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# **Adventure Travel 2014**



Feb. 14-28, 2014

Explore the amazing diversity of this country, from its Pacific beaches to the wild Northern Caribbean. See volcanoes, rain forests, ecological reserves, wildlife refuges, wildlife and more on this 14-day tour. \$1,650 per person (\$1,750 for non-members) includes hotel, local transport, some tours. Airfare not included; group rates available. Contact co-leader Donna Specht, (714) 963-6345; donnaspecht@juno.com. Leader: Mike Sappingfield, (949) 768-3610, mikesapp@cox.net.

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#### Alaska Bear Viewing Adventure

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Spend three amazing days viewing Alaska brown bears at the state's most spectacular wild bear viewing site, Katmai National Park. Stay at the Brooks River Lodge cabins and go bear-gawking by day. Trip is limited to 10 participants. \$1,425 for members. nonmembers

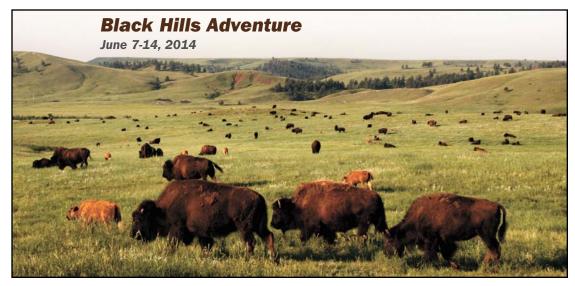
members, nonmembers add \$100. Consider adding on our Alaska Wildlife Adventure (below). Contact: leaders Fred Dong and Stephanie Gross, (818)-545-3878, madelinesdad@earthlink.net, and Clifford Caplan (310) 376-9105,

### Alaska Wildlife Adventure

#### July 26-Aug. 3, 2014

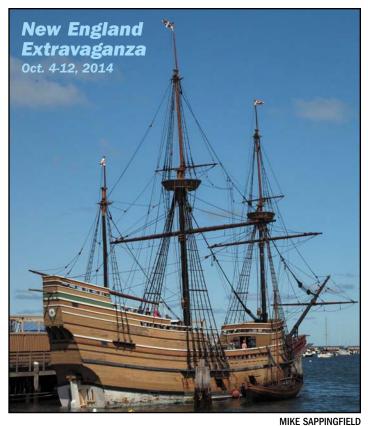
caplan04@yahoo.com.

Come with us to see Kenai Fjords National Park's calving tidewater glaciers and wildlife along the ocean and on land; enjoy the great hiking and wildlife viewing that Denali National Park has to offer. \$1,995 per person (\$2,095 for non-members) covers hotel, bus, some meals, full day cruise. Airfare extra. Contact Leader Fred Dong, (818) 545-3878; madelinesdad@earthlink.net. Bear lovers add our Alaska Bear Viewing Adventure!



Go where the buffalo roam and the deer and antelope play on this eight-day trip to South Dakota. Visit Custer State Park's renowned buffalo herd, Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, Devils Tower and more on this outdoor closeup of the state's most famous sights. \$1,295 (\$1,350 for non-members) includes hotel, local transport, group activities and happy hours. Airfare not included. Contact: Mike Sappingfield, (949) 768-3610, mikesapp@cox.net.

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 Nepal Highlights and

 Hiking Adventure

 Nov. 7-Dec. 1, 2014

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Explore the Himalayas, the world's highest mountains, wildlife and learn about the religion and culture of the Nepalese on this journey to Lumbini, the birthplace of Buddha, Kathmandu, temples, villages and national parks. \$3,000 per person before March 31, 2014; \$3,100 per person after March 31, 2014; non-members add \$100. It covers bus, internal plane flights and land transportation, hotels/lodges, most meals, park and admission fees, most hikes and walks, airport transfers. International airfare is extra; group airfare available. Leaders: Maew Suchin, Fred Dong, (818)-545-3878, madelinesdad@earthlink.net

Can't do the entire trip? Come on the Nepal Highlights Adventure from Nov. 7-14 (\$1,500 per person for Sierra Club members who sign up by March 31, 2014; \$1,575 per person after March 31, 2014; nonmembers add \$100.) or the Nepal Mountain Hiking Adventure from Nov. 12-Dec. 1 (\$1,800 per person for Sierra Club members who sign up by March 31, 2014; \$1,875 per person after March 31, 2014; nonmembers add \$100.) Leaders: Maew Suchin, Fred Dong, (818)-545-3878, madelinesdad@earthlink.net.

The Angeles Chapter's Travel Adventure series offers an unparalleled opportunity to visit special places throughout the world, with trips oriented toward outdoor adventure and environmental awareness and led by our most experienced volunteer leaders. In addition,

See the extraordinary fall colors and covered bridges of New Hampshire

and Vermont. Boston-area highlights include the Freedom Trail,

Paul Revere's house, and Concord and Lexington. \$1,350 per per-

son (\$1,450 for non-members) includes hotel, local transportation,

admission to scheduled excursions, some meals. Airfare not included.

Contact: Mike Sappingfield, (949) 768-3610, mikesapp@cox.net.

the proceeds from these trips provide vital support for the work of the Chapter. Our 2014 trips go to the mountains, canyonlands and deserts of Asia, Europe, and North America -- browse our offerings and let your travel fantasies run wild!

# Chapter's victories, funded by you

#### **By Carole Mintzer** CHAPTER CHAIR

Excuse our disbelief, but... are you fracking kidding me?!

The Sierra Club knows fracking is wrong. The use of hydraulic fracturing to pump sand, water, and chemicals into the ground to extract oil and natural gas threatens our ground water. There are just too many unanswered concerns about water pollution, air quality, health effects, and even



earthquakes! We can't let this jeopardize our local communities.

We need your help. You can be part of our efforts by joining the Angeles Chapter's 1000 at \$100 Campaign by donating \$100 today to protect our communities, our air, and our water. You may also donate on a monthly basis, for as little as 33 cents a day (just \$10 a month!)

To make a donation by check, please make it payable to the Sierra Club Angeles Chapter and mail it to:

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Or you can go to the Chapter's website and use the Donation page at http://bit.ly/18nuoag

What do we use those donations for? We've already begun to work against Big Oil interests to protect health, safety and the environment. For over 100 years the Angeles Chapter has been working to protect our water, our air, and our neighborhoods. We are a grassroots organization, comprised of thousands of our hardworking volunteers are people just like you.

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Our San Onofre Task Force helped achieve the unimaginable through tenacity and hard work we sent a powerful message that resulted in the closing of the San Onofre Nuclear Power Plant permanently!

With our support, The City of LA became the largest city in America to ban plastic bags, joining other local municipalities including Santa Monica, West Hollywood, and Huntington Beach, and helping to pave the way for the rest of the country!

We used social media to send the message that our members want to protect the coast from a harmful desalination plant by collecting over 2,500 signatures so far! The Organics Project recently made headlines by exposing the real story about what happens to our green waste. (It doesn't all become compost!)

And we have so much more to do. Help us by making a donation todav.

# Why the Keystone pipeline flunks the climate test

#### **Bv Michael Brune** SIERRA CLUB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

President Obama last summer set a climate test for his decision on the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline. He said he will not approve the pipeline if it would significantly exacerbate the problem of carbon pollution. Today the Sierra Club, Oil Change International, and 13 partner groups have released a report that settles the issue unequivocally: Keystone XL would be a climate disaster.



Our report, "FAIL: How the Keystone XL Tar Sands Pipeline Flunks the Climate Test," spells out the full consequences of building the pipeline. Find the report online at http://bit.ly/14bsmas.

Start with the one fact that the State Department, the U.S. EPA, climate scientists, and even Wall Street and industry analysts all agree on: The Keystone XL tar sands pipeline will create massive amounts of carbon pollution. Tar sands, after all, are the world's dirtiest and most

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# Charged up about the rooftop revolution

What's it like to go solar? Lisa Ferguson of San Pedro details her experience with the Sierra Club's Sungevity program – and how much she likes making her own power. And she has some advice: Try it.

In recent years, I had been considering converting to solar panels, but each time I started investigating the possibilities it seemed complicated and expensive, even with the tax rebates. Not knowing anyone with a solar home, I didn't even have a recommendation as a base line for comparisons.

Anyone, Sierra Club member or not, who asks for a quote from Sungevity through the Solar Homes website will get the same good deal. In September, homeowners receive \$1,000 if they go solar and the Sierra Club receives \$1,000. So tell your friends and neighbors now!

Then in the late fall of 2012, I got an e-mail from the Sierra Club announcing their endorsement of Sungevity. I trusted

the Sierra Club as a steward of nature and the environment so I read further to see in what way the club was working with this solar energy company. It turns out Sungevity was offering this amazing incentive program which included a \$750 donation to the Sierra Club.

I filled out an easy online form and a few days later I got a call from Stephen at Sungevity. He was very personable and knowledgeable, and it made for a much easier decision when I found out a home inspection was not required to put together a proposal. Sungevity could engineer the project from satellite photographs of my home. The only task on my part was getting copies of my last three Department of Water and Power bills, scanning them and sending them back to Stephen at Sungevity. With that, they were able to design the proper sized system for my home and energy use.

Once the system for my home was designed, I was presented with a variety of options: Purchase the system out right, purchase on a payment plan, lease the system for 20 years with a few different payment plan options, lease the system paying the lease in full up front. I considered owning because I am just not a leaser type person but in this case it seemed the most sensible and cost effective.

All the maintenance and repair is the responsibility of Sungevity, and the lease is transferable if I ever sell my home. I may not get all the rebates of owning, but I also didn't have to put up a huge lump some and fill out a bunch of paperwork and track down those rebates. I didn't even have to pull any city permits; Sungevity took care of everything.

I have to admit I just kind of "went with it" because Sungevity made it so easy and they were endorsed by the Sierra Club. However, the more I found out about the company, and just my over all experience, the more pleased I became with my decision. I was told the project would probably be completed by June, 2013, but I got a call in March from Sungevity to schedule the installation.

They worked around my schedule and had the system installed in two days. The crew was punctual, professional and courteous to me and my property. The only tiny delay was that the building inspector wanted a sign labeling something "DC" instead of "PHOTOVOLATAIC." They had the label fabricated and posted two days later. I was also lucky because what was estimated to be a one month wait for DWP to come and install their meter turned out to only be a two-week wait. Once the DWP technician installed their meter they flipped the switch and I

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# How trade pacts, population feed overconsumption

#### By Suzanne York

The relationship between trade and population is based on one main factor: growth. Growth of people, growth of goods and services, and growth of markets and capital.

The latest population projection from the United Nations is for a world population of 8.1 billion people by 2025, and 9.6 billion by mid-century. That translates into a lot of consumers, especially as more developing countries rise into the middle class.

More consumers mean more markets, which results in a big push for global trade agreements. Historically, free trade has not trickled down and helped regular people and communities (see the North American Free Trade Agreement). It helps corporations, lobbyists, and some government officials: in other words, mainly the

officials; in other words, mainly the 1%.

Trade policies have led to extensive environmental degradation, especially in developing nations. Trade agreements also increase poverty and result in the displacement of citizens who are often forced to leave their homeland in search of livelihoods. Instead of pursuing global trade that benefits the 1%, trade policies should be fair and protect workers and families. And policies should discourage the displacement of families by corporations who confiscate land to gain access to natural resources which are exploited for corporate profit.

Instead the focus should be on fair trade and improving the rights and lives of people and communities, and ensuring a healthy environment. Stabilizing population growth is needed, as well as reducing inequality around the world, supporting universal health and family planning services, and providing girls and women more education and social/economic opportunities.

If you've never heard of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), you are not alone. The TPP is a major international trade and investment agreement pushed by the United States behind closed doors. It is cur-



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join). This covers approximately 40% of the global economy.

Despite the agreement's potential reach, there has been no public input since negotiations began in 2009 – some 600 corporate advisors have access to the text, while the public, congressional representatives, journalists, and civil society are excluded. Why the secrecy?

According to the Sierra Club and other environmental organizations, the TPP could increase dirty fracking and carbon emissions; put sensitive ecological areas at risk; and increase natural gas and electricity prices, impacting consumers, manufacturers, workers, and increasing the use of

dirty coal power. And it impacts public health, essential services, domestic jobs, food safety and much, much more.

rently being negotiated between the United States, Australia, Brunei

Darussalam, Canada, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru,

Singapore, Vietnam, and Japan (eventually China and Russia could

Free trade agreements, with a focus on investors and not people, thrive in places with few or non-existing human rights and environmental regulations, or health standards. In a world of 7.2 billion people, rights and regulations need to be strengthened, not weakened, and access to health and community services improved.

At the most basic level, it boils down to consumption, much of it unsustainable. Our global economic system is predicated on ever more growth, which means more consumers. A world of over 9 billion people? Great! Food insecurity, finite resources, depleted oceans, who cares? Just buy more stuff.

More people are realizing that well-being and happiness are more important to life than non-essential consumer goods. That is anathema to the global economic system and the concept behind free trade agreements.

Suzanne York is on the Sierra Club's Trade Team and Global Population Committee and a senior writer with the Institute for Population Studies.

# **Chapter news**

#### **Chapter Award nominations open**

Do you know of a fellow Angeles Chapter member who volunteers tirelessly in service to the Club through conservation, outings, activism, or advocacy? With 40,000-plus members in a very diverse Chapter, we need to congratulate individuals and entities that work hard to make a difference.

Here's your chance. The Chapter Awards Committee welcomes ideas on awards candidates for the 2013 Chapter Awards Banquet on May 4. The nominations deadline is Nov. 1.

You don't need to be a long-time member to receive an Angeles Chapter award – we celebrate veterans, rookies and reruns (past awardees) with Chapter awards. Go online to http://bit.ly/17ZMK27 to learn more about award nominations.

#### Volunteer opportunity

Want to pair your office skills with helping the environment? The Chapter has immediate openings for volunteers to staff its front desk. It's easy, it's simple, and it's fun to do. If you're looking to combine your light office skills with helping the environment, this is the volunteer opportunity for you.

We need reception area coverage: Mondays from 10am-2pm and 2 to 5 p.m., Wednesdays from 10am to 2pm, Thursdays from 10am-2pm and Fridays from 10am-2pm. Call Jane MacFarlane at 213-387-4287 x205 or jane.macfarlane@sierraclub.org about these opportunities.

# Elections for leaders of Chapter, regional groups to begin

The 2013 election for at-large positions on the Angeles Chapter Executive Committee (Excom) and for each Regional Group begins Nov. 1 and ends Dec. 2. All members are urged to vote for these important leadership roles.



Candidates for the Executive Committee are: Carole Mintzer\*, David Haake\*, Charming Evelyn\*, Sharon Koch\*, Sue Northrup\*, Jose Mendez\*, Coby King\*, Ray Hiemstra\*, Theresa Brady\*\*, Marcia Hanscom\*\* and Lynne Plambeck\*\*. (\*Selected by Chapter's

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# Learn wilderness first aid skills in weekend class

#### By Donna Hryshchyshyn

Have you ever wondered what you would do if you or someone in your group was injured while on a wilderness outing where calling 911 is not an option or access to professional medical care is more than one hour away?

Urban first aid courses cover what to do in the minutes before Emergency Medical Services arrive and have limited application in wilderness emergencies that may require care from several hours to several days. The Wilderness First Aid Course (WFAC) emphasizes the fundamental skills necessary to manage wilderness accidents and environmental illnesses. Sign up for the next course Nov. 8-10 at Harwood Lodge at Mt. Baldy.

This fast-paced 26-hour course includes indoor and outdoor lectures interspersed with demonstrations, hands-on skills practices, and realistic wilderness accident simulations complete with trauma make-up and stage blood.

It is presented at a basic layperson level, presuming no prior medical training except CPR. The WFAC has trained outdoor enthusiasts and outings leaders in Southern California since 1978. The WFAC is an educational nonprofit organization run by an all volunteer staff allowing the tuition to remain low.

Tuition fee of \$220 includes:

- A 160-plus page set of course notes/manual is sent out prior to the course for pre-study.
- All lectures, skills and accident simulation practices.
- 2 laminated reference cards.
- Use of course skills materials.
- Dormitory style lodging for 2 nights. Camping on the grounds is also permitted if you prefer sleeping outside. The course is held at the Sierras Club's beautiful and rustic Harwood Lodge at 6,000 feet in Mt. Baldy in the San Gabriel Mountains.
- Generous meals & snacks are included from mid-morning on Friday to lunch on Sunday. Vegetarian meals or other dietary restrictions may be accommodated with advance notice.
- Course Completion Certificate



DONNA HRYSHCHYSHYN

Students respond to an "injured" hiker with fake wounds and blood during the two-day Wilderness First Aid Course

This course meets the requirements for Angeles Chapter Sierra Club leaders for Standard First Aid and Wilderness First Aid. LTC will be notified of your course completion.

The course is open to anyone (at least 14 years of age) with the only prerequisite being completion of a hands-on CPR class within the 4 years preceding the course date.

To apply go to the Wilderness First Aid Course website or contact leader and instructor Steve Schuster @ bznes.mail.4.steve@gmail.com

Donna Hryshchyshyn is one of the Chapter leaders associated with the Wilderness First Aid Course.

# **Chapter wins key public records suit against Orange County**

The importance of having access to geographic information systems, now and in the future.

#### **From Chapter reports**

The California Supreme Court ruled July 8 in a unanimous decision that geographic information systems (GIS) data must be provided to the public for a nominal fee under the Public Records Act. The decision has broad application, confirming that information not exempt from disclosure under the act must be provided to the public for a nominal charge, regardless of whether it is kept in paper form or as electronic data.

The case started in 2007, when the Sierra Club requested from Orange County a copy of its GIS parcel database, containing the location and layout of each legal parcel of land in the county. At that time, Orange County licensed copies of the parcel database to private companies and public agencies for \$375,000. The county also required licensees to sign non-disclosure agreements preventing further distribution.

The county supported its GIS operation in part with licensing revenues from the sale of parcel data and argued that this revenue stream would dry up if the county was required to provide copies of the data to the public for a nominal fee under the Public Records Act.

The Sierra Club sued in 2009. Orange County argued that the parcel database is "computer software," as that term is used in the Public Records Act, because it is part of a "computer mapping system." Under the act, software is not a public record, and software includes "computer mapping systems." The Orange County Superior Court agreed with Orange County, denying the Sierra Club's request to compel the county to provide the parcel database under the Act. The Sierra Club appealed and lost on appeal in the Fourth District Court of Appeal, in Santa Ana, Orange County, California.

In September, 2011, the California Supreme Court agreed to review the case. Amici curiae filed briefs on behalf of the Sierra Club, including the Media and Open Government coalition, representing newspapers such as the Los Angeles Times and the Orange County Register, a coalition of companies that provide value-added services based on electronic public records, the Stanford Environmental Law Clinic, the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a group of academic researchers at UCLA, Jack Cohen, and a coalition of GIS professionals.

Attorney Sabrina Venskus, the Sierra Club's lead counsel, argued the case in the California

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# 6 cool trips to take this fall

Fall is the perfect time in California to go do something outdoors. Can't think of anything? We've got you covered -- from a walking tour of San Juan Capistrano in October to Thanksgiving at Harwood Lodge to the all-nighter trek of Skid Row to dispense items to the homeless in December. Consider these hikes, trips and tours -- and go to the website at angeles.sierraclub.org/activities for hundreds of other outings.

#### **San Juan Capistrano Mission and Historic City Tour** Oct. 26

Join a 90-minute docent-led architectural walking tour (\$5 donation) through historic San Juan Capistrano, including the vibrant Los Rios District. After a casual lunch enjoy a tour of the "Jewel of the Missions" renowned for its beautiful courtyard gardens. \$5 donation for tour. Contact: Mary L Morales 949-636-2981 10ter@cox.net, Elaine Ayala 310-399-5372 elaineayala@verizon.net



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#### **Morro Bay Car Camp**

#### Oct. 31-Nov.3

The Gay and Lesbian Section host a Halloween weekend at Morro Bay State Park. Experience what makes this major migratory bird stop and amazing coastal setting a must-see. Spend the weekend hiking at Montaña de Oro State Beach, kayaking or walking in an estuary, bird watching and strolling around town too. \$55 per person for 3 nights camping; \$40 per person for 2 nights camping. O-rated. Contact: Barbara Edwards 310-839-0593 greyhund@sbcglobal.net Grace Hengst 323-227-6444 gracehikes@roadrunner.com Judy Demarah 661-299-2327

#### 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Mishe Mokwa trailhead to 6 peaks

#### 9 a.m., Nov. 2

Each of the first 3 Saturdays and Sundays in November and the first weekend in December, the Angeles Chapter will lead a hike on



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the 70-mile Santa Monica Mountains Backbone Trail. This hike starts at the Mishe Mokwa trailhead to 6 peaks in 9 miles with 2,700

feet of gain. Strenuous hike to Sandstone Peak (highest point in the Santa Monica Mountains), Boney, Inspiration, Exchange, Tri- Peaks, and Big Dome Peak. Return on the Mishe Mokwa portion of the Backbone Trail, passing Split, Echo, and Balanced Rocks. Contact: Willy Blumhoff 818-905-5558 blumhoff@sbcglobal.net, Robert Cody 310-410-9172 bcodyman@aol.com, Marlen Mertz 310-990-7643 mbmertz@aol.com, Wayne Vollaire 909-595-5855 avollaire1@verizon. net

#### San Jacinto Backpack Nov. 2-3

If you've never been to this extraordinary peak above Palm Springs, here's your chance to go and spend the night. The Sierra Sage of Orange County are sponsoring this 12-mile backpack with 2,400 feet of gain that includes a



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trek to the summit at 10,804 feet in elevation. Backpackers stay at Round Valley Campground for the overnight. O/I-rated. Contact: Todd Clark 714-803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com. Sylvie Cote 949-547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com

#### Harwood Lodge Thanksgiving Weekend

#### Nov. 28-Dec. 1

Enjoy Thanksgiving at your beautiful stone lodge nestled among the pines of the Angeles Forest at 6000'. The lodge provides the turkey; you provide all the side dishes and dessert (OR \$10 contribution). Happy hour at 5pm, dinner at 6pm. Come for Thanksgiving Day or stay through the weekend! Open to all members (\$12/night) and their guests (\$15/night – limit 2). No reservations required. Lodge opens Thur 9am and closes Sun 3pm. Bring SC card. Contact: Bob Dean 310-539-9561 bobdean4@hotmail.com

#### Los Angeles Christmas by Night

Dec. 21 to Dec. 22 (one-night outing; starts before midnight on Dec. 21)

It's the ultimate give-back on this allnight trek through downtown Los Angeles to distribute



food and clothing to the homeless living on the streets. Meet at the corner of College St and North Spring St underneath the Chinatown Station. From here we walk to Union Station, then to Los Angeles and Third Streets and points south and east. After everything is distributed, we crisscross the down town area eventually winding up at the Original Pantry around 4am. After breakfast we head back to the Chinatown Station. For info call leaders. Contact: Stag Brown 323-299-0373. Bob Thompson 828-249-1237. Joe Young 310-301-9642 joengeri@ca.rr. com. Jeff Brown 310-399-2792 mesoman@earthlink.net

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# Sierra Club Angeles Chapter SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

### October 1 through December 31, 2013

More than 500 hikes, walks, trips, events, meetings and events Even more at www.angeles.sierraclub.org/activities

# October 2013

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing O: Josephine Peak (5558')

Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net A moderate walk on road for 8 miles round trip with 1600' of gain to a peak near La Cañada. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 8:15 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Conditioned Hikers

Lynn Lively 805-256-4106 llively@aol.com Jeri Segal 310-391-3439 jerisegal@gmail.com 10- to 14-mile hike in the Santa Monica Mountains (Will Rogers to Pt. Mugu State Parks). Route and trailhead will be determined two days prior to activity and based on expected weather conditions. Contact leader for further information.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers / Sycamore/Serrano Cyns

Catherine Froloff 310-821-4123 cfroloff@ca.rr.com Robert Cody 310-410-9172 bcodyman@aol.com 9-mi rt, 1200' gain hike to the saddle above Serrano Cyn. Meet 8am Pacific Palisades rideshare pt or 9am at Sycamore Cyn fee parking lot (PCH W 19 mi from Malibu Cyn Rd – pay fee or park outside). If Red Flag Alert, meet below Santa Monica Pier at 8:30am.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday

Charles R Brown 661-947-9694 res05dhm@gte.net Vern Benhart 661-948-3524 verlin57@verizon.net Moderate to strenuous, 4- to 6-mi round trip. Well-behaved dogs welcome. Meet 6pm every Tue and Thu at Antelope Valley-Palmdale rideshare pt, Bring hiking shoes, flashlight, water, a sweater or jacket, USFS parking pass.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Fullerton Beginners Hike

Margee K Hills 714-256-0807 margeehills@gmail.com Christopher Lewis chrislewis6057@yahoo.com Houria Hall 714-767-5327 houriazhall@yahoo.com Joel Lester Ortmann 562-806-1057 Martin Kluck 562-677-4740 martinkluck@hotmail.com Sanford Opperman, Host 714-993-0651 Hike with our social group on this regular weekly beginner's hike of 4-5 miles in the gentle hills of Fullerton. Slow to medium pace is great for beginners. Each week we rotate

#### Activities and Outings Skill Level Rating Codes

The Angeles Chapter Safety Committee has established the following classifications for all chapter-sponsored outings to differentiate the levels of skill required of participants and event leaders. Classifications do not relate to outing strenuousness.

- **C** Events conducted by a non-Sierra Club entity (e.g., concessionaire).
- **O** Uncomplicated outings such as city walks, bike rides, trail hikes, backpacking. May involve simple off-trail hiking not requiring navigation skills. Climbing level: "Class 1" terrain.
- I Outings that involve cross-country travel where navigation is necessary. Rougher ground than "O" outings may be traversed, and the use of hands for balance may be necessary. Includes outings that have snow travel or skiing on easy terrain. Climbing level: "Class 2" terrain.
- **M** Moderate-level climbing: "Class 3" terrain. On rock, the hands are used for climbing. Some participants may want a safety belay. On snow, safety dictates the use of ice axes and the ability to self-arrest.
- **E** More exposed than M outings. Climbing on "Class 4" terrain. Rock climbs will use a rope for all in the party. On snow, steeper terrain than M outings is permissible, and safety dictates the use of crampons.
- **T** Technical outings requiring specialized skills as identified in the sponsoring group's safety policy.

through numerous trails in the area to provide new experiences. Optional dinner afterwards. Last Tue. of each month we have a potluck dinner. Hike scheduled during daylight savings time, i.e., March through Oct. Meet at the east end of Laguna Lake in Fullerton (from Harbor Blvd, W on Hermosa Dr, L on Lakeside Dr for ½ block, and park on the street). Look for hikers on east side of Lakeside Dr. Wear sturdy boots; bring water, flashlight.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes

John C LaRue 949-661-4437 jclarue@cox.net Jim Palmer 949-551-8912 james.palmer@computer.org Ted Wright 949-856-2592 tednina@pixelloom.net Karim Khoshab 949-559-1388 aamiry@anaheim.net Susan Harris 949-559-4570 sueharris@cox.net Frederick Lamb 949-350-6451 lambfred@yahoo.com Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com Easy/moderate/Tiger paced hikes, 4- to 7-mi round trip on hilly trails. Bring water, light hiking boots. 405 Fwy, exit S at University/Jeffrey, L on Ridgeline, L on Turtle Rock, pass Sunnyhill, L into parking lot of Turtle Rock Community Park. Arrive about 15 minutes early to get a parking spot and sign in. Regular Tuesday/Thursday night conditioning hikes.

#### Ten Essentials to Carry With You on a Hike

Map Compass Flashlight (with spare batteries and bulb) Extra food and water Extra clothing Pocket knife Fire starter Matches (in waterproof container) Sunglasses and sunscreen First aid kit

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 6:30 PM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: San Pedro/RPV Conditioning Hike

Barry Bonnickson 310-519-0778 bonnicks@pacbell.net Jacques Monier 310-320-1249 jmonier@pacbell.net Jovce White 310-383-5247

Dorothy Boynton Chadwick 310-544-0600 xcskiers@ earthlink.net

James Brooks Chadwick 310-544-0600 xcskiers@ earthlink.net

Strenuous 2-hr, 5- to 8-mile conditioning hikes on flat/hilly streets/trails to explore fauna/terrain in San Pedro and RPV. Not for beginners. Arrive early. Leaves 6:30 pm every Tue from 8th and Averill, San Pedro. Wear lug sole boots and bring red lens flashlight. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers William C Crane, Jr 818-773-4601 bilguana@socal.rr.com

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#### Joan Weaver 818-717-1946 hoansw@yahoo.com

2-hr, 5- to 8-mi fast-paced strenuous hikes in Santa Monica Mtns with some bushwhacking. Rideshare to local trailheads. Meet 6:30pm; leave 6:45pm sharp each Tues 1 block W of Topanga Cyn Bl on Clarendon St (1 stoplight S of Ventura Fwy, next to Post Office). No dogs. Red Flag Alert cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 7:00 PM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing

Hermosa Beach Beginners Conditioning Hike Sharon Brossier 310-376-1416 sbrossier@yahoo.com Chris Albertson 310-376-1029 albertson.chris@gmail.com Alix Benson 310-379-8066 alixbenson@verizon.net 1-1/2-hr, 4-mile hike on greenbelt and hilly streets. Good for beginning level hikers. Arrive early. Meet near Hermosa Valley School. Bring red flashlight. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 01, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes Stag Brown 323-299-0373

Jeff Brown 310-399-2792 mesoman@earthlink.net Angela Colicchio 818-957-3842 angelteach1025@ hotmail.com Kathy Faulds 818-845-9687 kathyfaulds@cnico.com Felix Flores 323-663-2822 Larry Guzin 323-932-1600 go\_zen@sbcglobal.net Daniel Kinzek dkinzek@yahoo.com Ioannis Kostoulas 310-376-7341 yannismacedon@aol.com Larry Lee 818-407-1778 llee48@pacbell.net Carl Lowe 818-845-5260 carllowe@hotmail.com Felix Martinez 213-381-5851 felix4hikes@gmail.com Ed Miskin 310-612-6255 edgar miskin@vahoo.com Judy Rosenberg 323-954-1522 judyjudyrose@aol.com Gina Roth 626-643-6411 ginaroth14@gmail.com Joe Young 310-301-9642 joengeri@ca.rr.com Mary Aratounian 323-463-1304 maryarat a@yahoo.com Evening hikes range from moderate to very strenuous over hilly, sometimes steep terrain with uneven footing. Hikes are intended only for hikers capable of maintaining the pace as set by leaders. Leashed, well-behaved dogs welcome at the discretion of each leader. Hikes last from  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours. Meet at the Griffith Park upper merry-go-round, parking lot #2, at 7pm sharp. Come early to complete waiver form. (Participants must sign the waiver and must have waiver card with them on hikes.) Sturdy hiking shoes or boots strongly encouraged. Flashlights are optional. Tuesday/Thursday coordinators: Mike Johnstone and Louis Alvarado. Wednesday coordinators: Joe Young and Felix Martinez.

#### Wednesday, October 02, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing

O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com

Bernard Lipman 714-879-7593 bersher@roadrunner.com OCG, OCSS: Easy-paced, reasonably flat 5-mi hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers welcome. Enjoy natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 9am. From Warner Ave in Huntington Beach, turn S on Bolsa Chica St to the end of the street and trailhead at Brightwater Dr. Park on street. Bring water, camera, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots. Rain does not cancel.

#### Wednesday, October 02, 2013 6:00 PM 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing M/E-R: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP8): Basic Safety System

#### Daniel Richter 818-970-6737 dan@danrichter.com

Patrick Mckusky 626-794-7321 patrick.mckusky@lausd.net First of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. Today's indoor evening workshop of four hours reviewing ropes, harnesses, helmets and basic climbing gear will take place in Pasadena. As space is limited, priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send email or SASE, phone numbers, Sierra Club number, resume to leader.

#### Wednesday, October 02, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike

Laura Franciosi 714-879-1760 lauraf999@hotmail.com G. A. Johnson 626-333-0225 hiker626@hotmail.com Bertha Padilla 909-980-6139

Wed 6:30-9:00pm Steve Feld Puente Hills Conditioning Hike (OCSS, Puente Hills Task Force, LA 20s/30s, Rio Hondo). Briskly paced 5- to 6-mile hike in the lush canyons of the Puente/Whittier Hills. Please, no beginners. Enjoy this Emerald City hike as the sun sets in the west. 700' gain up long switchbacks and trails with varying routes. Wear hiking boots and bring water. Rain cancels. Be prompt to enjoy the sunset. Meet at south end of 7th Avenue where street ends and turn right on Orange Grove to park on street. Use 7th Ave exit off Pomona Fwy, go south to Orange Grove. Regular weekly Wednesday night conditioning hike.

#### Wednesday, October 02, 2013 7:00 PM - Monthly afterhike cookout starts at 8:15 PM

#### 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes Stag Brown 323-299-0373

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Joe Young 310-301-9642 joengeri@ca.rr.com Mary Aratounian 323-463-1304 maryarat a@yahoo.com

First Wednesday of each month: hike until 8:15, followed by monthly cookout. Bring food/beverage to share or just show up. Newcomers welcome. Wednesday group evening hikes range from moderate to somewhat strenuous over hilly, sometimes steep terrain with uneven footing. Hikes are intended only for hikers capable of maintaining the pace as set by leaders. Leashed, well-behaved dogs welcome at the discretion of each leader. Hikes last from 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 hours. Meet at the Griffith Park upper merry-go-round parking lot #2 at 7pm sharp. Come early to complete waiver form. **ANGELES CHAPTER SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES**  (Participants must sign the waiver and must have waiver card with them on hikes.) Sturdy hiking shoes or boots strongly encouraged. Flashlights are optional. Wednesday coordinators: Joe Young and Felix Martinez.

#### Wednesday, October 02, 2013 7:00 PM 0472-Angeles Chp Gay and Lesbian Outing O: Weekly Griffith Park Conditioning Hikes

Nancy Beverly 818-379-9940 nancybeverly@sbcglobal.net Marie Ammerman 818-842-6401 ammermanm@yahoo.com What: Every Wednesday night, join us for a moderate (strenuous if you are out of shape) hike to Mt. Hollywood, 5 miles, 1145' gain/loss. This is a great mid-week workout. Lug sole boots are best for traction, but some hikers wear sneakers. Bring a quart of water, snacks if you like, and a flashlight if not used to hiking in the dark. We have a few tiny breaks on the way up, stop at the top, gawk at the city lights until we get a chill, and then return to our cars by approx. 9:30pm. Dogs are welcome; bring a leash and extra water. Rain cancels. When: Every Wednesday (except holidays), 7pm sharp, end by 9:30pm. Where: By the flagpole near the vending machines at the Crystal Springs Griffith Park HQ/Visitors Center, 4730 Crystal Springs Dr, LA. (Note: Mapquest, Google Maps, etc. may be misleading.) Directions: (1) From I-5 going north, exit at Griffith Park exit, 0.25 mi. beyond Los Feliz BI make a right turn at the 3-way stop sign. Proceed 0.6 mi. and turn in the driveway just before the Ranger Station. If you miss the driveway, proceed 0.1 mi, turn right at the stop sign, drive 0.15 mi. to the parking lot. (2) From Los Feliz BI, turn north on Riverside Dr, which becomes Crystal Springs Dr. Proceed 0.5 mi. to the 3-way stop sign, go straight, and then follow (1) above directions to the Ranger Station. (3) From 134 going west, exit at I-5 south toward Los Angeles. Exit I-5 at Los Feliz Blvd West toward Hollywood. Proceed to signal light and turn right at Riverside Dr. Proceed as in (2) and (1) above to Ranger Station parking lot. (4) From Fwy. 134 going east, exit Victory, turn right at bottom of ramp. Make immediate left onto Zoo Drive. Drive through the park, passing the zoo on your right and the Gene Autry Museum on your left. Curve around and pass the golf course. You'll come to a stop sign at Griffith Park Dr and Crystal Springs Rd (which is the road you're on now; it changes names). Proceed one more block to the next stop sign at the Ranger Station and turn left. Drive all the way around behind the Ranger Station to park.

#### Wednesday, October 02, 2013 7:00 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Club Support Event Pasadena Group Monthly Meeting

#### Liz Pomeroy 626-791-7660 ewpomeroy@gmail.com

Hillary Gordon, chair of the Angeles Chapter's Zero Waste Committee, and Gabriel Silva, recycling coordinator for the City of Pasadena, present "Recycling and Waste Reduction in Pasadena and Beyond: Current Practices and Future Trends." Information on group's hikes, outings and conservation activities. Newcomers always welcome. 7:00pm social hour, 7:15pm program at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr in NE Pasadena. For information contact membership chair Elizabeth Pomeroy.

Wednesday, October 02, 2013 7:30 PM 0405-Long Beach Group Club Support Event Oct. Presentation: Restoring Habitat, One Yard at a Time OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2013 3

#### Coby Skye 562-252-4196 coby@greens.org

In October, longtime Sierra Club member and wildlife habitat steward Alan Pollack will provide an informative presentation regarding how to create a wildlife-friendly garden in your own backyard. Providing a virtual tour of his own garden, which has been certified by the National Wildlife Federation as a Wildlife Habitat Site, Alan will share opportunities for making your home garden more sustainable and inviting to beneficial and beautiful local wildlife.

When we contemplate the whole globe as one great dewdrop, striped and dotted with continents and islands, flying through space with other stars all singing and shining together as one, the whole universe appears as an infinite storm of beauty.

- John Muir, Travels in Alaska, 1915, chapter 1, page 5

#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Mt Harwood (9552')

David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com A strenuous walk on paved road, dirt road, trail, and use trail for 14 miles round trip with 4080' of gain to this peak above Baldy Village. Other routes and peaks possible. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 8:00 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Towsley Cyn, Santa Clarita Woodlands

Mimi Knights 661-253-3414

Margaret S Vernallis 818-360-4414 margaret.vernallis@ csun.edu

Moderately paced 8-mile, 1350' gain (optional 6-mile, 1050' gain) hike with great vistas, a chilly narrows, diverse plant life and tar seeps. Meet 8am Ed Davis Park in Santa Susana Mountains. Take Calgrove Blvd, exit 166, from Interstate 5, turn west under the freeway and take the Old Road south  $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to Ed Davis Park on right, drive past Santa Clarita rideshare parking area outside entrance, go through gate and park in large dirt parking area 100 yards beyond the gate. Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 to Sunday, October 06, 2013 0471-Angeles Chp Camera Comm. Outing **O: MONO BASIN Fall Photography**

Judith Molle 805-682-2805 sunshine4sb@yahoo.com Carole Scurlock 626-794-5207 cscurlock@earthlink.net Explore and photograph the Mono Basin area. Group day hikes up to 6 miles with 500' elevation gain/loss. Must be able to carry own gear. Camp or motel on own.

#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

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#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing **O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes**

See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

**O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike** Pam Allen 626-296-6911 ezadorah@hotmail.com Beth Powis Martin 626-396-9701 whmscll@gmail.com Maureen Conn 626-798-1016 mauconn@aol.com Keith Martin 626-396-9701 keithwmartin@sbcglobal.net Ginny Heringer 626-793-4727 ginnyh@ix.netcom.com Sponsored by Pasadena Group and Wilderness Adventures Section. A weekly 6-mi rt, 1400' gain aerobic conditioning hike. Great views of LA Basin and the night sky. Meet 6:55pm (we start promptly at 7pm) every Thursday at gate at Pinecrest (from Pasadena, exit eastbound I-210 at Altadena Dr, N 21/2 mi to Crescent Dr, R to 2260 Pinecrest Dr, Altadena). Remember the neighbors, keep your voices down as we gather. Bring water, flashlight, sturdy shoes. Rain/landslides cancel. For additional information contact leader/coordinator Pam Allen.

#### Thursday, October 03, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing **O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Friday, October 04, 2013 to Sunday, October 06, 2013 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Social Event 2013 Fall Festival

Christine Soskins 858-220-9697 csoskins@gmail.com

Note: Due to expected forest closures resulting from the recent Mountain Center fire, the Fall Festival has been moved from Idyllwild to the Big Bear Area. Less daylight doesn't mean less fun! Come out to the Big Bear/north San Gorgonio area for 2013's Fall Festival to bag peaks, mingle with friends and have a great time. Saturday night, we've reserved a group site at the Council Group Campground (near Barton Flats off the Rim of the World Drive). We'll have a potluck smorgas-bord and lots of laughs. Contact leaders of specific hikes for details on their outings. Reservations at the campground are first come, first served - please contact leader to secure your spot.

#### Friday, October 04, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

Edward Lubin 310-826-2750 edlubin@gmail.com Marshall Ratinoff (310) 420-3600 lataxman@att.net David Haake 310-237-3447 dhaake@ucla.edu

Joe Phillips 818-348-8884 recreationbyjoe@yahoo.com

Spectacular view of Santa Monica Bay and LA Basin. Moderately strenuous conditioning hike for fit hikers. 2-hr, 5mile round trip, 1100' total gain on fire road. Meet and sign in at 6:45pm every Friday, Los Liones Drive at Sunset Blvd (0.3 mi from PCH). Carpool 1.5 miles to trail head. Lug soles. Bring flashlight. Optional dinner at restaurant after. Beach walk when there is a Red Flag Warning. Palisades Highlands sidewalk when it rains. Co-sponsored by the Sierra Singles Section.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 to Sunday, October 06, 2013 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing I: Lake Peak (10,161) - Pushing the Limit

Tonyce Bates tonycebates@yahoo.com

Victoria Overbey overbeyvr@rocketmail.com

Are you pushing the limit? Do you need to get one more backpack trip before graduation? Join us for late-season backpack with a gourmet food demo and sunset on Lake Peak. Saturday, hike 6 miles and 2,100' gain, via the South Fork Trail to Dry Lake (9,065). Set up camp and then hike cross country to Lake Peak. Return to camp for gourmet happy hour demo. Sunday morning, gourmet breakfast demo, pack up and hike 6 miles back to TH. Send hiking resume to tonycebates@yahoo.com.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 7:30 AM (Time Tentative) 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing M/E-R: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP8): Belaying

Daniel Richter 818-970-6737 dan@danrichter.com Patrick Mckusky 626-794-7321 patrick.mckusky@lausd.net Second of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. Today, at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, focus is on belaying and principles of anchor building. As space is limited, priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send email or SASE, phone numbers, resume to leader.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 8:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Miraleste Trails Hike

#### Barry Bonnickson 310-519-0778 bonnicks@pacbell.net

Stephen Bradford 310-831-5826 smb310@ymail.com

Moderate 6-mi, 1000' gain. Meet at 8:00am in the parking lot of Peck Park in San Pedro. The entrance to the park is at the South East corner of Western Ave and West Crestwood St. We will meet about 100 yards into the first parking lot. We will take the Cañada, Lorraine, Via La Paloma, Frasceti and Colinita Trails. Wear lug sole boots, bring a snack and water. If you anticipate rain, wear rain gear.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 8:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing

# O: Trail Maintenance in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness

#### John Kaiser 714-968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com

The Santa Ana Mtn Task Force (Orange Cnty Group, Sierra Sage Group, San Gorgonio Chapter) maintains trails in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness on a monthly basis. No experience is needed and tools are provided. Bring work gloves, sturdy boots, water, lunch. Trail locations are chosen monthly based on need. Contact leader to receive monthly email notices with specific details of each outing. Rain or critical fire danger will cancel the outing. Meet 8am at the South OC ride share location.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 8:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Club Support Event

#### Leadership Training Seminar

Steven Botan 714-321-1296 Itcregistrar@hundredpeaks.org Become a qualified Sierra Club leader. Seminar at the Costa Mesa Community Center. For information, see the LTC website (http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/). Deadline for receipt of application is September 21. No registration after this date or at the door. Next seminar: Spring 2014.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 8:30 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

# O: Eaton Saddle to Red Box via West Fork San Gabriel River

#### David Czamanske 626-458-8646 dczamanske@hotmail.com Liz Pomeroy 626-791-7660 ewpomeroy@gmail.com

Moderate 7-mi, 1200' loss, 900' gain, autumn hike through mature forest habitat on N side of Mt Wilson. We'll visit and discuss sites of Great Hiking Era resorts and learn about their recreational impact on the forest. Short car shuttle. Meet 8:30am La Cañada rideshare pt. Bring water, lunch, good hiking boots, and a favorite nature poem. Adventurous newcomers welcome!

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work

Ronald Webster 310-559-3126 Noel Bell 310-398-0774 John Russell Marshall 951-898-4632 russmarshall13@ gmail.com

Volunteers (males and females) help build and maintain trails in the Santa Monica Mountains. 8:30am to 2:00pm (usually) each Sat (Oct – Jun). Tools and instructions provided. Rain cancels. For meeting time/place call leaders.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013, to Sunday, October 06, 2013 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Social Event HARWOOD LODGE: CLOSED (reserved weekend)

*Christine Ames 714-832-0561 christineames@sbcglobal.net* Harwood is reserved for Verdugo Hills retreat.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013 11:30 AM 0470-Angeles Chp International Com Outing Picnic and Walk in Seal Beach Area

Gabe Sende 818-999-5384 gabesende@yahoo.com

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun. We will meet at a local park for a picnic potluck lunch, then take a walk to the quaint, unspoiled town of Seal Beach. We'll stroll down Seal Beach's main street, with its interesting shops and restaurants. When we reach the beach, we'll hike for a while in the sand. Eventually we'll return to our picnic tables in the park for some dessert before breaking up the party. Contact leader.

#### Saturday, October 05, 2013, to Sunday, October 06, 2013 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Outing O: Harwood Lodge Retreat

Delphine Trowbridge 818-558-7722 delphinetr@sbcglobal.net Annette Kargodorian 818-956-5201 akar214@aol.com

Octoberfest at Harwood Lodge near Mt. Baldy trail! Come and join in the celebration of Octoberfest with food, games, hikes, and tons of fun! Sat happy-hour snacks (BYOB), dinner and Sun breakfast provided. Bring a sack lunch for Sat and drinks if you wish. SC members \$40, non-members \$45. Send reservation to Delphine Trowbridge.

#### Sunday, October 06, 2013 9:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Manhattan Beach Hike & Brunch

*Gerald E Trager 310-316-7843 / Lois Vile 310-316-7843* First Sunday of every month at 9am. Easy 4- to 5-mi, 300' gain, 2-hr hike on streets, trails, ocean strand. Restrooms available. Optional brunch at local restaurant after hike. Meet by police memorial (1901 N Valley Dr, Manhattan Beach, under giant oak tree by tennis courts). Bring water, walking shoes, sun hat. Rain cancels.

#### Monday, October 07, 2013 7:00 PM

# 0427-Angeles Chp Outings Management Club Support Event

#### **OMC Meeting**

*Melody Anderson 310-738-0841 melodygrace1@gmail.com* October meeting of Outings Management Committee.

#### Tuesday, October 08, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing O: Barley Flats (5600')

Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net An easy walk on road and rough trail for 6 miles round trip with 500' of gain to a peak near La Cañada. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Tuesday, October 08, 2013 8:15 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Conditioned Hikers

Michael Louis 310-395-8432 Jeri Segal 310-391-3439 jerisegal@gmail.com See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, October 08, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Limekiln Canyon

Marcia Harris 310-828-6670 mrharris35@verizon.net Charlotte Feitshans 818-501-1225 charlottewf@gmail.com Moderately paced 5-mile hike with 600' gain along the creek of a lovely oak and sycamore lined canyon in Porter Ranch's "Green-way" trail system in the Santa Susana Mtns. Great views across the north SF Valley from Palisades Park – yes, Valley version! Meet 8:30am at trailhead. Exit the 118 Freeway at Tampa Ave. Go north on Tampa about ½ mile and park near 11449 Tampa on left side of street. Optional potluck after hike at Beth's studio. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 08, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/ Santa Monica's Hidden Staircases

Carol Leacock 310-454-4188 carol.leacock@verizon.net Margaret C Fields 310-839-8235

Moderate 7-mi, 1000' gain hike. Join us to count the stairs (about 500 up and 500 down) on this hike from Will Rogers Beach to Will Rogers State Park. Includes 9 hidden staircases and historic Upper Rustic Cyn. Optional hike to Inspiration Point. Meet at 8:30am on Adelaide Dr and 4th St in Santa Monica (1 block N of San Vicente Blvd).

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#### Tuesday, October 08, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: Late Tuesday Morning Hikes in the SFV

Gabe Sende 818-999-5384 gabesende@yahoo.com

We are starting regularly scheduled hikes from easy to moderate in Malibu, Calabasas and Agoura Hills. We meet every Tues at 10am after the morning traffic is gone and do not have to fight the crowds! There are plenty of places above the hills of Malibu where there are lot shades. The hikes will be 3-5 miles at the most, and will last 2 to 2½ hours. We will pick a different location every week. Suggestions are always welcome! Meet at the park at 10:00am and we will leave at 10:15. Bring plenty of water and sunscreen and hiking boots. Take the 101 Freeway to Las Virgenes Road and go South to Lost Hills Street and turn right. This activity will repeat every week, the same time and same place. Please note this hike is jointly sponsored by the Calabasas hiking group.

#### Tuesday, October 08, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 08, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Fullerton Beginners Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 08, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 08, 2013 6:30 PM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing San Pedro/RPV Conditioning Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 08, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 08, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, October 09, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing Orange County/OCSS O: Seaview Park

Delores Denton 949-581-8396 deadenton@hotmail.com Sidney Alpert 949-458-8768 sralpert@comline.com 5-mi, 400' gain. Climb up the Aliso High Trail above Aliso Creek for great views of the ocean, creek, and S Laguna Beach. Meet 9:00am at the uphill intersection of Highlands and Ridgeview, Laguna Niguel. From Alicia Pkwy, R on Highlands, R onto Ridgeview. Park on Ridgeview. Bring water, lunch/snack, lug soles.

Wednesday, October 09, 2013 10:00 AM 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Club Support Event O: Windsor Square Walkabout

# Delphine Trowbridge 818-558-7722 dtrowbridge36@ gmail.com

Carol Henning 323-465-3797 carolhen@sbcglobal.net

Walk through the neighborhood that is Hancock Park's older sister. Just east of Hancock Park, the older section of Windsor Square – between 3rd St and Wilshire, and between Van Ness and Lucerne, opened in 1913. New Windsor Square – between Beverly Blvd and 3rd St – dates from 1920. We will wander through this posh neighborhood to look at consulates (including the newly discovered Swiss one) the Chandler home, the Getty House (official home of LA's mayor, an English Tudor house that included a club room for the original Los Angeles Angels baseball team) and Los Altos apartments, which was inhabited by film stars and contained a secret hideaway for Marian Davies. Meet 10am near the play structure in Robert Burns Park, SW corner of Beverly Blvd and Van Ness. (Thomas Guide p. 633, G-1). Nearest Red Line stop: Beverly and Vermont; then take bus west on Beverly Blvd.

Wednesday, October 09, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, October 09, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Wednesday, October 09, 2013 7:00 PM 0472-Angeles Chp Gay and Lesbian Outing Weekly Griffith Park Conditioning Hikes See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

#### Thursday, October 10, 2013 8:00 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / China Flat, Simi Peak

Doug Demers 805-419-4094 dougdemers@hotmail.com Stephen Beck 818-346-5759 s\_beck@pacbell.net Moderately paced 8-mile, 1300' gain hike in Simi Hills through chaparral, grasslands and oaks, with great views from 2403' peak. Meet 8am at Lindero Cyn Rd trailhead (from 101 Ventura fwy take Lindero Cyn Rd, exit 39, north about 4 miles, past Kanan Rd and King James Ct, make U turn at Wembly Ave and park on north side of Lindero Cyn between Wembly and King James Ct). Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, October 10, 2013 6:00 PM 0411-Rio Hondo Group Outing O: Craig Park Jaunt

Christopher Lewis chrislewis6057@yahoo.com Margee K Hills 714-256-0807 margeehills@gmail.com Houria Hall 714-767-5327 houriazhall@yahoo.com

Get in a brisk 2- to 3-mile hike after work in the gentle Craig Park hills before the Rio Hondo Group meeting. We will walk to Craig Park from the meeting location at CoCo's in Brea. Optional dinner and meeting afterwards. Wear walking shoes and bring water. Meeting location: CoCo's, 1250 East Imperial Highway, Brea, CA, near the Imperial Highway and the 57 freeway.

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#### Thursday, October 10, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, October 10, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 10, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, October 10, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 10, 2013 7:00 PM 0411-Rio Hondo Group Club Support Event Rio Hondo Group monthly mtg - Exec Committee mtg

Gary Sjogren 562-941-8485 ashogun@verizon.net Margee K Hills 714-256-0807 margeehills@gmail.com This month we will be holding an executive committee meeting. All are welcome to attend. Join us for conversation and dinner or snack at 7:00 followed by meeting at 7:30. There will be a Craig Park hike before the meeting at 6:00 (separate outing). Meeting location: CoCo's, 1250 East Imperial Highway, Brea, CA, near the Imperial Hwy and the 57 freeway.

#### Friday, October 11, 2013 6:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Galena Peak (9324')

Peter H Doggett 818-840-8748 peterdoggett@aol.com Ignacia Doggett 818-840-8748 peterdoggett@aol.com George Christiansen 714-636-0918 g.m.christiansen@ me.com

Join a great and adventurous hike to one of the most exciting peaks. The total hike will be about 8 miles round trip with 3,300' of gain. Please bring: good boots with lug soles, water, lunch, jacket and hat. Experienced hikers only; not for beginners. Group size limited. Contact Peter Doggett for meeting information.

#### Friday, October 11, 2013 2:00 PM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing MOUNT PINOS CARCAMP

Gabe Sende 818-999-5384 gabesende@yahoo.com

Iris Edinger 818-883-4723 iris.n.edinger@my.csun.edu

Join us for a weekend at the Mount Pinos campground. It located an hour from Los Angeles near Frazer Park. Saturday we will hike at the nearby hiking trails. Or you can explore the nearby meadows. Happy hour and international potluck Saturday evening followed by campfire. Sunday morning after breakfast we can have a short hike at the nearby trails. To reserve please send SASE, rideshare information and \$30 to leader.

#### Friday, October 11, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

#### The wrongs done to trees, wrongs of every sort, are done in the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, for when the light comes, the heart of the people is always right.

— John of the Mountains: The Unpublished Journals of John Muir, 1938, page 429

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 to Sunday, October 13, 2013 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing I: 'Really Last Chance' Graduation Trip

Robert M Myers 310-829-3177 rmmyers@ix.netcom.com Ann Pedreschi apedreschi@sbcglobal.net

Easy paced backpacking trip in scenic California desert. We will take exploratory cross-country routes in the Queen Valley area, taking in a peak along the way. Satisfy WTC requirements on this "really last chance" graduation trip. 9 mile round trip, 1000' gain. Send email (preferred) or SASE with contact info and recent conditioning to Robert Myers.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 7:30 AM (Time Tentative) 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing M/E-R: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP8): Rappelling

Daniel Richter 818-970-6737 dan@danrichter.com

Patrick Mckusky 626-794-7321 patrick.mckusky@lausd.net Third of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. Today, at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, focus is on rappelling. As space is limited priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send email or SASE, phones, Sierra Club number, resume to leader.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 8:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Rancho Palos Verdes Hike

Steven Morris 310-530-8708 sandhmorris@sbcglobal.net Emile Fiesler 720-834-2878 emilenid@yahoo.com Barry Bonnickson 310-519-0778 bonnicks@pacbell.net

Moderate 7-mi, 1300' gain. Meet at the south end of Crenshaw Blvd, in Ranchos Palos Verdes. Park about 200 yds north of the entrance to Del Cerro Park on Crenshaw Blvd (near the top of Rattlesnake Trail, see OARS map). Duration is approximately 2.5 hours. Wear lug sole boots, bring snack and water. If you anticipate rain, wear rain gear.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

Saturday, October 12, 2013 8:45 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Autumn in the Arroyo Bonnie C Strand 818-247-6398 nelsdotter@sbcglobal.net

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#### Maureen Conn 626-862-6131 mauconn@aol.com Pam Allen 626-296-6911 ezadorah@hotmail.com

Easy 11-mi round trip walk from casting pond in Pasadena's Lower Arroyo to Hahamongna Watershed Park near JPL. Learn a bit about one of the tributaries feeding the Los Angeles River. Meet 8:45am at parking lot near pond (take California Blvd W at Orange Grove Blvd to Arroyo Ave; turn N one block; turn W down into Arroyo). Bring water, lunch, hat. Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 9:00 AM 0416-Santa Clarita Valley Group Outing O: City Council East Walker Ranch Open Space

Dr Henry Schultz 661-284-5613 henry50@pacbell.net Edward J Benison 661-254-7517

Join a Santa Clarita City council member on easy 3-mile, 200 ft gain through wooded, riparian new open space area east of Placerita Cyn Park. Find out why Santa Clarita has made acquiring open space a top priority. More fun and shorter than a council meeting. Meet 9am at East Walker Ranch parking lot. Take I-5 N to 14 Fwy N, exit Placerita Cyn Rd, go right passing main entrance to Park and continue up road to East Walker Parking lot on right .8 mile past Walker Ranch entrance. Bring water and snack, rain cancels.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Lower Zuma Canyon

Ron Rosien 310-474-0349 glendon3@aol.com

Robert J Baldwin 818-510-1274 rbaldwin@uclaextension.edu Moderately strenuous 11-mi. 2800' gain loop hike on canyon and ridge trails with spectacular ocean and coastal views. Meet 8:30am at Malibu rideshare point or 9:00 at Lower Zuma trailhead (PCH 1 mi west of Kanan Rd, right on Bonsall Dr 2 mi to end). Red flag alert cancels.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 to Sunday, October 13, 2013 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Social Event HARWOOD LODGE WINE TASTING FUNDRAISER Elizabeth Ward 909-932-1980 lizzyward@aol.com

Graeme Whitaker 909-861-2931 graeme.whitaker@ verizon.net

#### Cathy Whitaker 909-861-2931 clswhitaker@gmail.com

Excite your palate! Harwood Lodge's connoisseurs will guide you through different pairings of red and white wines, with delectable choices of cheeses and chocolates, followed by a delicious dinner and decadent dessert. Sign up for fun and great food. We'll play a round of "Winerd," a wine Trivial Pursuit game! This is a lodge fundraiser: \$65 member/\$75 non-member. Fee includes Sat 4pm wine-tasting, dinner and dessert, overnight stay, and Sunday 10am breakfast buffet. (Lodge opens at 2pm Saturday and closes at 12pm Sunday). Fee for Saturday only (no overnight): \$50 member/\$60 nonmember. Send check payable Harwood Lodge, 2 SASEs, home and work telephone numbers, and email address to: Cathy Whitaker, 604 Camaritas Dr, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

#### Saturday, October 12, 2013 6:00 PM

#### 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Social Event Outings Planning BBQ

Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com Hosted by Orange County Sierra Singles, everyone welcome. Come help plan, schedule an event, find a co-leader and

coordinate events for the coming months. Bring your ideas. Meet the leaders. Learn how to plan your own event or how to become a leader. LTC candidates and graduates welcome. Remember you don't have to be a leader to host a social event. Volunteers welcome, lots of opportunities. Bring your laptops, we can sign on the chapter website and navigate online scheduling and post your event. How cool is that? Hamburgers, hotdogs, veggie burgers provided. Bring a side dish and your favorite drink. RSVP to outings chair Donna Specht. Location and directions provided.

#### Sunday, October 13, 2013 8:30 AM 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing O: WTC INTRODUCTORY HIKE: MT WILSON/MANZANITA RIDGE

#### David Meltzer 310-913-1230 dwm@crgpm.com

Barbara Phillips Meltzer 310-913-1230 bphillimelt@gmail.com Invigorating conditioning hike at a moderate pace. 10- to 14mile r/t, 4000' gain. Leaders will provide an overview of the Wilderness Travel Course (WTC), which begins January '14. Subjects include safe mountain travel, map & compass and wilderness first aid. This is a residential neighborhood so be mindful of parking regulations and resident's quiet enjoyment of their neighborhood. Meet 8:30am at trailhead. Mira Monte Ave and Mt Wilson Trail Dr. Take I-210 to Baldwin Ave exit, take Baldwin N to Mira Monte, Right to trailhead. Bring hiking boots, 3 ltrs water, snacks to share.

#### Monday, October 14, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing

I: Mt Markham (5742'), Mt Lowe (5603'), Occidental Pk (5732), Mt Wilson (5710')

David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net Cheryl Gill 714-963-0826 ccgill99@yahoo.com

Join us for a day in these local peaks in the San Gabriel Mountains. Markham and Lowe is one hike of 4½ miles round trip, 1200' gain on road and trail. Occidental is 2 miles round trip, 500' gain on use trail. Wilson is a drive up. Other routes possible. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Monday, October 14, 2013 6:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Hildreth Peak (5,065')

Mat Kelliher 818-667-2490 mkelliher746@gmail.com Peter H Doggett 818-840-8748 peterdoggett@aol.com Ignacia Doggett 818-840-8748 peterdoggett@aol.com Bill Simpson 323-683-0959 simphome@yahoo.com

Slow but steady paced, strenuous 16-mile RT, 4,700' gain, cross country route from the south up through Agua Caliente Canyon. We'll start out along a gently babbling creek where we'll travel up through trees colored by autumn before heading up a steep, loose, sometimes brushy ridge to an old jeep road leading to this peak named after Joel Hildreth, one of the first Forest Rangers in the 1890's to patrol this gorgeous area of California formerly inhabited by the Chumash. And for an added bonus, we'll get to see the spectacular Miniature Hoover Dam en route, a sight often missed by the unknowing. Suitable only for seasoned and well conditioned hikers. Consider car or tent camping near the trailhead Sunday night to facilitate early Monday morning start. Email Mat Kelliher with contact info, recent conditioning, and experience for trip status and details.

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#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing

**O:** Strawberry Peak (6164'), Mount Lawlor (5957') Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net A moderate walk on road, trail, and rough trail for 7 miles round trip with 2100' of gain to peaks near La Cañada. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 8:15 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Conditioned Hikers

Jon Sheldon 805-496-4371 jonfromto@gmail.com Ernest M Scheuer 310-274-7987 ems728@gmail.com See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Towsley Canyon, Santa Clarita Woodlands

Reaven Gately 805-255-2350 reavengately@yahoo.com Pixie Klemic 818-787-5420 pklemic@roadrunner.com Moderately paced 5½-mile 1000' gain with great vistas, a chilly narrows, diverse plant life, tar seeps and a fumarole. Meet 8:30am Ed Davis Park, Newhall. Take the Calgrove exit from Interstate 5, turn west under the freeway and take the Old Road south ½ mile to Ed Davis Park entrance on right, park in second dirt parking area on the right near kiosk, about 50 yds past entrance gate, before fee area. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing

**O:** Tue Moderate Hikers - Santa Ynez Cyn to Trailer Cyn Wlodek Proskurowski 310-202-0331 proskuro@usc.edu Catherine Froloff 310-821-4123 cfroloff@ca.rr.com Moderate 9-mi, 2000' gain grand tour hike around Santa Ynez waterfall (not visible). Santa Ynez Trail to Cathedral Rock with return via Trailer Cyn to Michael Lane. Meet 8:30am Santa Ynez trailhead (PCH N ½ mi on Sunset Blvd, L 2½ mi on Palisades Dr, L on Vereda de la Montura to the gate). If Red Flag Alert, meet below Santa Monica Pier at 8:30am.

#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 15, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Fullerton Beginners Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 15, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 15, 2013 6:30 PM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing San Pedro/RPV Conditioning Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

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#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers

See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 15, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, October 15, 2013 7:00 PM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Social Event 'Safari in Kenya'

#### Gabe Sende 818-999-5384 gabesende@yahoo.com

Alex Oloo will present "Safari in Kenya." Come and follow close-up and personal the trail of the wildebeest migration in the Masai Mara ecosystem. Alex was born in Western Kenya by the shores of Lake Victoria. He is a Sierra Club member, and for over a decade has been a tour guide for Roadscholars (formerly known as Elderhostel). He is a professional ornithologist. In this capacity he has worked with the Nairobi National Museum, Ornithology Department. In Kenya Alex was involved in many conservation organizations, including Youth for Conservation, East Africa Wildlife Society, the Kenya Museum Society and Nature Kenya, whose main purpose is protecting important bird areas. There will be socializing and refreshments before the program begins.

#### Wednesday, October 16, 2013 7:30 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Icehouse Canyon

John Kaiser 714-968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com Sharon L Kirk 714-545-1149 sl.kirk@sbcglobal.net

OCG, Sierra Sage, OCSS: Join us for 8-mi rt, 2600' gain in the San Gabriel Mtns along an inviting creek, past private cabins, through forests of oak, spruce, incense cedar, big-leaf maple, pine and fir to the saddle. Along the way we'll enjoy a snack at Columbine Spring. Meet 7:30am at the Tustin Rideshare (one block south of I-5 on Redhill in the portion of the parking lot at the Stater Bros strip mall that extends behind the Union gas station). Bring 2 liters water, lunch/snacks, lug soles, poles, 10 essentials. Rain cancels.

#### Wednesday, October 16, 2013 8:30 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Zion Loop Hike from Chantry Flats

Norm Stabeck 818 518-5454 normstabeck1945@yahoo.com Carole Scurlock 626-794-5207 cscurlock@earthlink.net Sponsored by Pasadena Group and Local Hikes: Moderately paced, 10-mi., 1800' gain hike in partly shaded canyon. Meet 8:30am lower parking lot, Chantry Flats with water, lunch, hiking boots, suitable clothing layers. Rain cancels.

Wednesday, October 16, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, October 16, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, October 16, 2013 7:00 PM 0416-Santa Clarita Valley Group Outing O: Mission Peak Moonlight Conditioning Hike

Ken Kerner 661-259-8800

David Morrow 661-254-5245 dlrchmorrow@sbcglobal.net Kate Okamoto 661-288-7931 kate.okamoto@gmail.com Gaylon S Rodin 661-263-0568 grodin2@gmail.com Moderate 5-mile, 1200' gain to view San Fernando Valley. Meet 7pm at Neon Way trailhead. Exit on Balboa Ave off 118 Freeway N 2 mi to Sesnon, W 1 mi to Neon way, R to end of street. Bring water, lug soles, flashlight.

#### Thursday, October 17, 2013 12:00 AM (time tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Ken Pt ( 6423' )

David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com A moderately strenuous walk on PCT and hiker trails for 16 miles round trip with 2600 feet of gain to a peak above Palm Desert. Other routes possible. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Slow to moderate pace. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Thursday, October 17, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Chumash Trail to Fossils

Reaven Gately 661-255-8873 reavengately@yahoo.com Margaret Vernallis 818-360-4414 margaret.vernallis@ csun.edu

Moderately paced 8 (optional 10) mile, 1500' gain hike in the rolling hills of Santa Susana Mountains. Meet 8:30am at trailhead. From 118 Fwy take Yosemite Ave, exit 29, north 0.4 mile, turn right on Flanagan Dr, continue 0.8 mile to end and park. Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, October 17, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 17, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, October 17, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, October 17, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Friday, October 18, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook See Friday, October 4, for details.

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#### Friday, October 18, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Monthly Moonlight Hike

#### Felix H Martinez felix4hikes@gmail.com

Meet at the north end of the upper Merry Go Round parking Lot (usual hike meeting location) before the 7pm start time. We will hike to a location where we will have a short potluck snack and enjoy views and companionship. Bring snacks and beverages to share during the potluck at the top of the hike. Wear sturdy shoes. You can use a daypack to carry your items for our approximately 4- to 5-mile round trip hike. Bring your own water for the hike. We follow "Leave No Trace," so pack out all your trash back down to the parking lot.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 to Sunday, October 20, 2013 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing M/E-R: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP8): Rock climbing techniques and anchors

Daniel Richter 818-970-6737 dan@danrichter.com

Patrick Mckusky 626-794-7321 patrick.mckusky@lausd.net Fourth of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. This weekend completes the series of AMP workshops at Joshua Tree National Park and focuses on climbing and anchors. As space is limited priority will be given to those who commit to all four workshops. Send email or SASE, phones, Sierra Club number, resume to Dan Richter.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 8:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Central Peninsula Hike #1

#### Barry Bonnickson 310-519-0778 bonnicks@pacbell.net

Jerry Pupa 310-318-7101 gennaropronto@gmail.com Moderate 7-mi, 600' gain, 2.5 hr. Meet at Rolling Hills Estates City Hall, NW corner of Crenshaw and Palos Verdes DR North, at 8:00am. Trails: Moccasin, Howlett, Valmonte Canyon, Via Palomino. Wear lug sole boots, bring snack and water. If you anticipate rain, wear rain gear.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 8:30 AM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Bommer Canyon and Turtle Ridge, Irvine

Ghia Domont-Bohl 949-719-2914 gdbohl@gmail.com Keith Bohl 949-719-2914 kbohl@yahoo.com Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com Joel Kenyon 949-285-5909

An approximately 4-hour loop, moderately paced 6-mile round trip, 950' gain/loss hike up Bommer Canyon to Turtle Ridge (moderately strenuous steep steady incline to the ridge). Start the hike in open areas, little shade, view lush green hills on the way up Bommer Canyon and ascend to Turtle Ridge where you enjoy wide unobstructed vistas at top of Turtle Ridge, descend back down to trailhead. Bring water, snack, hat, sunscreen, hiking boots. Meet 8:30am at the Turtle Rock Community Park parking lot. 405 Fwy, exit S at University/Jeffrey, L on Ridgeline, L on Turtle Rock, pass Sunnyhill, L into parking lot of Turtle Rock Community Park.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 8:30 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

O: Throop Pk (9138'), Mt. Hawkins (8850') and Middle Hawkins (8505')

Norm Stabeck 818 518-5454 normstabeck1945@yahoo.com ANGELES CHAPTER SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES *William Joyce 909-596-6280 bill@rollingtherock.com* Moderately paced 8-mi 1800' gain hike from Dawson Saddle to Windy Gap. Meet 8:30am at La Cañada rideshare point with water, lunch, hiking boots, suitable clothing layers. Rain cancels. Not suitable for beginners.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 9:00 AM 0416-Santa Clarita Valley Group Outing O: East Canyon to Mission Peak

*Gaylon S Rodin 661-645-8312 grodin2@gmail.com Kate Okamoto 661-288-7931 kate.okamoto@gmail.com* Moderate 8-mi, 1400' gain hike from East Canyon in the Santa Clarita Valley to Mission Peak which overlooks the San Fernando Valley. Follows East Canyon Motorway to ridge over to Mission Peak. Great views of both valleys. Meet 9am at East Canyon entrance about half a mile south of Ed Davis Park along the Old Road. Park on street for free or at East Canyon entrance parking for a fee. Bring water and lunch. Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, October 19, 2013 to Sunday, October 20, 2013 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Social Event HARWOOD-OPEN WEEKEND

*Elizabeth Ward* 909-932-1980 *lizzyward*@aol.com Relax, hike and enjoy the local mountains at your beautiful stone lodge nestled among a pine forest. Open to all members (\$12/night) and their guests (\$15/night – limit 2). No reservations required. Bring SC card.

#### Sunday, October 20, 2013 8:30 AM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing

**O:** Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com Joel Kenyon 949-951-5470 wazmo@excite.com Houria Hall 714-767-5327 houriazhall@yahoo.com Aileen Wiglesworth 714-336-8236 awiglesw@gmail.com Easy paced, reasonably flat, 5-mile hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers welcome. Enjoy the natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 8:30am. From Warner Avenue in Huntington Beach turn south on Bolsa Chica St to the end of the street and trailhead (Brightwater). Park on the street. Bring camera, water, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots. Rain does not cancel.

#### Sunday, October 20, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Baldwin Hills Ramble

Ronald Webster 310-559-3126

William H Vanderberg 310-245-2763 bill.vanderberg@ ca.rr.com

Moderate and fun 6- to 7-mi rt hike over urban trails. Visit Japanese gardens, waterfall, lake, forest, and other areas in this urban gem. Meet 9am at Ken Hahn Recreation Area. (10 fwy to La Cienega S  $1\frac{3}{4}$  mi. Exit right, then L over bridge and into 1st fee lot on L, drive to end – Olympic Forest). Rain cancels. Also sponsored by WLA Group.

#### Sunday, October 20, 2013 9:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Bedford Peak (3800')

Todd Clark 714-803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com Sylvie Cote 949-547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com

7 miles, 1900' gain. Join us on this moderately difficult day hike in the Cleveland National Forest. Possible spectacular 360-degree views. From either the City of Orange (Chapman Ave) or from the City of Lake Forest (El Toro Rd), take Santiago Canyon Rd to the intersection with Silverado. Take Silverado Canyon Rd to the end. Meet us at the USFS parking lot at the end of Silverado Canyon Rd at 9:00am. Bring snack to have at the summit, 2 quarts water, hat, jacket, lug sole boots, daypack with 10 essentials. Vehicles must display USFS Adventure Pass. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 22, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Iron Mountain #3 (5040'), Rabbit Peak #1 (5307'), Granite Mountain #1 (6600'), Round Top (6316')

Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net A drive-up and three easy walks totaling 4 miles round trip with 2000' of gain to peaks near Palmdale. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. High-clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Tuesday, October 22, 2013 8:15 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Conditioned Hikers

*Ernest M Scheuer 310-274-7987 ems728@gmail.com Michael Louis 310-395-8432* See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, October 22, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Cheeseboro Canyon

Sharon Swonger 818-762-2668 sswonger@pacbell.net Dottie Sandford 805-532-2485 dotts44@att.net

Moderately paced 6+ mile, 500' elevation gain in the lovely Simi Hills, first through ridge grasslands, then along an old ranch road following a streambed; multiple stream crossings with lovely oak woodlands to Sulfur Springs. Meet 8:30am at trailhead. From 101 Ventura Fwy take Cheeseboro Rd exit, turn north on Palo Comado Canyon Rd then right on Cheeseboro Rd, and continue 1 mile to park entrance, turn right and follow road to second parking lot at end. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 22, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Danielson Monument Canyons Hike

Willy Blumhoff 999-999-9999 blumhoff@sbcglobal.net

Włodek Proskurowski 310-202-0331 proskuro@usc.edu Moderately paced 8.5-mi, 1500' gain hike in the Boney Mountain Wilderness on the Upper Sycamore Canyon, Fossil, and Old Boney trails with a side trip to the Danielson Monument. Meet at 9:00am at the Wendy Trailhead (dirt parking at intersection of Wendy Dr and Potrero Rd, south 3½ miles on Wendy Dr from 101). If Red Flag Alert, meet below Santa Monica Pier at 8:30am.

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#### Tuesday, October 22, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing Late Tuesday Morning Hikes in the SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Fullerton Beginners Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 6:30 PM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing San Pedro/RPV Conditioning Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, October 23, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: O'Neill Ramakrishna

Judith E Mulry 949-588-1347 judymulry@aol.com Peter R Height 949-713-4569 prheight1@cox.net OCG, OCSS: 7 mi, 600' gain. We will hike thru O'Neill Park with a visit to Ramakrishna Monastery. Meet 9:00am Altisima Park with water, lug soles. Go E on El Toro Rd to Marguerite Pkwy, turn R, then one block to Los Alisos, turn L. Follow Los Alisos E past the 241 Toll Rd to the first light at the top of the hill. Go through the light and immediately look for the left turn lane into the entrance to Altisima Park. Rain cancels.

#### Wednesday, October 23, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, October 23, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, October 23, 2013 7:30 PM 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Social Event Monthly Meeting

Delphine Trowbridge 818-558-7722 dtrowbridge36@ gmail.com

The Verdugo Hills is pleased to present a speaker from the Glendale Historical Society with a program titled "Ride the Red Cars to Glendale." Learn about this very successful transportation system and how it affected the city we all know today. Everyone is welcome at 7:00 for social time and refreshments. The meeting begins at 7:30 in the community room of Montrose Citibank (2350 Honolulu Ave, Montrose). There's plenty of parking; enter in the back.

#### Thursday, October 24, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Old Man (5525'), Monte Arido (6010')

David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com Pat Vaughn 310-671-9575 pearlv9@yahoo.com

Join us for a long day in the Los Padres Nation Forest 13 miles northwest of Ojai. 24 miles round trip on mostly road with some cross country and 6100' gain, this is a strenuous hike. Other routes possible. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details.

#### Thursday, October 24, 2013 6:30 AM

#### 0464-Angeles Chp Sierra Singles Club Support Event Monthly Meeting - Joe Young's Expedition to Madagascar

Jeanne Karpenko 818-244-0733 jkarpenko@earthlink.net Join us for Joe Young's presentation of his Earthwatch expedition to Madagascar. The expedition involved trapping, examining and releasing a Fosa, a carnivorous mammal unique to Madagascar. One of its favorite meals is the lemur. Joe stayed two weeks at a camp in a protected forest, a remnant of what was once a forested island. He will relate his experiences and observations of many other forest animals and birds. Everyone welcome. Meet 6:30pm for socializing; program begins at 7:00pm. Los Angeles Zoo in Griffith Park, 5333 Zoo Drive, LA 90027 (follow Sierra Singles signs to meeting room). Front gates close promptly at 7:00pm please arrive early. Contact leader for more information.

#### Thursday, October 24, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Grotto Trail in the Verdugos Rosemary Campbell 818-344-6869 hiker.rosemary@ sbcglobal.net

#### Nancy Krupa 818-981-4799 nrkrupa@aol.com

Lovely route in the Verdugos, 81/2 miles, 2000' gain with great views from the lunch spot. Meet 8:30am at trailhead. From 210 freeway in Tujunga take La Tuna Canyon, exit 14, curve south and west down La Tuna Canyon Rd 1.2 miles and park at the second picnic area on the left. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, and suitable clothing layers. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, October 24, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, October 24, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing **O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 24, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing **O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike** See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, October 24, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing **O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Friday, October 25, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 6:00 AM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: 20s30s40s Advanced Hike to Cucamonga Peak Michelle Merton michelle@mertonfolio.com

Mr Charles G Geller eduright@aol.com

Strenuous 3,900 ft, 12-mi rt gain hike through Icehouse Saddle (7,580') to Cucamonga Peak (8,859') near Mount Baldy in the San Gabriels. Expansive Southern California views including all San Gabriel Peaks, Saddleback, and the basin. Bring min 4 qts water, hiking boots or trail shoes, 10 essentials, lunch, snacks, hat, sunscreen, jacket, and \$ for optional dinner on return. Experienced hikers only. Limit 12. Meet at 6:00am at the North OC Carpool point. RSVP to Charles G. Geller.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 8:00 AM

#### 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing O: WTC Conditioning Hike - Strawberry Peak (2785') / Lawlor Mountain

Brian Decker scubaairpig@yahoo.com

David Meltzer 310-913-1230 dwm@crgpm.com

This Wilderness Travel Course preparation conditioning hike begins near La Cañada. A popular local hike with great views of the LA basin. Traveling between forest and mountain brush terrain, we will visit two peaks, all while meeting new friends and having a lunch with a view. Bring your 10 essentials, 2 to 3 liters of water, hiking boots, and your favorite lunch. Meet at the Red Box Ranger Station. From the 210 Freeway, exit at Angeles Crest Hwy (SR 2) and go north. At 9.5 miles, you will come to the Clear Creek Information Station and the junction with Angeles Forest Hwy. Continue straight on SR 2 about 4.5 miles and look for the red box on your right where Mount Wilson Road intersects the highway. Turn right onto Mount Wilson Road and immediately left or right into the paved parking areas on either side of the road.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 8:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Ocean Trails Hike

Barry Bonnickson 310-519-0778 bonnicks@pacbell.net Stephen Bradford 310-831-5826 smb310@ymail.com Slow moderate 4 mi, 1000' gain. Take Palos Verdes Dr South to La Rotonda Dr to end and into the trail parking lot (inside the gate). Meet at 8:00am. Take four trails that lead down to the ocean and a loop around Shoreline Park. Wear lug sole boots. Bring a snack and water. If you anticipate rain, wear rain gear.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 9:00 AM 0472-Angeles Chp Gay and Lesbian Outing O: Cucamonga Peak (8859') via Icehouse Canyon

Dora Olea 213-200-0239 doraolea@yahoo.com Kirk Olsen 310-396-6678 kso@kirkolsen.com

Cucamonga Peak is in the only wilderness area in Southern California that encompasses parts of two national forests – Angeles and San Bernardino. Although this is a strenuous hike, our moderate pace, relaxed snack breaks at Icehouse Saddle and leisurely lunch at the top will make the hike seem less difficult. It is a long hike, but the view from the summit, taking in the eastern end of the range, the San Bernardino Valley and the mountains beyond, is well worth the effort. 12 mi round trip; 3800' gain/loss. Bring at least 2 liters of water, lug soles, your lunch and snacks, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses and dress in layers. Dogs must bring their own water. Adventure Pass is required on your parked vehicle. Meet at 9:00am at Icehouse Canyon parking lot off Mt. Baldy Road 1.5 miles above Mt. Baldy Village. Rain cancels. Questions? Contact Dora Olea, chamaca1954@att.net.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 9:45 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Social Event O: San Juan Capistrano City and Mission Tour Mary L Morales 949-636-2981 10ter@cox.net

Delores Denton 949-581-8396 deadenton@hotmail.com

Experience the flavor of early California on a docent-led architectural walking tour (\$5 donation) through this historic town, including the vibrant Los Rios District, the oldest neighborhood in the state. Walk includes adobes, Spanishera dwellings and streamlined modern buildings in about a mile on level ground and lasts 90 minutes. Have lunch at one of many local restaurants, then take an afternoon tour of the "Jewel of the Missions" renowned for its beautiful courtyard gardens. Approx 5 hrs. Meet 9:45am at the Amtrak train station, 26701 Verdugo St, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Bring comfortable walking shoes, layered clothing, sun protection, money for city walking tour (all proceeds support SJC Friends of the Library), \$9 mission admission and lunch. Prepaid reservation required for mission tour – contact leader to prepay or have cash or check payable Sierra Sage on day of outing. Rain cancels. This outing is co-sponsored by LA Sierra Singles.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 9:45 AM 0464-Angeles Chp Sierra Singles Social Event O: Beautiful Mission and Historic City Tour Mary L Morales 949-636-2981 10ter@cox.net

Elaine Ayala 310-399-5372 elaineayala@verizon.net

Drive or take the train south to join a 90-minute docent-led architectural walking tour (\$5 donation) through historic San Juan Capistrano, including the vibrant Los Rios District. After a casual lunch enjoy a tour of the "Jewel of the Missions" renowned for its beautiful courtyard gardens. Approx. 5 hrs. Meet 9:45am in front of SJC Amtrak train station, 26701 Verdugo St, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Bring comfortable walking shoes, layered clothing, sun protection, money for city walking tour (all proceeds support SJC Friends

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of the Library), \$9 mission admission and lunch. Prepaid reservation required for mission tour – contact leader to prepay or have cash or check payable Sierra Club on day of outing. Rain cancels. This outing is co-sponsored by Sierra Sage Group of So Orange Co.

#### Saturday, October 26, 2013 to Sunday, October 27, 2013 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Social Event HARWOOD-FALL WORK PARTY

#### Graeme Whitaker 909-861-2931

Come have fun, meet new people, all while working on Lodge repairs/maintenance. Receive lodging, food and drink, and pass to come back for a free weekend. Wear old clothes, bring favorite tools or just a can-do attitude.

#### Sunday, October 27, 2013 8:00 AM 0416-Santa Clarita Valley Group Outing O: Jackson Lake to Grassy Hollow

#### David Morrow 661-254-5245 dlrchmorrow@sbcglobal.net Geraldine Lorme 661-296-0246

Moderate 8 mi, 1200' gain/loss from Jackson Lake to PCT and on to Grassy Hollow Visitor's Center. Beautiful forested area on northern slopes of San Gabriel Mts. Fall colors on display. Meet 8am at Canyon Country Rideshare (SW corner of Sand Cyn/Soledad Cyn in Vons Shopping Center close to Soledad) 1.25-hr drive to trailhead. Bring water, lunch, lug soles, and FSP. Rain cancels.

#### Sunday, October 27, 2013 8:30 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

#### O: West Fork of San Gabriel River, along Bear Canyon

David Czamanske 626-458-8646 dczamanske@hotmail.com Liz Pomeroy 626-791-7660 ewpomeroy@gmail.com

Moderate 5-mile, 400' gain hike, along side tributary of the West Fork. Many stream crossings, but little water in stream at this time of year. Fall colors will be brilliant display as we observe transition from forested riparian habitat to alluvial sage scrub. Rain cancels. Meet 8:30am east side REI parking lot (214 N Santa Anita Ave, Arcadia), or 9am at Azusa rideshare point (on Santa Fe St, just E of Azusa Ave) with water, lunch, good hiking boots, and enthusiasm!

#### Sunday, October 27, 2013 2:00 PM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Mesa Loop Hike, Caspers Park

Michael Sappingfield 949-768-3610 mikesapp@cox.net Duana L. Miller 949-831-0890 duana103@hotmail.com Join us for 4 miles, 200' gain. A leisurely paced "Mike's Hike" into the south part of Casper's Park. We will carpool from the rideshare point into the Park for the hike. We will walk out on the Mesa Loop trail and return on the Juaneno Trail. Children 5 years of age and older with a parent are welcome. Meet 2:00pm at the South Orange County rideshare. Bring water, munchies, hiking shoes/boots and \$ for the park entrance fee. Rain cancels.

#### Monday, October 28, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: 'BIG 3' Santa Cruz Peak (5570'), San Rafael Mtn (6788'), McKinley Mtn (6200')

Peter H Doggett 818-840-8748 peterdoggett@aol.com Ignacia Doggett 818-840-8748 peterdoggett@aol.com

#### George Christiansen 714-636-0918 g.m.christiansen@ me.com

Bike and Hike for a total of 33 miles with 8600' gain on dirt road, trail and cross country to peaks in the Los Padres National Forest. Bike in 8.5 miles, hike to three peaks and bike out. Option to bag Cachuma Peak on the way out. Plan is to complete hike in 12 hours. Please bring: 10 essentials, lug soles, water, food and appropriate layers. Early start from Cachuma Saddle.

#### Tuesday, October 29, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing O: Hildreth Peak (5065')

Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net

A strenuous walk on road and rough trail for 14 miles round trip with 5000' of gain to a peak near Ojai. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. High-clearance 4WD advised. Permit to drive Potrero Seco Road must be obtained for each vehicle. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Tuesday, October 29, 2013 8:15 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Conditioned Hikers

Roger Woods 310-459-3389 palisadeswoods@aol.com Ernest M Scheuer 310-274-7987 ems728@gmail.com See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, October 29, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / China Flat

Stephen D Beck 818-346-5759 s\_beck@pacbell.net Sharon Swonger 818-762-2668 sswonger@pacbell.net Moderately paced 6-mile, 1000' gain hike in scenic Simi Hills with panoramic views, through chaparral and sandstone outcroppings up to an oak-dotted grassland meadow and seasonal pond. Meet 8:30 AM at Lindero Cyn Rd trailhead. From 101 Ventura Fwy take Lindero Cyn Rd exit N, proceed 4 miles, past Kanan Rd to King James Ct, and park just north on Lindero Cyn. Rd. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, October 29, 2013 8:45 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Zuma Ridge Trails to Buzzard's Roost (2507')

Margaret C Fields 310-839-8235

Catherine Froloff 310-821-4123 cfroloff@ca.rr.com

Moderate paced 8 mi, 1700" gain from Encinal Cyn Rd to Buzzard's Roost via Trancas Cyn for magnificent views of the ocean. Meet 8:00am Pacific Palisades rideshare pt, or 8:45am at Encinal Cyn Trailhead (PCH W 6 mi from Malibu Cyn rd, Kanan Dume Rd N6 mi to Mulholland Hwy, W 3-1/2 mi onto Encinal Cyn Rd to dirt parking lot just off N side of road just W of Fire Camp #13. If Red Flag Alert, meet below Santa Monica pier at 8:30am.

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

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#### Tuesday, October 29, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Fullerton Beginners Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 6:30 PM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing San Pedro/RPV Conditioning Hike See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thousands of tired, nerve-shaken, over-civilized people are beginning to find out that going to the mountains is going home; that wildness is a necessity; and that mountain parks and reservations are useful not only as fountains of timber and irrigating rivers, but as fountains of life.

- John Muir, Our National Parks, 1901, chapter 1, page 1

#### Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:30 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing Orange County/Sierra Sage O: Caspers/East Ridge Bob Hansen 949-586-4928 awildtrout@cox.net

Chester Stipe 949-363-1142 chetbar@cox.net

7 miles, 700' gain. Our route starts at the corral trailhead and meanders through oak groves to meet Bell Canyon Trail, which will take us N to our junction with the Oso Trail. We head E to climb East Ridge where we find excellent views of the Cleveland National Forest. We follow the East Ridge to Quail Run Trail and descend back to our lunch spot under spreading oaks. Meet 8:30am at South Orange County rideshare point with 2 quarts water, lunch/snack, lug soles. Rain within 3 days cancels.

Wednesday, October 30, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, October 30, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 31, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Mt Lukens (5074')

David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net Mars Bonfire 661-609-8218 mdembonfire@gmail.com Join us for a day in the Angeles National Forest 3 miles north of La Crescenta. 9 miles round trip, 3000' gain on trail and fire road. Other routes possible. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Thursday, October 31, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Bear Divide to Walker Ranch Rosemary Campbell 818-344-6869 hiker.rosemary@ sbcglobal.net

Reaven Gately 661-255-8873 reavengately@yahoo.com Spectacular views on this one-way 8-mi, 1500' gain, 1000' loss route along ridge between San Fernando and Santa Clarita Valleys. Short car shuttle. Meet 8:30am at Walker Ranch entrance to Placerita Canyon (from Antelope Valley Fwy (Hwy 14) take Placerita Cyn Rd, exit 3, east 31/4 miles, past Placerita Canyon Park entrance to Walker Ranch trailhead and limited roadside parking). Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, October 31, 2013 to Sunday, November 03, 2013

#### 0472-Angeles Chp Gay and Lesbian Outing O: Morro Bay Car Camp

Barbara Edwards 310-839-0593 greyhund@sbcglobal.net Grace Hengst 323-227-6444 gracehikes@roadrunner.com Judy Demarah 661-299-2327

Join us for Halloween! Morro Bay is considered to be the largest, least disturbed saltwater marsh on the California coastline. This magnificent natural area provides a haven for an extraordinary range of bird life. It is a major stop on the pacific flyway for migratory birds, and around 70,000 birds may be seen on the bay on a given day. It is both a State and National Estuary. Morro Bay State Park is within minutes of a heron rookery, Montaña de Oro State Park, the El Moro Elfin Forest and Audubon's Sweet Springs Nature Preserve. The park is located 200 miles northwest of L.A. Some activities may include: hiking at nearby Montana de Oro, kayaking or walking in estuary, bird watching, or strolling into town for fresh seafood. We have two group campsites and hot showers are available. Dogs are permitted but are not allowed on any state park trails and must be on leash at all times. Per person, \$55 for 3 nights camping and all parking fees. Or \$40 per person for 2 nights (Friday-Saturday). Send check (made out to GLS) and email address to: Barbara Edwards 1739 S Sherbourne Dr, LA 90035.

Thursday, October 31, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, October 31, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing **O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, October 31, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing **O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**

See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, October 31, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing **O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Ten Essentials to Keep in the Car

Water, pack, boots Spare motor oil and tools Spare clothes and personal items Extra car keys outside car Jumper cables Car jack Tow cable and shovel Maps Alarm clock Blanket or tarp to cover visible items

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Friday, November 01, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook See Friday, October 4, for details.

#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 to Sunday, Nov. 03, 2013 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O/I: San Jacinto Backpack

Todd Clark 714-803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com Sylvie Cote 949-547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com

12 miles, 2,400'. Join us on this fall backpack to Round Valley, and if weather conditions permit we will day hike up to San Jacinto Peak (10,804'). This trip is anticipated to be O-rated; however if early snow it will be an I-rated outing on snowshoes. On Saturday meet at 6:00am at the North Orange County Rideshare, located at the Park-n-Ride, east side of Tustin Avenue just south of Lincoln Avenue in the City of Orange, across the street from Vons, where we will carpool to the Palms Springs Aerial Tramway (PSAT), or meet at the PSAT overnight parking lot at 8:00am. Plan on going up on the 9:00 am tram, hike to Round Valley and set up camp, then hike to the summit and return. We will have a Saturday night happy hour. Sunday morning break camp and return. This is a strenuous outing at altitude, so interested participants should submit a hiking resume for consideration (showing recent hiking at altitude). Accepted participants must send a \$5 non-refundable deposit for camping. Group size limited by permit (leaders to provide). PSAT cost is \$22 per person, round trip. Contact leaders for more information.

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#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 to Sunday, Nov. 03, 2013 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing I: Carey's Castle Backpack

Suzanne Dwyer suzanne\_dwyer@hotmail.com Bernie Fox berniefox@gmail.com

Travel cross country back in time through dry desert washes over 70 years to Mr. Carey's cabin constructed from stones. (4 miles with 1,300 feet gain). Once there, we will set up camp nearby and explore. Far from city lights we will enjoy an amazing star-filled night. Sunday morning we will climb nearby peak 3468 (420' gain) before packing up camp and hiking out. Must be comfortable with boulder scrambling and be willing to carry a minimum of 6 to 7 liters (13 to 15.5 lbs.) of water to our dry camp. 10-mile, 1720' foot gain total overnight trip. Email contact info and recent experience and conditioning to leader.

#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 8:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Riparian Hike in Irvine

Ron Schrantz 714-995-8240 rschrantz@yahoo.com Joann Schrantz 714-995-8240

Join us as we meander along a unique watershed environment. This is an easy 3-mile no-gain loop walk through OC Water District habitat just east of Culver and University in Irvine. Meet at 8am at the corner of University and Rose Drew Ln – park on Rose Drew Ln the street on north side of University – the street to the south is Ridgeline – take the street to the north. Bring water and good walking shoes.

#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Mishe Mokwa trailhead to 6 peaks

Willy Blumhoff 818-905-5558 blumhoff@sbcglobal.net Robert Cody 310-410-9172 bcodyman@aol.com Marlen Mertz 310-990-7643 mbmertz@aol.com Wayne Vollaire 909-595-5855 avollaire1@verizon.net

Each of the first 3 Saturdays and Sundays in Nov and the first weekend in Dec the Sierra Club's Angeles Chapter will lead a hike on the 70-mile Santa Monica Mtns Backbone Trail. Today Mishe Mokwa trailhead to 6 peaks: 9 mi, 2,700' gain. Here's your chance to get six peaks (2,800' to 3,111') in one day on a strenuous hike to Sandstone Peak (highest point in the Santa Monica Mtns), Boney, Inspiration, Exchange, Tripeaks, and Big Dome Peak. Return on the Mishe Mokwa portion of the Backbone Trail, passing Split, Echo, and Balanced Rocks. Meet 8am at Pacific Palisades Rideshare or 9am Mishe Mokwa trailhead (PCH 16 mi W of Malibu Cyn Rd, Yerba Buena Rd N 7 winding mi to parking area on R side 2 mi past ranger station). Rain cancels.

Saturday, November 02, 2013 to Sunday, Nov. 03, 2013 0477-Angeles Chp Bicycle Touring Outing San Clemente to San Elijo State Beach Ron Frankiewicz 949-631-8071 ron42554@aol.com Linda Goff 949-494-6291

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Jerry D Tate 626-248-8423 j\_dt@sbcglobal.net

Ride 42 mi to camp at San Elijo State Beach. Return via same route. Riders carry all camping gear, no sag support. Send email or SASE to Ron Frankiewicz.

#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 9:00 AM

0427-Angeles Chp Outings Managment Club Support Event

2013 Angeles Chapter Outings Assembly

*Melody Anderson 310-738-0841 melodygrace1@gmail.com* SAVE THE DATE! Details to follow.

#### Saturday, November 02, 2013 10:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Shady Canyon hike

Ron Schrantz 714-995-8240 rschrantz@yahoo.com Joann Schrantz 714-995-8240

Here we go again – arrive at 10am for this enjoyable hike in Irvine or come at 8am for the first walk and stay for the second one. This is a 5-mile walk from the Shady/Quail Hill trailhead and parking area over a few rollies and on to Turtle Rock Park and back. We will meet at 10am at the Quail Hill parking lot (just past the roundabout) off Shady/Sand Canyon exit from the freeways. Bring water and snacks, good walking shoes or lug soles.

# Saturday, November 02, 2013 to Sunday, November 03, 2013

#### 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Social Event HARWOOD LODGE: CLOSED (reserved weekend)

*Robert & Chris Brooks 310-545-8060 sbamug@gmail.com* Harwood is closed / Skandia Dance Group reserved weekend.

#### Sunday, November 03, 2013 8:30 AM

0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing

O: l6th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Kanan Rd to Zuma Cyn Rd.

Ronald Webster 310-559-3126 Mary Ann Webster 310-559-3126

mawebster1984@sbcglobal.net

Moderate 6-mile round trip hike on scenic trail with oak woodlands, chaparral and nice views. Meet 8:30am at Newton Cyn trailhead lot. From PCH, take Kanan Dume Rd. 4-1/2 mi to after 1st tunnel, trailhead is on left. Rain cancels.

#### Sunday, November 03, 2013 9:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Manhattan Beach Hike & Brunch See Sunday, October 6, for details.

Tuesday, November 05, 2013 8:30 AM

#### 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Stunt High Trail

Pixie Klemic 818-787-5420 pklemic@roadrunner.com Stephen Beck 818-346-5759 s\_beck@pacbell.net Moderately paced 6-mile 1000' gain hike through a beautiful riparian canyon and chaparral, with great sandstone outcroppings in the Santa Monica Mtns. Meet 8:30am Stunt High trailhead. From the 101 Ventura Freeway take Valley Circle/ Mulholland Dr exit south, turn right on Valmar Rd (becomes Old Topanga Cyn Rd), right on Mulholland Hwy for 3½ miles, left on Stunt Rd for 1 mile, park on dirt shoulder on right. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

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#### Tuesday, November 05, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Solstice Canyon

Catherine Froloff 310-821-4123 cfroloff@ca.rr.com Willy Blumhoff 818-905-5558 blumhoff@sbcglobal.net Moderate 7-mi rt, 2000' gain hike to Roberts Ranch continuing into Deer Valley and onto high ground with ocean views. Meet 8:30am Pacific Palisades rideshare pt or 9am at Solstice Cyn parking lot (PCH 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mi W of Malibu Cyn Rd, Corral Cyn Rd, L at gate to 2nd parking area). Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

Tuesday, November 05, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 05, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 05, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 05, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, November 06, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Canyon to Coast via Moro Ridge Helen Maurer 949-768-0417 7gables@cox.net

Ed Maurer 949-768-0417 balois@cox.net 6.2 mi, 1050' gain, 1170' loss. It's been a while since we've done this one, and it's nice. From the Willow trailhead, we'll go up Laurel Cyn and the Laurel Spur to Bommer Ridge, then down Moro Ridge to PCH, where we'll catch the bus into Laguna Beach. (A shorter 3.5-mi loop is possible, up Laurel and down Willow with a sign-out). Optional lunch at Zinc before bus return to our starting point. Meet 9:00am Laguna Coast Wilderness Willow entrance (NOT Nix). From I-5 take EI Toro Rd W to the "T" at Laguna Cyn Rd, turn L then shortly

R into large parking lot. Bring water, lug soles, \$3 for parking, bus fare x 2 (75 cents seniors, others \$2), and optional lunch money. Rain cancels.

Wednesday, November 06, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, November 06, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Wednesday, October 2, for details. 18 OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2013

#### Wednesday, November 06, 2013 7:00 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Club Support Event Pasadena Group Monthly Meeting

Liz Pomeroy 626-791-7660 ewpomeroy@gmail.com

Illustrated conservation/outing program. Information on group's hikes, outings, and conservation activities. Newcomers always welcome. Doors open at 7:00pm, program at 7:15pm at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr in NE Pasadena. For information contact group membership chair Elizabeth Pomeroy.

#### Wednesday, November 06, 2013 7:30 PM 0405-Long Beach Group Club Support Event Nov. Monthly Meeting and Presentation

*Coby Skye 562-252-4196 coby@greens.org* Join us at our monthly Sierra Club meeting for an excellent presentation on a topic to be announced. Topics range from amazing travelogues from our members to environmental issues, local authors to political topics. You don't want to miss it so make sure to put the 1st Wednesday of the month on your calendar.

#### Thursday, November 07, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Newton Canyon Backbone Trail

Nancy Krupa 818-981-4799 nrkrupa@aol.com Stephen Beck 818-346-5759 s\_beck@pacbell.net

Moderately paced 8-mile 1400' gain hike on scenic trail through oak woodlands and chaparral. Meet 8:30am Newton Canyon Trailhead (from 101 Ventura Fwy take Kanan Rd, exit 36, south to paved trailhead parking area on west side just north of Tunnel 1 (3rd tunnel from 101 about 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> miles past Mulholland Hwy). Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, November 07, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 07, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 07, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, November 07, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Friday, November 08, 2013 12:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Outing I: Rabbit (6640'), Villager (5756'): David Comerzan 909-482-0173 comerzan@verizon.net Pat Vaughn 310-671-9575 pearlv9@yahoo.com George Christiansen 714-636-0918 g.m.christiansen@ me.com

Strenuous day hike of these two peaks in Anzo-Borrego. 21¼ ANGELES CHAPTER SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES miles round trip, 6800' gain on use trail and cross country. Very steep in parts. Will be starting early in the morning and returning after dark. Space is limited. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.

#### Friday, November 08, 2013 to Sunday, November 10, 2013 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Outing HARWOOD - CLOSED (reserved for WFAC)

Elizabeth Ward 909-932-1980 lizzyward@aol.com LTC-(HARWOOD)-WILDERNESS FIRST AID COURSE

#### Friday, November 08, 2013 to Sunday, November 10, 2013 0468-Angeles Chapter Leadership Training Club Support Event

#### C: Wilderness First Aid Course at Harwood Lodge

Steve Schuster 714-315-1886 steve.n.wfac2@sbcglobal.net Course runs from 7:30am Friday to 5pm Sunday. Fee includes instruction, lodging and meals. Proof of CPR within previous 4 yrs required to enroll. Fee \$220 (full refund until 10/4/13). For application, send email or SASE to leader.

Friday, November 08, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook See Friday, October 4, for details.

Saturday, November 09, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

#### Saturday, November 09, 2013 8:45 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Mt. Hollywood (1625')

Bonnie C Strand 818-247-6398 nelsdotter@sbcglobal.net William Joyce 909-596-6280 bill@rollingtherock.com Moderate 1000' gain, 6-mi rt, hike along Griffith Park fire roads to Captain's Roost at Mt Hollywood (some very steep sections with gravelly rock). No tigers or beginners. Great views of Los Angeles Basin and San Fernando Valley. Meet 8:45am at 1st parking lot on way to Merry-Go-Round. (Take 5 Fwy to Los Feliz Blvd exit. Drive W on Los Feliz Blvd to first light; turn N on Crystal Springs Rd. After 1.3 mi., turn L and follow Merry-Go-Round sign for a short distance. Turn into 1st parking lot as the road bends to the right on way to Merry-Go-Round.) Bring hiking boots, water, hat, sunglasses and lunch/snack. Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, November 09, 2013 9:00 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Tijeras Creek & Chiquita Ridge

Chester Stipe 949-697-1985 chetbar@cox.net

Don Clarence 949-709-2967 donclarence@hotmail.com

5-mi loop, 300' gain. Hike on Tijeras Creek Trail (road) with a short rise to Chiquita Ridge (road), which loops down to rejoin the creek trail. From here we hike downstream along the creek on smooth single-track trail through meadows and beneath Oaks and Sycamores to the Cañada Vista Park. Return on the creek trail direct to our starting point. There will be good views and seasonal flowers. Meet 9 am at corner of Bienvenidos Street and Antonio Pkwy, just North of the 241

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Tollway, in Rancho Santa Margarita. Bring water, lug soles, hat, snack.

# When we try to pick out anything by itself, we find it hitched to everything in the Universe.

— John Muir, *My First Summer in the Sierra*, 1911, page 110

#### Saturday, November 09, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Tapia Park to Mesa Peak

Catherine Froloff 310-821-4123 cfroloff@ca.rr.com Carol Leacock 310-454-4188 carol.leacock@verizon.net Moderate 7-mi rt, 1800' gain hike to Mesa Pk (1844') for spectacular ocean views. Meet 8:30am Pacific Palisades rideshare point, or 9am on shoulder of Piuma Rd at intersection with Malibu Cyn Rd (Las Virgenes/Malibu Cyn Rd 5½ mi from Ventura Fwy or 4 mi from PCH). Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, November 09, 2013 9:00 AM 0477-Angeles Chp Bicycle Touring Outing O: Cook's Corner Ride

Linda Goff 949-494-6291

Margot Lowe 760-842-7252 margotlowe1@gmail.com Ride along scenic Aliso Creek Bicycle Trail to historic Cook's Corner. About 35 to 40 miles. Meet 9am at the YMCA parking lot, 29831 Crown Valley Parkway. Bring or buy lunch; carry water, basic bicycle tools and spare tubes. Helmet required. Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, November 09, 2013 9:15 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing MALIBU STATE PARK'S MOVIE MAGIC

Gabe Sende 818-999-5384 gabesende@yahoo.com

This easy walking tour with Brian Rooney, author of "Three Magical Miles," will cover locations where Elvis Presley, Cary Grant, Barbara Stanwyck, Charlton Heston, and Rex Harrison among others have filmed scenes. With Mr. Rooney to guide us on this one-hour movie history tour, we will revisit the spots where countless movies were made. After the tour, we have the option to take a short hike to the site where the TV series "M\*A\*S\*H\*" was filmed. Space is limited, so please call for reservations no later than 11/7/13. We will meet at the parking lot. Directions: take the 101N to Malibu Canyon. Go south past Mulholland and turn right into the Park. Meet at 9:15am in the first parking lot after the ticket booth.

#### Sunday, November 10, 2013 8:30 AM 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing O: WTC INTRODUCTORY HIKE: Echo Mtn, Inspiration Point and Muir Peak (4688)

David Meltzer 310-913-1230 dwm@crgpm.com

Barbara Phillips Meltzer 310-913-1230 bphillimelt@gmail.com Hike the Sam Merrill trail to the historic railway and resort area at Echo Mtn, then up Castle Canyon to Inspiration Point and on to Muir Peak. We will return by the Middle Merrill trail. Trip is 12 miles with 2900 feet of gain. Leaders will provide an overview of the Wilderness Travel Course (WTC), which begins January 2014. Subjects include safe mountain travel, map and compass and wilderness first aid. Meet 8:30am at OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2013 19 North end of Lake Street at the corner of Lake and Loma Alta Drive in Altadena by the "Gate." This is a residential neighborhood, so be mindful of parking regulations and residents' quiet enjoyment of their neighborhood. Bring 2 to 3 liters of water, lunch, hiking boots, hat and layered clothing.

#### I know that our bodies were made to thrive only in pure air, and the scenes in which pure air is found

— John of the Mountains: The Unpublished Journals of John Muir, 1938, page 191

#### Sunday, November 10, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Ray Miller Trail Loop

Bill Crane 818-773-4601 bilguana@socal.rr.com Joan Weaver 818-717-1946 hoansw@yahoo.com Moderate 8-mi, 1400' gain loop hike at the western end of the Backbone Trail into La Jolla Cyn. Meet 9am at La Jolla Cyn parking lot (PCH W 21 mi from Malibu Cyn Rd). Pay fee or

#### parking lot (PCH w 21 mi from Malibu Cyn Rd). Pay lee o park outside. Rain cancels. Sunday, November 10, 2013 9:00 AM

#### 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Arroyo Seco to Paul Little Picnic Area and Brown Mountain Dam

Ginny Heringer 626-793-4727 ginnyh@ix.netcom.com David Czamanske 626-458-8646 dczamanske@hotmail.com Liz Pomeroy 626-791-7660 ewpomeroy@gmail.com

Moderate 8-mile round trip, 500' gain hike. Join us as we discover the changes since the Station Fire and subsequent flooding along this route, which, in many places, has little resemblance to its condition before the fire. Several stream crossings. Meet 9am at west end of Altadena Dr in Altadena. Bring hiking boots, water, lunch and suitable clothing layers. Adventurous newcomers welcome! Rain/fire cancels.

#### Monday, November 11, 2013 7:30 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Club Support Event Bi-Monthly Meeting

Mary Ann Webster 310-559-3126

mawebster1984@sbcglobal.net

Learn status and issues, help formulate and implement actions involving land use in the Santa Monica Mtns. Keep current on issues and meeting agenda via SMMMTF monthly newsletter. Refreshments. 7:30pm. Please contact leader for meeting site.

#### Tuesday, November 12, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Placerita Cyn State Park

Marcia Harris 310-828-6670 mrharris35@verizon.net

*Pixie Klemic* 818-787-5420 *pklemic@roadrunner.com* Moderately paced 4-mile 400' gain hike through Placerita Canyon Park with shaded oak groves and a willow and sycamore-lined seasonal stream to Walker Ranch. Meet 8:30am at Placerita Nature Center parking lot. From Hwy 14 in Newhall take Placerita Cyn Rd exit and turn right (east) 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles to park entrance. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, **20 OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2013**  sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, November 12, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers - Bienveneda/Leacock Tr to Peak 2036

Hannelore Suddeth 310-370-3008 hannesudds@gmail.com Robert Cody 310-410-9172 bcodyman@aol.com Moderate 9-mile round trip, 1800' gain hike to rediscover Peak 2036, rumored site of Will Rogers Mountain Cabin. Meet 9am at end of Bienveneda Ave (½ mile W of Temescal

Cyn Rd on Sunset Blvd, 1 mi N on Bienveneda). Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, November 12, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

Tuesday, November 12, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 12, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, November 12, 2013 6:30 PM 0452-Angeles Chp Hundred Peaks Club Support Event Hundred Peaks Section Management Committee Meeting Bill Simpson 323-683-0959 simphome@yahoo.com

All are welcome to attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming activities. All are welcome to join us and opportunities to become involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30pm via conference call. To receive access information to join in on the conference call, to have items added to the agenda, or to volunteer, please contact HPS chair Bill Simpson.

#### Tuesday, November 12, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers

See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 12, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing

Orange County/Rio Hondo O: Chino Hills Rimcrest Loo John Kaiser 714-968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com

Margee K Hills 714-256-0807 margeehills@gmail.com 6.9 mi, 800' gain. This excursion will take us from Rimcrest Dr in Yorba Linda to the South Ridge Trail, then Bovinian Delight Trail cutoff back to Four Corners, then down Telegraph Cyn Trail and the Easy Street Trail back to start. Meet 9:00am at the end of Rimcrest Dr; park on side of street not posted. Bring water, snack, lug soles. Rain cancels. Directions: E on 91 Fwy to Imperial Hwy exit, turn N on Imperial to first street,

La Palma, turn R, then L onto Fairmont BI, go several miles past Yorba Linda BI to Rimcrest on L.

Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, November 13, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, November 14, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Wilson Canyon

Rosemary Campbell 818-344-6869 hiker.rosemary@ sbcglobal.net

# Margaret S Vernallis 818-360-4414 margaret.vernallis@ csun.edu

Moderately paced 10-mile 1600' gain hike in Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy park, from magnificent oak area to Wilson Saddle viewpoint with great San Fernando Valley views. Meet 8:30am at Wilson Canyon Park trailhead (from the Golden State/I-5 Freeway in Sylmar take Roxford Street, exit 159, north past the 210 Freeway, bend right onto Olive View Drive, continue past the main hospital and the four-way stop at Bledsoe St to park entrance road located approximately 200 yards east of Bledsoe, just before Fenton Ave, pay \$5 parking fee near entrance, then proceed to trailhead parking at the northwest terminus of the entry road). Bring \$5 for parking, 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, November 14, 2013 6:00 PM 0411-Rio Hondo Group Outing O: Craig Park Jaunt See Thursday, October 10, for details.

Thursday, November 14, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 14, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 14, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, November 14, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 14, 2013 7:00 PM 0411-Rio Hondo Group Club Support Event Rio Hondo Group monthly meeting Gary Sjogren 562-941-8485 ashogun@verizon.net ANGELES CHAPTER SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES Margee K Hills 714-256-0807 margeehills@gmail.com Join us for conversation and dinner or snack at 7:00 followed by program around 7:30. There will be a Craig Park hike before the meeting at 6:00 (separate outing). Meeting location: CoCo's, 1250 East Imperial Highway, Brea, CA, near the Imperial Hwy and the 57 freeway.

#### Friday, November 15, 2013 6:45 PM

0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook See Friday, October 4, for details.

Friday, November 15, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Monthly Moonlight Hike See Friday, October 18, for details.

#### Saturday, November 16, 2013 7:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing M-R: Navigation: Workshop on 3rd Class Terrain

*Robert M Myers 310-829-3177 rmmyers@ix.netcom.com John L. Kieffer 714-522-1376 jockorock42@yahoo.com* This navigation workshop is limited to individuals participating in the Indian Cove Navigation Noodle and is intended to explore special navigation issues that arise on 3<sup>rd</sup>-class terrain. Class 3 rock travel experience required. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Helmets and medical forms required; group size limited. Send email/SASE, SC#, Class 3 experience, conditioning, contact info to leader.

#### Saturday, November 16, 2013 to Sunday, Nov. 17, 2013 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing I: Navigation: Indian Cove Navigation Noodle

Robert M Myers 310-829-3177 rmmyers@ix.netcom.com Phil Wheeler 310-214-1873 phil.wheeler@sierraclub.org Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday checkout. Send email/SASE, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to leader.

#### Saturday, November 16, 2013 8:00 AM (Time Tentative) 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Trail Maintenance in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness

See Saturday, October 5, for details.

Saturday, November 16, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

#### Saturday, November 16, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Hondo Canyon to Saddle Peak

Ron Rosien 310-474-0349 glendon3@aol.com

Robert J Baldwin 818-510-1274 rbaldwin@uclaextension.edu Moderately strenuous 10-mi round trip, 2000' gain hike on a favorite portion of the Backbone Trail, to lunch at peak. Meet 9am at the trailhead on Old Topanga Cyn Rd, at a turnout ½

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So extraordinary is Nature with her choicest treasures, spending plant beauty as she spends sunshine, pouring it forth into land and sea, garden and desert. And so the beauty of lilies falls on angels and men, bears and squirrels, wolves and sheep, birds and bees....

— John Muir, My First Summer in the Sierra, 1911, chapter 4

#### Saturday, November 16, 2013 9:00 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Idlehour Trail Camp

Maureen Conn 626-862-6131 mauconn@aol.com

*Ginny Heringer 626-793-4727 ginnyh@ix.netcom.com* Ssponsored by Pasadena Group and Natural Science Section: Enjoy a fall colors hike with sycamores and poison oak to this isolated and historical campground site in Upper Eaton Canyon via Henninger Flats toll road. 10 mi rt; 2000' gain on way in, and 1000' gain on return out. Meet 9am at Pinecrest gate at 2260 Pinecrest Dr in Altadena. Bring 2 quarts of water, lunch, jacket, long pants suggested, and hiking boots. Be careful to obey parking signs.

# Saturday, November 16, 2013 to Sunday, November 17, 2013

#### 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Social Event HARWOOD-OPEN WEEKEND

*Mike & Debbie Wapner 562-423-7265 dwapner@yahoo.com* See Saturday, October 19, for details.

Sunday, November 17, 2013 7:00 AM (time tentative) 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing I: Navigation: Indian Cove Navigation Noodle See Saturday, November 16, for details.

#### Sunday, November 17, 2013 8:30 AM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com Joel Kenyon 949-951-5470 wazmo@excite.com Houria Hall 714-767-5327 houriazhall@yahoo.com See Sunday, October 20, for details.

#### Sunday, November 17, 2013 8:30 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Aliso/Wood Canyon Hike

Michael Sappingfield 949-768-3610 mikesapp@cox.net Chester Stipe 949-697-1985 chetbar@cox.net

Join us for a 6-mile round trip moderately paced hike along trails in Wood Canyon to Dripping Cave and return via alternate trail. Enjoy shady trails and nearby stream views. Meet at 8:30am at Canyon View Park (take Pacific Park to Canyon Vistas, turn west on Canyon Vistas and park on street near Canyon View Park). Bring water, hiking shoes/boots, munchies, hat.

Sunday, November 17, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing

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# O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Kanan Dume Rd. to Trancas Cyn

Wlodek Proskurowski 310-202-0331 proskuro@usc.edu Margaret C Fields 310-839-8235

Moderate paced 8 mi rt, 1700' gain W from Kanan Dume Rd. Hike passes Newton Cyn Falls before entering the volcanic Zuma Cyn and Trancas Cyn where we will have lunch streamside. Meet at 9 am at Newton Cyn Trailhead on Kanan Dume Rd ( $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles N of PCH on left side after first tunnel or 8 mi S of the Ventura Fwy on right side just before the third tunnel). Rain cancels.

#### Sunday, November 17, 2013 9:30 AM 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Outing Venice Canals and Oceanfront Walk

Evelyn Alexander 818-843-0920 alexander837@ sbcglobal.net

Delphine Trowbridge 818-558-7722 dtrowbridge36@ sbcglobal.com

Tour this fascinating area. See the beautiful Venice Canals and exotic street life along Oceanfront Walk. Learn about the history of Abbott Kinney's Venice of America. Wear comfortable shoes. Bring \$ for lunch. Heavy rain cancels. Meet at 9:30 at the Verdugo Hills rideshare point or 10:30 at West Washington Blvd and Dell Ave.

#### Sunday, November 17, 2013 3:00 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

#### **O: Full moon hike of the Beaudry Loop in Verdugo Mts** *Pam Allen 626-296-6911 ezadorah@hotmail.com*

Maureen Conn 626-862-6131 mauconn@aol.com

Join us on this 6-mi, 1500' gain hike, as the sun sets and the full moon rises with great views of the city lights and dinner at Chez Concrete Dining Slab. Meet 3 pm at intersection of Beaudry Blvd and Beaudry Terrace in Glendale, (from Cañada Blvd go west on Country Club Dr, left on Beaudry and park on residential street.) Bring gourmet dinner item to share with 5 to 6 people, water, plate, utensils, flashlight, warm sweater/jacket. Rain/fire cancels.

#### Monday, November 18, 2013 6:30 PM

# 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Club Support Event

#### Newcomer/Member Thanksgiving Night:

Donna Specht 714-963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com Mr Charles G Geller 714-292-2352 eduright@aol.com Ana Juarez 714-323-3627 ajcoyame@aol.com Elisa Werderman 562-691-5959 titansoldier2007@yahoo.com Joel Kenyon 949-285-5909 jkenyon2002@excite.com Scott Closson 714-457-6820 sclosson9228@att.net We invite you to an activity-packed evening: Introduction of our new leaders, free drawing, find out all about our events with 20s/30s/40s, our award winning weekly conditioning hikes, social activities, conservation outings, backpacks and Adventure Destinations and Winter Sports Program. Chance to purchase Sierra Club logo daypacks and other cool gifts. Newcomers welcome! Meet 6:30pm, Costa Mesa Neighborhood Community Center, 1845 Park Ave, Costa Mesa. \$5 donation. Optional: bring a Thanksgiving side dish, potluck item and we will provide the turkey, fixin's and drinks. For info contact Donna Specht. Join Sierra Club at special introductory offer \$15 and receive a free gift! Bring a friend! Leaders/hosts come and publicize your event! Please join us

on our meetup sites!!

http://www.meetup.com/Orange-County-Sierra-Singles/ http://www.meetup.com/Orange-County-Sierra-Singles-20s-30s-40s/

#### Tuesday, November 19, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace hikers / Malibu Nature Preserve from Nicholas Flat

Peter Ireland 818-996-8846 naturetrust@earthlink.net Pixie Klemic 818-787-5420 pklemic@roadrunner.com

Rare opportunity to hike from Nicholas Flat in Leo Carrillo State Park and descend through a private nature preserve in Nicholas Cyn with stunning ocean views. 4- to 6-mile, 200' gain / 1600' loss. Learn how this land came to be protected and the history of this area. Enjoy snack in the beautiful Sycamore Grove picnic grounds and enjoy historic Sierra Club and local landscape artwork in lodge. Meet at 8:30am at the Malibu Nature Preserve. Take 101 Fwy W to Kanan Rd., Kanan S to PCH, then PCH West 7-1/2 miles to Malibu Nature Preserve, 33905 West PCH, Malibu. Free parking. Short car shuttle. Bring water, snack, lug sole boots. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, November 19, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/ Newton & Trancas Cyns

Ernest M Scheuer 310-274-7987 ems728@gmail.com David Finch 310-450-4102 davidmfinch@mac.com 9-mi rt, 1200' gain hike on Backbone Trail through Newton Cyn and beautiful Trancas Cyn. Meet 8:20am Pacific Palisades rideshare pt or 9:00am at Newton Cyn trailhead on Kanan Dume Rd (PCH W 6 mi from Malibu Cyn Rd, N 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mi to parking area on left side after 1st tunnel, or 8 mi S of Ventura Fwy on R just before 3rd tunnel). Rain cancels.

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing ANGELES CHAPTER SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

#### OCSS O: O Neill Ramakrishn

Judith E Mulry 949-588-1347 judymulry@aol.com Peter R Height 949-713-4569 prheight1@cox.net

6 mi, 800' gain. We will hike thru O'Neill Park with a visit to Ramakrishna Monastery. Meet 9:00am at Altisima Park with water, lug soles. Go E on El Toro Rd to Margarita Pkwy, turn R, then 1 block to Los Alisos, turn L. Follow Los Alisos E past the 241 toll rd to the first light at the top of the hill. Go thru the light and immediately look for the left turn lane into the entrance to Altisima Park. Rain cancels.

#### Wednesday, November 20, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, November 21, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Cheeseboro Cyn

Ted Mattock 818-222-5581 mattock4@charter.net Margaret S Vernallis 818-360-4414 margaret.vernallis@ csun.edu

Moderately paced 9- to 10-mile hike in Agoura Hills to Shepherds' Flat, over grasslands and along an old ranch road following a streambed. Meet 8:30 AM at trailhead (from 101 Ventura Fwy take Cheseboro Rd, exit 35, turn north on Palo Comado Canyon Rd then right on Cheseboro Rd, go north 1 mile to park entrance, turn right and proceed to dirt parking area at end). Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, November 21, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 21, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, November 21, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, November 21, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Friday, November 22, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook See Friday, October 4, for details.

#### Saturday, November 23, 2013 8:30 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

O: Switzer Picnic Area to Bear Canyon Camp Norm Stabeck 818-518-5454 normstabeck1945@yahoo.com Maureen Conn 626-862-6131 mauconn@aol.com Moderately paced 8-mile, 1200' gain hike. The trail is in rough shape in spots. Not suitable for beginners. Meet 8:30am at La Cañada rideshare pt with water, lunch, hiking boots, suitable clothing layers. Rain cancels. Not suitable for beginners.

#### Saturday, November 23, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

Come to the woods, for here is rest. There is no repose like that of the green deep woods. Here grow the wallflower and the violet. The squirrel will come and sit upon your knee, the logcock will wake you in the morning. Sleep in forgetfulness of all ill. Of all the upness accessible to mortals, there is no upness comparable to the mountains.

> — John of the Mountains: The Unpublished Journals of John Muir, 1938, page 191

#### Saturday, November 23, 2013 9:00 AM 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Outing Downtown L.A. to Culver City

Roxana Lewis 310-532-2933 roxtlewis@aol.com

Robert J Baldwin 818-510-1274 rbaldwin@uclaextension.edu Level: easy to moderate. Location: Downtown L.A. to Culver City. Easy to moderate 5-mile walk while we ride the newest segment of L.A.'s growing Metro system: the Expo Line! Meet at Union Station for a tour of the fabulous Art Deco interior; stop by iconic Philippe's for (optional) breakfast snacks; as we continue west toward Culver City, other highlights include Exposition Park for a tour of the rose garden; a walk-through of the USC campus to spend a few moments with Tommy Trojan; and a brief tour (+ a chocolate fix) at the See's LA headquarters on La Cienega. Participants see and do as much as they want before heading back to Union Station. Bring water, sunhat, sunscreen, snacks, comfortable shoes and \$5 for a Metro day pass.

#### Tuesday, November 26, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/ La Jolla Valley- Mugu Pk (1266')

Wiodek Proskurowski 310-202-0331 proskuro@usc.edu

Margaret C Fields 310-839-8235

Moderately paced 8-mile round trip, 1300' gain hike. Great views of mountains and sea through coastal sage and grasslands. Meet 8:00am at Pacific Palisades rideshare point or 9:00am at La Jolla Canyon trailhead (PCH 21 miles W of Malibu Canyon Rd – pay fee or park outside). Rain cancels.

Tuesday, November 26, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

#### Tuesday, November 26, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 26, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 26, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, November 26, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, November 27, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Blackstar Canyon

Helen Maurer 949-768-0417 7gables@cox.net Ed Maurer 949-768-0417 balois@cox.net

10 mi, 1000' gain/loss. Work off the turkey in advance as we warm up on the flat, then follow the fire road's steady climb to Hidden Valley. Time to visit the Morteros (site of an Indian massacre by whites), and hang out under oaks for lunch. Meet 9:00am on Blackstar Cyn Rd (from Santiago Cyn Rd go E on Silverado, immediate L onto Blackstar, follow it to the gate & park. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lug soles. Rain cancels.

#### Wednesday, November 27, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, November 28, 2013 9:00 AM 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Outing Harwood-Open 4 Day Weekend (Thanksgiving Feast) Bob Dean 310-539-9561 bobdean4@hotmail.com

Enjoy Thanksgiving at your beautiful stone lodge nestled among the pines of the Angeles Forest at 6000'. The lodge provides the turkey; you provide all the side dishes and dessert (OR \$10 contribution). Happy hour at 5pm, dinner at 6pm. Come for Thanksgiving Day or stay through the weekend! If staying, all other meals are potluck (bring servings for 8, beverage of choice and appetizer to share at happy hour). Open to all members (\$12/night) and their guests (\$15/night – limit 2). No reservations required. Lodge opens Thur 9am and closes Sun 3pm. Bring SC card.

#### Thursday, November 28, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Irvine Conditioning Hikes

See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, November 28, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: NO Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike

NO hike on Thanksgiving. (See Thursday, October 3, for details.)

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#### Thursday, November 28, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes

Come burn off some of those Thanksgiving dinner calories with the Sierra Club tonight! See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Friday, November 29, 2013 12:00 AM 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Outing HARWOOD-OPEN 4 DAY WEEKEND (Thanksgiving) Bob Dean 310-539-9561 bobdean4@hotmail.com

Enjoy the 4-day holiday at your beautiful stone lodge nestled among the pines of the Angeles Forest at 6000'. Stay through the weekend! If staying, all meals are potluck (bring servings for 8, beverage of choice and appetizer to share at happy hour). Open to all members (\$12/night) and their guests (\$15/night – limit 2). No reservations required. Lodge opens Thur 9am and closes Sun 3pm. Bring SC card.

#### Friday, November 29, 2013 to Friday, December 13, 2013 0409-Pasadena Group Club Support Event

# O: Pasadena Group Support Event: Benefit Shopping at Ten Thousand Villages

David Czamanske 626-458-8646 dczamanske@hotmail.com Stop by Ten Thousand Villages at 567 S Lake Ave Pasadena, CA 91101 any time during this two-week period between the holidays to browse and shop hand-crafted items made by indigenous people from around the world. Identify yourself as a Sierra Club member and a percentage of proceeds from your purchases from this non-profit organization will benefit Pasadena Group conservation and outreach activities.

#### Friday, November 29, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

Saturday, November 30, 2013 12:00 AM 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Outing HARWOOD-OPEN 4 DAY WEEKEND (Thanksgiving) See Friday, November 29, for details.

#### Saturday, November 30, 2013 8:00 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Hot Springs to Lucas Canyon

John Kaiser 714-968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com Michael Metcalf 949-492-6277 msmetcalf04@yahoo.com Join us on our annual hike into Lucas Canyon; 9 miles round trip, 1800' gain, moderate pace. We will climb steeply 1000' from the Hot Springs area in Casper Park on the Sitton Peak Trail before starting a descent into Lucas Canyon where we will have lunch in the lower canyon. Return hike will reverse the route. For those interested, we will make a short side trip to the hot springs on the return around mid afternoon. Meet 8:00am SOC rideshare pt. Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, hiking boots. Rain or critical fire danger cancels.

Saturday, November 30, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details. Walk away quietly in any direction and taste the freedom of the mountaineer. Camp out among the grasses and gentians of glacial meadows, in craggy garden nooks full of nature's darlings. Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop off like autumn leaves. As age comes on, one source of enjoyment after another is closed, but nature's sources never fail.

— John Muir, Our National Parks, 1901, page 56

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Sunday, December 01, 2013 12:00 AM 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Outing HARWOOD-OPEN 4 DAY WEEKEND (Thanksgiving) See Friday, November 29, for details.

#### Sunday, December 01, 2013 9:00 AM 0408-Palos Verdes Group Outing O: Manhattan Beach Hike & Brunch See Sunday, October 6, for details.

Monday, December 02, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Monday, December 02, 2013 7:00 PM 0427-Angeles Chp Outings Management Club Support Event

#### **OMC Meeting**

*Melody Anderson 310-738-0841 melodygrace1@gmail.com* December meeting of the Outings Management Committee.

#### Tuesday, December 03, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Malibu Creek State Park – Cornell to MASH Site

Rita Okowitz 818-889-9924 apthealth@hotmail.com Stephen Beck 818-346-5759 s\_beck@pacbell.net

Moderately paced 6-mile 600<sup>°</sup> gain hike including Lookout Trail with great views, Century Lake, MASH site, and Reagan picnic area. Meet 8:30am at Cornell and Mulholland dirt parking area. From 101 Ventura Fwy take Kanan Rd exit, go south on Kanan Rd ½ mile, turn left on Cornell Way and veer to right continuing south 3 miles (past Paramount Ranch) to paved entrance to dirt parking area on east side of street just south of Mulholland Hwy. (Entrance on Lake Vista Rd.) Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, December 03, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Backbone Trail - Dead Horse Trail to Eagle Rock

Carol Leacock 310-454-4188 carol.leacock@verizon.net Catherine Froloff 310-821-4123 cfroloff@ca.rr.com

Moderate 8-mi rt 1200' gain hike in Topanga State Park. Shorter 4- to 6-mi option. Meet 8:45am at Pacific Palisades rideshare pt or 9am at fee parking lot on Entrada Rd – shorter hike meets at Trippet Ranch at 9:30am (from Topanga Cyn Blvd. 4½ miles N of PCH or 7½ miles S of Ventura Fwy; lot is on left side of Entrada Rd). Park at Topanga Blvd south of Entrada Rd. Rain cancels.

Tuesday, December 03, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

#### Tuesday, December 03, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, December 03, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, December 04, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing Orange County/Sierra Sage O: Moulton Hil Chester Stipe 949-697-1985 chetbar@cox.net

*Gail Roy* 949-854-3820 gfroy@uci.edu 2 mi rt, 200' gain. It is an easy climb to the summit using local streets and trails. View some of Wood Canyon's trails and a grand panorama. Meet 9am at the bottom of Canyon Vistas Dr in front of Canyon View Park. From Moulton Pkwy in Aliso Viejo, W and uphill on Pacific Park Drive, turn on Canyon Vistas Dr. Bring water, lug soles, hat. Rain cancels.

#### Wednesday, December 04, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 7:00 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Club Support Event Pasadena Group Monthly Meeting See Wednesday, November 6, for details.

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 7:30 PM 0405-Long Beach Group Club Support Event Dec. Monthly Meeting and Presentation See Wednesday, November 6, for details.

#### Thursday, December 05, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Weldon Cyn Overlook *Mimi Knights* 661-253-3414

Reaven Gately 661-255-8873 reavengately@yahoo.com Moderately paced 8-mile 1200' gain hike through oaks, black walnut and fir trees, passing BFI planted oaks as a condition of landfill expansion, to overlooking views of Santa Clarita and San Fernando Valleys. Meet 8:30am East Canyon trailhead of Santa Susana Mtns. Take Calgrove Blvd, exit 166, from northbound Interstate 5, turn left (west) under the fwy and take the Old Road south about 1 mile to parking entrance after church on right, and continue past trailhead sign to parking area. Bring \$5 for parking, 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, December 05, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday

See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, December 05, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, December 05, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Friday, December 06, 2013 to Friday, December 13, 2013 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: 20s30s40s HAWAII BIG ISLAND ADVENTURE David Kuhn mtndave@cox.net

Irene Prokopenko irene\_prokopenko@yahoo.com Meet us at Kona International Airport (KOA) for a full week of easy-moderate 4- to 5-mile day hikes to waterfalls, volcanoes and secluded beaches. Includes 7 nights shared lodging in a 2 bed, 2 bath condo at The Bay Club at Waikoloa Beach Resort and shared meals while at the condo. Airfare, rental cars, and gas are not included. Limit: 6. Cost: \$400 non-SC, \$350 SC member.

#### Friday, December 06, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 7:00 AM 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing M: Leader Rock Workshop

Tom McDonnell 949-422-2661 t.mcdonnell@sbcglobal.net Robert M Myers 310-829-3177 rmmyers@ix.netcom.com Robert Draney 818-935-1843 rrdraney@yahoo.com John L. Kieffer 714-522-1376 jockorock42@yahoo.com This staff development workshop is intended to prepare WTC staff to be effective instructors in WTC's rock scrambling instruction. This workshop is open to all staff members; new staff members are strongly encouraged to participate. Early sign-up recommended, since group size is limited. Climbing helmets required. To participate, send name, contact and

rideshare info, WTC area, and Class 3 climbing experience to Tom McDonnell.

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing

O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Bienveneda-Leacock Trails to Will Rogers St Park

Maya Levinson 310-398-6344 mayasl@aol.com

*Ernest M Scheuer 310-274-7987 ems728@gmail.com* Very strenuous 15-mi, 2800' gain loop hike into Temescal Cyn, Will Rogers St Park, and onto the Temescal Pk Trail. Hike the eastern end of the Backbone Trail. Meet 8:30am at end of Bienveneda Ave (Sunset Blvd ½ mi W of Temescal Cyn Rd, 1 mi N on Bienveneda to gate at Villa Floresta – park on street). Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 8:30 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Gilman (1685 feet) and San Juan Hill (1781 feet) peaks. Chino Hills State Park

Jay Matchett 714-730-7730 sierra\_jay@juno.com Ron Schrantz 714-995-8240 rschrantz@yahoo.com

Join us as we summit the Lower Peaks in Chino Hills State Park. This is a 9-mile hike with about 2200' of gain and a slow steady pace. We will begin on the South Ridge Trail to San Juan Hill down to Telegraph and up to the North Ridge Trail and Gilman Peak. A quick downhill and we are at Telegraph Canyon, over Easy Street and we have completed the loop. Meet 8:30am at the Orange County entrance on Rim Crest Dr. Bring 2+ qts water, snacks and lunch; lug soles and a hat are necessary. Poles would be helpful.

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Cheeseboro to Simi Peak

Robert J Baldwin 818-510-1274 rbaldwin@uclaextension.edu Ron Rosien 310-474-0349 glendon3@aol.com

Moderately paced 10.5-mi, 2500' gain loop hike to Simi Peak with scenic detours in Cheeseboro State Park. Meet 9am at the Woodland Hills rideshare (101 at Winnetka in the Taft HS parking lot). Rain cancels.

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 9:00 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: South Pasadena Historic Walk

#### David Czamanske 626-458-8646 dczamanske@hotmail.com Bonnie C Strand 818-247-6398 nelsdotter@sbcglobal.net

Easy 3-mi walk through historic neighborhoods of South Pasadena threatened by proposed extension of 710 Freeway. Walk, which lasts 3 hours, includes summary of early history of South Pasadena and visits to historic residential and business districts. Optional lunch and/or visit to museum after walk. Meet 9:00am Meridian Iron Works, SW corner Mission and Meridian Streets, adjacent to Mission station on Gold Line light rail. Rain cancels. Fresh beauty opens one's eyes wherever it is really seen, but the very abundance and completeness of the common beauty that besets our steps prevents its being absorbed and appreciated. It is a good thing, therefore, to make short excursions now and then to the bottom of the sea among dulse and coral, or up among the clouds on mountain-tops, or in balloons, or even to creep like worms into dark holes and caverns underground, not only to learn something of what is going on in those out-of-theway places, but to see better what the sun sees on our return to common everyday beauty.

- John Muir, The Mountains of California, 1894, chapter 15

#### Saturday, December 07, 2013 to Sunday, Dec. 08, 2013 0488-Angeles Chp Harwood Lodge Outing HARWOOD-OPEN WEEKEND (Christmas Tree Decorating)

# Graeme Whitaker 909-861-2931 Graeme.whitaker@ verizon.net

Get into the holiday spirit at Harwood. Enjoy trimming the tree, baking holiday cookies and singing along to Christmas carols. Bring baking ingredients for your favorite holiday cookies; choice of beverage and appetizer and a potluck dish (serving 8) to share with others at Saturday happy hour and dinner. Open to all members (\$12/night) and their guests (\$15/night – limit 2). No reservation required. Lodge is open from Saturday 10:00am and closes Sunday 3:00pm. Bring SC card.

#### Sunday, December 08, 2013 7:00 AM (time tentative) 0468-Angeles Ch Leadership Training Outing I: Navigation: Warren Point Navigation Noodle

Robert M Myers 310-829-3177 rmmyers@ix.netcom.com Phil Wheeler 310-214-1873 phil.wheeler@sierraclub.org Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkoff or practice to satisfy the basic (I/M) level or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To participate, send email/SASE, contact info, navigation experience/ training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to leader.

#### Sunday, December 08, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: 16th Annual Backbone Trail Festival: Dead Horse Trail to Eagle Rock

Harvey Ganz 310-820-8021 harveyganz@yahoo.com Joel Goldberg 310-479-5570 jgoldber@usc.edu Moderate 8-mi rt 1200' gain hike in Topanga State Park. Meet 9am at fee parking lot on Entrada Dr (from Topanga Cyn Blvd 4½ miles N of PCH or 7½ miles S of Ventura Fwy; lot is on left). Rain cancels.

#### Sunday, December 08, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: PASADENA URBAN WALK

#### Gabe Sende 818-999-5384 gabesende@yahoo.com

Explore the unique residential treasures of old Pasadena. We will walk by many famous buildings and architectural sites. Walks will be between 3 and 4 miles and you are welcome to join us at the different locations. After the walk you are

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welcome to join the group lunch at one of the many great eateries. You are welcome to bring your ideas or information to share with the group.

#### Tuesday, December 10, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Trippet Ranch to Eagle Rock via Musch Trail

Rita Okowitz 818-889-9924 apthealth@hotmail.com Virve Leps 310-477-9664 ants.leps@ca.rr.com

Moderately paced 5-mile, 700' gain hike through Topanga State Park's grasslands, oak woodlands, chaparral, and coastal sage to great 360° view at Eagle Rock via the Musch Trail. Meet 8:30am at Trippet Ranch fee parking lot. From 101 Ventura Freeway take Topanga Canyon Blvd 7½ miles south to Entrada Rd, turn left (east), and go about a mile to fee lot. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Tuesday, December 10, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Sullivan Cyn Ridge Trail

David Finch 310-450-4102 davidmfinch@mac.com Carol Leacock 310-454-4188 carol.leacock@verizon.net 9-mile round trip, 1900' gain hike through beautiful shaded canyon. Possible stream crossings. Meet 9:00am at end of Queensferry Road (Sunset Boulevard to Mandeville Canyon Road, N ¼ mi to Westridge Road, L 1¼ mi to Bayliss Road, L ¼ mi to Queensferry Road; watch parking restrictions). Rain cancels.

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Tuesday, December 10, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Tiger Hikers See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, December 11, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing O: Buck Gully

Pita Landesman 949-425-8966 pitanbob@cox.net Sidney Alpert 949-458-8768 sralpert@comline.com

5 mi, 100' gain. Explore this sylvan wilderness along a stream with elegant bridges in Corona del Mar. Meet 9:00am at the corner of Poppy and 5th Av, E of PCH on Poppy in Corona del Mar. Park on street; read signs regarding street parking. Bring water, walking shoes, snack. Rain cancels.

# Wednesday, December 11, 2013 10:00 AM 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Outing

#### **O: Griffith Park Hike: Boy Scout Trail to Observatory** Evelyn Alexander 818-843-0920 alexander837@

sbcglobal.net

Carol Henning 323-465-3797 carolhen@sbcglobal.net Delphine Trowbridge 818-558-7722 dtrowbridge36@ sbcglobal.com

Easy-paced, 4 to 5 miles, 800' gain, with side trip to Witches Whimsy and Frank Lloyd Wright house. Meet 10:00am, Vermont and Boy Scout Trail road, just before Greek Theater. Bring hat, water and lug sole shoes. Optional lunch at Trails. Serious rain cancels. Redline stop Sunset/Vermont.

#### Wednesday, December 11, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, December 11, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, December 12, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Nike Missile Radar Site

Reaven Gately 661-255-8873 reavengately@yahoo.com Norm Stabeck 818-236-3884 normstabeck1945@yahoo.com Moderately paced 8-mi 1100' gain hike with great mountain/ valley views. Meet 8:30am Caballero trailhead in Tarzana (from 101 Ventura Fwy take Reseda Blvd, exit 23, S 2 mi to E side across from entrance to Braemar Country Club). Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

#### Thursday, December 12, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Thursday, December 12, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Thursday, December 12, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Friday, December 13, 2013 to Friday, December 20, 2013 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing O: 20s30s40s HAWAII MAUI ADVENTURE

David Kuhn mtndave@cox.net

Irene Prokopenko irene\_prokopenko@yahoo.com Meet us at Kahului Airport (OGG) for a full week of easymoderate 4- to 5-mile day hikes to waterfalls, volcanoes and secluded beaches. Includes 7 nights shared lodging in a 1 bed, 1 bath condo at Kahana Falls Resort and shared meals while at the condo. Airfare, rental cars, and gas are not included. Limit: 4. Cost \$450 non-SC, \$400 SC member.

# Friday, December 13, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

# Friday, December 13, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Monthly Moonlight Hike See Friday, October 18, for details.

### Saturday, December 14, 2013 8:00 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Ye Alpine Tavern (aka Mt Lowe Trail Camp) via Lower and Middle Sam Merrill Trails

Norm Stabeck 818-518-5454 normstabeck1945@yahoo.com William Joyce 909-596-6280 bill@rollingtherock.com

Moderately paced 11-mi 2900' gain hike from the top of Lake Ave. Meet 8am at the north end of Lake Ave in Altadena (intersection of E Loma Alta Dr) with water, lunch, hiking boots, suitable clothing layers. Be prepared for fast cyclists and poodle dog. Arrive early; parking is limited and a long walk to the trailhead may be involved. Rain cancels. Not suitable for beginners.

#### Saturday, December 14, 2013 8:30 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing **O: Aliso Summit Trail**

Chester Stipe 949-697-1985 chetbar@cox.net Don Clarence 949-709-2967 donclarence@hotmail.com 5 mi round trip, 200' gain. Easy trail along rim of Aliso Canyon with good views of canyon and mountains. Meet 8:30am at corner of Highlands and upper Ridgeview, in Laguna Niguel. Bring water, hat, lug soles. Rain cancels.

# Saturday, December 14, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

## Saturday, December 14, 2013 11:00 AM 0414-Verdugo Hills Group Social Event Magic Castle Brunch

#### Delphine Trowbridge 818-558-7722 dtrowbridge36@ sbcglobal.com

Enjoy fantastic food and magic at this private club in Hollywood. The magnificent old mansion built in 1908 is decorated for the holidays. \$60 fee includes brunch, 3 shows, tax and tip. Make check out to Verdugo Hills, include email address or SASE. Send to Delphine Trowbridge, 340 E. Olive Ave #236, Burbank 91501.

# Sunday, December 15, 2013 8:30 AM 0469-Angeles Chp Wilderness Training Outing **O: WTC INTRODUCTORY HIKE: MT WILSON/MANZANITA** RIDGE

#### David Meltzer 310-913-1230 dwm@crgpm.com

Barbara Phillips Meltzer 310-913-1230 bphillimelt@gmail.com Invigorating conditioning hike at a moderate pace. 10 to 14 mile r/t, 4000' gain. Leaders will provide an overview of the Wilderness Travel Course (WTC), which begins January '14. Subjects include safe mountain travel, map and compass and wilderness first aid. This is a residential neighborhood so be

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mindful of parking regulations and resident's quiet enjoyment of their neighborhood. Meet 8:30am at trailhead. Mira Monte Ave and Mt Wilson Trail Dr. Take I-210 to Baldwin Ave exit, take Baldwin N to Mira Monte, Right to trailhead. Bring hiking boots, 3 ltrs water, snacks to share.

## Sunday, December 15, 2013 9:00 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Riley Wilderness Park Loop

Michael Sappingfield 949-768-3610 mikesapp@cox.net

Delores Denton 949-581-8396 deadenton@hotmail.com Moderately paced 3-mi rt, 200' gain. Hike with us through the valleys and ridges of this wilderness park in the foothills of the Santa Ana Mtns. Children 5 yrs and up with parent(s) are welcome. Meet 9am at parking lot in the Park at East end of Oso Parkway. Bring water, munchies, sturdy shoes. \$3 pkg fee. Rain/recent rain cancels.

#### Sunday, December 15, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing **O: Baldwin Hills Ramble**

Mary Ann Webster 310-559-3126 mawebster1984@ sbcglobal.net Ronald Webster 310-559-3126 William H Vanderberg 310-245-2763 bill.vanderberg@ ca.rr.com See Sunday, October 20, for details.

# Sunday, December 15, 2013 9:00 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing

## O: Lake Hollywood Reservoir Walk

David Czamanske 626-458-8646 dczamanske@hotmail.com Liz Pomerov 626-791-7660 ewpomerov@gmail.com

Did you know there's a large lake in Hollywood? Most people never see it because it's above the urban sight line. This 3.5mile easy walk, on a paved road with a mere 100' of elevation gain, offers excellent views of the lake and the Hollywood sign, as well as opportunities for sightings of ducks and other waterfowl. Meet 9am. From the 101 northbound, exit at Barham and head east. Take a right onto Lake Hollywood Drive and stay on that road as it winds through a hilly residential neighborhood. At the stop-signed intersection with Wonder View Drive, descend down the hill toward the reservoir and park on the street near the gate to the reservoir path. Bring water, lunch or a snack, boots or good walking shoes – but no dogs – and an exploratory spirit! Newcomers always welcome! Significant rain cancels.

# Tuesday, December 17, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing

O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Franklin Canyon Pixie Klemic 818-787-5420 pklemic@roadrunner.com

Sharon Swonger 818-762-2668 sswonger@pacbell.net Moderately paced 5-mile, 800' gain hike up and down a chaparral canyon, with a wonderful viewpoint of WLA and the Pacific Ocean, then by a lake in the midst of Beverly Hills. Meet 8:30am at Franklin Park/Ranch parking lot. From 101 Fwy take Coldwater Cyn S 21/2 mi where it crosses Mulholland Dr West. Make a 90° turn onto Franklin Cyn Dr (sign reads Road Closed 800 yrds) and enter park. Pass upper parking lot at nature center, continue veering right around lake. Turn right at stop sign at bottom of lake, drive 1 mile and veer left on Lake Dr. Warning: Stop at camera-monitored stop signs in

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park or you will be ticketed. Follow to end and park. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

In God's wildness lies the hope of the world – the great fresh unblighted, unredeemed wilderness. The galling harness of civilization drops off, and wounds heal ere we are aware.

> — John of the Mountains: The Unpublished Journals of John Muir, 1938, page 317

## Tuesday, December 17, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Backbone Trail - Hondo Cyn-Topanga Lookout (2469')

Robert Cody 310-410-9172 bcodyman@aol.com Wlodek Proskurowski 310-202-0331 proskuro@usc.edu Moderate 9-mi rt, 1800' gain hike on Backbone Trail to Topanga lookout above Stunt Cyn. Meet 8:45am Pacific Palisades rideshare pt or 9am Hondo Cyn trailhead (take Old Topanga Rd 1/4 mi from Topanga Cyn Blvd; very limited parking on street). Rain cancels.

Tuesday, December 17, 2013 10:00 AM 0412-San Fernando Valley Group Outing **O: LATE TUESDAY MORNING HIKES IN THE SFV** See Tuesday, October 8, for details.

Tuesday, December 17, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, December 17, 2013 6:45 PM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing **O: Tue Tiger Hikers** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Tuesday, December 17, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

#### Wednesday, December 18, 2013 9:00 AM 0407-Orange County Group Outing **O: Bell Ridge**

Helen Maurer 949-768-0417 7gables@cox.net Ed Maurer 949-768-0417 balois@cox.net

Up to 8 mi round trip, 2000' gain/loss. Strenuous hike (1000' in first mile) up the ridge south of Trabuco Canyon. If you like taking the Joplin to Old Camp, you'll love this! Fantastic views. We'll turn around when we've had enough and perhaps take a variant route for part of the way back. Meet 9:00am Albertson's shopping center on Plano Trabuco at Santa Margarita Pkwy in Rancho Santa Margarita. Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, lug soles.

Wednesday, December 18, 2013 6:30 PM 0456-Angeles Chp Orange Cty Singles Outing **O: Puente Hills Conditioning Hike** See Wednesday, October 2, for details.

Wednesday, December 18, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing **O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

# Thursday, December 19, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Ahmanson Ranch

Nancy Krupa 818-981-4799 nrkrupa@aol.com Stephen Beck 818-346-5759 s\_beck@pacbell.net Enjoy Santa Monica Mtns Conservancy land of rolling grassy hills with oaks on 8-mile (shorter option available) 800' gain hike. Meet 8:30am at Victory trailhead (from 101 Ventura Fwy take Valley Circle Blvd, exit 29, north 2 miles, turn left (west) on Victory Blvd continuing 1/2 mile to parking lot at end). Bring

\$3 for parking, 2 qts water, lunch, lug soles, hat, sunscreen.

Thursday, December 19, 2013 6:00 PM 0404-Antelope Valley Group Outing O: Conditioning Hikes every Tuesday and Thursday See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

# Thursday, December 19, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike

See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Muddy when wet. Rain cancels.

Thursday, December 19, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing **O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes** See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Friday, December 20, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

#### Saturday, December 21, 2013 8:00 AM (time tentative) 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing O: Trabuco Canyon Loop

Sylvie Cote 949-547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com Todd Clark 714-803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com

10 mi rt, 2700' gain. Join us as we hike a picturesque part of the Cleveland National Forest, from Trabuco Cyn Trail to the Main Divide to West Horse Thief Trail. This is a moderate hike at a moderate pace. Meet at 8:00am at dirt parking area south of the bridge where Plano Trabuco/Live Oak Cyn Rd crosses Trabuco Creek in Trabuco Cyn. We will carpool in to the trailhead. FSP required at trailhead. Rain cancels. Bring 2 quarts water, lunch, 10 essentials, lug sole boots, hat, jacket.

Saturday, December 21, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

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#### Saturday, December 21, 2013 9:00 AM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Historic Mt Wilson Trail via Little Santa Anita Canyon

to Orchard Camp (2960') from Lizzie's Trail Inn Carole Scurlock 626-794-5207 cscurlock@earthlink.net

Maureen Conn 626-862-6131 mauconn@aol.com

This is moderately paced, 7-mi rt, 1900' gain hike, with plenty of great views and woodsy end at Orchard Camp. Meet at 9am at Lizzie's Trail Inn (165 East Mira Monte Ave in Sierra Madre). From 210 Foothill freeway exit Santa Anita Ave in Arcadia; go N to Sierra Madre Blvd, turn left (W); go approximately 1 mi to Mountain Trail Ave, turn right (N); follow to the end at Mira Monte Ave, where street turns left; follow to Lizzie's Trail Inn on the right. Bring water, lunch, hiking boots and suitable clothing layers. Rain/fire cancels.

#### Saturday, December 21, 2013 to Sunday, Dec. 22, 2013 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: LA Xmas by night

Stag Brown 323-299-0373 Bob Thompson 828-249-1237 Joe Young 310-301-9642 joengeri@ca.rr.com Jeff Brown 310-399-2792 mesoman@earthlink.net Angela Colicchio 818-957-3842 angelteach1025@ hotmail.com

Kathy Faulds 818-845-9687 kathyfaulds@cnico.com

Felix Flores 323-663-2822 Larry Guzin 323-932-1600 go\_zen@sbcglobal.net Daniel Kinzek dkinzek@yahoo.com Ioannis Kostoulas 310-376-7341 yannismacedon@aol.com Larry Lee 818-407-1778 llee48@pacbell.net Carl Lowe 818-845-5260 carllowe@hotmail.com Felix Martinez 213-381-5851 felix4hikes@gmail.com Ed Miskin 310-612-6255 edgar miskin@yahoo.com Judy Rosenberg 323-954-1522 judyjudyrose@aol.com Gina Roth 626-643-6411 ginaroth14@gmail.com Mary Aratounian 323-463-1304 maryarat a@yahoo.com Join us for our annual trek through downtown Los Angeles where we distribute food and clothing to the homeless living on the streets. We meet at the corner of College St and North Spring St underneath the Chinatown Station. From here we walk to Union Station, then to Los Angeles and Third Streets and points south and east. After everything is distributed, we crisscross the down town area eventually winding up at the Original Pantry around 4am. After breakfast we head back to the Chinatown Station. For info call leaders.

# Tuesday, December 24, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing **O: Tue Moderate Hikers - Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook**

Margaret C Fields 310-839-8235

Ernest M Scheuer 310-274-7987 ems728@gmail.com

Join us for a 4-mi rt urban California State Park hike high above Culver City for panoramic views of 3 mountain ranges, ocean and city. We will be climbing and descending famous steps (or switchbacks) 523' and the wooden walkway, with lunch in the park. Meet 9am in Culver City Park upper parking lot (Overland Blvd to Jefferson Blvd. E 1 mi to Duquesne Ave. R to Leash Lane, L up hill to Babe Ruth Baseball field/Sundial picnic area parking lot). Rain cancels.

## Tuesday, December 24, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

# Wednesday, December 25, 2013 10:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing **O: Annual Holiday Toyon Trek**

Mary Forgione 562-618-1127 hiker.mary@gmail.com Joel Goldberg 310-479-5570 jgoldber@usc.edu Easy paced 6-mi, 1200' gain Christmas Day hike in the Cold Creek Canyon area. Meet 9:15am Pacific Palisades rideshare pt or 10am at Cold Creek Preserve Parking area (take PCH west 8-1/2 mi from Sunset Blvd to Malibu Cyn Rd, then north 6-1/2 mi to Mulholland Hwy – or 3 mi south on Las Virgenes from the Ventura Fwy to Mulholland Hwy; east on Mulholland 4 mi to Stunt Rd, then 1.0 mi on Stunt Rd to parking area on right). Snow or rain cancels.

# Wednesday, December 25, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing **O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes**

Come burn off some of those Christmas dinner calories with us in Griffith Park! See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

Thursday, December 26, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Thu Moderate Hikers / Grotto Trail in the Verdugos See Thursday, October 24, for details.

# Thursday, December 26, 2013 6:55 PM 0409-Pasadena Group Outing O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike See Thursday, October 3, for details.

Keep close to Nature's heart ... and break clear away, once in a while, and climb a mountain or spend a week in the woods. Wash your spirit clean.

- John Muir, as quoted by Samuel Hall Young in Alaska Days with John Muir, 1915, chapter 7

# Thursday, December 26, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

# Friday, December 27, 2013 6:45 PM 0415-West Los Angeles Group Outing O: Pacific Palisades Hike in Topanga State Park to Parker Mesa Overlook

See Friday, October 4, for details.

## Saturday, December 28, 2013 8:30 AM 0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing **O: James Dilley Preserve** Chester Stipe 949-697-1985 chetbar@cox.net Garry McCoppin 949-858-7292 mccoppin@cox.net

4-mi loop, 300' gain. Interesting trails lead to the summit and Barbara's Lake in this preserved natural habitat. Meet 8:30am at Dilley parking (\$3) on northbound Laguna Canyon Rd, just N of the Toll Road. Bring water, hat, lug soles. Rain cancels.

Saturday, December 28, 2013 8:30 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work See Saturday, October 5, for details.

## Tuesday, December 31, 2013 8:30 AM 0458-Angeles Chp Wilderness Advntr Outing O: Tue Moderate easy pace Hikers / Red Rock Canyon from Stunt Rd

Pixie Klemic 818-787-5420 pklemic@roadrunner.com Marcia Harris 310-828-6670 mrharris35@verizon.net Moderately paced 4-mile, 800' gain hike up a fire road and then down into hidden Red Rock Canyon with bright brick red rock formations. Seasonal streams, good views, chaparral and sage habitats. Meet 8:30am at Stunt Road trailhead. From 101 Ventura Fwy take Valley Circle/Mulholland Dr exit south, turn right on Valmar Rd (becomes Old Topanga Cyn Rd), right on Mulholland Hwy for 3½ miles, left on Stunt Rd for 1 mile, park on dirt shoulder on right. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat, sunscreen. Rain cancels.

## Tuesday, December 31, 2013 9:00 AM 0490-Angeles Chp SMMTF Subcom Outing O: Tue Moderate Hikers/Temescal Park to Inspiration Pt

Robert Cody 310-410-9172 bcodyman@aol.com

Hannelore Suddeth 310-370-3008 hannesudds@gmail.com Moderate 8-mi rt, 1500' gain hike on scenic trail via Rivas Ridge to Will Rogers State Park. Meet 9am Temescal Gateway Park (from PCH take Temescal Cyn Blvd past Sunset; pay fee or park outside). Rain cancels.

Tuesday, December 31, 2013 7:00 PM 0481-Angeles Chp Griffith Park Sctn Outing O: Griffith Park Evening Conditioning Hikes See Tuesday, October 1, for details.

# Looking Ahead

# Friday, February 14, 2014 to Monday, February 17, 2014 West Los Angeles Group Outing

O: 35th Annual Winter Bus Trip to Yosemite National Park

Paul Cutter - 310-837-5269 patecu@sbcglobal.net

*llona Kupecz - 909-599-7115 startrekgal48@gmail.com* 35th annual winter bus trip with 3-night stay in Yosemite's winter wonderland. There is skiing and hiking available. Both skiers and non-skiers welcomed. The park has restaurants, museums, a visitor's center, an Indian museum and village, gift shops and ranger programs. Price of \$600 members/\$625 non-members includes RT bus, deluxe accommodations (2 per room, 2 beds) at Yosemite Lodge, light breakfast on bus, park entrance fees, drivers gratuity, bus treats and happy hours and breakfast at the Ahwahnee Hotel on day of departure. To reserve, send payment in full to Paul Cutter and include names, addresses and phone numbers of all

participants. Cancellation policy: \$20 per person through 12/1/13. No refunds after that date unless your space can be resold. No refunds for no-shows.

# **Rideshare Meeting Places**

**Airport-Marina** US Bank parking lot, SE corner Lincoln and Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey.

**Antelope Valley-Lancaster** Park-and-Ride lot on N side of Avenue K, just W of Antelope Valley Fwy (CA 14). Turn into Park-and-Ride at Ave "S" traffic light, meet at back fence east of bus stop.

**Antelope Valley-Palmdale** Avenue S exit, Park-and-Ride lot E of Antelope Valley Fwy (CA 14) as near as possible to Avenue S traffic light entrance.

**Azusa** On Santa Fe St. just E of Azusa Ave, one block N of Foothill, just before the railroad tracks.

**Canyon Country** Vons parking lot next to Soledad Cyn Rd. Sand Cyn Rd exit from Hwy 14.

Corona Park-and-Ride on Main St N exit from 91 Fwy.

**Diamond Bar** Park-and-Ride lot, Diamond Bar Blvd, N of Pomona Fwy (Hwy 60).

**East San Gabriel Valley** Albertsons W parking lot, Westfield West Covina Shopping Center, W Covina; N on Citrus St 0.2 mi from San Bernardino Fwy (I-10) to Workman Ave.

**Fairplex** Park-and-Ride N of San Bernardino Fwy N (I-10) in Pomona, exit Fairplex Dr., go N, turn right on Gillette Rd.

La Cañada Angeles Crest Hwy (Hwy 2), Just N of Foothill Fwy (I-210). Park on Angeles Crest Hwy only.

**Long Beach** North side of E Atherton St (across from the CSULB Recycling Center) between N Britton Dr and Fanwood Ave in Long Beach.

**Malibu** Malibu Civic Center. If lot not available, park on street. From Pacific Coast Hwy, N on Webb Way, R on Civic Center Way.

**Mount Baldy** Park-and-Ride, NE corner of Mills Ave and Mt Baldy Rd. Baseline exit from I-210 Fwy, 0.6 mi W on Baseline, 1.1 mi N on Mills Ave, Claremont.

**Orange County, North** Park-and-Ride, E side of Tustin Ave just S of Lincoln Ave, Orange.

**Orange County, South** Ortega Plaza parking lot SE corner, Ortega Hwy/Rancho Viejo, San Juan Capistrano.

**Pacific Palisades** Los Liones Dr at Sunset Blvd, 1/4 mi from PCH.

**San Fernando Valley** W side of Balboa Blvd, N of Burbank Blvd, Encino.

**Santa Clarita** Entrance to Ed Davis/Towsley Cyn Park. I-5 exit Calgrove, W to the Old Road, S to park entrance.

**South Bay** E side of Vermont Ave N of Artesia Blvd; use Artesia West exit from Harbor Fwy, Gardena.

**Sylmar** Encinitas Ave, S of Roxford St; Roxford exit from Golden St Fwy (I-5).

**Tustin** Redhill Ave on N side (fwy side) of Stater Bros Market, just SW of Redhill Ave exit from Santa Ana Fwy.

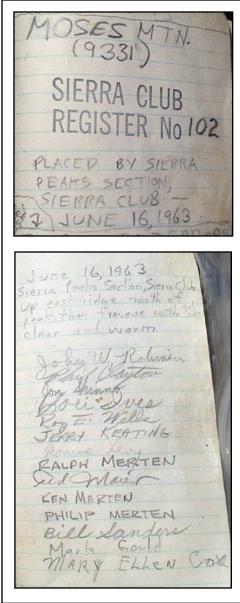
**Verdugo Hills** Joslyn Adult Center, 1301 W Olive, Burbank. Park in rear lot next to Clark St.

**West LA** Federal Building parking lot 11000 Wilshire Blvd, visitors section, Veteran S of Wilshire.

**Woodland Hills** Taft High School parking lot, SW corner of Ventura Blvd and Winnetka Ave.

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Above, Ann Pedreschi en route to Moses Mountain. Right, pages in the peak register. The front page (top) and signatures of some longtime Angeles Chapter members (bottom).

Find the register on this Western Sierra peak and you'll find the names of some Angeles Chapter leaders from half a century ago.

## From staff reports

Deep in the Golden Trout Wilderness is a rock scramble called Moses Mountain. Chapter leaders Virgil Shields and Ann Pedreschi summited the peak in the Western Sierra on July 24 -- and discovered more than gorgeous views and a great climb.

The peak register was marked as "Sierra Club Register No. 102" and indicated that it was placed there by the Sierra Peaks Section of the Sierra Club on June 16, 1963.

And then there were some very familiar names. Longtime leader and Chapter volunteer Lori Ives as well as Jerry Keating and John W. Robinson, author of the hiking bible "Trails of the Angeles: 100 Hikes in the San Gabriels" and other hiking and history books.

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started making my own power.

One of the cool things about Sungevity is that you can monitor the solar power you generate from your computer. They also monitor it to assure the system is working up to its full potential. As it turned out, my system wasn't synching up with my Wi-Fi so a technician came out right away to reboot the system and check the panel wiring. The technician they sent was great and I learned a few more things about Sungevity from him.

No. 1: I had the latest technology on the market.

No. 2: Sungevity subcontracts other companies for installations so as not to drive existing local solar companies out of the market, and to pass the savings of not setting up brick and mortar shops everywhere onto their customers.

No. 3: Sungevity has extremely high standards and trains their subcontracted technicians to meet these standards. The technician said he was recently sent to Oakland for a weekend training seminar. He said he learned a lot of technical stuff, had a great time, and really, really liked Sungevity's owners. Even Sungevity's subcontracted technicians sings its praises.

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I recently finished reading, "Rooftop Revolution" by Danny Kennedy, and I feel really good about choosing a solar company whose owner has been a true advocate for the environment. He has worked on climate issues for more than two decades with Greenpeace, California Clean Energy Now, Project Underground, The Solar Foundation, and Solar Mosaic. I am proud to be a part of the Rooftop Revolution. As of June, I generated enough solar energy to offset the carbon footprint of 459 automobile miles and offset 401 pounds of carbon emissions. I think the projection for my 20 year lease is 180,000 automobile miles. I'm on my way.

A couple of weeks ago a man on a Sierra Club hike told me that someone had advised him that if his electric bill is only \$30 to \$50 a month he's not really saving much money by going solar. I went home and did the math and if his bill is only \$30 a month (which is about what mine was) over the next 20 years he will pay \$7,200 for electricity, but that is only if the cost of electricity stays at its current rate.

With all the amazing incentives offered to me, I paid less than \$5,000 for a solar panel system to operate on my rooftop for the next 20 years. As long as my consumption stays the same rising prices for electricity won't effect me. I think I'm ahead of the game financially, plus I'm doing something important for the environment: I'm creating clean energy.

#### **GIS VICTORY/PAGE 7**

Supreme Court in early May. On July 8, the Court ruled that the lower courts got it wrong.

The court's seven justices decided unanimously in favor of the Sierra Club, ordering that the county be compelled to provide the Sierra Club with a copy of its parcel database for the cost of producing the physical copy. Orange County will now join the other 49 out of 58 California counties that provide their parcel data to the public for a nominal charge. The Sierra Club Appelos Chapter's CIS

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SEQUOIA NAT. MONUMENT 7,000' elev. Year round Custom Home; new in 2008. 4BR, 3BA, Seperate guest house. \$350K (530) 269-1206 Committee will use the data to make maps for its conservation campaigns. GIS Parcel data previously obtained from Los Angeles County under the Public Records Act was used to map land parcels in the Verdugo Mountains in the cities of Los Angeles, Glendale and Burbank, color-coding each parcel as to whether it was publicly or privately owned.

This allowed a task force including the Sierra Club and agencies from the three cities to prioritize the acquisition of open space in the Verdugos. The club continually produces GIS maps in support of its conservation campaigns, and will put the Orange County data to good use in fighting for the environment.

# Wider implications of the ruling

The Supreme Court decision focused on GIS parcel data, but its holding applies to all types of computer mapping data. GIS data is becoming increasingly important as state and local agencies continue to incorporate it into their operations. Some agencies have requirements that all street addresses in their databases be geocoded, i.e. converted into latitude and longitude, i.e. GIS data. Applications go beyond purely environmental issues. For example, public health agencies use computer mapping technology to track the spread of infectious diseases. Following today's decision, all this information will be available to the public, who can use it for their own purposes, at a nominal charge.

Though the information at issue in the case was GIS data, today's decision affirms a previous Supreme Court holding that electronic databases are subject to the Public Records Act disclosure requirements when they contain data that's not exempt under the Act. This is important because agencies increasingly keep their records in databases. "The move from paper to electronic recordkeeping shouldn't affect the public's right to the information," says Dean Wallraff, another lawyer representing the Sierra Club in the case.

Dean Wallraff, vice-chair of the Angeles Chapter's Legal Committee, also contributed to this story.

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Nomination Committee. \*\*Nominated by petition.)

Two voting options were available for members:

1) Online e-Ballot - Vote using the e-Ballot e-mailed on November 1 to each active member who has provided an email address for member communications.

2) Paper Ballot - Request an paper ballot and a copy of candidate statements for the Chapter Excom and your Group by contacting George Watland, 213-387-4287 ext. 210, george.watland@sierraclub. org.

You may also mail a request for paper ballots to the Angeles Chapter Office at the address below. Please include the names of other Sierra Club members in your household needing a paper ballot along with your mailing address.

Please note that all members who voted by paper ballot last year will automatically receive a paper ballot again during the week prior to Nov. 1. No other request is required. If you have not received a paper ballot by Nov. 1, please request one as noted above.

All paper ballots must be returned by 6:00 pm on Monday, Dec. 2, 2013 either by mail or in-person at:

Elections Committee Sierra Club Angeles Chapter 3435 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 320 Los Angeles, CA 90010 Go online to http://bit.ly/1fyyuS5 *—Joe Young* 

# **Conservation Issues**

# **Orange County:**

# Desalination plant is selling a bill of goods, and water users would pay the price

Poseidon Resources recently made a move in their attempt to build the environmentally destructive Poseidon Huntington Beach Desalination Plant. If built, this plant will increase energy use and greenhouse gasses, degrade water quality and fish stocks and privatize part of our water supply.

Since there's no demand for this environmentally and economically harmful way to extract water, Poseidon has not been able to find willing buyers.

Enter the Orange County Water District (OCWD), which was approached by Poseidon to purchase the desalination plant's full capacity of water. The board also agreed to sign a confidentiality agreement regarding the project's finances. This decision is a desperation move by Poseidon because all but one of the local cities and water suppliers in Orange County have rejected the idea of purchasing its desalinated water. And without customers they have no way to build the project.

Still, in late July, the water district instructed its staff to prepare reports on the feasibility of such a plan in anticipation of a vote by the board. Essentially Poseidon is making an end run around other local water suppliers and cities which have already rejected buying this water by attempting to have the OCWD, which is a groundwater agency, act as the middleman. The district's involvement would force their water purchase on cities and smaller water suppliers.

Amazingly, the OCWD board approved looking into this idea -even after its staff noted that buying desalinated water would have an economic impact on their operation and raise local rates by at least 7%.

This new move also is a key part of their strategy to gain approval from the Coastal Commission and State Water Board for the desalination plant. If the OCWD agreed to purchase all of the water from the plant, Poseidon can tell state authorities that the full capacity of their project has been spoken for -- greatly enhancing their chance of getting a Coastal Development Permit to build the plant and influencing the State Water Board's Desalination Policy that's currently in the works.

Thousands of you signed on to an Angeles Chapter petition that tells the Coastal Commission to reject the desalination plant. Go online to http://bit.ly/1asMUSR to add your voice to the activists who say this is a wrongheaded plan.

-Ray Hiemstra

## **Ballona Wetlands:**

# Why is there a drainage system in L.A.'s most fragile wetland? Coastal Commission investigates.

The Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve, part of the last 5% of California's remaining wetlands, was saved from development, but now Sierra Club activists and environmentalists are troubled by the discovery of a drainage system that may have impacted the approximately 600 acres of wetlands and uplands adjacent to Playa Del Rey.

It recently came to light that Playa Capital Co. LLC, the developers of the Playa Vista housing project built on the Ballona ecosystem, allegedly placed a drainage system on the wetlands. In mid-June, the California Coastal Commission issued a letter to Playa Capital stating that they were in violation of the California Coastal Act for not having a permit for the drainage system, which constitutes a development, according to the commission.

The letter sent to Playa Capital and copied to the California Department of Fish & Wildlife and the California State Lands Commission requested the production of any authority for putting in the drainage system. So far, none has been forthcoming.

A system of underground drainage pipes with surface risers designed to drain the public wetlands of ponding water is the subject of the violation. The magnitude of the damage to the public resource caused by years of wetland draining is currently unknown. Water naturally ponded and recharged the groundwater aquifers prior to the illegal drainage.

Joe Young, chair of the Angeles Chapter Airport Marina Group, said: "We have been wondering why the wetlands have been looking so dry for years despite rains. We are surprised that there has been no hydrology study on Ballona, including the potential impacts from the drainage devices." The devices, according to the City of Los Angeles, are private drainage devices and are not and never were part of the City's drainage system for the area.

-Kathy Knight

## **Orange County:**

# Court ruled in favor of environmental groups that said Saddle Crest housing plan violated the general plan.

Showing consistency with other land use decisions in Trabuco Canyon, Orange County Superior Court Judge Steven L. Perk last August ruled in favor of a coalition of community and public interest groups, upholding important planning documents and rejecting Orange County's approval of the controversial 65-unit housing tract known as Saddle Crest that would have bulldozed pristine hillsides and wiped out majestic oak forests along rural Santiago Canyon Road north of Cook's Corner.

"Although our elected officials completely let the public down by approving this project and the disastrous plan amendments, Judge Perk's thoughtful review and ruling restore environmental protections so that the rural canyons can continue to be a special place in Orange County," said Gloria Sefton, co-founder of Saddleback Canyons Conservancy, one of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit.

Orange County Supervisors previously had approved the proposal by developer and campaign contributor Rutter Santiago LP, simultane-

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ously clearing the way for Saddle Crest and future developments by weakening or repealing long-standing rules protecting the canyons' rural character and scenic natural resources.

"The court zeroed right in on the problem with what Rutter and the County tried to do," said Ray Chandos, secretary-treasurer of Rural Canyons Conservation Fund, another plaintiff in the lawsuit. "You can't have County policies, general and specific plans, swith high and noble goals and objectives, and then turn around and approve a project that completely undermines them."

These rules, embodied in the 1991 Foothill Trabuco Specific Plan (FTSP), limited mass grading of hillsides and canyons, protected mature oak trees like those overhanging scenic Live Oak Canyon Road, and mandated preservation of certain open space in its natural state. At Rutter's behest, county supervisors repealed grading limits, allowed removal of more than 150 mature oak trees on the site—some mature ones with trunks more than 3 feet in diameter—and permitted "open space" to include manufactured slopes between rows of houses.

The order also invalidated the FTSP and General Plan amendments as inconsistent with those plans' goals "to manage and 'preserve' mature oak trees, [and] natural open space," limit grading, and insure minimum lot sizes. Instead, "[t]he development in question reduces 'open space' to less than 50% and permits a ten fold increase in the amount of grading," noted the court.

*—From Chapter reports* 

## **Orange County:**

## Let's stop loving our parks to death, OK?

Fitness, research, stress release, friendship, solitude, training, beauty. There are countless reasons to get outdoors. With more than 133,000 collective acres of wildlands in Orange County—the parks, scenery and experiences are plentiful. However, complaints are increasing from park users as they find that more of those experiences are negative and some are downright scary.

In certain areas, getting out into nature has become more of a "proceed at your own risk" experience than one to recharge the spiritual batteries or get in some good exercise.

With just over 3 million residents in Orange County right now and with projections to climb to 3.6 million by 2035, there will continue to be high demands on all of our community assets. From roads to schools, from libraries to community centers—the more people there are, the more demand there is.

The same equation is true for our parks... there will certainly be more trail users. As park advocates, the Sierra Club wants people to experience nature, but what is being witnessed right now in these natural lands calls for serious and collaborative work toward a sustainable future.

Park personnel have reported numerous incidents that have hit a new high in terms of public safety concerns. For example, Santiago Oaks Regional Park in Orange reports that an archery range was found, evidenced by arrows in the trees.

A number of environmental groups -- Audubon California, Sea and Sage Audubon, Sierra Club, Friends of Harbors, Beaches and Parks, and Laguna Canyon Foundation -- founded the Safe Trails Coalition. This coalition supports all trail users who use the existing network of authorized trails, are willing to ensure native plants and wildlife and other natural resources are protected, and agree that all trail users and park visitors are entitled to a safe and enjoyable experience in the wilderness.

With nearly 30 supporting organizations involved, the coalition has created collective objectives are to reduce the illegal trail use/creation, address the imminent safety concerns, and protect the natural resources through two avenues: education and enforcement. The coalition has focused its efforts on a multi-pronged approach with multiple solutions. It recognizes the need for, and fully support, appropriate recreation, but it also recognizes the need to ensure the reasons the land was protected remain intact.

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carbon-intensive source of oil. Oil Change International estimates that the pipeline would carry and emit more than 181-million metric tons of carbon pollution each year. That's the pollution equivalent of adding 37.7 million cars to U.S. roads, or 51 new coal-fired power plants.

The State Department, though, tried to ignore this 181-million metric ton elephant. It argued in its environmental review of Keystone XL that tar sands development was inevitable, regardless of whether the pipeline is built. That's not

true for several reasons. Tar sands can be processed

only at specialized refineries. The accessible U.S. and Canadian refineries capable of handling it are already at or near capacity. In order to expand producers must reach the U.S. Gulf Coast, where the heavy crude can be refined or, more likely, exported.

Although other pipeline projects have been proposed to export tar sands east, west, and south from western Canada, all of them face legal, technical, economic, and political obstacles that



make them unlikely. Using rail is too expensive because tar sands transport requires special heated rail cars and loading terminals. Industry experts and financial firms like Goldman Sachs have already said this will be cost-prohibitive.

Keystone XL is critical for the Canadian oil industry to meet its goal of massive expansion in the tar sands. You don't need to take our word for it, though. Just this week, Canada's independent Pembina Institute uncovered documents from the industry itself that make that case. Briefing notes prepared for Canadian natural resources minister (and pipeline proponent) Joe Oliver state: "in order for crude oil production to grow, the North American pipeline network must be expanded through initiatives, such as the Keystone XL Pipeline project."

The U.S. Interior Department has already joined the Environmental Protection Agency in criticizing the State Department's environmental review for disregarding how the Keystone XL pipeline would affect wildlife and waterways. Given that we now know the State Department's review was conducted by a consultant with strong ties to Keystone XL's backer, TransCanada, and to the tar sands industry, perhaps we shouldn't be surprised.

In fact, earlier this month, the State Department's own office of inspector general confirmed that it has opened an into inquiry how its Keystone XL review was conducted. Perhaps the most serious charge is that State Department officials tried to cover up evidence of conflicts of interest.

For an administration that's actually done many good things on climate, the State Department's environmental review of Keystone XL is both a failure and an embarrassment. It's time to kick the oil industry lobbyists out of the room, listen to the scientists, weigh the facts, and reject this pipeline once and for all.

# Patti Laursen, 85, forest activist and classical music producer

Patti Laursen started listening to classical music when she was 3 years old, and not long after that, her parents took her hiking. She went on to become one of the first female classical recording producers - and a fierce environmental activist with the Angeles Chapter.

She passed away June 16. "I remember as a child standing under coastal redwoods and seeing shafts of light coming through the branches," Laursen told a Sierra Club publication in 1999. "There is something utterly spiritual and monumental about that, like listening to a Bach chorale. It's a gift from God."

She became chair of the Angeles Chapter's Ancient Forest Task Force in the 1990s and a member of the Sequoia Task Force. Laursen received a Conservation Service award from the Chapter for her successful work in 1996.

"Patti was fearless in her commitment to protecting our forests, puncturing agency posturing with her dry humor and warm laughter," says Bill Corcoran, western regional campaign director for the Beyond Coal, Sierra Club. "Her unerring touch for delivering an adroitly pitched question wrapped around a barb was a delight to experience in more than one Forest Service meeting as we labored to protect Sequoia National Forest and its giant sequoias. She was a friend, an advocate, and a mentor. Her gracious manner, broad range of interests as well as her high tensile strength resolve epitomized the best tradition of the Sierra Club volunteer leader. She leaves a great legacy for future generations to enjoy."

Laursen's professional career was successful too. She was an internationally renowned classical music recording producer who worked for Captol, Angel and EMI record labels. Commencing her recording career in the 1960s, Patti Laursen was one of the first female record producers and an industry leader in the "digital revolution" in the late 1970s. Laursen was nominated for the "Classical Producer of the Year" Grammy in 1990.

—Teresa Myers and Sierra Club reports

# Emaline Rich, 94, co-founder of San Fernando Valley Group

Anyone who has attended a San Fernando Valley Sierra Club Group meeting will remember a tiny, smiling lady with white curly hair and bright blue eyes who greeted people as they signed in at the Membership Table. This petite woman, who loved to chat with visitors as they milled around the table, was Emaline Rich, the group's beloved Co-Membership Chair.

Rich passed away on June 17. She was an integral part of the San Fernando Valley group. She, along with her husband, Art Rich, founded the group in 1960. At that time meetings were held in a park in Studio City. Eventually Rich obtained the Reseda Park Recreation Center as our permanent meeting place. Active in all areas of the Angeles Chapter, she served as chair of the San Fernando Valley Group from 1991-93, and also had served as Program Chair and Membership Chair in past years.

The Sierra Club recognized her dedication by honoring her with two Special Service Awards, one in 1980 and one in 2002. Rich enjoyed camping and hiking -- and she and her husband did plenty of both. But outdoor activities weren't her only passion. She loved to paint in oils, and was great reader and traveler.

Above all she loved and cherished her two daughters, Bonnie and Beth, and their families.

—Julie Szende, San Fernando Valley Group



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