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This photo of Kings Creek Meadow is used
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LASSEN PARK FOUNDATION COVID-19 UPDATE

Lassen Park Foundation has been affected by COVID-19 much as the rest of the world has. When the stay at home orders went into effect in California, we made the same changes many business owners did. Our staff began working from home, our board meetings were rescheduled to virtual Zoom meetings, and we froze hiring of seasonal part-time staff.

When the park closed shortly thereafter, we had to consider some additional changes in relation to our plans for the park this summer.

Discover Lassen

The Discover Lassen weekend-long event was named last year to encompass two previous events we've held at the park: Reach the Peak Hike-A-Thon and Day in the Park BBQ at Loomis Plaza. Although this combined event is a lot of fun and one of our Board of Directors' favorites, we have had to make the hard decision to cancel the event for this summer. We will look to summer 2021 for the next Discover Lassen weekend dates and update our website when they have been identified.

Volcano Adventure Camp (VAC) Operations

We are still hoping the park will open up enough this summer to allow our Youth Camping Program to proceed, although it will likely be on a smaller scale than we are used to seeing. The date to open the camp has been tentatively pushed back one month to July 6, 2020. Actual opening of the camp will depend on the Federal, State, and Local guidelines on social distancing and restrictions on group gatherings. We will update our website when additional information on the VAC opening date is confirmed by our park partner.

VAC Phase II Construction

Despite the park being closed, many park staff members are still working either remotely from home, or in remote locations throughout the park. One project that is still continuing with park staff help is the construction of Phase II of the VAC. Phase II includes the installation of four additional tent cabins and a vault toilet. Park staff from the Manzanita Lake crew will begin working on the project this May! Construction is scheduled to be completed by October 2021.

Peak Experience Auction

At this point in time we are still planning on proceeding with our Peak Experience Auction in-person at The McConnell Foundation in Redding on Saturday, September 19, 2020. This plan is tentative and will, of course, depend on the status of the COVID-19 pandemic as we get closer to the actual date of the event. We will update our website with event information as it becomes available.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

COVID-19 has challenged Lassen Park Foundation as it has so many institutions, individuals, and their families. I speak for the entire organization when I say that our hearts go out to everybody who has been sick or lost loved ones. We want to communicate our deepest appreciation for those members of our community who have continued to serve, protect, and care for our neighbors at great personal risk. Thank you.

I also want to express profound sympathy for people who are struggling because of lost work or business. The toll on the economy is a great burden. You are not alone. The impact on Lassen Park Foundation has been heavy too.

General George Patton said, "Prepare for the unknown by studying how others in the past have coped with the unforeseeable and the unpredictable." We have done our best to follow Patton's advice. We made some hard decisions early based on the best information we had available. We reduced expenses, deferred some investments, and developed contingency plans for events and fundraising.

However, Dwight D. Eisenhower said, "In preparing for battle I have always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable." Ike's wisdom has also served us well. I'm grateful to the staff of the Foundation, the committees and members of the Board, and to NPS leadership and personnel for their ongoing efforts to evaluate, plan, and adapt to evolving circumstances. As I write this message, I am cautiously optimistic about opportunities for us to return to the Park, to move ahead with the mission of the Foundation, and for our communities to begin to recover. However, we remain vigilant in our planning process and prepared to further adapt as the situation continues to evolve. Thank you for your support, and please take care.

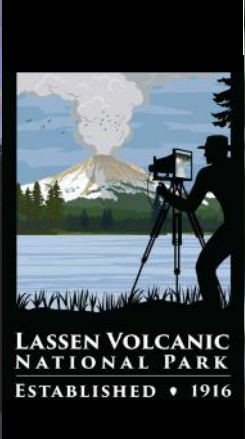
Sincerely,

Pete Dailey, Chairman
Lassen Park Foundation





Photos courtesy of the National Park Service



LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK 2020

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LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK IS CURRENTLY CLOSED DUE TO COVID-19

Please respect the park closure and do not attempt to access any part of the park or trails during the closure. For more information about the park's response to COVID-19, see the article on page 4.

LASSEN WAKING FROM A LONG SLUMBER

It was a beautiful, Northern California early afternoon in late May. The fighting had begun, but U.S. involvement in WWI was still a couple of years away. The Spanish Flu had yet to sweep across the world. Bell and Watson made their first coast to coast phone call earlier that year. The Model T Ford was just hitting its stride. And after a thousand-year nap, Lassen Peak woke up.

The residents of Redding (a city only 25 years old) and older brother Red Bluff (at about 60) probably weren't aware that they had settled next to an active volcano, or in this case a group of volcanoes.

Starting mid-May in 1915, first at night and then eventually even during the middle of the day, from as far away as Red Bluff and Redding, residents could see a glow emanating from the top of Lassen Peak.



View of Lassen Peak in eruption from downtown Red Bluff. Photograph by F.R. Eldridge 05/21/1915

On the night of May 19th, the first significant eruption was seen and heard across the region. The lava hit several feet of snow, melted it instantly and created massive mud flows. Those flows carved out what is known as The Devastated Area, a short, wheel-chair accessible loop and great introduction to the power and effects of the Lassen Peak

eruptions. The mud would eventually reach and flood Hat Creek.

The real show was only a few days away. Around lunchtime, Lassen Peak, under tremendous pressure, finally exploded. In just a half an hour the plume had risen almost six miles into the late Spring sky, visible to the south in Sacramento and to the west by those living on the coast. Following the wind, the ash traveled quickly east touching down as far as three hundred miles away in Winnemucca, Nevada.

Miraculously, nobody was hurt in this unexpected modern eruption. And slowly, gradually, Lassen Peak calmed down with small explosions for a couple of years, then just steam plumes until the early 1920's.

On August 9th, 1916, Lassen Volcanic National Park was born.

VOLCANO TYPES AT LASSEN

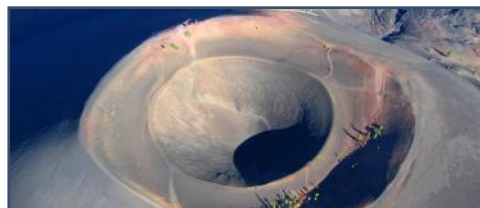
Within Lassen Volcanic National Park (LVNP) all four types of volcanoes can be found.

Shield: (Prospect Peak) A broad, domed volcano with gently sloping sides. The image shown below is Cinder Cone (on the right) and West Prospect Peak (on the left) viewed from Snag Lake.



Composite: (Brokeoff or ancient Mount Tehama) A conical shape built up by many layers of lava and ash, which cools quickly. The image to the right shows a snow-covered Brokeoff viewed from Diamond Peak.

Cinder Cone: (Cinder Cone) Created when a single vent violently shoots gas-charged lava into the air and it falls back down as cinder rock. The image below shows an aerial view of Cinder Cone at LVNP.



Plug Dome: (Lassen Peak) Small steep cones formed with slow moving lava and bulbous formations. Lassen Peak is one of the largest plug dome volcanoes in the world. The image below shows Lassen Peak viewed from Lake Helen.



(All photos courtesy of the National Park Service.)

LASSEN VOLCANIC NP CLOSED DUE TO COVID-19

After Lassen Volcanic National Park closed a few weeks ago due to COVID-19, we at Lassen Park Foundation began receiving questions from park supporters about how the park is handling this pandemic. Please see the answers provided by park staff to some of the most frequent questions below.

How is Lassen Volcanic National Park operating now?

Lassen Volcanic National Park is temporarily closed to all visitors. The health and safety of National Park Service (NPS) visitors, employees, volunteers, and partners is our number one priority.

The NPS is taking extraordinary steps to implement the latest guidance from state and local public health authorities, which support the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention's (CDC) efforts to promote social distancing and slow the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Decisions on modifications to park operations are being made on a park-by-park basis and re-evaluated regularly. Visitor services, other than those of public and resource protection (such as law enforcement and trash removal), will be limited or suspended. The NPS urges visitors to practice Leave No Trace principles, including pack-in and pack-out, to keep outdoor spaces safe and healthy. Park rangers remain on duty protecting the parks, and normal rules and regulations continue to apply.

Where it is possible to adhere to federal, state, and local public health guidance, outdoor spaces will remain accessible to the public, and entrance-fee free. When contemplating a visit to a national park, the NPS asks people to closely follow CDC guidance to prevent the spread of infectious diseases. Slowing the spread of novel coronavirus is everyone's responsibility. These measures include: practice social distancing; wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze; avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth; most importantly, please stay home if you feel sick. For high-risk populations, such as the elderly and people with underlying conditions, we ask that they take extra caution and follow CDC guidance for those at higher risk of serious illness.

We are also encouraging visitors to Find their Virtual Park! NPS parks and programs are sharing virtual content on their websites and social media. Check out our wildlife webcams, virtual tours, Junior Ranger programs, citizen science videos, even coloring pages. There are countless ways to #FindYourPark from home.



*Vulcan's Eye on Lassen Peak
Courtesy of the National Park Services*

Park superintendents, with the support of the NPS leadership and the Department of the Interior, have been empowered to make decisions to modify operations for facilities and programs based on guidance from the CDC and state/local public health authorities, using decision factors the NPS has consistently applied across all park units. The NPS will continue to evaluate and reassess operations on a park-by-park basis in accordance with the latest public health guidance.

How will this impact visitation?

Most parks have modified their operations in response to public health authorities, which includes the suspension of visitor entrance stations and other facility closures. Most park grounds have remained accessible where it is possible to adhere to guidance from public health authorities. However, parks do not collect visitation statistics on a daily basis in ways that can easily be extracted. While preliminary visitation data is recorded monthly, it is subject to analysis before being finalized at the end of the calendar year.

While we cannot at this time quantify and confirm visitation numbers, the need for outdoor recreational opportunities is part of why people love their national parks. We continue to communicate that slowing the spread of infectious diseases is everyone's responsibility. The NPS is adhering to the CDC's guidance for preventing the spread of the coronavirus, and continuing to take actions to ensure visitors and employees are followed federal guidance and state and local public health authorities.

What about Lassen Employees?

Many Lassen employees are currently teleworking. Telework is a public health strategy to slow the spread of COVID-19 by minimizing person-to-person contact, especially to protect the most vulnerable, including the elderly and people with underlying conditions. Superintendents and program managers in consultation with regional and associate directors will make determinations about telework that align with local, state, and OPM guidance while ensuring continuity of operations.

The NPS is focused on ensuring the safety and health of our visitors, employees, volunteers, and partners by following the most current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Office of Personnel Management, Office of Emergency Management, and other federal, state, and local health authorities. NPS emergency management staff and first responders are trained to prevent, detect, and respond to disease transmission within the national parks.



BOARD MEMBER DR. HARRY W. DANIELL REMEMBERED

Lassen Park Foundation (LPF) recently lost one of our longtime board members, Dr. Harry Daniell. Dr. Daniell joined LPF in 2003 and passed on March 26, 2020 of natural causes. Dr. Daniell's surviving family members include his daughters, Suzanne Daniell Hildner and Jennifer Daniell-Pentrack, son-in-law Richard Hildner, as well as 3 step-grandchildren, 5 siblings and multiple nieces and nephews.

"Dad was deeply fond of Lassen Park and its environs," shared his daughter, Suzanne. "His room at Mercy Hospital, where he was hospitalized, provided him a view of Lassen and he requested that his bed be positioned such that he could easily see Lassen Peak during his final days."

LPF's Founding Chairman, John Koeberer, shared some of his experience with Dr. Daniell. "I first met Dr. Daniell in 1963," says Koeberer. "He was a cardiologist and I was referred to him by the military because I had a heart murmur which was keeping me out of the MarCad Flight Program (Marines Aviation Cadet). He confirmed the diagnosis and then treated my heart murmur which had the potential to be something much worse. He was a Boston Marathoner and prescribed running to me. It solved the problem with no recurrence! When I asked him to be a Board Member many years later he gleefully agreed... there seemed no end to his generosity."

Dr. Daniell was a big supporter of the Foundation's work, of course. He loved supporting the Park in general; but his favorite project was the Volcano Adventure Camp. He felt very strongly that exposing kids to the out-of-doors was vitally important for their well-being and that of the planet, and made a special trip to observe the building of the camp while it was under construction.

Redding's proximity to Lassen Volcanic National Park (LVNP) was a major factor in Dr. Daniell and his family deciding to settle in Redding during the early 1960's. "As a family our preferred vacations had always been out of doors camping, hiking and fishing" said Suzanne. "We spent the majority of our big vacations in National Parks... touring Yellowstone, the Tetons, and the Grand Canyon in particular. Dad had a

very strong connection to the national park concept specifically and the out of doors in general."

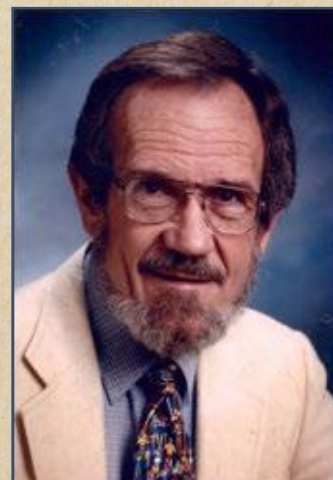
Dr. Daniell had a lot of favorite excursions at LVNP. He loved climbing Brokeoff Mountain for the solitude, and the views that it offered of Lassen Peak. He was known in his church to coordinate Lassen Peak Trail hikes during a full moon in the summer. They would start the trip with a picnic dinner at Kings Creek Meadows followed by climbing the Lassen Peak Trail during sunset. After a moment relaxing at the peak and watching the moon rise, the group would descend under the full moon.

He loved showing kids Bumpass Hell and Cinder Cone, largely because he himself was fascinated by geology. Suzanne says he hiked most, if not all, of the trails in the Park and backpacked much of the wilderness. "As age began to limit him; one of his favorite hikes remained Kings Creek Falls. My mother predeceased Dad by 23 years and she had many years of reduced mobility, but they frequently canoed and fly fished Manzanita Lake," said Suzanne.

"For all of us who loved him," she said, "it was a great comfort that he was still walking over a mile most days and driving a bit right up to his hospitalization. We spent many, many wonderful days as a family over the years in Lassen."

Donations are being accepted In Memory of Dr. Harry Daniell at Lassen Park Foundation. Please donate online and note in the Donation Comment Box, "In Memory of Dr. Harry Daniell".

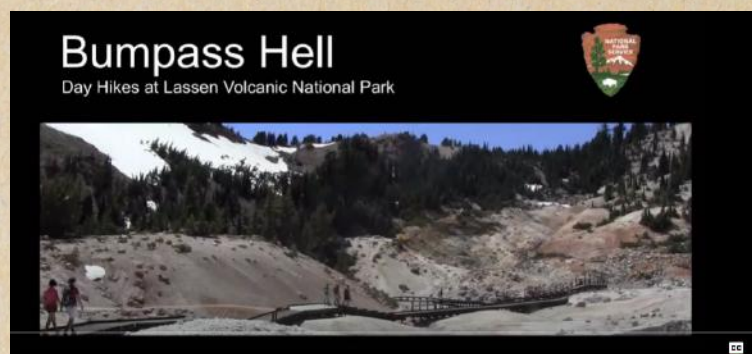
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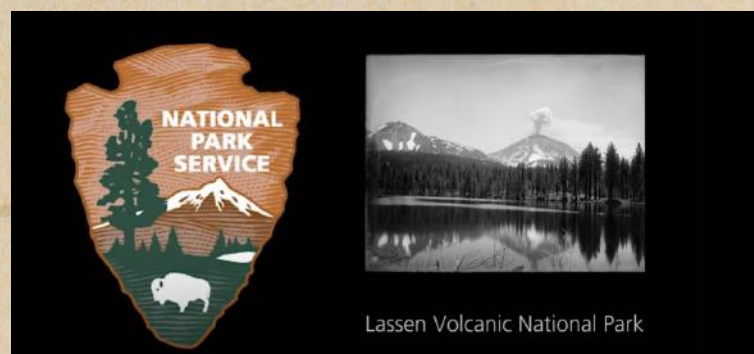
Dr. Harry W. Daniell, M.D.
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VIRTUAL TOURS OF LASSEN

If you miss hiking in our favorite national park as much as we do, here are some ways you can see the park from the comfort of your own home. The following video links will take you to Lassen Volcanic National Park's YouTube page and a couple of the videos they've posted about hiking in the park.



Bumpass Hell: Get a peek at Bumpass Hell's scenic views and a little history on its name.



Lassen Peak: Learn how to prepare for and enjoy the 5-mile round-trip hike up Lassen Peak with Ranger Todd.



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Christy Rojas

Christy Rojas is one of our newest Board Members having joined in February, 2020. Christy has been a Manager at D.H. Scott and Company since 2013. A Cottonwood, CA native, she received her BS in Business Administration, Accounting from Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo and her MS, Accounting from the University of Notre Dame. She especially enjoys working with not-for-profit entities.

Christy returned to the Redding area to raise her three young boys and enjoy the active lifestyle that the North State offers. Christy has a daily yoga practice including a home and studio asana practice and a regular meditation practice to experience the union of body, mind and spirit. She chooses to opt-outside whenever possible and enjoys camping, snowboarding, swimming, biking and hiking the beautiful lakes, mountains, rivers and trails in this area.



Janette Storer

Janette Storer is another one of our newest Board Members having joined in February, 2020. Janette is a Redding native, 4th generation born and raised and continues to be a lifelong resident of Redding. She studied to be a nurse in college, but ended up in Business Sales Management positions and currently is the Market Manager for Stephens Media Group of Redding overseeing 7 local broadcast radio stations.

Janette is the founder of a local Pacific Crest Trail Association volunteer trail crew, Nor Cal Trail Crew. They do weekend and day projects on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) from Burney, CA up to the Oregon border. Janette's favorite thing about Lassen Volcanic National Park is the backcountry lakes for backpacking, and the miles of the PCT that runs through the park.

Janette has a 22-year-old daughter, Mariah. Janette's favorite hobbies are backpacking, hiking, traveling, and going to music concerts.



Laura Young

Laura Young joined Lassen Park Foundation's Board of Directors in October, 2015. After living in the Bay Area for over 40 years, Laura moved to the North State. What a difference 3 hours and 200 miles makes. So much mother nature right in the backyard, not to mention the lakes, mountains and National Parks. After a 30 year career in the insurance industry and after serving as a Rotary District Governor for north-central California, Laura settled in well to this different lifestyle. One of the highlights of the North State is Lassen Volcanic National Park. It is a treasure with so much outdoor opportunity and natural beauty. Laura is honored and blessed to help support the Park by serving on the Board of the Lassen Park Foundation.

Lassen Park Foundation is seeking new Board Members. If you have an interest in serving on our Board of Directors please contact our office via e-mail at info@lassenparkfoundation.org.



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