

CFFU, Let's Clean-up Arcade Creek!

CFFU club members, its time to clean Arcade Creek! This year, the date is Saturday, April 14th and the location, as always is Del Paso Park on Auburn Blvd. The Park meeting place is east of Watt Avenue and just west of the confluence of Auburn Blvd and Winding Way. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the **Bridge Road** entrance to the Park and park free at the parking lot just inside and to the right of the entrance. Please make sure you go to the **Bridge Road** entrance; **not** the Park Road entrance.

After coffee and refreshments, we will have a short orientation that advises everyone of the route, the time frame, the clean-up techniques and safety procedures. The trek is a hike along both sides of the creek with each individual choosing one side to walk. We travel from our meeting place and end our walk at the Park Street entrance, and then double-back. It is about one mile and takes about 90 to 120 minutes. I will have trash bags and other necessities. We will be done by **noon**, but if you must leave earlier, you don't need to walk the entire route.

NOTE: It is best to dress appropriately. This Sacramento County event goes on rain or shine. I suggest boots for everyone and waders for the hearty souls who are not afraid to get into the creek to pick up trash. Old clothes are a must as are gloves. Bring water if you want. Rain gear, if needed, or a hat and sun protection are advisable depending on the weather. It is a good idea to bring a pick-up gadget which can be purchased at any home improvement store. This saves a lot of stooping over. And, it is a convenient device to have around the house.

There may be other events of interest to us on this day, but the Arcade Creek Clean-up is more fun and satisfying that you might think. And, there is always a lot of trash that needs removal. Finally, it is a good way to earn your Presidential Pin. Hope to see you there on Saturday the 14th of APRIL.

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