



# Pacific West Info Center Opens In Park Visitor Center

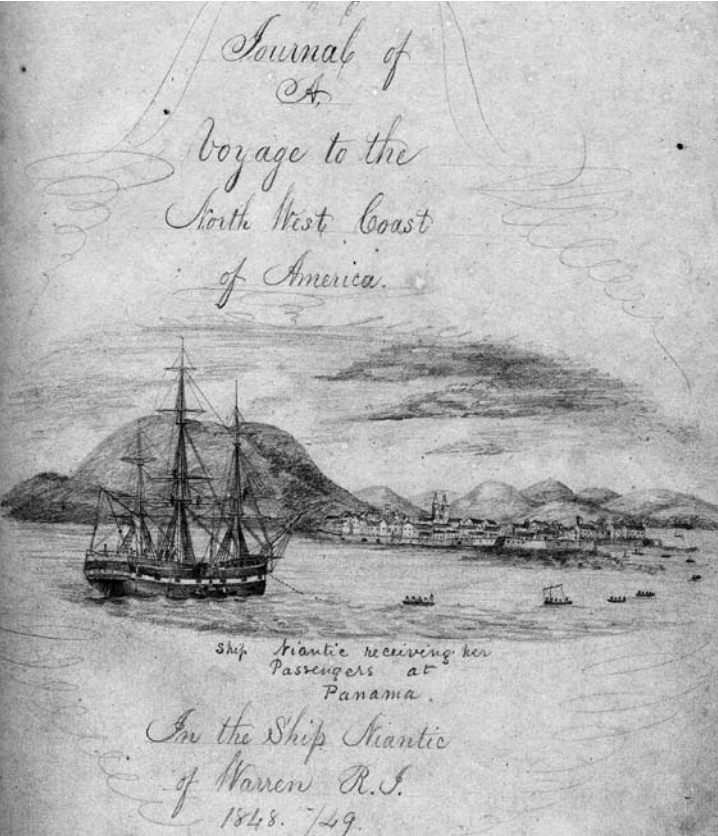
Your visit to the National Park Service Pacific West Information Center is the start of a great adventure! The 58 national parks of the Pacific West Region preserve spectacular natural and cultural diversity. Towering volcanic mountains and majestic ships, stately historic homes and lodges, massive glacier-carved granite canyons, teeming coral reefs, and fossils of animals that lived 54 million years ago are among the attractions and treasures of the Pacific West National Parks.

Plan your next trip with the help of a ranger or national park volunteer. The Pacific West region includes national parks in Nevada, California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Hawaii, and portions of Arizona, Montana and the territories of Guam, American Samoa and Saipan. Not sure where you want to go? The Information Center offers maps, a poster exhibit, brochures, online web browsing and a multi-media photographic tour of the region's 58 national parks.

Looking for a fun day trip to escape the city? There are 11 national parks within a one-to two-hour drive in the San Francisco Bay Area. They offer a wide selection of cultural and recreational activities, from sailing on San Francisco Bay to a night of theater, from wilderness camping, hiking and bicycle trails, to World War II memorials. Visit your nearby 11 Bay Area national parks year-round: Eugene O'Neill, Fort Point, Golden Gate, John Muir, Juan Bautista de Anza, Muir Woods, Pinnacles, Point Reyes, Port Chicago Naval Magazine, Rosie the Riveter/World War II Home Front, and San Francisco Maritime. If you're travelling cross-country, the staff at the Information Center are happy to provide you with information about any of the 392 national parks. Experience Your America!

The Pacific West Information Center is located inside the park Visitor Center at 499 Jefferson Street, San Francisco, CA, 94123. Open daily from 9:30am-5:00pm. Please stop by if you are in the area or call 415-447-0463 or email: [info.pwic@nps.gov](mailto:info.pwic@nps.gov).

Photos, above, clockwise. Images from parks in the Pacific West Region. Mesquite Flat, Death Valley National Park; Park Ranger James Marks assiting visitors in the Pacific West Information Center located in the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park Visitor Center; Volunteers help get rid of weeds at Golden Gate National Recreation Area; Moccasins from 1925, part of the Nez Perce National Historical Park collection; Pinnacles National Monument. Photos: NPS



Photo, above: The frontispiece from the logbook, *Journal of A Voyage to the North West Coast of America*, from a 1849 voyage of the sailing ship *Niantic* from Panama to San Francisco. The drawing is of the ship receiving passengers at Panama. Photo: NPS. SAFR 13574 HDC 28

### Welcome

This fall, we're proud to announce the opening of the National Park Service's Pacific West Information Center at the corner of Hyde and Jefferson Streets. Stop by to access detailed information about all of our region's spectacular National Park sites.

Traditional music lovers can discover their inner sailors this September, when the 2010 Sea Music Concert Series kicks off with a rare double shot of maritime music aboard the 1886 *Balclutha*: the Barbary Ghosts and Salty Walt and the The Rattlin' Ratlines.

Look for a focused exhibit about the 1832 *Niantic* in the Museum lobby featuring the whaler's own stern and rudder, a detailed diorama, and a fine painting of the famous Gold Rush vessel.

And during Hispanic Heritage Month, we will join the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in commemorating Juan Bautista de Anza's 1776 Las Californias expedition. You'll learn how ships supported the march, and helped chart an overland route to San Francisco Bay.

See you on Hyde Street Pier!

Craig Kenkel  
Superintendent



## 1 Pacific West Information Center Opens In Visitor Center

Whether you've got half an hour, or half a day, you'll find something fun and educational for the whole family.

## 2 The *Niantic*, Gold Rush Ship Buried Beneath San Francisco

A painting of the Gold Rush-era sailing ship *Niantic* is donated to the park.


## 4 They're Back.....

They're out of the space ship and in the Visitor Center!!



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San Francisco Maritime  
National Historical Park

Established in 1988, San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park encompasses 34 acres, and contains the most national historic landmarks of any unit in the National Park Service. In addition to the fleet of historic ships at Hyde Street Pier, the park includes the Aquatic Park Historic District (Maritime Museum, beach, lawn area, and bocce ball courts), a Visitor Center and a research library (in Fort Mason Center).

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# Niantic: Buried Gold Rush Ship

## A Logbook in 1980 And a Painting in 2010

By DAVID HULL, PRINCIPAL LIBRARIAN

After carrying 248 gold-seekers from Panama to San Francisco Bay, the *Niantic* was beached in the summer of 1849 at the corner of Clay and Sansome Streets. She then served as a storeship earning her owners \$20,000 per month until she was reduced to a great, flat tray in the mud when she was burned to the turn of her bilge in the great San Francisco Fire of May 1851. The *Niantic* was the furthest inland of the 44 ships known to be buried in downtown San Francisco. More than any others, she was described by contemporaries, drawn and captured in lithography.

On another coast, in another century: the street address on Martha’s Vineyard, off Cape Cod, had no number. It was simply a sign: “Cleaveland House, c. 1750.” In this house, in 1980, I was privileged to receive for the maritime museum a splendid gift from Dionis Coffin Riggs, a descendant of Henry Cleaveland, who was captain of the *Niantic* in 1849 on a whaling voyage in the Pacific. When he learned of hundreds of would-be passengers at Panama, he sailed there and seized the opportunity. Dionis’ gift was Captain Cleaveland’s logbook for that voyage, a marvelous account prefaced by a fine drawing by his son (and first mate) of the *Niantic* receiving her passengers at Panama.

Thirty years later, Dionis’ daughter, Cynthia Riggs, contacted the Park’s Library. She was opening her ancestral home to others as a Bed and Breakfast and had decided to do something about an old painting that had hung on the wall for about 150 years. A skilled conservator brought the faded and torn painting back into the light of a new day. It was the *Niantic*, in



An oil painting of the three-masted sailing ship *Niantic*, in port at Ningpo, China. The date of the painting is circa 1836-1839. It is 27 inches wide and 22 inches high, in a plain, brown wood frame. Photo: NPS, SAFR 22386

port at Ningpo, China about 1838. Before she was a whaler, she carried the teas and silks of China, having been built in 1835 for the China Trade.

In May 2010, I was again privileged to receive for the park’s maritime museum a second splendid gift from a descendant



of Captain Henry Cleaveland. While the logbook positions the *Niantic* for fame, the painting illustrates the ship in her glory.

On exhibit this fall in the museum building at the foot of Polk Street will be the painting, together with a detailed diorama of the ship on the Gold Rush waterfront of 1849, and her actual stern and rudder—which this museum recovered in 1978 when, as the *San Francisco Chronicle* newspaper put it, “A Gold Rush Ship Is Dug Up Downtown.”

Photo, left: Visitor in the Museum lobby enjoys a close-up view of the diorama depicting the *Niantic* as a storeship on the San Francisco waterfront of 1849. Photo: NPS

## Sea Music Concert Series

San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park proudly presents its 22nd Annual Sea Music Concert Series. This September, October, and November we once again invite you to experience the driving rhythms of chanteys and the beauty of seafaring ballads from the wooden decks of the 1886 square-rigged sailing ship *Balclutha*, berthed at Hyde Street Pier on San Francisco’s Fisherman’s Wharf.

A double bill, featuring the Barbary Ghosts and Salty Walt and the Rattlin’ Ratlines, kicks off the series on September 25. Come tap your foot on *Balclutha’s* deck to the beat of this new generation of sea music performers.

On October 23, hailing from Kaneville, Illinois, singer/songwriter Lee Murdock will



The Barbary Ghosts, and Salty Walt and the Rattlin’ Ratlines.

perform songs of the Great Lakes sailors from his extensive repertoire.

The final concert of the series, on November 20, features Jimmy Crowley and Máirtín de Cógáin all the way from County Cork, Ireland. They bring a songbag full of rare maritime songs and songs of emigration. Each concert begin at 8 pm and cost \$14. Consider buying a season ticket for all three performances for only \$36. To order tickets, please call 415-561-6662 ext. 33.

## SFMNPA Proudly Celebrates Its 60th Anniversary

Founded in 1950, the SFMNPA is a non-profit organization whose mission is to bring maritime history to life through education and preservation programs in partnership with the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park. The Association is also the steward of the of the National Historic Landmark USS *Pampanito* WWII Submarine at Pier 45.

For over 25 years, SFMNPA has provided students with opportunities to build character, learn self-reliance and teamwork, and gain valuable living history lessons using the historic ships at Hyde Street Pier and the USS *Pampanito* as the authentic setting for its education programs.

For many kids, this is their first experience visiting San Francisco’s waterfront or a national park.



“We believe the maritime story has meaning and value to all communities. Our goal is to provide innovative programs and exhibitions which actively engage and immerse visitors in the traditions, craft and spirit of our shared maritime heritage,” said Executive Director Ted Regan.

With the generous support of its members and donors, SFMNPA is making ready and setting sail for the next exciting 60 years of maritime stewardship. For membership information go to [www.maritime.org](http://www.maritime.org) or call 415-561-6662.

### Visitor Information

#### Dates and Hours of Operation:

**Hyde Street Pier**, located at Hyde and Jefferson Streets, is open 9:30AM to 5:00PM. Last pier entry at 4:30PM.

**Visitor Center**, located at the corner of Hyde and Jefferson Streets, is open 9:30AM to 5:00PM.

**Maritime Museum (in the Aquatic Park Bathhouse Building)**, located on Beach Street at the foot of Polk Street. The building is open from 10:00AM to 4:00PM daily.

**Maritime Library**, located on the third floor of Building E in Fort Mason Center (auto entrance at Buchanan Street and Marina Blvd), open to the public by appointment Monday–Friday (1PM–4PM), and the 3rd Saturday of the month (10AM–5PM). Call 415-561-7030.

**Contact Information**  
General Park Information: 415-447-5000  
Pacific West Info Center: 415-447-0463  
Maritime Store: 415-775-2665  
Maritime Library: 415-561-7030  
USS *Pampanito*: 415-775-1943  
Park Website: [www.nps.gov/safr](http://www.nps.gov/safr)  
Association Website: [www.maritime.org](http://www.maritime.org)

**Entrance Fee for Historic Vessels: \$5**  
Free for supervised children under 16.  
Free with Federal Interagency Annual, Senior, and Access Passes, and San Francisco Maritime NHP Annual Pass.

**No-Fee Areas**  
Visitor Center, Hyde Street Pier, Museum Building, Aquatic Park Historic Landmark District, and the Maritime Library (Fort Mason Center).

**Reservations**  
Reservations for school groups and other educational groups must be made at least two weeks prior to your visit, call 415-292-6664.

#### Accessibility Information



Programs in the Visitor Center, on Hyde Street Pier, and in the library are accessible. Accessibility to programs on the ships varies. For detailed information, please call the Visitor Center, 415-447-5000, or <http://www.nps.gov/safr/planyourvisit/accessibility.htm>.

**Permits**  
Special Use Permits require at least a one month notice and application. Filming permits are arranged on an individual basis, call 415-561-7170.



# Music, Tours, Events, Lectures and Living History

## NEW PROGRAMS



**BIRD WATCHING FOR CHILDREN AND BEGINNERS**  
*Sundays, October 31 and November 14, 10-11AM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free. All ages welcome!*  
Learn how to find and identify birds at Aquatic Park using binoculars and guidebooks. Guidebooks provided; bring binoculars if you have them. Dress warmly in layers. ☺

**TOUR OF THE WW II SUBMARINE USS PAMPANITO**  
*Tuesdays, September 14, 10AM; October 12, 11AM; November 9, 2-3:30PM. Meet at the submarine located at Pier 45, Fisherman's Wharf. Call 415-775-1943 for ticket prices.*  
Join a park ranger for a tour of this Balao-class submarine (SS-38). Now a museum and memorial, the vessel made six patrols in the Pacific during WWII. The tour will emphasize stories about dramatic events during those patrols.

**NATIONAL PARKS: AMERICA'S BEST IDEA**  
*Sunday, October 31, 3-3:45PM PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free.*  
While enjoying spectacular video clips, we will consider how the national park idea has evolved over the past century. Learn about the diverse people who have contributed to the development of the National Park Service.

## MORE PROGRAMS

**CRAFTS FOR KIDS**  
*Saturdays, September 25, October 30, and November 27, 3PM. Meet at the entrance to Hyde Street Pier. Free.*  
Want to learn a little about life at sea and make a cool maritime craft? Come on down to the pier and join us! ☺

**ANIMALS OF HYDE STREET PIER**  
*September 10, 19, October 4, 17, 18, and November 1, 3, 5, 19, 3PM. (EXCEPT 9/10 AT 10:30AM.) Meet at the end of Hyde Street Pier. Free.*  
Come experience a whole different world you might not realize exists at Hyde Street Pier. ☺

**MARITIME STORY TIME: THE TALE OF HENRY AND HARRY**  
*Saturdays, September 11, 3:30-4:30PM and November 6, 1-1:30PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free. Ages 6-12.*  
Join in this fun-filled, interactive program about two stowaway kittens aboard the *Balclutha*. Find out what it was like to be a feline sailor in 1887. ☺

**A SINGING TOUR OF BALCLUTHA**  
*Sundays, September 12 and November 28, 3PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free).*  
Being a sailor was a brutal job, but singing lessened the pain. During this tour, listen to examples of work and leisure songs. If you wish, you may join us to haul on a line as we sing. ☺

☺ **FUN FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM**

**HISTORIC WATERFRONT WALKING TOUR: FROM GOLD RUSH TO NATIONAL PARK**  
*Saturdays and Sundays, 10:30-11:30AM. Meet in the Argonaut Hotel lobby (495 Jefferson St.), adjacent to the Visitor Center. Free.*  
Stroll with a Park Ranger to discover the history of this vibrant area on a walking tour through the Aquatic Park Historic District, the Cannery, Hyde Street Pier, and "Fish Alley" at Fisherman's Wharf. We'll walk about a mile, on gently sloping and uneven terrain. Dress in layers, wear sunscreen, and walking shoes. ☺

**MARITIME MUSEUM**  
*Open 10:00AM to 4:00PM daily. Located at 900 Beach Street, at the foot of Polk Street. Free.*  
The newly restored 1939 Works Progress Administration-era building's lobby and veranda are open to the public. View the the unique architecture, stunning murals, sculpture, and temporary exhibits. ☺

**ADVENTURES AT SEA: LIFE ABOARD A 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY SAILING SHIP**  
*Daily, 2:15PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free).*  
Join a guided tour of the historic ship *Balclutha*. Discover the hardships and rewards of the sailors who fought for survival during the treacherous Cape Horn passage. ☺

**LIGHTHOUSES OF SAN FRANCISCO BAY**  
*Sundays, September 19, October 17, and November 21, 3:15PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free.*  
Join Volunteer Warren Riley for a program on the role of lighthouses in the development of San Francisco. Learn about the history, equipment, and unique people who ran lighthouses.

**ALONG THE WATERFRONT**  
*Sundays, September 19, October 17, and November 21, 1PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free.*  
Join Volunteer Warren Riley for an illustrated talk on changes to the San Francisco waterfront. Learn how historical events, such as the discovery of gold in 1848, contributed to the transformation of the waterfront over more than 100 years.

**HERCULES ENGINEERING TOUR**  
*Sundays, September 5, October 3, and November 7, 3PM. Meet at the gangway on the Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Tour includes climbing moderately steep ladders and entering cramped spaces.*  
Explore the major engineering spaces and learn about steam engine technology and its effects on the working environment of the marine steam engineer. ☺

**EUREKA ENGINE ROOM TOUR**  
*Fridays, September 10, October 8, and Saturday, November 13, 3PM-3:45PM. Meet on Eureka's gangway. Vessel admission (under 16 free).*  
Take a special tour of the ferryboat *Eureka's* engine room and get a close-up look at what makes a steam ferry run. ☺

**SMALL CRAFT COLLECTION TOUR**  
*Saturdays, September 18, October 16, and November 13, 9:30AM-2:30PM. Free. Call 415-292-6664, or email mgardner@maritime.org, to make a reservation and for directions to the warehouse.*  
We'll tour the collection of nearly 100 historic boats, stored in a warehouse in Alameda, talking about history, design and construction. Bring a bag lunch.

**GO SAILING ON SCHOONER ALMA**  
*September 4, 11, 18, 25; October 2, 16, 23, 25, and November 6, 13, 20. At Hyde Street Pier. Board at 12:30PM, return to pier at 4PM. Adults: \$40, Seniors: \$30, Kids: \$20.*  
Enjoy a three-hour sail on SF Bay with a park ranger. Call 415-447-5000. ☺

## MUSIC

**CHANTEY SING**  
*Saturdays, September 4, October 2, and November 6, 8PM-MIDNIGHT. Free. Aboard a historic vessel at Hyde Street Pier. Reservations required: call 415-561-7171 or email peter\_kasin@nps.gov.*  
Sing traditional working songs aboard a historic floating vessel. Bring a mug for hot cider served from the ship's galley.

**MUSIC OF THE SEA FOR KIDS**  
*Saturdays, September 18, October 16, and November 20, 3PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free).*  
History comes alive for kids in this special program, where the songs are geared for younger ears and chosen especially for fun. Ages 7 and up. ☺



Jimmy Crowley and Máirtín de Cógáin perform on November 20, 2010, on the historic ship *Balclutha*.

**22<sup>ND</sup> SEA MUSIC CONCERT SERIES**  
*Saturdays, September 25, October 30, and November 20, 8PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. For ticket information call 415-561-6662 ext. 33.*  
See the article on page two for more information about the concert series.



## COSTUMED LIVING HISTORY

**A DAY IN THE LIFE: 1901**  
*Saturdays, September 11, October 16, and November 13, 10AM-5PM. Aboard the historic vessels at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free).*  
Step into the past as you board the historic ships. Help the sailors on *Balclutha* raise the staysail in the morning, and then sing chanteys during the afternoon dogwatch. Visit the ship's cook in the galley, talk to ferry passengers on *Eureka*, and discuss the issues of the day during afternoon tea with Mrs. Galan on the Ark houseboat. Join the *Seamen's Friend Society* in October, and learn about sailors' arts and crafts as they *Make and Mend* in November. ☺



**Friends of the San Francisco Maritime Museum Library**  
Join the Friends and help support the J. Porter Shaw Library at San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park. Membership includes reduced admission to Friends' events, free admission to the Pier and ships, and discounts on books purchased at the library and The Maritime Store on Hyde Street Pier. Call 415-561-7040.

## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

**SPAIN COMES TO CALIFORNIA**  
*Sundays, September 26 and October 24, 3PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free.*  
Long before the Stars and Stripes flew over California, the flag of the King of Spain appeared off the coast. This presentation will explore the voyage of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo. Learn of his exploits and legacy.

**EXPLORING AND SETTLING CALIFORNIA**  
*Sunday, October 3, 2PM. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free).*  
Cabrillo, Ayala, Anza, Portolá. Arriving by land and by sea, Spaniards were the first outsiders to explore and establish settlements in California. Join us in this special Hispanic Heritage Month program that includes a conversation with a costumed interpreter portraying Juan Bautista de Anza. ☺

**DAY OF THE DEAD ART FIESTA AT CRISSY FIELD CENTER**  
*Saturday, October 23, 12-3PM. At Golden Gate National Recreation Center, Crissy Field Center. More info: 415-561-7690. www.crisseyfield.org*  
This celebration is a time for joining together and remembering and honoring family and friends who have died. There will be fun family-friendly art activities, music and dance performances, and yummy traditional treats. All ages are welcome. ☺

## IN THE LIBRARY

The library is open to the public on the third Saturday of the month, 10AM to 5PM, and Monday through Friday by making an appointment. Call 415-561-7030.  
*These programs are held in the Maritime Library, Building E, Fort Mason Center. For reservations call 415-561-7040 or melani\_van\_petten@partner.nps.gov.*

**THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JOSIAH GARDENER: MASTER MARINER**  
*Friday, October 8, 6PM. Donation: \$7 (general public); \$5 (Library Friends and SFMNP members).*  
Josiah Gardener, master mariner, has been going to sea since before the Civil War. He has fished the Grand Banks, cruised San Francisco's Barbary Coast, and faced gales and shipwreck. He is played by Dr. Glenn Gordinier, Mystic Seaport historian and former director of Mystic's living history program. Dr. Gordinier will bring Josiah Gardener to life with exciting and humorous tales of the world of the Yankee seafarer.

**SCRAP VESSEL**  
*Saturday, November 20, 6PM. Donation: \$7 (general public); \$5 (Library Friends and SFMNP members).*  
*Scrap Vessel*, a film that documents the last trip of the *Hari Funafuti* (formerly the *Bulk Promoter* and the *Hupohai*—which means "Amber Ocean"), a cargo ship on its way to be scrapped. Using the massive ship like a landscape, the film explores what is found inside from the *Hupohai's* Communist past, through an unseen attack by pirates, and onto a distant beach and glowing ironworks factory, until the ship becomes a phantom.



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Today In The Park

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SEPTEMBER

- 1 Guided Tour of *Balclutha* (daily)
- 4 Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Saturday)  
Chantey Sing
- 5 Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Sunday)  
*Hercules* Engineering Tour
- 6 Labor Day Concert
- 10 Animals of Hyde Street Pier  
*Eureka* Engine Room Tour
- 11 Costumed Living History  
Maritime Story Time
- 12 Singing Tour of *Balclutha*
- 14 *USS Pampanito* Tour
- 18 Small Craft Collection Tour  
Music of the Sea for Kids  
Maritime Library Open

- 19 Along The Waterfront  
Lighthouses of SF Bay  
Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- 25 Fee Free Day  
Crafts For Kids  
Sea Music Concert
- 26 Spain Comes to California

OCTOBER

- 1 Guided Tour of *Balclutha* (daily)
- 2 Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Saturday)  
Chantey Sing
- 3 Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Sunday)  
Exploring an Settling California  
*Hercules* Engineering Tour
- 4 Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- 8 *Eureka* Engine Room Tour  
Library Program
- 9 Fleet Week activities
- 10 Fleet Week activities
- 12 *USS Pampanito* Tour

- 16 Costumed Living History  
Small Craft Collection Tour  
Music of the Sea for Kids  
Maritime Library open
- 17 Along The Waterfront  
Lighthouses of SF Bay  
Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- 18 Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- 23 Day of the Dead Fiesta at Crissy Field
- 24 Spain Comes to California
- 30 Crafts For Kids  
Sea Music Concert
- 31 Bird Watching for Children & Beginners  
National Parks: Best Idea  
Barbary Coast Trail Walk

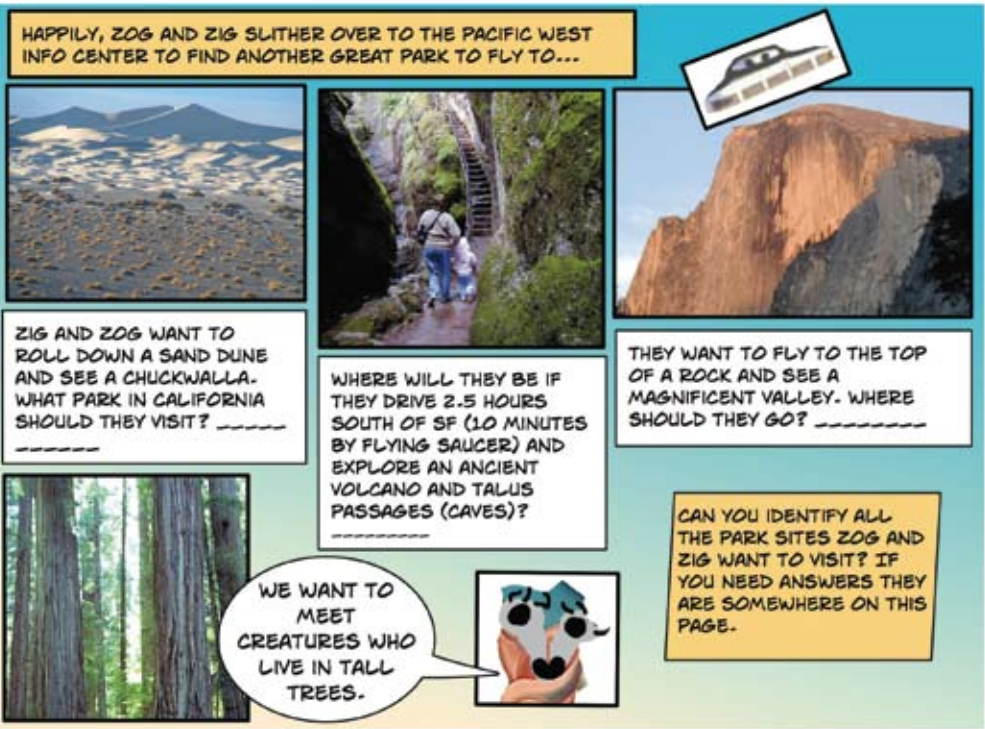
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Animals of Hyde Street Pier
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- Maritime Story Time  
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Park Website: [www.nps.gov/safr](http://www.nps.gov/safr)

Comics for Kids



Answers: Parks from top left, clockwise: Death Valley National Monument, Yosemite National Park, Pinnacles National Park, Redwood National Park.

Barbary Coast Trail Walk

Take a Historic Walk Across San Francisco

The 3.5 mile walk is presented by the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society in association with the San Francisco Maritime National Park Association.



is marked by handsome bronze plaques on the sidewalks that link 16 of San Francisco's most historic sites. The walk goes through downtown, Chinatown, North Beach and Fisherman's Wharf, ending at San Francisco Maritime's Aquatic Park where walkers will enjoy a celebration with food, drink and entertainment.

A fundraiser for both organizations, the walk begins at 9 a.m. on October 31 in front of the Old Mint at 5th and Mission, a National Historic Landmark. The route

All registered walkers will also receive a replica medallion of the Barbary Coast Trail plaques. For information and registration, visit [www.barbarycoasttrailwalk.org](http://www.barbarycoasttrailwalk.org).



Uncle Kem and the Royal Hawaiian Ukulele Band performing aboard *Balclutha* on June 12, 2010 at Hyde Street Pier. Photo: Jordan Yee

King Kamehameha Day Celebration

Uncle Kem and the Royal Hawaiian Ukulele Band performed aboard *Balclutha* to celebrate King Kamehameha Day this past June. Kamehameha the Great united the Hawaiian Islands during his reign from 1782 to 1819.

*Balclutha* sailed to Honolulu in 1899 for the purpose of gaining Hawaiian registry and briefly flew the flag of the Hawaiian Kingdom. In 1898, Hawaii was annexed by the United States, and in 1901 *Balclutha* was granted U. S. registry and henceforth flew the American flag.

