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CRITTER CREEK WILDLIFE STATION



Saturday, Dec. 29th - 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Last tour begins at 1:30 p.m.

Come and enjoy Critter Creek and find out how you can help support California wildlife.

Admission is by donation.

For more information call (559) 338-2415 or email at crittercreekwildlife@hughes.net



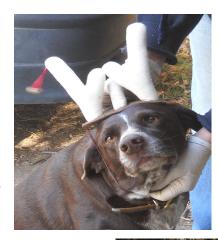
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM EVERYONE AT CRITTER CREEK

We hope you take this time to enjoy and appreciate the wildlife around you.



There have been strange reindeer sightings at Critter Creek



OPEN HOUSE IN SEPTEMBER WAS BUSY WITH OVER 150 PEOPLE ATTENDING





Tie Dyed T-Shirts and Dish Towels

Those who came to our tie-dye event enjoyed their tour and lunch. In the end they left with colorful gifts, the result of their own artistry.



RELEASES

We have been very fortunate to have supporter who own ranches where we are able to release a variety of mammals such as deer, coyotes, and birds of prey like Great Horned owls and Red-shouldered hawks. These ranchers work to maintain their land in a sustainable way, so the wildlife plays an integral role in the health of their ranch.



FOOD CRISIS

For those of you who follow the news, you will know that Zacky Farms has filed for bankruptcy. Weeks ago, their hatchery in Kerman stopped hatching turkeys which were our main supply of food for our birds of prey and some mammals. We were lucky to have a free source of food for so many years. With restructuring, Zacky Farms may return as a supporter and food supplier, but for now we have to travel further for less food. We have had to make a lot of adjustments in diets.

The same company that makes our mountain lion food also produces a bird of prey food. It is expensive, but is an excellent diet for the young birds of prey we will be getting in this spring. We are encouraging our supporters to help us now to raise the money to purchase the food we will need in the spring. Each case is \$50 and contains 8 tubes of food. A baby barn owl or hawk would need close to four tubes to reach an age where it would be able to eat a regular diet of rodents. We appreciate your donations, but we are hoping you can give an additional \$50 to help the Baby Bird of Prey Fund.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT FILLS AN URGENT NEED

A big thank you to Nicholas, his family and scout troop for constructing four well-designed small animal cages. We were in need of housing for confiscated exotic animals. These cages have provided a pleasant home for them.





