



Short Wave

San Juan Island National Historical Park

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THIS WEEK: JULY 5-10, 2011

Special Programs

San Juan and Civil War — Park Historian Mike Vouri will explore the impact of the American Civil War on San Juan Island and the soldiers and sailors stationed here in a program **scheduled 7 to 8:30 p.m., Friday** in the San Juan Island Library. The program is free. Vouri will also touch on how the secession crisis affected Washington Territory and the Pacific Coast before and immediately after Confederate forces fired on Fort Sumter. Many of the key American players in the Pig War incident, on and off island, went on to serve in the American



Capt. James Alden, who led the Union line into Mobile Bay (far right) aboard USS Brooklyn, was involved in the Pig War crisis as commander of the U.S. Coast Survey Steamer Active.

Civil War in both Confederate and Union ranks. For some, the war brought fame, promotion and long careers. For others, it brought death, destruction, lasting heartache...and legend.

AC Eaglets have fledged from nest on Homestead trail

Two eaglets have apparently fledged from the nest located along the American Camp portion of the Frazer-Homestead trail.

The youngsters have not been spotted in the nest in recent days by park staff and visitors. The Frazer-Homestead nest is one of three known nests sighted by staff this season: one also at American Camp and the other on the southern boundary of English Camp near the Sandwith Orchard.

When American Camp was established in 1859, the presence of bald eagles was cited in post reports. Now, nearly 150 years later,

the San Juan Islands have one of the highest densities of breeding bald eagles in the lower 48 states.

Seed collectors sought for park prairie restoration

San Juan island National Historical Park is looking for volunteer seed collectors to assist the park's prairie restoration project.

Seed collection volunteers assist in collecting seed from native plant species for use in prairie restoration activities. They also help park staff with collecting, cleaning and inventorying seeds of native grass and herbaceous forbs. Work is performed under supervision of NPS staff.

For information, contact Jerald

Weaver, chief of integrated resources, at (360) 378-2240, ext. 2224, or biology technician Ken Hobson at ext. 2222.

Program of the Week

The Habitats of Jakle's Lagoon and Mount Finlayson — So much variety in so little distance! Accompany a staff member along this three-mile loop that passes through salt water lagoons, coniferous forests, and upland prairie. **Sundays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., June 4 to August 27, meets at Jakle's Lagoon trailhead parking area.**

For dates and times of weekly programs go to www.nps.gov or visit us on Facebook or Twitter.

English Camp Visitor Center
3905 West Valley Road
(360) 378-4409, Open 9-5 Daily

American Camp Visitor Center
4668 Cattle Point Road
(360) 378-2240, ext. 2233, Open 9-5 daily

