



Mendocino Area Parks Association

Appreciation, through education, leads to preservation.

MAPA Mission Statement: MAPA believes that interpreting the language of nature to humans and enlightening people on our cultural history, raises awareness of our vital interconnection with nature, encouraging the protection of our valuable resources.

ABALONE FESTIVAL & COOK-OFF 2007

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6TH
CASPAR COMMUNITY CENTER
10 AM TO 4 PM**

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ABALONE FESTIVAL ADVANCED TICKETS are now available for purchase by MAPA members at \$40 each.

[ORDER FORM IN THE ENCLOSED BROCHURE](#)

or [ORDER ONLINE - http://www.mendoparks.org](http://www.mendoparks.org).

- ⇒ **Seniors and Individual** memberships may purchase **2 advanced** tickets each membership, the same as in years' past..
- ⇒ **Family, Organization, Sustaining and Lifetime** members may purchase **4 advanced** tickets, a bonus from years' past, and your reward for paying more for memberships..
- ⇒ **Legacy** may order **6 advanced tickets**., a new category to help MAPA begin an endowment fund to make sure our natural and cultural heritage programs are always financially supported.

Ticket Schedule:

July 1: **Members** may purchase additional tickets for \$40 each.

July 1: **Non-Members** may purchase tickets for \$50 each.

August 1: **ALL TICKETS (Member & Non-Member)** will be \$60 each.

CHEFS

1-in-11 chances of winning a grand prize of 8 days and 7 nights at a private villa in the Yucatan!

You'll always wonder if your recipe might have been the winning recipe. Now is the time to find out.. Some winners entered for years before they finally won, so don't give up!

VOLUNTEERS

The Abalone Committee is a fun group of people with great ideas. If you'd like to join the committee, please contact MAPA.

Your talents are needed in various areas so let us know if you'd like to help make a positive difference in the 2007 Abalone Festival & Cook-Off.

GUESTS

are welcome and can participate for free. Although no abalone tasting is included for guests, other foods, beverages and wine will be available for purchase. Guests can also partake in the festival by enjoying the live entertainment, selecting nature-related items in the Craft Faire section, and participating in the raffle and silent auction

EVENTS

RAFFLE

24 RAFFLE TICKETS are included with this newsletter and available for advance purchase.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Fill in your name and address on each of the return tickets you choose to purchase and then mail the filled-out stub to MAPA along with your check or Money Order. Bring the matching stub with you to the festival.

FEE: \$1 each. \$20 for 24 tickets.

YOU MAY REQUEST ADDITIONAL TICKETS IN ADVANCE, OR PURCHASE MORE AT THE EVENT.



SILENT AUCTION

The 2007 Silent Auction is Bigger and Better
We're already collecting unique items for the Silent Auction.

ENTERTAINMENT

Live music creates a festive mood while judges and guests eat, select purchases from vendors, or bid at the silent auction.

Feel free to dance!

WINE

Collector 2007 Wine Glasses will be available for purchase.

WINE will also be offered for sale, entitling the buyer to 2 free glasses of popular Mendocino County wine.



****NOTE:** The Sherriff's Department asks that no-one bring alcohol onto or off of the premises

CRAFT FAIRE

CRAFT FAIRE will be even larger this year with one-of-a kind treasures for you to buy.

All items are Nature-Related, presenting a wide variety of beautiful selections, including jewelry, stone & wood carvings, candles, seafood marinades, photography and more. Attendees will find specialty selections they won't easily locate anywhere else, so be sure to claim some for yourself.

FOOD

Clam Chowder and Homemade Bread!

We'll also have non-alcoholic beverages and desserts.



DONATIONS

We welcome your donations of items to the Silent Auction or Raffle to help benefit our natural & cultural history programs.

YOUR CASH DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS HELPFUL!

ANNOUNCEMENT!

FRED ANDREWS, is the first-ever full-time Park Interpreter in California State Parks, Mendocino District!!

A Park Interpreter 'interprets' the language of nature to humans, helping us to appreciate and respect the fascinating interconnection of our universe.

Andrews' previous positions were at San Diego Old Town State Historic Park, the Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center in Imperial Beach and the National Park Service at Cabrillo National Monument in San Diego.

Andrew cares deeply about telling the stories of our State Parks.



FRED ANDREWS, PARK INTERPRETER

Edition One, 2007

PARK NEWS

MAPA APPRECIATES THE DEDICATED STATE PARK PERSONNEL WHO HELP MAKE OUR NATURE PROGRAMS, LIVING HISTORY PROGRAMS & VISITOR CENTERS POSSIBLE. THANKS EVERYONE!!



Many people work hard to make the public's park visits enjoyable, including Superintendents, Rangers, Maintenance, Office Staff, Resources, and more. Some people were staffing the parks while this photo was taken, so several are not shown. Photo courtesy of Tamra Whitney

Back Row L-R: Morgan Zeitler, John Deluca, Pat Freeling, Matt Khalar, Mike Cabaniss, Louie Reynolds, Robert Gaines, Dave Williamson, Matt Liebenberg, Bill Maslach, Jeff Reed, Jim Bazil, Guy Burnett, Jon Brown, Don Reisinger, Chris Glenn, Tom Kidder, Todd Lewis, Tamra Whitney

Middle Row: Renee Pasquinelli, Seth Tsujimura, Marilyn Murphy, Mike Gleckler, Jeanne Baird, Valerie Marshall, Natalie Lohi, Pat Vaught, Becky Schamburg, Terra Fuller, Heather Christensen, Carolyne Cathey (MAPA ED), Jeff Yribarren

First Row: Teddy Holstine, Bruce Smith, Bruce Knauss, Tom Riley

Not Present: Sandra Marks, Kirk Marshall, Angela Martin, Jens Shelby, Peter Warner, Tracy Weisberg This list also doesn't include the Seasonal Park Aides and volunteers!!



Dana Gray Elementary Field Trip at MacKerricher State Park



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Stan Anderson, *President*
- Harriet Rhoades, *Vice President*
- Marilyn Boese, *Treasurer*
- Nancy Freeze, *Secretary*
- Dave Plummer, *Membership*
- Morgan Zeitler, *State Parks Liaison*

PROJECTS YOU HELP MAPA TO FUND

- Park Interpreters (Experts who interpret the language of nature to humans)
- Nature Programs, Campfire programs and Jr. Rangers
- Cultural Heritage & Living History Programs
- Nature programs
- Greenwood/Elk Visitor Center
- Ford House State Park Visitor Center, Mendocino Headlands State Park
- Hendy Woods State Park Visitor Center
- MacKerricher State Park Visitor Center
- Pine Grove Center at Point Cabrillo
- Van Damme State Park Visitor Center
- Whale Skeleton Exhibit, MacKerricher State Park
- Volunteer Docent Councils at various District State Parks
- Sponsor of Bo-Cah Ama, the Docent Council planning a Pomo Demonstration Village and museum/visitor center.

NEW MEMBERS

SENIOR MEMBERSHIPS:

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIPS:

FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS:

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS:

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- * Advance notice & purchase of special events tickets like the Abalone Cook-Off
- * 5 free day-use passes in the State Parks within Mendocino District
- * 10% Discount at Visitor Centers in the State Parks in the Mendocino District
- * Quarterly newsletter

CONTACT MAPA ABOUT A MEMBERSHIP

HOW YOU CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- ⇒ **DONATIONS** support programs and visitor facilities within the Mendocino District State Parks.
- ⇒ **ENDOWMENTS** allow MAPA to plan for the future.
- ⇒ **VOLUNTEERS** are the heart of the organization. Many and various talents and skills are needed to help us make our park programs the best possible. Contact MAPA to see how you can join the team.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Van Damme State Park -July

- ⇒ Van Damme SP Square Dance (last weekend in July)
- ⇒ Van Damme Logging History Walk (end of July)
- ⇒ Call for Jr. Ranger, Campfire and Nature program Schedules

MacKerricher State Park

May through September

- ⇒ **Junior Ranger Programs:** Wednesdays and Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. meet at the campfire center. Ages 7 – 12. Have fun and at the same time learn about nature and the environment. Rotating topics will include, birds, gray whales, bats, animals, insects, recycling, the water cycle, etc. These programs include active games and activities. 1 hour
- ⇒ **Campfire Programs:** Wednesdays (not June 6th) and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. Meet at the campfire center. Topics will rotate on natural and cultural history of the park. 1 hour
- ⇒ **Marine Mammal Programs:** Every Saturday (not July 7th) morning at 11:00 a.m. Meet at the visitor center. 1 to 1 1/2 hours in length. Learn about harbor seals, sea lions and gray whales.