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California State Parks Commemorates 150th Anniversary in September with Quilt Exhibit at the Stanford Mansion

- WHO:** California State Parks; Quilter's Sew-Ciety of Redding, Inc.
- WHAT:** California State Parks' 150th Anniversary commemoration with quilt display at the Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park. Quilt display includes 57 quilts inspired by state parks.
- WHEN:** Wednesday September 3 through Sunday, September 28, 2014
On Sunday September 28, a special California State Parks "birthday" celebration will take place. The public is invited to attend the event, which will include the quilt tour, as well as a re-enactment of the birth of California State Parks, and much more.
- WHERE:** Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park
800 N Street, Sacramento CA, 95814
Wednesday's through Sunday's from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- WHY:** On June 28, 1864, in the midst of the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln signed legislation granting the Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Big Tree Grove (known as the Yosemite Grant) to the state of California to be "held for public use, resort, and recreation, and shall be inalienable for all time", thus becoming the first State Park in the country. In September of that year, California Governor Frederick Low accepted the grant. The quilt display at the Stanford Mansion is in commemoration of California State Parks' 150th Anniversary. Inspired by the Quilter's Sew-Ciety of Redding, Inc., these quilts were created to honor California State Parks' 150th Anniversary. The public is invited to tour the quilt display Wednesdays through Sundays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The last tour begins at 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.parks.ca.gov.

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