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### **CACHUMA LAKE RECREATION INFORMATION FOR NOVEMBER 2016** *Program and Activity Schedule Enclosed*

**(SANTA BARBARA, Calif.)** – Announcing the Cachuma Lake November schedule for rest, relaxation, recreation and adventure. The golden glow of fall light illuminates the park. The cooler daytime temperatures make for comfortable hiking, fishing or picnicking with family or friends. Gather around a campfire at night and take in the clear starlight shining bright.

Located off scenic Highway 154 in the Santa Ynez Valley, Cachuma Lake is midway between the coast of Santa Barbara and the Danish community of Solvang. For easy trip planning, Cachuma Lake offers online reservations at [www.sbparks.org](http://www.sbparks.org). Enclosed below is a schedule of upcoming activities and programs that every member of the family may enjoy.

#### **Special Fall Programs:**

##### **Trout in the Classroom**

##### **All month long in November located in the Fish Exhibit Hallway**

**Description:** Santa Barbara County Parks and the Neal Taylor Nature Center take part in the “Trout in the Classroom” program co-sponsored by the Santa Barbara Flyfishing Club and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Come see the fertilized Rainbow Trout begin as tiny eggs, developing into fish, to ultimately be released in the wild.

**Admission:** Free with \$10 park entrance.

##### **Book and Treasures Sale, Neal Taylor Nature Center**

##### **10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, November 26**

**Description:** Over Thanksgiving weekend, spend time browsing through the wide selection of books and treasures, all at excellent prices.

**Admission:** Free with \$10 park entrance.

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## CACHUMA LAKE RECREATION INFORMATION NOVEMBER 2016

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### Year-Round Nature Programs:

#### **NEW TIMES!**

#### **Cachuma Lake Winter Wildlife Cruise “Eagle Season at Cachuma Lake”**

**2 p.m.-4 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays; 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays**

**Description:** Pontoon cruises led by a Santa Barbara County Park naturalist, highlighting “eagle season.” It is a great time of year to see beautiful species of waterfowl and perhaps a resident or visiting bald eagle as well! Cruises also focus on flora, geology and cultural history.

**Admission:** \$10 per vehicle admission, plus \$17/adults, \$7/children (4-12 years old).

**Reservations:** Monday-Friday, call (805) 568-2460; weekends, call (805) 686-5055

**Information:** Call the Park Naturalist office at (805) 688-4515 or go to [www.sbparks.org](http://www.sbparks.org) and click on “Nature Cruise.” To schedule a private weekday cruise for schools and groups, please call the Park Naturalist office at (805) 688-4515.

#### **Cachuma Lake Nature Walk**

**10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Saturdays**

**Description:** Santa Barbara County Park Naturalists and interpretive guides lead an easy-paced, ½-mile walk on the Oak Canyon Nature Trail. Attendees should meet at the Neal Taylor Nature Center.

**Admission:** Free for campers. \$10 park entry fee for non-campers.

**Information:** The Nature Walk is limited to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. Large groups are encouraged to call the Park Naturalists in advance at (805) 688-4515. To schedule a private nature walk for schools and groups on weekdays, please call the Park Naturalist office at (805) 688-4515.

#### **Cachuma Lake Junior Ranger Program**

**12:30-1:30 p.m., Saturdays**

**Description:** Kids earn a Junior Ranger badge as they learn about wildlife and care of the natural environment with the help of a Santa Barbara County Park Naturalist. Participants should meet at the Nature Center.

**Admission:** \$2 per child in addition to \$10 per vehicle Park day use fee.

**Information:** The program is limited to 30 participants on a first come, first serve basis. Groups of 10 or more participants are asked to make arrangements in advance by calling the Naturalist Office at (805) 688-4515. For those who can't attend a Saturday session, we now offer “Jr. Rangers To-Go.” To schedule a date and time, or other information, please call the Naturalist Office at (805) 688-4515.

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## CACHUMA LAKE RECREATION NOVEMBER 2016 CALENDAR

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### Neal Taylor Nature Center at Cachuma Lake:

#### **Neal Taylor Nature Center**

**10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday – Saturday**

**10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday**

**Description:** The Neal Taylor Nature Center with gift and book shop is located in the historic white ranch house behind Cachuma Lake General Store. Exhibits and hands-on displays for all ages feature local wildlife, birds, plant life, geology and local history.

**Admission:** Free admission for campers. \$10 park entry fee for non-campers.

**Information:** Call (805) 693-0691, see park bulletin boards, or visit [www.clnaturecenter.org](http://www.clnaturecenter.org).

#### **Nature Center Detectives**

**2 p.m. every Friday**

**Description:** Fun Nature Center scavenger hunt that is open to all ages.

**Admission:** Free with \$10 park entry fee per vehicle.

**Information:** Call (805) 693-0691 or visit [www.clnaturecenter.org](http://www.clnaturecenter.org).

### Outdoor Recreation at Cachuma Lake:

**Cachuma Lake Hiking** – There are four miles of trails for self-guided hikes within the Park. Pick up a trail map at the front gate. \$10 park admission per vehicle. For more information, call (805) 688-4515 or visit [www.sbparks.org](http://www.sbparks.org).

**Cachuma Lake Fishing** – Fishing from shore or a boat is open year-round with a valid fishing license. The lake supports rainbow trout, large and smallmouth bass, crappie, and channel catfish. Check the website for the Weekly Fishing Report, and for boat inspection and launch requirements to control invasive species. **NOTE:** Due to 30-day Quagga restrictions, please have your personal boat inspected and tagged by Cachuma Lake staff at least 30 days before launching. For more information, go to [www.sbparks.org](http://www.sbparks.org) and search “Quagga” under Boating.

**Cachuma Lake Marina & Boat Rentals** – The marina and lake is open daily. Lake hours for November 1-15: 6:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and November 16-30: 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Boat rentals, party boats, pontoon boats, kayak rentals, slip rentals, one-day fishing licenses, and full bait and tackle are available. For more information, please call (805) 688-4040.

**Bow Fishing for Carp** – Bow fishing is permitted at Cachuma Lake. Permits are free and obtained at the lake. See Carp Bow Fishing at Cachuma Lake at [www.sbparks.org](http://www.sbparks.org) for completed information and regulations.