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List of Community Organizations Hosting Earth Day Cleanup Events

ABC Rides

www.abcrides.blogspot.com

What: Periodic one-day events where bicyclists traverse designated areas of Sonoma County and record locations of illegal dump sites.

When: The next ride is tentatively scheduled for May 31, 2009.

Volunteer Opportunities: Join a group of bicyclists to record locations of illegal dumping in the Petaluma area. This information will be submitted to the County Roads Department, which will subsequently clean up the sites. The group will set out from Helen Putnam Plaza in downtown Petaluma.

How to Volunteer: Visit www.abcrides.blogspot.com for details.

Bennett Valley Vision

<http://BENNETTVALLEYVISION.BLOGSPOT.COM>

What: One-day cleanup events in Bennett Valley that happen twice yearly, once in April and once in October.

When: The spring date is April 18, 2009, from 9 a.m. to noon. Spring Cleanup 2009 will take place at Bethards between Bennett Valley Rd. and Yulupa, Summerfield Rd. at Annadel Heights Dr., and Creekside Park on Creekside Rd.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers pick up litter, remove graffiti, pull weeds, prune plants, spread mulch and otherwise beautify Bennett Valley.

How to Volunteer: Show up at any of the three volunteer sites listed above on the day of the event. Bring gloves, gardening tools and water. For more information, go to <http://BENNETTVALLEYVISION.BLOGSPOT.COM/>.

City of Santa Rosa – Spring Clean

www.srcity.org/SpringClean

What: City of Santa Rosa Spring Clean

When: May 2, 2009, 8 a.m. to noon

Volunteer Opportunities: Participants join together to beautify Santa Rosa through a variety of projects, including creek cleanups, graffiti removal and many others.

How to Volunteer: Visit www.srcity.org/SpringClean and fill out the form available through that site. Or contact Ed Buonaccorsi at ebuonaccorsi@srcity.org or (707) 543-3710.

Cotati Creek Critters

What: One-day creek cleanup events held on a regular basis in the Cotati and Rohnert Park areas.

When: The spring date is Sunday, April 26, 2009 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers pick up litter along the Laguna de Santa Rosa in Cotati and parts of Rohnert Park.

How to Volunteer: Show up at Falletti Park in Cotati prior to 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 26, 2009. In addition to this one-day cleanup, Cotati Creek Critters hosts creek stewardship days on the second Saturday and last Sunday of every month, and in cooperation with large groups (15 or more) any day of the week. For more information, see www.cotaticreekcritters.info/stewardshipdays.htm.

For information about the April 26 cleanup event, contact Adam Williams, Outdoor Pursuits Coordinator at williada@sonoma.edu.

Santa Rosa Cycling Club

<http://srcc.memberlodge.com/calendar>

What: Adopt-a-Backroad Litter Pickup projects, one each April and one each fall

When: April 18, 2009, 9 a.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Members of the Santa Rosa Cycling Club are joining with two neighborhood groups – the Dry Creek Valley Association and the Westside Road Association – to clean up North County roadsides. Bike club members will meet at Passalaqua Winery on Lambert Bridge Road.

How to Volunteer: More information is available on the Santa Rosa Cycling Club Web site at <http://srcc.memberlodge.com/calendar>. Go to the calendar and click on the April 18 “Litter Pickup” event. To register to participate, call Craig Gaevert at (707) 545-4133 or email cgarch@sonic.net.

Sonoma Ecology Center

www.sonomaecologycenter.org

What: Creek Clean-ups and Community Picnic in Sonoma

When: April 25, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Plan on getting dirty as we help native plants and remove garbage. Bring a filled water bottle, snack, and gloves if you have them. Following the cleanups, come join the Community Picnic from noon to 2:00 at Sonoma Garden Park, 19990 7th St. East. Bring a bag lunch as we celebrate everyone's efforts!

How to Volunteer: Join Sonoma Ecology Center at either Nathanson Creek Preserve (behind Adele Harrison Middle School and Sonoma Valley High School) or Sassarini Elementary School at 9 a.m. If you are bringing a group of ten or more people to a cleanup, please RSVP to Julie Jehly at julie@sonomaecologycenter.org. No RSVP required for the picnic. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods

www.stewardsofthecoastandredwoods.org

What: Earth Day Beach and River Cleanup

When: April 25, 2009, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed to clean up debris on north Jenner beach. In addition, kayakers will clean up the Russian River estuary.

How to Volunteer: Beach cleanup volunteers should meet at the Sonoma Coast Park Visitor Center in Jenner, from which they will be shuttled to the north Jenner beach location. Paddlers will launch from the boat launch next to the Visitor Center and must email watertreks@yahoo.com to register. Appropriate clothing for all weather conditions, sturdy shoes and gloves are recommended. For additional information, call the Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods at (707) 869-9177 or email stewards@mcn.org.

Surfrider Sonoma Coast Chapter

www.surfrider.org/sonomacoast/#beachcleanup

What: Beach cleanups at Salmon Creek

When: May 25 (Memorial Day), 10 a.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed to clean up the beach at Salmon Creek.

How to Volunteer: All beach cleanups are held at 10 a.m. at North Salmon Creek Beach unless otherwise noted. Look for the Surfrider banner. For additional information call Surfrider Sonoma Coast Director Mike Frey at (707) 328-1427 or (707) 664-8257.

Volunteer Center of Sonoma County

<http://www.volunteernow.org/handsnew.htm>

What: Hands Across the County – one-day community service events sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County.

When: April 25, 9 a.m. to noon

Volunteer Opportunities: Groups of volunteers undertake a huge range of projects, including creek cleanups, weeding, painting and other tasks. On April 25, the projects will include a clean up of Santa Rosa Creek.

How to Volunteer: To register online, visit www.volunteernow.org/handsnew.htm
For more information, contact Maureen Cecil at the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County, at mcecil@volunteernow.org or (707) 573-3399, x125.

Volunteer Center of Sonoma County

www.volunteernow.org/agilent2.htm

What: Agilent Environmental Challenge – one-day community service events focusing on the environment. Agilent Challenge events have included planting trees, creek clean-ups & removing invasive plants.

When: April 24, 1-5 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Clip and pull invasive plants at the Sonoma Land Trust's Historic Glen Oaks Ranch on Highway 12 near Glen Ellen, or at Riddell Preserve in Healdsburg.

How to Volunteer: For more information or to volunteer for a project go to www.volunteernow.org/agilent2.htm. Or contact Maureen Cecil, 707-573-3399 x 125 or e-mail mcecil@volunteernow.org.

