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## “Will Redwoods Survive Climate Change?”

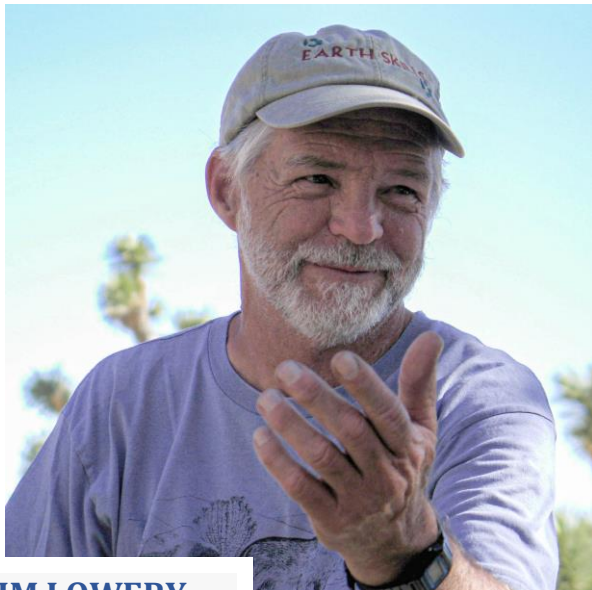
Join the Crescenta Valley Group and the Verdugo Hills Group of the Sierra Club for an informative virtual presentation, “**Will Redwoods Survive Climate Change?**” on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 7 p.m. The Santa Cruz mountains are coast redwoods' stronghold at the southern end of their limited and diminishing range. Learn what scientists predict for their future in a time of climate change, and how innovative partners are ushering in a new era of conservation stewardship so redwoods might thrive and survive. Matthew Shaffer, Chief Marketing and Communications Officer of Sempervirens Fund will be giving this presentation. Sempervirens has been preserving redwood forests since 1900: [sempervirens.org](http://sempervirens.org)



Matthew Shaffer

Please use this link to register for this upcoming

presentation: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZAqfuyozq4pHdRxzZoFsnH2GJEPQ4O3cAE>



JIM LOWERY

## “Walk With the Animals”

*(details below)*

The Crescenta Valley Group of the Sierra Club presents “**Walk With The Animals,**” an in-person program held by local tracking expert Jim Lowery at the **La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd, La Crescenta, CA 91214 at 7 p.m. February 6, 2024.** This presentation will be an intimate conversation about techniques for tracking animals and what might happen at the "point of contact" with the trail, where tracks express behavior, biology, mood and personality. Ultimately, the tracker will be challenged to engage a different mind-set to "walk with the animal."

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## BIOGRAPHY OF JIM LOWERY

Jim Lowery is a leading tracking instructor and author in the U.S., having taught tracking skills to thousands of students through his school, Earth Skills since 1987. He has trained field biologists, naturalists and rangers and has led many specialized workshops in tracking technique as well as on tracking specific mammals including black bear, mountain lion, bighorn sheep, badger, antelope and kit fox. Jim has been an expert consultant for mammal research studies at Edwards Air Force Base and annually trains State of California field staff on the Central Coast in snowy plover nest predator track interpretation. He is the author of *The Tracker's Field Guide* (Globe Pequot 2006, 2013 and 2022) and *Walk with the Animal* (2013) and *How To Walk with the Animal* (2019) as well as many monographs and newsletters about tracking methodology and mammal biology. Jim has also taught wilderness survival skills, native plant uses and traditional skills, and with his wife Mary has led vision quests for 27



**Members of the Crescenta and Pasadena groups table at the Arroyo Fest held in Pasadena on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

MAY 5 - 19, 2024

# THE GRAND MOROCCO ADVENTURE



Join us for this 15 day, 14 night adventure in vibrant Morocco to experience the culture, nature, and beautiful sights of

this exotic land. We will walk through the old narrow streets of Marrakech’s Medina with its vibrant market, a UNESCO world heritage site, gardens, mosques, and many other points of interest. We will visit the beautiful walled city of Essaouira whose Medina is another UNESCO world heritage site. Next, we are off to Ait Ben Haddou to visit the kasbah, another UNESCO world heritage site, followed by a cultural experience with a local Moroccan family. We plan to drive on the Thousand Kasbah road visiting a few Kasbahs on our way to the Dades Gorge, where we can partake in a short nature hike (optional). We will travel to the Todra Gorge where you can go on another optional hike to explore the green oasis full of large date palms. We will follow up with a drive to the Moroccan desert and meet a Berber family.

We will head north to Azrou where we plan to hike in a cedar forest looking for Barbary Macques. We will go to the ancient city of Fez whose Medina is yet another UNESCO world heritage site!

We’ll also visit the Roman Archaeological city of Volubilis (UNESCO world heritage site). We plan to spend a couple days exploring the mysterious blue city of Chefchaouen, Rabat, whose modern capital and historic city is a UNESCO world heritage site. We will conclude after a visit to Casablanca.

**Price includes, 14 nights lodging (2 Persons, 2 beds per room), transportation within Morocco, Admission to sightseeing places, many meals, and more. Airfare is Not Included.**  
**The price for current Sierra Club members \$3,250. Early sign-up discount of \$100 per person is offered for sign ups before Sept 30, 2023. Non-members, please add \$100 to the above prices.**  
**Send e-mail address, phone numbers, SC member number, along with a check payable “Sierra Club” to Reservationist: Stephanie Gross, PO Box 423, Montrose, CA 91021**

Crescenta Valley Group Management Committee			
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***Members of the Pasadena and CV Groups, and guests, gathered at Joselito's (in Tujunga) on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> for annual holiday luncheon.***

