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Good Weekend: January 8-10, 2010

Staff reports

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A great city bike ride

Golden Gate National Parks Endangered Species Big Year: Observe threatened flora and fauna dwelling in the wild northwestern corner of The City in a ride that goes to a few locations to look at various imperiled birds, animals and plants before ending at the Sports Basement in the Presidio to join a kick-off party for the 2010 Endangered Species Big Year. Rain cancels the ride, but not the party. *[9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., meet at the Bazaar Cafe, California Street and 21st Avenue; visit wildequity.org for more information]*



Take a ride around Golden Gate Park and observe threatened flora and fauna dwelling in the wild northwestern corner of The City. (Examiner file photo)

Eating

Food: Chef Melissa Perello, formerly of the high-end Fifth Floor, has opened the appealing little bistro Frances, which offers a tasty menu combining California ingredients, home-cooking and an uptown back drop.

Drinking

Meet Your Mixologist: Lulu Almaguer is the good-natured bar manager at Madera, an inviting lounge tucked inside the Rosewood Sand Hill resort in Menlo Park, where the feeling is as inviting as a luxurious Lake Tahoe lodge.

Dance troupes: Dance Brigade's Down and Dirty series kicks off a three-day dance showcase. The Twilight Vixen Revue and Tango Con*Fusion perform today. *[8 p.m., Dance Mission Theater, 3316 24th St., S.F.]*

Star guitarists: Tierra Negra, from Germany, and Muriel Anderson, from our own shores, perform a