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**Celebrate spring and “all things winged” at Wingding Family Fest on May 9  
Free Family Event at Skyline Open Space Preserve**

**Los Altos, California** – The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District and the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society (SCVAS) are sponsoring a free family festival offering kids of all ages fun hands-on activities involving birds, bats, insects, and nature.

“The District has great places to be,” said Renee Fitzsimons, Midpen docent program manager. “We’re pooling our resources with the Audubon Society to create opportunities for families to get out and enjoy nature together.”

Toby Goldberg, SCVAS programs coordinator, said she is always thrilled to share the joy of birding with families, but believes the Wingding Family Fest will be particularly fun.

“With bird-themed geocaching, discovery hikes, and activity stations, I’m confident families will have a blast while they’re learning more about the fascinating lives of our local birds and other winged living things.”

Activities include geocache treasure hunts, winged-creature discovery hikes, hands-on science activities, arts, crafts and opportunities to meet birds, bats and bugs up close.

Wingding Family Fest takes place on Saturday, May 9, 2015, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve, located on Skyline Blvd. (Hwy 35), one mile south of Page Mill Rd./Alpine Rd./Skyline Blvd. junction.

Bring hats, sunscreen and comfortable walking shoes. A food vendor will be onsite. Heavy rain will cancel. Visit [www.openspace.org/wingding](http://www.openspace.org/wingding) or [www.scvas.org](http://www.scvas.org) for a complete schedule, directions, and additional details. Some activities have limited space and require registration at the event.

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*Created by voter initiative in 1972, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District has successfully protected more than 62,000 acres of open space. The District’s mission is to acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land and agricultural land of regional significance in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.*

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