

Angels Gate Cultural Center Master Planning Public Forum #1
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I am Colleen Trodahl, president of San Pedro Chapter, Izaak Walton League of America. We are a National grassroots organization. We have been in our location on the lower level by the Korean Bell for 30 years. I am passing out flyers with the history of our Chapter and current ongoing programs.

The program that is most important is our Adopt-a-Park. We have adopted Angels Gate Park and try to do cleanups monthly, or as often as possible. Our members and friends all work different schedules and so we work in a few hours in the Park any time we can. Our love of this park makes this program come together – why travel to other areas when our 'home' needs help?

Our building has been used by numerous groups over the years – we never said “no” to anyone until some equipment, etc., started to grow feet. Now we have to have a board member present for all meetings. We always welcome the public when we are around, and tell them about the park and our programs. Everyone is always welcome to join in our activities. You don't have to be a member to join us – only a commitment of giving back to the community and learning about nature.

We want to remain in the building we remodeled to meet the needs of our chapter and the community and continue our programs. We want to teach the community how to appreciate the nature that is right in their backyard.

If anyone would like to join in our activities, please call and leave a message on the phone number in our brochures.

Thanks,
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