with gourmet bites in an elegant and intimate setting with fellow conservationists. The tasting experience for only 30 special guests features aficionado remarks during three small bite courses topped with a fine chocolate finish. This unforgettable occasion blends sophistication with purpose, all supporting ARC's mission to protect local natural and cultural treasures. Book soon while you still can select an overnight B&B room at [bit.ly/VivaARC](https://bit.ly/VivaARC).

We always need **event volunteers!** To help and join FREE, please contact  
[melissa@ARConservancy.org](mailto:melissa@ARConservancy.org).

## SUPPORTER SPOTLIGHT



...rivers is the surest path to their protection, now and for the enjoyment of future generations.

"We are grateful for all that the American River Conservancy does for our community and we are proud to support their work through voluntary \$1/person/day donations from our guests. Thank you for everything you do to make the central Sierra a better place to live, work and play!"

Steve Markle, Vice President, Sales & Marketing

[OARS.com](https://OARS.com)

It is our extreme pleasure to have the support of local rafting company, OARS West, Inc. For almost a decade, OARS has generously given annually to ARC in an effort to support local conservation efforts for public lands and waters in California.

OARS was founded in 1969 by river pioneer George Wendt. His sons Tyler & Clavey Wendt now carry on his legacy of river conservation and stewardship based on the inspiring idea that spreading the love of wild





## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### STEWADING CONSERVED LANDS



Wakamatsu garden volunteers

#### Opportunities to Recreate through Stewardship Programs

Recreation takes many forms, and the ARC Stewardship Programs are dedicated to supporting a wide variety of recreational activities in the American and Cosumnes River watersheds. The Cosumnes River Water Quality Monitoring program brings together like-minded individuals in beautiful, serene river settings, where participants contribute to monthly scientific water quality measurements. Our volunteer Land Steward program offers opportunities for those with a sense of adventure to explore land usually disturbed only by the sounds of rustling leaves and wild creatures. For many, purpose and relaxation are found through scientific pursuits on ARC land, such as bluebird monitoring, phenology, bumble bee surveys, cone surveys, moth surveys, botanical surveys...the list goes on. Sometimes, recreation involves working together to make a positive impact, like at our volunteer-led river clean-up events, where we provide all the necessary supplies to turn trash removal into a rewarding and enjoyable activity. Finally, our trail workdays host volunteers who come together to build and maintain trails, creating spaces for the entire community to enjoy. By fostering connections to land that is protected for the benefit of plants, animals, and people, we help ensure these areas thrive both now and in the future. Join us!

Learn more through the links below, or visit the stewardship page on our website page at

[ARConservancy.org/stewardship](https://ARConservancy.org/stewardship)

Wakamatsu Farm Workdays: <https://app.dvforms.net/api/dv/z9vww3>

Trail Workdays: <https://app.dvforms.net/api/dv/j19vy7>

Water Quality Monitoring: <https://app.donorview.com/KNDyl>

River Clean-ups: <https://app.dvforms.net/api/dv/w4z68q>

Land Stewards: <https://app.donorview.com/v6x39>

Leek Springs: [Volunteer Sign Up Here](#). Learn more about this project [Here](#).

Bluebird Monitoring: <https://app.donorview.com/GZvyP>

Phenology: <https://app.donorview.com/Z6ZQj>

Fill out our  
Volunteer  
interest form



[ARConservancy.org/join-us/](https://ARConservancy.org/join-us/)

#### American River Headwaters Project Update

Let's celebrate a decade of ecological restoration at the American River Headwaters (ARH)! In addition to enhancing forest health and reducing fire risk, we have completed a comprehensive restoration of the source hydrology in the headwaters of the Middle and North Forks of the American River.

- Thinned 1,972 acres of dense forest.
- Removed 136 culverts and restored associated stream crossings.
- Restored 84 stream crossings.
- Restored and reconnected 173 acres of mountain meadow and alder with source hydrology.
- Decommissioned, recontoured, and managed 68 miles of road to decrease sedimentation from failures and landslides.
- Built 6.8 miles of new trail.
- Restored and donated 3,347 acres to the Granite Chief Wilderness!



ARC Staff at the ARH project.

Stay tuned for a more detailed ARH/SOFAR (SOUthForkAmericanRiver) update in the next edition of The CURRENT.

# PROGRAMS PLUS

See our website calendar for updates, full descriptions, and registration links.

[ARConservancy.org/events](https://ARConservancy.org/events)

No dogs allowed unless otherwise stated



## NATURE WALKS

**EL DORADO RANCH HIKE** — Explore the history and plants of El Dorado Ranch

**Date TBD, 10am-4pm – road conditions/weather dependent**

The tour and short walks will be led by local historian Dee Owens and botanist Annie Walker. We will drive to Fanny Creek, an area of early Gold Rush activity and mercury mining as well as the scant remains of Cinnabar City, a small town during the 1870s. We will end the day at the Miller Ranch, an example of later 19th Century cattle and Angora goat ranching. Responsible children 12+ welcome. Meeting location El Dorado area. **Suggested Donation: \$10/members, \$15/non-members.**

**GOLD RUSH TREES WALK**

**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 9am-12pm**

John Kipping will lead this historical walk through the Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park. He will share his knowledge of the numerous native tree species, which helped to sustain untold generations of Nisenan peoples. Since the 1840's immigrants from the old world planted many favored trees as well, which have thrived in the Mediterranean climate. John is a certified arborist who operated a local tree service for 30 years. This will be an easy hike of 2-3 miles over moderate terrain. Rain cancels. Meeting location Coloma area. **FREE.**

**GRATITUDE HIKE**

**Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 9:30am-12:30pm**

Join Robin Matthews, Gratefulness Gathering Host, Women's Wine Hiking Society Ambassador, and Life Coach, on a serene 3-4-mile hike through the Olmstead Loop in Cool. This easy, mindful journey blends nature's beauty with gratitude practices, fostering deep connection to both the environment and fellow hikers. Reconnect, reflect, and embrace gratitude along the trail! Age 12+ welcome. Meeting location Cool area. **FREE.**

**POPPY WALK** — Weather and bloom dependent

**Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 1-5pm**

Robin Center, longtime ARC supporter and Coloma river-front property owner (along with neighbors Barbara & David Thomas, Dennis Eagan, Andie Thrums, and Jim Klotz) will lead this one-of-a-kind Poppy Walk. With glowing orange fields overlooking the crystal water of the South Fork of the American River, the stunning contrasts and vibrant colors are a sight few have the good fortune to witness. The river trail also has views of some of the earliest land that ARC protected around Triple Threat Rapid. Meeting location Coloma/Lotus area. **Cost: \$35 per person. Donations aid the Bill Center Memorial Fund supporting river frontage and trails.**

**FROM ASHES TO GROWTH** — Exploring Forest Recovery

**Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 10-12:30pm**

Take a hike through a forest impacted by the Mosquito fire in Sept 2022. Led by a registered professional forester, we will learn

Many thanks

to the program leaders who taught a workshop, led a hike, or gave a presentation this winter.

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about post-fire forest ecology, wildfire resilience, and the ongoing efforts to restore this land. Along the way, we will engage in nature journaling, observing, and recording evidence of the forest's history and regrowth. Meeting location is 8 miles east of Georgetown. **Suggested donation: \$5/members, \$10/non-members.**

**FOREST BATHING WALK AT WAKAMATSU FARM**

**Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm**

Forest Bathing is an immersive experience in nature, a simple, guided walk designed to support health and wellness. On this 1 mile walk around the lake you will have an opportunity to slow down, quiet your mind, and experience the natural surroundings through your senses and take in the infinite wonders of nature. Susan Reed is a certified Nature and Forest Therapy Guide with the Association for Nature and Forest Therapy (ANFT). Adults only. Meeting location in Placerville/Gold Hill area. **Suggested Donation: \$10/members, \$15/non-members.**



**EL DORADO RANCH SUPPORTER HIKES**

**April 18, April 26 & May 17 10am-2pm**

Join ARC staff on one of these exclusive hikes to the future site of El Dorado County's first Wildlife Area. All hikes are a moderate level at 4 miles for 4 hours on uneven terrain with an elevation changes of approximately 700 feet. Meeting location El Dorado area.

## LECTURES, WORKSHOPS, & MISCELLANY

**PLEIN AIR PAINT-OUT AT WAKAMATSU FARM**

**Saturdays, March 1<sup>st</sup>, April 5<sup>th</sup>, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:30am-12pm**

Join artist David Yapp for a time of plein air painting at Wakamatsu Farm. Bring your own paints and equipment for a time of self-guided painting. You supply all your own materials and equipment (easel, canvas, oils, acrylics, watercolors, etc.), choose your subject, and enjoy the camaraderie of painting outdoors with other artists. Instruction not provided. All painting levels welcome. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Cost: \$15/members, \$20/non-members.**

**WILD MOVEMENT AND YOGA**

**Sundays, March 2 & 23, April 6 & 27, May 4 & 25, 10-11am**

In wild yoga, we practice poses that reverse the habitual movement patterns of slouching, slumping, and staring resulting from our current dependence on chairs, screen tech, and cars. Combining vinyasa flow, functional strength, and mobility training, this beginner-level class with advanced options will leave you feeling energized, re-aligned, and centered in nature. Jessica Carew Kraft is a naturalist and author of *Why We Need to Be Wild*. All levels welcome. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Cost: \$10/members, \$15/non-members.**

**CAPTURING WAKAMATSU: A poetry walk/workshop**

**Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 12-2pm**

Taylor Graham, El Dorado County's first Poet Laureate, and award-winning Sacramento-area poet Katy Brown will lead an exploration of farmhouse, barn, and surroundings, then ask participants to write a poem inspired by what they've experienced. Children 8+ welcome with adult supervision. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Suggested Donation: \$5/members, \$10/non-members.**



**WAKAMATSU OPEN FARM DAY****Saturdays, March 15<sup>th</sup> & May 17<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm**

Site of the first Japanese colony in America, your self-guided walking tour of Wakamatsu Farm may include a stroll to Okei-san's 1871 gravesite and Charles Graner's original 1850's farmhouse. Take a trip around the lake on the 1.5-mile trail. Bring a picnic and chair to sit and relax. On-site interpreters can share information and answer questions about Wakamatsu Farm's human and natural history. For private tours, please call 530-621-1224. Find out more at: [ARConservancy.org/Wakamatsu](http://ARConservancy.org/Wakamatsu). **Cost: \$10 per vehicle.**

**FUNDAMENTALS OF SOGETSU IKEBANA**-Classes in classic flower arranging**Sundays March 16<sup>th</sup>, April 13<sup>th</sup>, & May 18<sup>th</sup>, 10am-1pm**

Instructor Yasmin Spiegel is a "Sensei" (teacher) in the Sogetsu School of Ikebana: Japanese flower arranging. She is at home with both traditional Sogetsu forms and more modern sculptural arrangements. Yasmin has provided demonstrations and taught classes in Sogetsu at Wakamatsu Farms, the Sacramento Home and Garden Show, Davis Flower Arrangers, the Sacramento Floral Arrangers Guild, and Ikebana International. Ages 8+w/adult supervision. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Cost: Individual classes \$35/members, \$45/non-members.**

**HERBARIUM 2-DAY WORKSHOP** — Illustration in watercolor**March 21 & 22 - 2-days, 2pm-5pm**

Professor Vanda Lavar presents this two-day lesson in Botanical Illustration taught classically, with a herbarium page to accompany the watercolor illustration. Students will begin their understudies in graphite (pencil) on watercolor paper which later they can incorporate into their Herbarium Journal. All supplies are included. Ages 15+ welcome. Meeting location Coloma. **Cost: \$175/members, \$185/non-members.**

**BEGINNING BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION** - with watercolor and pen

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup> & May 31<sup>st</sup> 1-3pm**  
This class will include a short hike where students will draw their specimens in pencil. This drawing will then become the framework for both pen and ink strokes with watercolor. Your instructor, Professor Vanda Lavar, holds a master's degree in art. She regularly teaches classes in botanical illustration and her works are widely collected in both the USA and Europe. Ages 12+ welcome. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville. **Cost: \$45/members, \$60/non-members.**

**SOURDOUGH** — Starting, Maintaining, & Baking!**Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm**

Come join us as we venture into the world of baking with Sourdough and learn to harness its gut-healthy benefits at home! Getting started with sourdough can be overwhelming. Join us as homestead farmer & owner of Anvil Acre Farm, Anne Morton, answers all your questions and more. Class will include tastings and handouts for each student with the recipes and information covered in the class. Ages 15+ welcome. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville. **Cost: \$60/members, \$70/non-members.**

**FISHING ON THE FARM****Thursdays, April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, and June 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 5pm-sunset**

Join volunteer and fishing enthusiast Fred Campbell-Craven. Try your hand at casting techniques, catch a few bass, and enjoy the serenity of the 8-acre lake. All ages and skill levels welcome, especially kids, families with young children, and first-timers. Basic instruction, equipment, and assistance available for kids and first-timers. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area.

**Cost per car: \$10/members, \$15/non-members.****CULTURAL SOUNDS OF THE PAST** - Make a decorated cane double-whistle

**Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 1-3pm** Followed by Q&A  
Whistles have been made and used for keeping rhythm, signaling and for imitating the calls of

animals for millennia. In this class, participants, using only stone and bone tools, will learn to make a cane double whistle using a local reed and gray pine pitch. Depending on weather, participants will also have the opportunity to help create a friction fire that our group will use to make our pine pitch. Your instructor is Charles Kritzon is a Certified Interpretive Guide through the National Association for Interpretation (NAI). Ages 8+ welcome w/adult supervision. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Cost: \$30/person or \$100/family (4 max).**

**TAI CHI-QIGONG & YEAR OF THE SNAKE****Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00-11:15am**

Learn an iconic Taichi movement that celebrates the flexibility and strength of the snake. It will be taught in a short sequence of movements and poses to achieve stability and dynamism and celebrate the new spring season. Dr. Tze-yue Gigi Hu is a semi-retired Asian Studies educator and author. Ages 8+ welcome. Meeting location Placerville/Gold Hill area. **Suggested Donation: \$5/members, \$10/non-members.**

**SOAPMAKING** - Goat Milk Soap & Olive Oil Soap**Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm**

These days many of us have become fed up with the chemicals present in our environment, our household products, and even in our food. Chemical soaps may smell temptingly fresh, but the potency of these soaps comes at a cost. Join Anne Morton - founder, owner, and teacher at Anvil

Acre Farm - as she demonstrates how to make two kinds of chemical-free and highly effective soaps from scratch: goat milk soap, and olive oil soap. Class includes 2 bars of soap and handouts with the information and recipes covered in the class. Ages 15+ welcome. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville. **Cost: \$60/members, \$70/non-members.**

**PASTIMES OF ANCESTRAL PEOPLES**

- Toys and games from the trees

**Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1-3pm** Followed by Q&A

Make a ring and pin game using acorn caps, and acorn spinning tops. After learning the fundamentals of making and using stone and bone tools, you will grind and drill acorn caps on sandstone and use your new deer bone borer to help make a hole in the center. Your instructor Charles Kritzon (creator of [wil-lowdeer.com](http://wil-lowdeer.com)) strives to highlight our human connection to the past and our natural world. Ages 8+ welcome w/adult supervision. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Cost: \$30/person or \$100/family (4 max).**

**WINE AND STARRY NIGHT****Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 8:30-11:30pm**

The spring sky will glow above Wakamatsu Farm as we explore the celestial wonders offered. **David Girard Vineyards** is partnering with ARC for this unique stargazing event. While enjoying delicious wine, the night sky will offer us a view of glittering Mars and possibly Jupiter setting. There should be globular clusters (M13, M3, M5) visible and several double stars. Constellations will be pointed out and mythologies explained. Wine can be purchased by glass or bottle. Ages 21+ only. Unclear skies cancels. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville area. **Cost: \$10**

**CHEESEMAKING** — Mozzarella & Ricotta**Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> 2-4:30pm**

When it comes to cheese, it's hard to think of two cheeses more tempting than Mozzarella and Ricotta. And did you know they're made using almost exactly the same ingredients? Join homestead farmer Anne Morton as she explains the tools, equipment, and ingredients needed to make them from start to finish. Includes sampling both cheeses and a handout of the information and recipes covered in class. Ages 15+ welcome. Meeting location Gold Hill/Placerville. **Cost: \$60/members, \$70/non-members.**



## EDUCATION UPDATE

Recreation on natural lands takes many forms. Some people like to zoom around on a mountain bike, some folks prefer the view from a kayak, and others prefer the challenge of climbing a sheer rock face. I find my happy place by slowing my pace and taking in the details all around me. I recall sitting near a crest of the Sierra Buttes for 45 minutes, just watching the symbiotic dance of ants harvesting the sweet “nectar” excreted by aphids on the leaves of a mule’s ear plant. Observation and wonder are just another way of recreating in this awe inspiring wonderland we call California.

If you want to dive deeper into the details of California’s habitats and wildlife, please consider joining us for our next California Naturalist course which begins on March 19th. We will be learning from amazing experts, visiting some beautiful areas around El Dorado county and engaging in community building through volunteerism and dialogue. Register now to become part of an amazing community of naturalists. If you’re already certified and want to help spread the love for California’s wonderful biodiversity, consider making a donation to our scholarship fund to help someone from the community take the course this year.



Homeschool Fridays are also in bloom this spring. Oak woodland hikes, nature journaling, and fishing at Wakamatsu are just a few of the recreational activities happening on select Fridays this spring.

It’s back and better than ever - **Nature Camp 2025: Survivor Edition!** This year’s Nature Campers will experience the natural world around them while also learning basic outdoor skills like shelter building, plant identification, and navigation so that they can recreate safely. Your child will make new friends, hike, swim, and play in multiple locations around the Coloma-Lotus valley while building confidence in the outdoors. We are also looking for students entering 10th grade and up to be camp counselors this summer. It’s a great way to gain experience for the workforce and college while also getting to play outdoors with like minded folks. See newsletter insert for details.

We love our Education volunteers and want to spread that love by inviting anyone who might be interested in joining our team to our monthly Community of Practice meetings. These events are open to anyone and everyone - whether you have teaching experience or not. Our Community of Practice is a space for people to share ideas, practice the curriculum, learn from each other and be a part of moving environmental education in a positive direction.

For more details and registration please visit [ARConservancy.org/education](https://ARConservancy.org/education), or email [education@ARConservancy.org](mailto:education@ARConservancy.org) for more information.



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**"ANGLING" FOR A SPOT TO PLAY AND FISH?**

By Kelly Croffoot



Chili Bar River Park, provided by the American River Conservancy (ARC), is a stunning oasis just 2.4 miles north of Placerville, off State Hwy 193 at the South Fork of the American River. This park sets the stage for your next adventure or outing, inviting whitewater enthusiasts to experience 21 miles of exhilarating Class 3/4 rapids surrounded by a wildflower-covered canyon and breathtaking Sierra Foothill scenery. It stands out as one of the top five river runs in the western United States.

For anglers, the river canyon offers exceptional fishing experiences that can lead to personal best catches. The South Fork is home to Rainbow and Brown trout, as well as landlocked Kokanee and Chinook Salmon, allowing fishing enthusiasts to enjoy year-round pursuits under special California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) regulations. Through a strong partnership with CDFW, ARC is committed to preserving the vitality of this fishery.

On warm summer days, the refreshing cold water invites you to swim, soak up the sun, or unwind in the shade of a tree on the picnic island. Artists find inspiration here, crafting masterpieces, while photographers capture the beauty of fleeting moments.

Chili Bar River Park also offers opportunities to create lasting memories by reserving spaces for events such as weddings, memorials, birthdays, or other group gatherings.

To discover more about the park, including fees, hours of operation, stream-side fishing tips and

techniques, event reservations, or volunteer and employment opportunities, call the Chili Bar River Park ranger station at 530-642-1667 or email us at [chilibarpark@gmail.com](mailto:chilibarpark@gmail.com) or [kelly@ARConservancy.org](mailto:kelly@ARConservancy.org).

Embrace the adventure with day use and annual park passes available for purchase at the park, at <https://app.donorview.com/QO9K>, or scan this QR code.



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