13th Annual Hi Mountain Condor Lookout Campout and Open House Event

Saturday, October 11, 2014 (all day event)
Hi Mountain Lookout, San Luis Obispo County, Los Padres National Forest

Come and discover one of the largest and most endangered flying birds of North America. California Condors are radio tracked from Hi Mountain Lookout. This is an opportunity for you to learn more about condor biology and the reintroduction of these magnificent birds back to the wild. The open house event will include condor radio-tracking demonstrations, native plant identification, bird watching field trips, and hands-on activities for kids.

- O Bird Watching Field Trip: 9:00am 11:30am
 - Pozo Ranger Station to Hi Mountain Carpooling from Pozo is recommended. Easy hiking conditions.
 Field trip leader: Jessica Griffiths, Wildlife Biologist

note: register for the field trip in advance by contacting Steve at s_schub1@msn.com or #805 528-6138

- o Kids Activities: beginning 11:00am at the lookout plaster-of-paris track making & nature walk
- o Picnic Lunch at the Lookout: 11:30am 12:30pm
- Welcoming Comments: 12:30pm by Hi Mountain Lookout staff, volunteers, and student interns
- Afternoon Activities and Field Trips:
 - **Geographical Landmarks** from the Pacific coast to the Sierra Nevada and demonstration of the original Hi Mountain Lookout firefinder by Kevin Cooper, USFS Wildlife Biologist
 - Native Plant Identification and Geology Walk by Dr. Dirk Walters & Dr. David Chipping, California Native Plant Society
 - Condor Radio Tracking Demonstrations by Condor Recovery Program & Hi Mountain Lookout Staff
 - Condor Nesting Update by Vince Gerwe and Martin Fletcher, Friends of the California Condor Wild
 & Free
 - Bird Watching By Ear and Raptor Watch from the lookout by Jessica Griffiths, Wildlife Biologist
- Sunset Watch & POT LUCK DINNER!! (wear layered clothing)
 - Saucelito Canyon Vineyards wine serving, compliments of Nancy and Bill Greenough, owners
- Evening Program: 7pm
 - Movie: "Life in a Condor Cave" by Molly Astell, California Condor Nest Technician, Santa Barbara Zoo
 - Astronomy observations: Telescopic observations of the evening skies
- Optional Hi Mountain Campout: Overnight camping available at 'Cypress Hill' or Hi Mountain Campground

For a schedule of events, driving directions, and other information go to <u>condorlookout.org</u> and <u>www.facebook.com/Hi-Mountain-Lookout</u> Please RSVP to Steve Schubert at # (805) 528-6138 or e-mail at s schub1@msn.com

