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The Sierra ECHO

ECHOS



from the Chair

by Kathy Rich

Spring is almost here and it's time to venture into the Sierra! This season we have 32 SPS trips scheduled from June through October, six M-provisionals and one list finish. Daryn Dodge will celebrate his list finish on Saturday, July 25th, on Cirque Pk. There will be an after climb potluck and celebration in Independence, so please join us if you can.

Four new summer trips were recently added. Check the outings listings in the Echo or on the SPS website (<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/sps/outings.htm>). People tend to sign up early, so many of the season's trips are already full. However, if you contact the leaders and let them know you are willing to be on the waiting list, your chances are fairly good as cancellations often occur in the week before the trip.

We would like to welcome new members Joe Speigl and Vince Shulda. In addition, Jim Fleming has reinstated his active membership. Some of you have let your dues lapse – please send in your renewals to Henry Arnebold as soon as you can.

Thanks to a creative idea from Greg Mason (Outreach/5th member), this year's presentations to WTC students about the SPS consisted of a slide show. These were so well received that other sections decided to follow suit! We plan to continue to actively liaise with WTC, our greatest resource for new members. There is always a need for more trips for WTC students and others, so that we can expand our membership. Leaders, if you can, please consider accepting qualified WTC students on your trips this summer.

Our first SPS management meeting was held at Dan Richter's home on May 18th (the minutes are available..?). The next MC meeting will most likely be held in August. All are welcome! Please contact me with any comments or suggestions you might have at: KathrynARich@gmail.com.

NEW ACTIVE MEMBER:
Joseph Speigl

PHOTO ON COVER:
On route to Emerson - Yim Lincoln

MEETING INFORMATION

The SPS Management Committee will hold meetings every other month at a location to be determined. Please contact SPS Chair Kathy Rich at kathrynrich@gmail.com for meeting times, date and place.

Management Committee

Meeting Minutes

SIERRA PEAKS SECTION

Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Held Monday, March 2, 2009 at the home of Kathy Rich

1. Called to Order at 19:12. Present: Kathy Rich, Alexander Smirnoff, Doug Owens, Greg Mason, Waxman, Virgil Popescui, Sara Danta, Darrick Danta, Dan Richter, Larry Hoak.
2. Announcements: See Chair's Report.
3. Secretary's Report (Doug): Minutes from the previous SPS meeting were reviewed and approved.
4. Chair's Report (Kathy): Angeles Chapter Awards Banquet will be held on 3 May 2009 at Brookside Country Club in Pasadena. R.J. Secor's "The High Sierra: Peaks Passes and Trails", 3rd ed, Mountaineers Books was published 13 Feb. 2009. LTC Rock Checkoff / Practice will be held on 15 March 2009 at Stoney Point. Sierra Mountaineering International will hold an Avalanche Level 1 class on 17-19 April 2009. Dan Richter is organizing a series of 4 rock skills workshops, sponsored by WTC and LTC, to be held in September and October.
5. Bylaws Committee (Larry): See item 12..
6. Sierra Echo Report (Sara): Electronic delivery is projected to saved \$1000 in printing and distribution costs. In December 2009 there were 240 members compared to 215 members in June 2008 as a result, in part, of having news of the SPS on the internet in the form of an electronic newsletter.
7. Outings: Kathy presented a motion from Barbie and Larry Tidball to approve a list of SPS trips. Alexander seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
8. Treasure's Report: Kathy reported for Henry. Account balances are projected to increase due to savings from the Sierra Echo's electronic distribution.
9. Webmaster's Report (Larry): New material is always needed to keep the site fresh. A Listserv is available.
10. Mountain Records Report: none.1. Banquet Report: The 2008 SPS Banquet expenditures were \$1900 including a \$200 speaker's fee. There were 50 people in attendance.
11. Election Committee Report (Dan): none.
12. Ballot Results: Kathy reported that at the 2008 banquet and meeting a motion to create a Geographical Emblem passed.
13. SPS Bylaw Revisions (Larry): The currently proposed bylaw revisions are waiting to be approved at the Chapter level.
14. SPS Presentation to Wilderness Travel Course: Greg reported that he is preparing a slide show and a flyer to present at WTC.
15. SPS Website Materials: see item.

Adjournment: 21:00

BILL OLIVER PRESENTS

<http://www.inyocounty.us/ecmuseum/ecmdexhibits.htm>

Several special events are planned during the major *Norman Clyde Exhibit* at the Eastern California Museum . . .

. . . now running through the fall. One recently scheduled is a free presentation by *SPSer Bill Oliver* on Saturday evening, July 11th: “Norman Clyde - Climbing & Guiding with the Sierra Club.” The presentation will include numerous images, some of them seen in Bill’s six-part Echo series that ended in spring of ‘08: “A Tribute to the Honorary Members of the SPS - Norman Clyde, Glen Dawson & Jules Eichorn.” Among topics

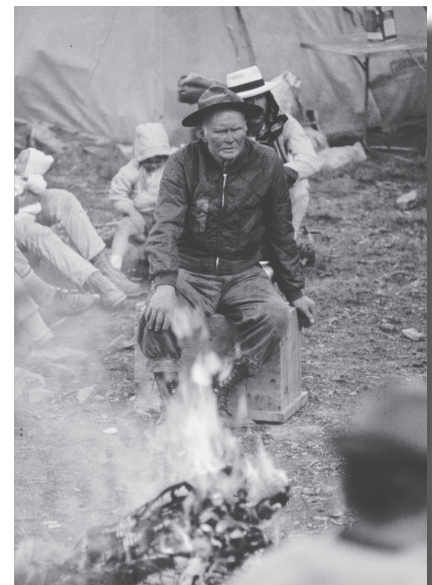
currently planned are the ascent of El Picacho del Diablo in Baja, the search for Walter Starr, Jr, and Clyde’s proud connection with the SPS. 7:00 pm. It will be held at the Owens Valley School. The Owens Valley School complex is on Clay St (four blks east of 395) at Kearsarge (202 S. Clay St.) The Multipurpose Room is in the center building of the complex.



Norman Clyde roping down. Date and place uncertain. Courtesy of Dennis Kruska



Bill Oliver on summit of N. Maroon - Colorado



Norman Clyde at a Sierra Club Basecamp, July 1970. By Dick Worsfold, Angeles Chapter Archives

WEBSITE OF INTEREST

Karen Leonard has a webpage that features her unpublished manuscript about the southern California Sierra Club mountain-climbing sections and their place in the exciting social history of the late 20th and early 21st centuries. If you have ideas about publishers, please contact her. See links below:

<http://www.socsci.uci.edu/~kbleonar>

<http://www.anthro.uci.edu/~kbleonar>



The Sierra Peaks Section maintains a website at <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/sps>.

FROM THE EDITOR

The Sierra Echo is a quarterly publication of the Sierra Peaks Section of the Sierra Club's Angeles Chapter. For more information, see the back of this newsletter. All questions, copy and photo submissions should be directed to **Sara Danta, Editor, The Sierra Echo**, preferably via email at s_wyrens@yahoo.com. Mailing address is 9741 Reseda Blvd., Unit 46, Northridge, CA 91324. The Echo will also be available as a PDF download at the SPS website and via a link to all SPS members opting for this method.

SPS List Serve

You can find the information you need as a subscriber by checking out our listserv support site. Go to this address to enroll for the SPS E-mail list service: <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/sps/listserver.htm>.

SPS Treasurer's Report 1st Quarter March 31, 2009

Checking Account

Income

Echo----- --1,465.00
 Banquet-----1,435.00
 Pins-----30.00
 T-Shirts-----12.00
\$2,942.00

Expenditures

Banquet-restaurant-----1,249.71
 Banquet-printing-----44.00
 Banquet -program----200.00
 Banquet-raffle prizes-----151.17
 Echo postage-----187.61
\$1,832.49

Balance on 12/31/08-----2,610.43
 Income-----2,942.00
5,552.43
 Expenditures----- -1,832.49
\$3,719.94

Savings Account

Balance on 12/31/08-----4,954.12
 January interest-----2.11
 February interest-----1.90
 March interest-----2.10
\$4,960.23

Banquet Report

Income

Ticket sales-----1,855.00

Expenditures

Restaurant deposit-----200.00
 Restaurant-----1,249.71
 Program printing-----44.00
 Program presentor-----200.00
 Raffle prizes-----151.17
\$1,844.88

1,855.00
-1,844.88
\$10.12 Profit

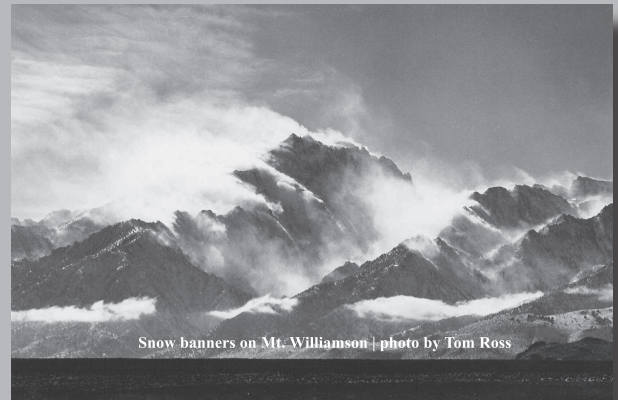
In Memory of Frede Jensen

by John Robinson

Frede Jensen, an active SPSer in the late 1950s and early '60s, passed away in Boulder, Colorado on September 13, 2008. Frede was born in Denmark in 1926, earned various degrees at European universities before coming to the U.S. in 1958 and entering the doctorate program in Romance Languages at UCLA. Frede earned his doctorate in 1961 and was a graduate instructor until leaving UCLA in 1964.

Soon after enrolling at UCLA, he joined the Sierra Peaks Section and became an avid mountaineer. On many, many summer weekends between 1958 and 1964, Frede accompanied Andy Smatko, Tom Ross, and this writer on Sierra peak-bagging jaunts. He was a strong, lively companion who thoroughly loved the mountains. Frede earned his SPS emblem in June 1959, having received his DPS emblem the previous January.

Dr. Frede Jensen left UCLA in 1964 and after a short stint as a professor at the University of Calgary, accepted a professorship at the University of Colorado in Boulder. An extraor-



dinary linguist, Frede was fluent in eight languages and had a working knowledge of several others. He authored several books and more than 60 articles on Romance languages philology (the study of language evolution). He became world renowned in this field before his retirement in 1996.

Aside from intellectual accomplishments, Frede continued to be an avid backpacker and climber. He summited all 54 of Colorado's 14,000ers in just two summers and continued to hike regularly until shortly before his passing, the result of complications from Parkinson's Disease.

To honor Frede's long devotion to the wilderness, Bob Michael scattered his ashes atop an 11,400 foot Rocky Mountain summit.

In Memory of Mark Cole

by Andy Fried

COLE, Mark Born New York City, Sept. 18, 1919; died Ventura, CA, April 29, 2009 as the result of a severe stroke. Survived by his wife, Liz; step-daughter, Kristen Gibson; sons, Tony (Diane), Peter, and David; grandsons, Mark and Blake; sister, Sheila; brother, Les (Esther); and several cousins, nieces and nephews. Major, USAF Res. Ret. Attended USMA Westpoint '44; left at the request of the Academy, which deemed him "careless, reckless, and unamenable to discipline." Subsequently, accepted in the US Army Air Corps; following pilot training, he was ordered to Europe and flew P-47s on armed reconnaissance missions (9th Air Force 36th Fighter Group). Like a knight in the Age of Chivalry, his steed an aircraft, along with thousands of others, put their honor and lives on the line to defend Western Civilization against the Nazi onslaught. During R&R in Britain, he met Eve Porter, a Brit who worked with the American Red Cross. He returned to England after the war to marry Eve. They set-



tled in the San Francisco Bay area, while Mark worked and used the GI Bill to complete his undergrad degree, B.S. Mechanical Engineering at U.C. Berkeley, Class of '49. Moving to L. A., he worked as an aerospace engineer at many defense companies over the course of his career, among them, North American, Hughes, Aerospace. He moved his family to Westchester in 1954. In the 1970's and 80's He was active in the Sierra Club in the Rock Climbing Section, the SPS and DPS. He retired in 1981 and moved to Ventura Marina where he lived aboard his boat Cumara. Following the death of his first wife, he and Liz were married in 1989. They had wonderful times traveling and sailing during these nearly twenty years. They moved to Ojai in 2007 where they resided happily until Mark was hospitalized. Mark donated his body to medical research. Beloved husband, father, and friend. He was dearly loved; he is sorely missed. There will be a memorial gathering on May 17th. Donations in Mark's memory may be made to the charity of your choice.

4 SALE:

**47 TOPO MAPS OF SIERRAS AND DESERT DATING TO 1949,
\$75. grandbunny@verizon.net**

Submitted by Joe Wankum:

The USGS and the US Forest Service have recently (2008) published an atlas of topo maps covering most of the Sierra. I believe it is selling for \$36 (before tax) and contains around 117 of the 7-1/2' maps, reduced to fit on 8-1/2 x 11 paper. The map scale is 1:63,360 (or 1 inch = 1 mile) (which I believe is the same as the Alaska maps). A dozen of the maps have a contour interval of 60'; several dozen have 100'; the rest are 80'.

The result is a series of maps that cover the same land area as the 7-1/2' maps (1/4 of an older 15' maps) but are otherwise similar to the older 15' maps. If you tape four of the new maps together, you end up with something that is comparable to a 15' map.

Similar atlases of the Angeles National Forest and the San Bernardino National Forests were published several years ago.

The USGS has now changed from 30' to 15' to 6' (1:24,000) to 7-1/2' (1:24,000) to 7-1/2' (1:63,350). What next?

FOR SALE

A set of Sierra Club Bulletins: 1907, 1909, 1910, 1914, 1923, and 1927-1950 complete less 1934 and 1948. Lots of Ansel Adams and first ascents. 27, all in nice condition.

\$200

Hardbound set of the first Bulletins, 1893-1905. In five volumes published by the Sierra Club in 1950, with a new preface by David Brower. Like new, \$250.

Jon Inskeep (818) 790-5461 or inskeepsjs@yahoo.com



MOUNTAIN REGISTER REPORT

by Harry Langenbacher

I have lots of various register books, and a few ammo boxes, and a couple of tin cans. I still need a better container supply. Let me know if you need any of these supplies to help take care of the peaks on this list.

There have been a few additions and deletions to this list since last year, but we still have register needs on almost on fifth of the peaks. The sad news is that the old Sierra Club aluminum register containers disappeared from Tyndall (August 17, after 73 years on the summit) and Thunderbolt (September, after 53 year). The good news is that I got 50 sturdy new 3.75"x6", 144 page register books with the SPS logo printed on the cover – let me know if you want one! AND – the 1936 Middle Palisade Aluminum box was recovered from near Finger Lake – please let me know if you can haul this 5 pound box up, and recover the aluminum cylinder from the summit. Before you climb a peak, please check out my web page at <http://summitregister.org> or Steve Eckert's at <http://climber.org/data/SierraPeaks/RegisterNeeds.html>.

You can contact me through my web page at <http://summitregister.org> - Harry Langenbacher

Peak Name Needs

Abbot, Mt book
Agassiz, Mt new container and book
Banner Peak book
Bear Creek Spire book and pencil
Black Mtn book
Cathedral Peak container and book (climbed too often?)
Charybdis container (has rusty cans & spiral book)
Cloudripper book
Dana, Mt book
Electra Peak book and pencil
Excelsior Mtn container and book
Gabb, Mt book
Gibbs, Mt container and book
Goethe, Mt container and book
Highland Peak book and container
Joe Devel Peak book
Julius Caesar, Mt container and pencil, better book
Koip Peak book
Leavitt Peak book and container
Lion Rock book
Mendel, Mt register and container
Mokelumne Peak book almost full
Morgan S, Mt book
Morrison, Mt book and container

Recess Peak container

Red And White Mtn book and pencil
Rockhouse Peak container and book (cylinder damaged)
Rose, Mt book and container
Round Top book and container
Russell, Mt book and container
San Joaquin Mtn container (book placed 9/07 in a baggie)
Silver Peak book and container
Split Mtn book
Stanislaus Peak pencil and container
Starr King, Mt better container / bags to stop water
Temple Crag book
Thunder Mtn recover 2nd cylinder on S. peak but leave the book on N. peak*
Thunderbolt book and large container
Tinker Knob book
Trojan Peak container
Tyndall, Mt book and container
University Peak book and container (lid is down a crack)
Vogelsang Peak LARGE book
Young, Mt permanent container (has temporary, with book)
NEED only PENCIL Black Giant, Mt Gayley,
North Palisade, Mt Pickering



Leadership Training Committee 2009 Schedule of Activities



Leadership Training Program Seminar

Oct 3 Fall LTC Seminar Steve Botan

Wilderness First Aid <http://wildernessfirstaidcourse.org>

Jun 12-14 Wilderness First Aid Course, Harwood Lodge S. Schuster
Oct 30-Nov 1 Wilderness First Aid Course, Harwood Lodge S. Schuster

Navigation Practices and Checkouts

Jun 7 I/M/E P,C Grinnell Ridge Navigation Harry Freimanis
Sept 27 I/M/E P,C Grinnell Ridge Navigation Robert Myers
Oct ?? Beginning Navigation Clinic Diane Dunbar
Oct 18 I/M, P,C Indian Cove, Joshua Tree Robert Myers

Rock Practices and Checkouts

Mar 15 M/E P,C LTC - Stoney Point Rock Workshop Ron Hudson
Sept 30 M/E R - Advanced Mountaineering Program 1st of 4 Dan Richter
Oct 3 M/E R - Advanced Mountaineering Program 2nd of 4 Dan Richter
Oct 10 M/E R - Advanced Mountaineering Program 3rd of 4 Dan Richter
Oct 17-18 M/E R - Advanced Mountaineering Program 4th of 4 Dan Richter

Various Dates M/E P Vertical Adventures
(This is not a Sierra Club activity, but can prepare candidates for rock checkoffs.)
<http://www.verticaladventures.com/>

Snow Practices and Checkouts

Snow travel, avalanche, and related training - Kurt Wedberg's Sierra Mountaineering International (This is not a Sierra Club activity, but can prepare candidates for snow checkoffs.) <http://sierramountaineering.com>

Environmental Awareness

Look at the Chapter's Schedule of Activities for outings sponsored by the Natural Science Section, such as the Hundred Peaks Section. Check also the LTC web site. The LTC website has a calendar of events & info about training not offered by the Sierra Club: <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/>

Highway construction continues on U.S. 395

Two major four-lane projects are rolling along in Inyo County

Register Staff

Skanska USA Civil West California District Incv., of Riverside has completed 50 percent of the U.S. 395 Blockrock 4-Lane Project.

This highway project upgrades 14 miles of U.S. 395 in Inyo County, between Big Pine and Independence, to a four-lane expressway.

Last week Skanska moved two-way traffic to the new southbound alignment and began improvements and rehabilitation on the northbound alignment of the project.

Completion for the project is expected by the spring of 2009.

As work continues between Big Pine and Independence, Granite Construction Company has turned its attention to the south for work on the Manzanar/Independence 4-Lane Project.

This project upgrades 11 miles of U.S. 395 in Inyo County, between Independence and Manzanar.

In addition to the four-lane expressway, this project will add new sidewalks and street lighting, and move overhead utilities underground in the town of Independence.

The completion of this project is scheduled for fall 2010.

“These projects represent part of a commitment that began in 1955 between Caltrans and Inyo, Mono and Kern counties to upgrade the S.R. 14 and U.S. 395 corridor to a four-lane expressway,” said District 9 Director Tom Hallenbeck. “Only two sections of highway remain to complete this goal. They are the Freeman Gulch 4-Lane, sixteen miles on S.R. 14 south of Ridgecrest, and the eleven-mile U.S. 395 Olancha/Cartago 4-Lane near Olancha.”

Hallenbeck also said that, when approaching the construction zone, the traveling public is advised to reduce speed, observe the construction signs and watch for construction personnel and equipment.

Outings

The Sierra Peaks Section maintains a website at <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/sps>.

Contact info for the ldrs of these trips appears in the main Sierra Club Schedule or, if signing up via our website, click on leaders name and a link will take you to leaders email address. To apply as a participant on an outing, send a SASE (or email if requested), SC member number, experience resume, conditioning routine, home and work phone numbers, email address (if applicable), rideshare information and, **for restricted trips only**, the medical information form. All participants on Sierra Club outings are required to sign a standard liability waiver, available at <http://sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms>, or from the Outings Department at (415) 977-5528. All outings designated MR or ER are restricted trips open only to Sierra Club members with the appropriate rock or snow skills. Participants are required by the National Sierra Club to complete the medical information form, available at http://sierraclub.org/outings/national/participantforms/forms_medical. **For all trips, standard or restricted, all participants** on Sierra Club outings are required to sign a standard liability waiver. If you would like to read the Liability Waiver before you choose to participate on an outing, please go to: <http://sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms/>, or contact the Outings Department at (415) 977-5528 for a printed version.

Jun 6-7 | Sat-Sun

WTC, SPS

M: Rockhouse Pk (8,360') and Taylor Dome (8,802'): Get your mountaineering legs on these introductory M-level peaks. From Big Meadow/Domeland Wilderness, Sat backpack 6 mi, 480' gain to Little Manter Mdw. We'll drop packs and continue 4 miles, with some xc and 1560' gain to Rockhouse Pk. Happy hour follows at camp. Sun pack out via a different trail 4 mi, drop packs and climb 0.8 mile and 1200' gain to Taylor Dome. Return to packs and 1.5 mi, 200' gain to car shuttle. Comfort on easy 3rd class required, WTC students welcome. Send esase or 2 sase, recent experience and conditioning, phone to Ldr: ERIC SCHEIDEMANTLE. Asst: BARRY HOLCHIN.

Jun 6 | Sat

SPS

I: Homer's Nose (9023'): Dayhike 5200' gain and 14-15 miles rt. Trail part way with lots of brushy cross-country travel making for a strenuous day. Wildflowers likely. Send sase or email with experience and conditioning, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: BARBEE TIDBALL. Co-Ldr: LARRY TIDBALL

Jun 7 | Sun

LTC, WTC, HPS

I/M/E: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation Noodle in San Bernardino National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send navigation experience/training, rideshare info, H&W phones, prefer by Email to Ldr: HARRY FREIMANIS. Asst: ROBERT MYERS.

Jun 12-14 | Fri - Sun

LTC, WTC

C: Wilderness First Aid Course: Runs from 8 am Fri to 5:30 pm Sun. Includes lodging, meals, practice first aid kit. CPR within previous 4 years required to enroll. For application and fee information, contact Ldr: STEVE SCHUSTER

Jun 12-14 | Fri-Sun

SPS

MR: Mt Thompson (13,494) & Point Powell (13,364): Friday backpack at moderate pace from Lake Sabrina over trail & snow to Donkey Lake (approx. 6 mi, 2000' gain). Sat alpine start climb peaks Thompson (3.2 mi, 3000' gain) first & then Pt Powell (1.2 mi, 700' gain) via Thompson-Powell Col. Ice axe, helmet & crampons are required. Sun pack out. Restricted to SC members (see p. 18). Completed medical form required. \$5 permit fee at trailhead. Send SC# and experience/ conditioning resume via sase or email (preferred) to Ldr: GREG MASON, Assist: DAN RICHTER

Jun 13-14 | Sat-Sun

SPS, WTC

MR: Mt Abbot (13,704'), Mt Dade (13,600'): Sat backpack from Rock Creek to camp at Treasure Lakes; climb Dade via The Hourglass (5 mi, 3400 gain). Sun climb Abbot via Southeast Buttress, hike out (5mi, 2,500 gain). Trip restricted to SC members having experience with 3rd class rock, ice axe and crampons. Send email with SC #, medical form (see p. 18) and resume detailing experience, conditioning/rideshare info to: Ldr: KATHY RICH. Co-Ldr: ALEXANDER SMIRNOFF.

Jun 13-14 | Sat-Sun **WTC, SPS**
MR: Mt Haeckel (13,418'), Mt Wallace (13,377'),: Sat backpack 9 mi, 2100' gain to basecamp North of Echo Lake. Sun travel 2.8 mi xc, 2400' gain to Wallace and Haeckel, traversing between the two. Return to camp and pack out. These are snow and rock climbs requiring Sierra Club membership, experience with ice axe and crampons, waiver and medical questionnaire. Send esase or 2sase, resume, recent experience and conditioning, phone to Ldr: ERIC SCHEIDEMANTLE. Asst: TINA BOWMAN.

Jun 20 – 21 | Sat-Sun **SPS, WTC**
M/R: **Mt McAdie (13,799')**: Sat. hike 3880' elev gain to Consultation Lake 11,680' elev. Sun climb to Arc Pass 13,120'. From Pass climb McAdie, 3rd class rock near summit. Return to camp and out to cars. June could be a snow climb. SC membership (see p. 18), experience with 3rd cl rock, ice ax and crampons, waiver and medical questionnaire. Send sase or email with experience and conditioning, H&W phones, \$15 permit fee, rideshare info to Ldr: BARBEE TIDBALL. Co-Ldr: KATHY RICH.

Jun 13-14 Sat-Sun **WTC, SPS**
MR: **Mt Haeckel (13,418')**, **Mt Wallace (13,377')**,: Sat backpack 9 mi, 2100' gain to basecamp North of Echo Lake. Sun travel 2.8 mi xc, 2400' gain to Wallace and Haeckel, traversing between the two. Return to camp and pack out. These are snow and rock climbs requiring Sierra Club membership, experience with ice axe and crampons, waiver and medical questionnaire. Send esase or 2sase, resume, recent experience and conditioning, phone to Ldr: ERIC SCHEIDEMANTLE. Asst: TINA BOWMAN.

Jun 13-14 Sat-Sun **SPS, WTC**
MR: **Mt Mills (13,451')**, **Mt. Abbot (13,704')**: Climb Mt Abbot, an SPS emblem peak and Mt Mills. Early departure from road's end at Rock Creek. Hike Sat to Mills Lake, set up camp, then ascend Abbot via NE Couloir. Sun, early start to ascend Mills via East Couloir, if possible via a 3rd class rock variation. Descend and return to cars. 3rd class rock, Ice ax and Crampon experience required. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Completed medical form required. \$5 permit fee at trailhead. Send email/sase with experience/conditioning and SC# to Ldr: BOB DRANEY. Asst: PATRICK MCKUSKY. Provisional

Aug 16-22| Sun-Sat **Mule Pack, SPS, WTC**
O/I: **Bernice Lake Mule Pack, Vogelsang Peak (11,516')**, **Mt Florence (12,561')**: Use Bernice Lake your base camp. Hired packers carry 50 lbs of your gear from Tuolumne Meadows trailhead to camp. Sun morning hike 11mi, 2600' gain with your day pack over Tuolumne Pass (9992') and Vogelsang Pass (10,670') to camp at 10,200'. This will be a peak bagging opportunity with Vogelsang Peak, Mt Florence, & possibly others. Many streams, lakes, a few trails, and many cross country options in area for strong hikers. Mon-Fri hike, climb peaks, photo, fish, or relax in camp. Nightly potlucks with wine provided. Sat hike out. \$270. Date of this

trip is subject to change. To apply, complete Participant Medical Form found at <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltr/forms.html> and email/call your recent high altitude and distance conditioning to Ldr: SANDY SPERLING. Co-ldrs: PETER LARA, LAU RA JOSEPH

July 3-5th | Fri-Sun **SPS**
MR: **Mt Lyell (13,114)**, **Mt Maclure (12,880)** Join us on a challenging climb of these classic Sierra peaks as we cross the Lyell glacier to Yosemite's highpoint. 23 mi, 6000' gain. Approach via Lyell Canyon. Backpack 13 mi, 1600' up Lyell fork of Tuolumne River on Fri to camp below Donohue Pass (11 mi, 2000; gain). Sat climb Lyell Glacier & ascend both peaks from the Lyell-Maclure Col and return to camp (7 mi r/t, 4000' gain); cl 3 rock to Lyell and Maclure. Sunday pack out (11 mi) to Tuolumne Meadows TH. Trip restricted to SC members having experience with 3rd class rock, ice axe & crampons. Send email with SC #, medical form and resume detailing experience, conditioning and rideshare info to: Ldr: KATHY RICH. Co-Ldr: RON HUDSON.

July 10– 12 | Fri-Sun **WTC, SPS**
MR: **Mt. Ritter (13,143')**
Friday backpack 6 miles gaining 1,200' from Agnew meadows to camp at Ediza Lake. Saturday climb 3,700' to the summit of Mt. Ritter and back to camp, 4.5 mi rt. Sunday hike out. Participants must be Sierra Club members with experience with ice axe and crampons. Send recent experience and conditioning to Ldr: Daniel Kinzek; Asst: Ron Campbell

Jul 11-13 | Sat-Mon **SPS**
I: **Red Slate Mtn. (13,123')**: SPS Intro trip geared to WTC students and prospective SPSers. Relaxed, causal, and enjoyable. Sat backpack up McGee Creek to McGee Lakes at 11,040', 6 ½ mi, 2900' gain. Sun climb class 1 Mountaineers Peak, 4 mi rt, 2,200' gain, considerable cross country. Mon hike out. Legendary community happy hour Sat & Sun. Send sase & 5.00 permit fee, recent conditioning and high altitude experience, H, Cell & W phones, ride share info to Ldr: PATTY KLINE. Asst: JIM FLEMING.

Jul 14–15 | Tues–Wed **SPS**
I: **Silver Peak (11,878')**: Join us for a mid-week trip to a beautiful area near Lake Edison. We will have a late morning start since the hike in to the Devil's Bathtub is short (4 mi, 1,400'). Wed, we climb the peak and hike out (11.5 mi, 3,700'). Send sase or e-mail to John with recent experience, phones and e-mail. Ldrs: JOHN CHESLICK, GARY SCHENK

Jul 16-19 | Thur-Sun **SPS**
M: **Reinstein (12, 586') Finger Pk (12,404')**, **Tunemah Pk (11,894')** Backpack from Wishon Reservoir to remote Sierra Peaks. Long days, many miles by trail (trip total statistics are 64 miles and 16,000' of elevation gain) & X-country with 3rd class scrambling. Well conditioned climbers send SASE with resume w/ \$5 permit fee. Ldrs: LARRY & BARBEE TIDBALL

Jul 24-27 | Fri-Mon **WTC, SPS**
MR: Mt Ruskin(12,920'), Cardinal Mtn (13,296'), Striped Mtn (13,179'), Goodale Mtn (12,772'): From basecamp near Taboose Pass, climb four SPS list peaks. Friday, strenuous hike to Taboose Pass (6,000' gain) and camp near pass. Sat ascend Ruskin via east ridge route, class 3. Return to camp. Sun ascend Cardinal Mtn, then over to conquer Goodale and Striped before ending the day back at camp on Taboose. Monday brings a long descent back to trailhead. Helmet and class 3 rock experience required. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Completed medical form required. \$5 permit feet at trailhead. Send email/sase with experience/conditioning and SC# to Ldr: BOB DRANEY. Asst: DAN RICHTER. Provisional

Jul 25-27 | Sat-Mon **SPS**
I: Cirque Peak(12,900'): SPS introductory trip in eastern Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC students. Relaxed and enjoyable pace. Sat. Backpack from Horseshow Meadows at 10,000' to Long Lake at 11,160' (6 mi, 1200' gain). Sat evening legendary community happy hour. Sun climb class 1 Cirque Peak (5 mi rt, 1800' gain). Sun evening legendary community happy hour. Mon hike out 6 mi, 1200' loss. Send sase with \$5.00 permit fee, conditioning and high altitude experience, home, cell & work phones, ride share info to Ldr: PATTY KLINE. Asst: JOE WANKUM.

Jul 25 | Sat **SPS**
I: Cirque Peak (12,900): Join Daryn Dodge as he finishes the list on Cirque! 12mi rt, 3000' gain, moderate pace via Cottonwood Pass. Must be comfortable with significant class 2 cross-country travel. Bring goodies for the peak and a dish for the after climb potluck and celebration in Independence. Send recent conditioning and experience to Reservationist: GARY SCHENK. Ldrs: TINA BOWMAN, JOHN CHESLICK, GARY SCHENK

Jul 25-26 | Sat-Sun **SPS, PVSB, WTC**
I: Mt Baldwin (12,615'): Pack in 5 mi, 2200' gain to Mildred Lake via spectacular Convict Canyon and set up camp. We'll then decide whether to ascend the peak (2 mi, 2200' gain), or wait till next a.m. Happy hour Sat eve. in any case. Send email (preferable – bholchin@cox.net) or sase with carpool info, recent cond/expert to Ldr: BARRY HOLCHIN. Co-Ldr: NEAL ROBBINS.

Aug 8-9 | Sat-Sun **WTC, SPS**
MR: Mt Robinson (12,967): Tired of peaks on lists? Join us as we climb the nether regions of unlisted Sierra Peaks. Sat backpack 8.5 mi, 2800' gain to Sam Mack Mdw. Sun climb 1 mi, 2000' SE Face to summit, then back to camp and pack out. This is a 3rd class rock climb requiring Sierra Club membership, waiver and medical questionnaire. Send esase or 2sase, resume, recent experience and conditioning, phone to Ldr: ERIC SCHEIDEMANTLE. Asst: RON CAMPBELL.

Aug 8-10 | Sat-Mon **SPS**
I: Four Gables (12,720'): SPS introductory trip in eastern Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC

students. Relaxed and enjoyable pace. Sat backpack from North Lake over Piute Pass to Lower Desolation Lake at 11,157', 8 mi, 2000' of gain. Sun do Four Gables in 8 mi rt, 1500' of gain with use trail and x-country, some class 2 on pk. If time, for those interested a possible climb of Pilot Knob North. Happy hours Sat and Sun evenings. Send sase with \$5.00 permit fee, recent conditioning and high altitude experience, H, Cell & W phones, ride share info to Ldr: PATTY KLINE. Asst: KENT SCHWITKIS.

Aug 14-16 | Fri-Sun **WTC, SPS**
I: Mt Langley (14026'): Relaxed but moderately strenuous backpack to bag the southernmost 14er in the United States. Late Fri. morning backpack to Upper Cottonwood Lake from Cottonwood Lakes Trailhead, 6 mi, 1200' gain. Summit on Sat, 7.0 mi rt with 3000' gain, followed by celebratory happy hour. Relaxed hike out to reach TH early afternoon Sun. Send esase/sase, email, phone, recent conditioning/experience, & altitude exposure (WTC leader if applicable) to Ldr: JAMES MONTROSS, Asst: GARY BICKEL.

Aug 21-23 | Fri-Sun **WTC, SPS**
I: Mt Conness (12,590'): Leaving Friday morning from Tuolumne Meadows, we'll hike 5 miles, gaining 1200 ft to Young Lakes. Saturday will be spent climbing Mt. Conness via its southern flank. We'll climb to the uppermost Young Lake, then head northeast to gain the summit plateau. The route involves cross-country and some class 2 scrambling. (7 miles round trip, 3000ft gain). Return to Young Lakes for happy hour and spend the night. Sunday, group will pack out. Send email to joshuahibbard@hotmail.com / rrdaney@yahoo.com for RSVP along with recent conditioning and experience. Ldr: BOB DRANEY. Co-Ldr: JOSH HIBBARD

Aug 21-23 | Fri - Sun **Wilderness Adv, SPS, PVSB**
I: Mt. Goode (13,085) & Mt. Agassiz (13,893): Climb two peaks near Bishop Pass. Friday, moderate 4 mi, 1,400 ft gain trail backpack to camp near Saddlerock Lake. After set up camp, steep xc 2.8 mi, 2,000' climb of Mt. Goode. Saturday, strenuous 5 mi, 2,800' climb to Bishop Pass and then xc up Mt. Agassiz. Sunday, return to cars. Must be comfortable with steep, off-trail hiking. Send \$10 permit fee, 2 SASE, H&W phones, email, recent conditioning, experience, rideshare to Ldr: MARK MITCHELL, Co-Ldr: KEITH MARTIN.

Aug. 22-23 | Sat-Sun **SPS, WTC**
I/M: Three Sisters (10,572'), Dogtooth (10,302'): Gourmet Backpack! Join us for Decadent Wilderness Weekend VII. Sat backpack 5 mi, 1200 ft gain from Courtright Reservoir to Cliff Lake for 5-star dining experience. Sun work off those calories with 1.5-mi, 1200' gain to Three Sisters. If the spirit moves us, we'll also climb Dogtooth and its 3rd class summit block, an additional 2.5 mi and 750' gain. Send e-mail (preferred) or sase with H&W phones, recent conditioning and your most outrageous culinary ideas to Ldr: RON CAMPBELL. Assts: GEORGETTE RIECK, ED COTTONE.

Aug 22-23 | Sat-Sun **WTC, SPS**
I: Mount Morgan #1 (13,748'): Sat backpack from Tamarack Lakes Trailhead (Rock Creek area), 3.5 miles, 1200' gain to camp at Francis Lake (10,900'). Spend afternoon relaxing by the lake, fishing and/or easy walks. Sunday hike to summit on a 6 mile, 2800' class 2 route with much bouldering. Enjoy magnificent views from peak, return to camp and pack out. Send email with recent hiking experience and day/evening phone and rideshare info. \$5.00 per rmit fee. Leader: MARLEN MERTZ, Co-Leaders: WILL MCWHINNEY, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Aug 28-30 | Fri-Sun **SPS**
MR: Gayley Peak (13,510'), Temple Crag (12,999')
Climb two fine peaks in the Palisades. Friday hike in from Glacier Lodge to Third Lake on trail (4.75 mi, 2,600' gain). Saturday ascend Contact Pass and traverse to Glacier Notch to climb Gayley via the Southwest Ridge "Yellow Brick Road" (5.5 mi rt and 3,400' of gain). On the return, we will ascend the southeast face of Temple Crag (0.6 mi rt and 1,100' of gain) and then return to camp. Sunday pack out to cars. These peaks require comfort on talus, scree, and third class terrain. Sierra Club membership, helmet, waiver and medical questionnaire are required. Send email (preferred) or SASE with conditioning/experience to Ldr: PAUL GARRY. Asst: GREG MASON

Aug 28-31 | Fri-Mon **HPS/SPS**
I: Clouds Rest (9526') to Half Dome (8835') Rerun of spectacular backpack last year: 17 mi, 3600' gain, 4800' loss. Strenuous but comfortably paced, unrushed 4 day backpack from Tenaya Lake to Yosemite Valley. Must be comfortable with steep exposed route holding cables. Email leader with H&W phones, recent conditioning to Ldr: DIANE DUNBAR, Asst: GARY BICKEL.

Aug 29 | Sat **SPS**
ER: Mt. Humphreys (13,986'): Strenuous 17 mi, 5000' gain dayhike via Piute Pass for a fast, small, skilled group to climb cl 4 emblem pk. Restricted to SC members on Mnters List or equiv. Must complete medical form. Send recent experience and conditioning, carpool info, SC#, and e-mail or 2 sases to Ldr: TINA BOWMAN. Co-ldrs: TOM MCDONNELL, TOM BOWMAN.

Aug 29-31 | Sat-Mon **WTC, SPS**
I: Four Gables (12,720'), Pilot Knob N (12,245')
Saturday meet at North Lake trailhead and pack in 8 miles and 2,500 feet of gain over Piute Pass to camp at Desolation Lake. Sunday climb via xc Four Gables 3 miles, 1,300 feet gain, Pilot Knob 5.5 miles and 1,900 feet gain and return to Desolation Lake basecamp 3 miles. Monday pack out to trailhead. WTC or equivalent experience required. Send e-mail with WTC info and group, recent experience. to Ldr: CHARLES IRVING Co-Ldr: DANIEL KINZEK

Sept 11-13 | Fri-Sun **SPS**
I: Giant Sequoia Redux: Leisurely paced day hikes to four easy, unlisted peaks in Sequoia-Kings Canyon NP with car camping in Giant Sequoia Nat'l Mon. Part of

an "old-timers" series, the trip will emphasize renewing acquaintances with longtime climbers and welcoming newcomers. Extended happy hours promised. Camp Fri and Sat nights at USFS's Stony Creek CG along Generals Highway. Separate trail climbs Sat of Little Baldy (8044') and Big Baldy (8209') with total hiking 7.6 miles and 1300' gain. Separate trail climbs Sun to Buena Vista Pk (7602') and Park Ridge LO (7540') with total hiking 9 miles and 1100' gain. Free time to ascend Buck Rock LO (8502') via its 172 steps. Send sase with H&W phones and e-mail address to Asst Ldr: JERRY KEATING. Ldr: GORDON MACLEOD. Asst Ldr: BARBARA LILLEY.

Sep 11-13 | Fri-Sun **SPS**
I: Marion Peak (12,719) Backpack over Tabouse Pass (6400' gain) to camp at Kings river. Climb class 2 Marion on days 2, day 3 backpack out. Send SASE, \$5 permit fee, recent experience and conditioning, carpool info and e-mail to Ldr: LARRY TIDBALL. Co-Ldr BARBEE TIDBALL.

Sept. 19-27 | Sat-Sun **SPS**
M: Evolution area peaks; McGee, Goddard, Huxley, Black Giant, Charybdis, Scylla, McDuffie, etc. Week long peak bagging in the Evolution region. Approach may involve backpack over rough trailless pass. Climbs include 3rd class. Send SASE with resume w/ \$5 permit fee to leaders: BARBEE & LARRY TIDBALL

Sept 20 - Deadline for LTC Seminar application

Sep 27-28 | Sat-Sun **SPS**
MR: Mt. Winchell (13,775'): The Donut Peak ! Sat backpack to Sam Mack Meadow 6.5 mi, 3500' gain, Sun climb Winchell's East Arete via Thunderbolt Glacier 4 mi, 2500' gain rt. Then return to camp and pack out to cars. Trip restricted to Sierra Club members with experience on exposed third class rock at altitude. Helmets, ice axe, and crampons required. Send SASE/ESASE with experience, conditioning, climbing resume, medical form, phone and carpool info to Ldr: GARY SCHENK. Asst: JOHN CHESLICK

Sep 30 | Wed **LTC, WTC**
M/E R: First of 4 climbing workshops. Today's indoor evening workshop of 4 hours reviews **ropes, knots, harnesses, helmets, and basic climbing gear** in Pasadena. Based on book: "Mountaineering Freedom of the Hills, 7th edition"; today: Chapter 9. **Open to climbers who are SC members and have some climbing experience. As space is limited priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops.** Send or e-mail SC#, resume, phones to Ldr: DAN RICHTER. Asst: PAT MCKUSKY

Oct 3 | Sat **Leadership Training Seminar:**
Become a qualified Sierra Club Leader. Registrar: STEVE BOTAN

Oct 3 | Sat **LTC, WTC**
M/E R: Belaying - 2nd of 4 climbing workshops. Today, at Stoney Point focus on **belaying & principles of**

anchor building. Based on Chapter 10 of the book: "Mountaineering Freedom of the Hills, 7th edition". See trip write-up for Sep 30.

Oct 9-12 | Fri - Mon **SPS M: Kern Pt. (12,730'), Picket Guard Pk. (12,303')**
Day 1 back pack over Shepherd Pass 10 mi 6600' gain. Day 2 descend to Kern River and then climb Picket Guard. Day 3 climb Kern Pt, and start backpack out. Day 4 over Shepherd Pass about out. Strenuous hike with well conditioned climbers, some 3rd class. Send SASE with resume w/ \$5 permit fee to leaders: LARRY & BARBEE TIDBALL

Oct 10 | Sat **LTC, WTC M/E R: Advanced Mountaineering Program – Rapelling.** 3rd of 4 climbing workshops. Today, at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, focus is on rapelling. Based on Chapter 11 of the book: "Mountaineering Freedom of the Hills, 7th edition". See trip write-up for Sep 30.

Oct 17-18 | Sat -Sun **LTC, WTC M/E R: Advanced Mountaineering Program – Rock Climbing Techniques and Anchors** - Last of 4 climbing workshops. This weekend completes the series of AMP workshops, at Joshua Tree National Park, and focuses is on climbing and anchors. Based on Chapters 12 & 13 of the book: "Mountaineering Freedom of the Hills, 7th edition". See trip write-up for Sep 30.

Oct 30 – Nov 1 | Fri-Sun **LTC, Harwood Lodge, WTC C: Wilderness First Aid Course:** Runs from 8 am Fri to 5:30 pm Sun. Fee includes lodging, meals and practice first aid kit. Proof of CPR within previous 4 years required to enroll. Fee \$205 with SC#/\$215 non-member (full refund through Sept 25). For application contact Ldr: STEVE SCHUSTER

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