

Santa Clarita Organization for Planning and the Environment

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# You're Invited to our Annual SCOPE Meeting Saturday June 15th 10AM-Noon at the "Old Glory" Pico Oak Pico Canyon Nature Park

25600 Pico Canyon Rd. Stevenson Ranch, 91381

Special Guest - Tree Sitter and Environmental Activist,

John Quigley

SCOPE Annual Membership Meeting
And Celebration of the Pico Oak's 10th Year
at the picnic tables by the "Old Glory" Pico Oak



Please join us for summer refreshments, to meet other SCOPE members and special guest Pico Oak Tree Sitter John Quigley

#### Business Agenda -

Board Elections,

Proposed addition to Articles to facilitate work at the Public Utilities Commission (Must be a member in good standing to vote)

Update on SCOPE Activities and local issues

Environmental Float in the 4th of July Parade?

Suggestions and ideas from the group - Tree sit Celebration!

Directions—from I-5 exit Pico/Lyons, go west approximately 2 miles on Pico Cyn Rd. Park is on the left, about .5 miles past the school, and has a signed entrance. We look forward to seeing from you!

## "Old Glory" Valley Oak Doing Well Ten Years after the Great Tree Sit

Original Photo by Tom Barron

Valley Oaks are the monarchs of California Oaks by virtue of their size, beauty, and age. The largest trees have massive trunks, like our own "Old Glory Oak" in Stevenson Ranch, sometimes measuring six or seven feet in

diameter and may tower a hundred feet above the ground. The lobed, felt-covered leaves bud out in the

spring to become a summer kingdom of shade in a landscape drenched in hot, bright sun.

Ten years ago, tree-sitter John Quigley climbed this ancient oak in protest over its imminent demise to make room for more development. His 72 days in the tree sparked international media attention and brought thousands of visitors rallying for its preservation. Ultimately, the tree was moved just down the road to an open space park where it stands today, still healthy, thanks to the care of the Los Angeles County Parks Dept.

#### **Upcoming Public Hearings**

**Disney Sound Stages in Placerita Canyon** 

June 19th - LA County Dept of Regional Planning 9 AM

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