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Neal Taylor Nature Center
at Cachuma Lake

October Happenings

“Food for Thought”
Speakers Series
Presenting

Birds in Black...and Blue

Corvids of Santa Ynez Valley
with Dennis and Jess Beebe

Sunday, October 1st at 2:00 p.m.



- **Where: The Neal Taylor Nature Center at Cachuma Lake**
- **Meet and greet with light refreshments after the presentation.**
 - **Lecture and Admission to the Nature Center**
(Nature Center admission – donations appreciated)

Guest speakers Dennis & Jess Beebe will present a lecture on Corvids of Santa Ynez Valley. They will highlight the natural history of five species of corvids found in the Santa Ynez Valley: American Crows, Common Ravens, Yellow-Billed Magpies, California Scrub Jays, and Steller's Jays. The program will include an entertaining and interactive introduction while examining aspects of these birds that continue to fascinate us!

More about our presenters:

Dennis Beebe had two professional careers: one as an Air Force officer, and the second as an aerospace management consultant. Dennis is now retired and works part time for the University of California Sedgwick Reserve where he also serves as a docent. He also serves as a docent with the non-profit NatureTrack and is on the board of directors of the Santa Ynez Valley Natural History Society.

Jess Beebe is an accomplished graphic artist, self-taught computer expert, and birder extraordinaire. Jess frequently is recruited by her

father to assist in developing PowerPoint lectures, and handling computer-related challenges during presentations. Jess also volunteers with her father in the service of non-profit and other community organizations in the Santa Ynez Valley.

[ADD *Birds in Black...and Blue* TO YOUR CALENDAR](#)

CREEPY CREATURES

Saturday October 21st

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM



Fall under the spell of owls, bats spiders and scorpions
Touch skulls and bones that will rattle your bones

ADD Creepy Creatures TO YOUR CALENDAR

Nature Center Detectives - Scavenger Hunt!

**UPDATE: NEW VERSIONS OF THE SCAVENGER HUNT
NOW AVAILABLE**



Come try your hand at one of our fun scavenger hunts - kids,
teens, and adults welcome!

Prizes are given to Detectives that complete a hunt!

Ask the Nature Center Docent on-duty for more information.

Nature Center Hours

Thursday - Saturday: 10am - 4pm

Sunday: 10am - 2pm

Admission: Donation

Neal Taylor Nature Center's Native Garden



Take a stroll in the Nature Center's Native Garden and learn about the indigenous plants and critters that make the garden their home.

All native plants are labeled and have a QR code so you can learn more in-depth information about each of the plants and their Chumash uses.

Admission: Donation

(Donation slot on side door of garage, inside the breeze way)

We hope to see you soon! Thank you for your ongoing support!

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Neal Taylor Nature Center at Cachuma Lake

501(c)(3) non-profit organization

Mission Statement

The mission of the Neal Taylor Nature Center at Cachuma Lake is to encourage public understanding, enjoyment, and protection of Cachuma Lake, the Upper Santa Ynez River, and the San Rafael Mountain Range Watershed.

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