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## HISTORIC "M\*A\*S\*H" SET RESTORED. ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SET.

California State Parks is pleased to announce that the historic outdoor set of the legendary television program  $M^*A^*S^*H$  has been restored for greater public enjoyment.

The *M\*A\*S\*H* set is located on the former location ranch of 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox Studios near Malibu, California now Malibu Creek State Park.

 $20^{\text{th}}$  Century Fox shot exterior scenes for *M*\**A*\**S*\**H* at their ranch during the series' entire 11-year run. Today, the site draws thousands of visitors a year from the U.S., Europe and Asia.

The final episode of  $M^*A^*S^*H$  aired February 28, 1982. To celebrate the 25th anniversary of that broadcast (which remains the highest rated program in television history) and the newly restored set, the public is invited to join California State Parks at the outdoor set on **Saturday February 23**<sup>rd</sup>.

For the first time since the series ended, the iconic signpost (see page 2), will stand again at the site where it originally stood during filming. Markers will indicate major tent locations and educational displays will show how the camp looked during production.

The celebratory gathering will run from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM with officials of California State Parks addressing the public at 11:00 AM. 1,000 - 2,000 visitors are expected at the  $M^*A^*S^*H$  set that day.

Event information website: www.hollywoodescapes.com

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