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Membership Meetings

Tuesday, Nov 1st • 7:30 PM
“Travels in Japan and Russia”

Presented by Ladd and Gail Seekins
(see write up on front page)

Tuesday, Dec 6th • 7:30 PM
“Go for the Sun, Stay for the Stars”

Presented by Tyler Nordgren
(see write up on Page 2)

Programs are held at the
San Bernardino County Museum,
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands
(California St. exit off 10 Fwy)

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A Real “Jewell” of a Group!



Congratulations to Allen Hernandez, who just accepted the position of Organizing Manager for Southern California. Allen joined the Sierra Club in 2011 as an associate organizer for the My Generation/Beyond Coal campaign.

A group of about ten of our young Club activists from the East Coachella Valley were invited to attend the signing ceremony for the new Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan that designates the areas of public lands in the desert that are appropriated for commercial wind and solar energy development and those that are not. After the ceremony, the young folks had a wonderfully productive meeting with Interior Secretary Sally Jewell, where they talked primarily about the problems with the disappearing Salton Sea and the attendant issues of loss of bird habitat and the deteriorating air quality that is adversely affecting so many of the mostly poor folks who live in the areas around the lake.

She followed up the concerns that have been expressed by President Obama in a speech that he had given in Tahoe several weeks earlier, and assured them that the health of the Salton Sea and the people and birds who depended on it was very much on the minds of the administration and that they would be hearing more from her on this subject.

All of the young Club activists are part of Mina Barragan’s awesome team. Mina works for Allen Hernandez and is jointly funded by the My Generation Campaign and the San Gorgonio Chapter.

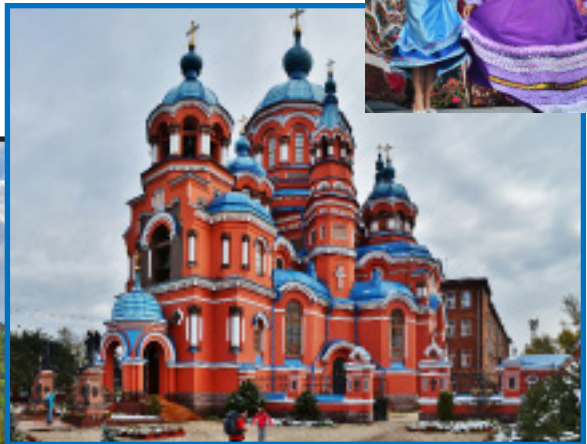
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Chapter's Nov Program: Travels in Japan and Russia

Long-time chapter members Ladd and Gail Seekins will present a slideshow of their travels in Japan and Russia at the November meeting of the San Gorgonio Chapter. In September and October of

the Fushimi Inari-taisha shrine with its 10,000 vermilion torii gates; the 1,200-year old bronze Buddha statue in Nara, the world’s largest; and the historic samurai houses and geisha districts of Kanazawa. On the last weekend



Khabarovsk, Blagoveshchensk and Yakutsk. Their hosts organized cultural performances and tours of the local museums,

2015, the Seekins spent three weeks in Japan and nearly three more in Eastern Siberia and the Russian Far East. Their presentation will highlight the eleven cities they visited — five Japanese and six Russian.

During their independent travel in Japan, the Seekins visited Tokyo, Mount Fuji, Kyoto, Nara and Kanazawa. Highlights in Japan were the Tokyo National Museum; the Edo-Tokyo Museum; two of the imperial palaces in Kyoto;



of the climbing season, the Seekins did a little climbing on Mount Fuji, but rain turned them back just short of station seven.

In Russia the Seekins were leaders of a Rotary Friendship Exchange team hosted by Russian Rotarians in Vladivostok,

churches and other sights. In Irkutsk they celebrated 25 years of Rotary in Russia with the local Rotarians, visited the Taltsi open air museum and cruised on Lake Baikal. After the exchange, they spent a few days on their own in Ulan Ude, visiting churches, Buddhist temples and an Old Believers village.

The Seekins have travelled extensively and have presented slide shows at many past chapter meetings. Their most recent shows have been of their visits to national historic sites in the Eastern US and their travels in South Africa. Gail is a retired public health nurse who does extensive volunteer work for the Girl Scouts and her church. Ladd is a local business owner and volunteers for the Sierra Club and Rotary.

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Membership Information

There is a membership coupon in this issue and address change information above. For other questions, contact the Sierra Club at (415) 977-5500 or ralphsalisbury@att.net



The Stars are the Stars at Chapter's December Program!

Professor, astronomer, photographer and dark sky advocate Tyler Nordgren is the speaker at the December 6th chapter meeting. He has titled his talk "Go for the Sun, Stay for the Stars." As well as discussing next year's total solar eclipse, he will show his stunning photography of the night sky over some of the most beautiful landscapes of America's national parks.

On August 21, 2017, for the first time in almost a hundred years, a total solar eclipse will sweep across the U.S. "While this 'once in a lifetime' event will happen during the middle of the day and dark skies will not be necessary, those who travel to one of America's scenic wilderness areas will get a second treat on the nights around the eclipse when they see the summer Milky Way arch overhead from the darkest skies in America. From starry skies to next year's

total solar eclipse, the national parks offer the premier location to see the beauty of the natural world on Earth and above it. Come for the Sun, but stay for the stars," Dr. Nordgren said.

He is a Full Professor of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Redlands. While earning his PhD in astronomy at Cornell University, Dr. Nordgren has used modern observatories around the world as part of his research. In 2004 and 2012, NASA's rovers Spirit, Opportunity and Curiosity landed on Mars carrying sundials, or "MarsDials" on board which Dr.

Nordgren helped design with a team of seven other scientists and artists.

Since 2005, Dr. Nordgren has worked with the U.S. National Park Service to promote astronomy education in U.S. national parks where the public still has a chance to see a natural nocturnal landscape that includes an

unobstructed view of the Universe beyond our own atmosphere.

Dr. Nordgren has helped document this vanishing landscape with award-winning night sky photography that has been on display in galleries from New York City to Flagstaff, Arizona, and is on display in a number of national parks.

In 2010 his book *Stars Above, Earth Below: A Guide to Astronomy in the National Parks* spread the message of the importance of protecting the night sky. This interdisciplinary look at the intersection of the night sky, geology, art, history, exploration and environmental conservation and America's national parks was funded by The Planetary Society, the non-profit space advocacy organization founded by the late Carl Sagan.

In 2011 Dr. Nordgren was elected to the Board of Directors of the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA) the premier organization dedicated to protecting and preserving dark starry skies around the world. Dr. Nordgren now regularly tours the national parks giving talks to visitors and rangers alike educating both on the beauty of the night sky and how our national parks open a window on the Universe beyond.



Calendar of Outings, Meetings, and Other Events

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2016

The outings calendar is on the Internet at <http://sangorgonio.sierraclub.org>

CALENDAR SUBMISSIONS

DEADLINE: Items for the January/February 2017 Calendar are due by December 1, 2016.

FORMAT items similar to those below. Send items electronically if possible.

OUTINGS: Send outings write-ups to your group or section Outings Chair.

MEETINGS & other events: Send electronically to Ladd Seekins at <ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com>

GENERAL INFORMATION, RULES & DISCLAIMERS

All Outings Leaders are Chapter Certified Leaders having appropriate Outings Training Courses, First Aid Courses, & experience for the Outings they lead. LEADERS may exclude individuals from participation if they believe they may not be qualified. Non-Sierra Club members may join outings unless otherwise stated in the write-up. All participants agree to abide by the Leader's rules. Participants should **CALL THE LEADER AHEAD TO SIGN-UP.**

WHAT TO BRING

Many Outings specify items to be carried by EACH participant. Do not attend Outings without the specified items unless you have first discussed it with the leader. Often the **TEN ESSENTIALS** are required. They are: 1) map, 2) compass, 3) flashlight, 4) knife, 5) windproof/waterproof matches in waterproof case, 6) fire starter, 7) first aid kit, 8) extra food & water for emergency use only, 9) extra clothing including rainwear, & 10) sun protection including sunscreen/sunglasses/hat.

ADVENTURE PASS SPECIAL NOTICE

See box centered on this page. **THE FOREST SERVICE IS IN THE PROCESS OF UPDATING MAPS WHERE THIS PASS IS REQUIRED.** Be sure to contact the leader regarding permits. If you arrive at the meeting place **WHERE A PASS IS REQUIRED** without making arrangements with the leader and you don't have a pass or find a ride in a vehicle with a pass, you **MAY** not be able to attend the outing. A \$.50 contribution from everyone in the vehicle is reasonable for annual passes (above normal mileage contribution).

CARPOOLING POLICY

In the interests of facilitating the logistics of some outings, it is customary that participants make carpooling arrangements. The Sierra Club does not have insurance for carpooling arrangements & assumes no liability for them. Carpooling, ride sharing, or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. Drivers should have adequate insurance coverage & their vehicles should have no safety defects. Drivers of carpools agree to not consume any alcoholic beverages. It is customary for riders to share expenses with the driver. Five cents per mile per person for short trips is suggested while three cents per mile per person over 100 miles is usually reasonable.

LIABILITY WAIVER

In order to participate on one of the Sierra Club's outings, you will need to sign the following liability waiver:

Sign-In Sheet & Acknowledgment of Outing Member Responsibility, Express Assumption of Risk, & Release of Liability

I understand that during my participation in this Sierra Club Outing, I may be exposed to a variety of hazards & risks, foreseen or unforeseen, which are inherent in each Outing & cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the Outing. These inherent risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious personal injury, property damage, & death ("Injuries & Damages") from exposure to the hazards of travel & the Sierra Club has not tried to contradict or minimize my understanding of these risks. I know that Injuries & Damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders & assistants or third parties, either as a result of negligence or because of other reasons. I understand that risks of such Injuries & Damages are involved in adventure travel such as Sierra Club Outings & I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person & for others around me in the face of such hazards. I further understand that on this Outing there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise necessary to deal with the Injuries & Damages to which I may be exposed.

In consideration for my acceptance as a participant on this Outing, & the services & amenities to be provided by the Sierra Club in connection with the Outing, I confirm my understanding that:

I have read any rules & conditions applicable to the Outing made available to me; I will pay any costs & fees for the Outing; & I acknowledge my participation is at the discretion of the leader.

The Outing begins & ends at the location where the Outing officially commences with leader & participants in attendance, as designated by the Sierra Club ("Trailhead"). The Outing does not include carpooling, transportation, or transit to & from the Trailhead, & I am personally responsible for all risks associated with this travel. This does not apply to transportation provided by the Sierra Club after the commencement & before the end of the Outing.

If I decide to leave early & not to complete the Outing as planned, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to leave & waive all liability against the Sierra Club arising from that decision. Likewise, if the leader has concluded the Outing, & I decide to go forward without the leader, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to go forward & waive all liability against the Sierra Club arising from that decision.

This Agreement is intended to be as broad & inclusive as is permitted by law. If any provision or any part of any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or legally unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby & shall remain valid & fully enforceable.

To the fullest extent allowed by law, I agree to **WAIVE, DISCHARGE CLAIMS, & RELEASE FROM LIABILITY, & to INDEMNIFY & HOLD HARMLESS** the Sierra Club, its officers, directors, employees, agents, & leaders from any & all liability on account of, or in any way resulting from Injuries & Damages, even if caused by negligence of the Sierra Club its officers, directors, employees, agents, & leaders, in any way connected with this Outing. I understand & intend that this assumption of risk & release is binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators & assigns, & includes any minors accompanying me on the Outing.

I have read this document in its entirety & I freely & voluntarily assume all risks of such Injuries & Damages & notwithstanding such risks, I agree to participate in the Outing.

Note: If the participant is a minor, the minor's guardian must sign on the minor's behalf.

RECURRING MONTHLY MEETINGS

(LOOK IN CALENDAR FOR DATES)

(1ST MON) 6:00 PM MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on Feb 1, Apr 4, May 2, Oct 3, Nov 7. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. MOUNTAINS GROUP

**ADVENTURE PASS SPECIAL NOTICE

Outings occurring in the San Bernardino, Angeles, Cleveland, or Los Padres National Forests may require a Forest Service "Adventure Pass" for each vehicle. The Forest Service designates where the passes are required. Generally, areas that have developed parking and may include toilet facilities, interpretive signs and trash cans require passes and unimproved areas do not require passes. These Outings will be preceded by ** in the listings that follow and/or the leader may indicate the need for Adventure Passes. While leaders try to provide accurate information, ultimately it is the vehicle's driver that assumes responsibility to adhere to all rules, regulations and laws – not the Sierra Club. The permits cost \$30 per year or \$5 per day; however, they may not be obtainable the day of your outing. As a passenger, you are expected to share some of the cost of the daily passes, along with a mileage contribution, along with the others in the vehicle. Golden Eagle Passports and Golden Age Passports may be used in lieu of the Adventure Pass.

(1ST TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING
PROGRAM: See front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911 CHAPTER

(1ST WED) 6:30 PMBIG BEAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: EDCALLENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com BIG BEAR GROUP

(1ST THU) LOS SERRANOS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Odd-numbered months only (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov). PLACE: For meeting time & place, contact BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

(2ND MON) 7:00 PM MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING
Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard's Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. MOUNTAINS GROUP

(2ND TUE) 7:00 PM CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate: we need your help! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimfloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385. CHAPTER

(2ND WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. INFO: SUSAN STUEBER, susanquintin.stueber@gmail.com MOJAVE GROUP

(2ND THU) 6:00 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

(3RD TUE) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
Monthly except July & August. Programs on nature, conservation & travel topics. The public is welcome & refreshments are served. See Los Serranos webpage for detailed program information: sangorgonio.sierraclub.org/groups/los_serranos PLACE: First Presbyterian Church, 869 N. Euclid Ave, Upland CA (educational building, entrance in rear). INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

(3RD THU) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except December, January and February. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site <http://www.sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/big-bear>. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com BIG BEAR GROUP

(4TH TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING
Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The San Gorgonio Chapter office, 4079 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside. INFO: MARY ANN RUIZ, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379 CHAPTER

WEEKLY RECURRING OUTINGS & FITNESS ACTIVITIES

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings

MON 6:00 PM RIVERSIDE MT. RUBIDOUX ONE HOUR FITNESS WALK
MEET: Ninth Street entrance to Mt. Rubidoux. INFO: JUDY SMITH, (951) 369-5117. CHAPTER

MON 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP CONDITIONING HIKE
Please join me for a 3-mile conditioning walk beside the Mojave River in Apple Valley. We leave promptly at 7 PM. MEET: In the Jess Ranch Marketplace parking lot closest to the Mojave River Bed, between the Jess Ranch Cinemark & Bed, Bath & Beyond Store, address: 18815 Bear Valley Rd, Apple Valley, CA 92308. Light post location is 158. Come enjoy the evening air, river breeze, sunsets, stars & moon on this Mojave River walk. BRING: Flashlight & water. WEAR: layered clothing & good hiking shoes. For questionable weather please call LEADER: MELODY NICHOLS (760) 961-0731. MOJAVE GROUP

NOVEMBER 1 – NOVEMBER 6

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

NOV 1 (TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING
PROGRAM: See front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911 CHAPTER

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****NOV 2 (WED) 7:30 AM TELEGRAPH PEAK HIKE**
This will be a strenuous hike up Ice House Canyon into the Cucamonga Wilderness to the top of Telegraph Peak (elevation 8,985 ft), 11.5 miles through hike down to ski lift. parking lot with 3900 ft. elevation gain. Scenic view from the top of Telegraph Peak. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, 3+ liters water, lunch, sunscreen. Adventure Pass will be required for parking at the trailhead. Contact John St. Clair prior to scheduled date for carpooling and meeting place. LEADER: John St. Clair, 909-983-8501, <john@stclairs.us>
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 2 (WED) 9:00 AM HIDDEN SPRINGS HIKE
Moderate 4-mile loop hike on the Hidden Springs trail and arroyo. Trail has some ups and downs but basically follows the base of the hills. We start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Bring water, wear sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: next to Hidden Springs School, 9801 Hidden Springs Dr., Moreno Valley. Park along Greenridge Dr. next to the park. INFO and LEADER Eileen O'Brien (951) 616-9739
MORENO VALLEY GROUP

NOV 2 (WED) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

NOV 3 (THU) LOS SERRANOS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Odd-numbered months only (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov). PLACE: For meeting time & place, contact BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 5 (SAT) 8:00 AM ROUND MOUNTAIN HIKE
This 6-mile hike is made a little strenuous by the 300' climb to the top of Round Mountain. The remainder of the hike is easy. The views from the top of the Mountain are spectacular. Bring water, snacks, a camera and strong footwear. Layered clothing is recommended. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, CA 92308 by 8 a.m. LEADER: Norman Bossom 760-912-3725 or coachnorm@yahoo.com
MOJAVE GROUP

NOV 5 (SAT) 8:30 AM PCT: VAN DUSEN WEST HIKE
This hike will start at the Van Dusen/PCT crossing. We will hike west along the PCT for approximately 4 miles, have our snack and return to our vehicles. This part of the PCT is an exceptionally peaceful and lovely area to hike. This will be a moderate, 8-mile hike with little elevation gain. Bad weather cancels. MEET: be at the Convention Center parking lot before 8:30 am, we will carpool to trailhead. BRING: ten essentials, 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, sun protection, layered clothing, hiking boots, trekking poles and a camera. RESERVATIONS: contact Hike Leader Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

NOV 5 (SAT) 9:00 AM SB MTS, DOGWOOD TRAIL HIKE
Easy ramble starting in Dogwood Campground, off Hwy 18, and descending through groves of dogwoods as well as other large trees, and includes views towards Lake Arrowhead. BRING camera and a snack. Leader: HEATHER SARGEANT, 909-336-2836. CALL for meeting place.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

NOV 6 (SUN) 7:30 AM MECCA HILLS CANYON HIKE
Spend the first day of Pacific Standard Time in the desert. This hike will be a bit different from those I've led in the past. We'll be exploring and enjoying the geology, botany, and beauty of one of the many canyons in Mecca Hills. There's no trail and no specific mileage. Hikers who want to move at a slower pace, take a closer look at surroundings, take photographs without being left behind, or who just want a nice walk in the desert should like this change from regular 2-4 mph trail hikes. The point isn't so much mileage (although we'll hike 4-6 miles with gradually increasing elevation) as enjoyment of the environs. We'll be hiking up a wash, past mudstone formations and maybe hoodoos, looking for slots to squeeze through and caves to explore. If there's any rain before the hike there might even be a few early wildflowers. RATING: Moderate due to uneven footing, no trail, and shade less exposure. MEET: We'll meet under the big sign at the TA Travel Stop parking lot along Interstate 10 just east of Indio at 7:30 AM and carpool several miles to the trailhead, taking as few cars as possible since the dirt parking area is small. BRING: Ten essentials including layered clothing (a windbreaker might be wise), 2-4 liters of water, lunch, snacks, sun protection (hat, sunglasses, long sleeve shirt, umbrella if desired -- there's no shade), personal first aid kit, and trekking poles. We will practice No Trace hiking by packing out all our fruit peels, trash, & used toilet paper. The wash may be muddy in some areas so wear appropriate boots. Rain cancels. WEATHER: This time of year can be quite variable in conditions -- clear & sunny to overcast & wet -- so check the forecast prior to departure. Rain in the high desert could flood the canyon so rain absolutely cancels this hike. RESERVATIONS: Contact Hike Leader, L.J. Foster, by sending an email to eljayeff@verizon.net or by leaving a message at (951) 845-9440.
BIG BEAR GROUP

NOVEMBER 7 – NOVEMBER 13

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

NOV 7 (MON) 6:00 PM MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on Feb 1, Apr 4, May 2, Oct 3, Nov 7. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

NOV 8 (TUE) 7:00 PM CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate: we need your help! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimffloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385.
CHAPTER

NOV 9 (WED) 9:00 AM TAHQUITZ PEAK FIRE LOOKOUT HIKE
Join us for this favorite hike to the historic fire lookout at the top of Tahquitz Peak at 8846 feet elevation. We will start at Humber Park and hike up 4.5 miles via Devil's Slide Trail and PCT, gaining 2400 feet, enjoying sweeping vistas all along the way! Enjoy lunch at the summit before returning the same way, making this a 9-mile round-trip. Rain cancels, BRING: water, lunch/snacks, sturdy boots, hat, sun screen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. MEET: Contact leader for carpool arrangements from Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola 909-346-9653, kviola826@gmail.com. L O S SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 9 (WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. INFO: SUSAN STUEBER, susanquintin.stueber@gmail.com
MOJAVE GROUP

NOV 10 (THU) 9:00 AM UPPER MARSHALL CANYON HIKE
This moderate rated hike goes through a convoluted 4.5-mile round-trip trail with a 750' elevation

gain at the summit. There's plenty of foliage and views on this one, thanks to the city of La Verne for making this a Regional Park for all to enjoy. BRING: water, sturdy boots, hiking sticks, and layered clothing. Rain cancels. MEET: For place, please call LEADER: JEFF WARHOL 909-985-7686 or e-mail jmwandijw@hotmail.com to confirm by 5 p.m. Nov. 9.
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 10 (THU) 6:00 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com
SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

NOV 12 (SAT) 8:00 AM SB MTS, FALL AT LAKE GREGORY BIRD WALK
MEET: NORTH SHORE parking lot, across from Goodwin's (24089 Lake Gregory Drive, Crestline 92325). Pay \$8.00 parking fee or park on street free. See which birds remain for the winter and possible winter arrivals as we walk around the lake (2.5 miles). Optional breakfast after the walk. Leader: BILL ENGS (909-338-1910).
MOUNTAINS GROUP

NOV 12 (SAT) 8:00 AM PCT: HIGHWAY 173 HIKE
This 6-mile hike along the Pacific Crest Trail towards Silverwood Lake Dam through the recent burn area of the Pilot Fire is easy. It will give us an insight into the recovery of this lovely area. The views across Summit Valley are always a pleasure to the eye. BRING: Water, snacks, a camera and strong footwear. Layered clothing is recommended. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, CA 92308 by 8 a.m. LEADER; Norman Bossom 760-912-3725 or coachnorm@yahoo.com
MOJAVE GROUP

NOV 12 (SAT) 8:30 AM JOSHUA TREE, EUREKA PEAK HIKE
The point of this semi-loop hike isn't so much to gain the peak, as you can take a dirt road to the top, but rather to enjoy the process of getting there as we sample a number of the nice trails in the Black Rock Canyon area on the western end of Joshua Tree. And yes, from the peak we will enjoy great views of the surrounding valleys, plus San Jacinto and San Geronio. We have quite a few route choices, but most likely will take the California Riding and Hiking trail for a short distance to the Eureka Peak Trail, and return on the Burnt Hill trail. Total distance is about 9 miles, with a climb of 1600 feet to get on top of the 5600' peak, the fourth highest in Joshua Tree. RATED: Moderate. MEET: Black Rock Visitor's Center, 9800 Black Rock Canyon Road, Yucca Valley, CA 92284. You do not go through an entrance station and no fee is required. BRING: Ten essentials, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, and 2.5-liters of water RESERVATIONS: Contact Dave Melton, Hike Leader at (760) 408-2456 or dmelton61@yahoo.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

NOV 12 (SAT) 9:00 AM JOSHUA TREE: WEST SIDE LOOP HIKE
Join us on a 6.5-mile moderately difficult hike with 1000' of elevation gain in the Black Rock Canyon area of Joshua National Park. We will be using two trails for this hike. The West Side Loop trail (5.1 miles) and the Hi-View Nature Trail (1.3 miles). The hike showcases both the geology and plant life of this beautiful high desert portion of Joshua Tree National Park. BRING: 3 liters of water, snacks, a lunch and a good pair of hiking shoes. Dress in layers. Sun screen is a must and a hat is recommended. DIRECTIONS: From the 10 freeway take highway 62. In Yucca Valley turn south on Joshua Lane and drive 5 miles through a residential area to the Black Rock Ranger Station at 9800 Black Rock Canyon Road, Yucca Valley, CA. 92284. LEADER: Gary Marsalone - For information or to make reservations email me at hikesie@gmail.com or call at (858-663-1201. Rain Cancels.
SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

NOVEMBER 14 – NOVEMBER 20

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

NOV 14 (MON) 4:30 PM APPLE VALLEY EVENING HIKE
Please join me for a short 3-mile evening hike in Apple Valley. We will leave at 4:30 sharp, in hopes of catching a beautiful sunset and views of Apple Valley. Then we will stop for Ice Cream at Baskin Robbins or (if too cold) grab a Hot apple cider and complete the last mile to the cars. Meet at the dirt lot on WEST end of Sitting Bull School 19445 Sitting Bull Road, Apple Valley, 92308. BRING: \$ for Ice Cream or Cider, wear good sturdy shoes and bring Flashlight and water. Children (if they can walk 3 miles) and friendly dogs are welcome. Foul weather may cancel. Call Leader Melody Nichols 760 963-4430 for any questions.
MOJAVE GROUP

NOV 14 (MON) 7:00 PM MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING
Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard's Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

NOV 15 (TUE) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
Monthly except July & August. Programs on nature, conservation & travel topics. The public is welcome & refreshments are served. See Los Serranos webpage for detailed program information: sangorgonio.sierraclub.org/groups/los_serranos PLACE: First Presbyterian Church, 869 N. Euclid Ave, Upland CA (educational building, entrance in rear). INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 16 (WED) 9:00 AM OLIVE MOUNTAIN HIKE
Enjoy the view from Olive Mountain with a difficult 3-mile round-trip hike. Elevation gain about 1000 ft. We start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Bring water, snack and sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: from 60 Freeway exit at Perris Blvd, go north 1 mile, turn right on Kalmia, go ½ mile and turn left. on Kitching. Park at the end of the road on Kitching. INFO and LEADER: Eileen O'Brien (951) 616-9739.
MORENO VALLEY GROUP

NOV 17 (THU) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except December, January and February. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site www.sieraclub.org/sangorgonio/big-bear. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

NOV 18 (FRI) 9:00 AM SB MTS, GREEN VALLEY LAKE RIDGE HIKE
Join us for a ridge hike around Green Valley Lake with beautiful views of the high desert. Distance: about 5 miles. WEAR: hiking boots, hat. BRING: layered clothing, water, snack. MEET: in Green Valley Lake across from the post office at 9 AM. WEAR layered clothing, BRING: No need to bring lunch just a snack and water. Leader: SANDY ELLIS, 909-867-7115 or <sellis67@gmail.com>. CALL for weather conditions and to confirm you are coming.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

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NOV 18 (FRI) 4:30 PM APPLE VALLEY HIKE
Please join me for a short 3-mile evening hike in Apple Valley. We will leave at 4:30 sharp, in hopes of catching a beautiful sunset and views of Apple Valley. Then we will stop for Ice Cream at Baskin Robbins or (if too cold) grab a Hot apple cider and complete the last mile to the cars. Meet at the dirt lot on WEST end of Sitting Bull School 19445 Sitting Bull Road, Apple Valley, 92308. BRING: \$ for Ice Cream or Cider, wear good sturdy shoes and bring Flashlight and water. Children are welcome (if they can walk 3 miles). Friendly dogs are welcome. Foul weather may cancel. Call Leader Melody Nichols 760 963-4430 for any questions. MOJAVE GROUP

NOV 19 (SAT) 8:00 AM PCT: SAND TO SNOW NAT MONUMENT HIKE
Hike in Whitewater Preserve along the PCT up to a viewpoint overlooking much of the new Sand to Snow National Monument. From Whitewater Preserve Ranger Station, we will hike north, along the PCT about 5.5 miles to a great viewpoint. Moderate hike, 11 miles, 1500 ft. elevation gain. BRING: Hiking boots, layered clothing, 3 liters of water, snacks and lunch. Exposed hike, hat and sunscreen advised. Contact leader for meeting place: LEADER: Mary Ann Ruiz, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, or 909-815-9379. LOS SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 19 (SAT) 8:00 AM SPLIT ROCK IN JUNIPER FLATS HIKE
There are some interesting rock formations and views to enjoy on this hike. This is a moderate 5 1/2 to 6-mile hike that gains and loses 600+ foot elevation twice. Allow at least a 6 hour time commitment from the meeting place. BRING: Water 2 to 3 liters, a snack/lunch, sunscreen/sun protection, hiking poles, (binoculars and camera optional), and WEAR sturdy shoes/boots. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873 Apple Valley Rd., Apple Valley, CA 92308 at 8:00 AM. From there we will caravan to the starting point of the trail. High clearance vehicles are recommended as we will be driving on a dirt road with some ruts. LEADER: Quintin Lake, Email: qlake15@gmail.com or Phone: (951) 315-7691. MOJAVE GROUP

NOV 19 (SAT) 8:30 AM MANZANITA FLATS HIKE
I had to cancel this hike last summer, so let's try to do it now while it's cooler and hopefully the snow hasn't arrived yet. This is a moderate/difficult 8-mile, 1600-ft. elevation gain, round-trip hike. This hike is in the San Gorgonio Wilderness so I will only be able to take 11 more people on my permit. We start up the San Bernardino Peak Trail, but we will only go as far as Manzanita Flats. There are great views and maybe a little fall color left. Bad weather cancels. MEET: San Bernardino Peak trailhead in Angelus Oaks before 8:30 AM. BRING: Ten essentials, 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, wear layered clothing, sun protection, hiking boots, trekking poles and a camera. RESERVATIONS: Hike Leader Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com BIG BEAR GROUP

NOV 19 (SAT) 9:00 AM GOLD MOUNTAIN HIKE
This is a "Peaks" of Big Bear hike. Those achieving all five peaks overlooking the Big Bear Valley will be given a commemorative patch. This will be an 8-mile round-trip hike, with 1325' elevation gain. RATING: Moderate/Strenuous BRING: 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, sun protection, sunglasses, hat, trekking poles and good hiking boots MEET: Vons Parking Lot, adjacent to the boulevard by Starbucks, 42170 Big Bear Blvd. and we will carpool to the trail head on Holcomb Valley Rd. No Adventure Pass needed CONTACT: Leader, Charlotte Watts at momsampsite@gmail.com or call 909-866-7423. BIG BEAR GROUP

NOVEMBER 21 – NOVEMBER 27

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

NOV 22 (TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING
Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The San Gorgonio Chapter office, 4079 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside. INFO: MARY ANN RUIZ, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379 CHAPTER

NOV 26 (SAT) 8:00 AM HIGHWAY 173 HIKE
This 5-mile hike is rated moderate because of the gradual elevation gain for the first half of the journey. There are numerous vantage points to take in the views across Deep Creek Canyon. BRING: Water, a snack and strong footwear. Layered clothing is recommended. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873 Apple Valley Road, CA 92308 by 8 a.m. LEADER: Norman Bossom 760-912-3725 or coachnorm@yahoo.com MOJAVE GROUP

NOVEMBER 28 – DECEMBER 4

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

NOV 29 (TUE) 8:00 AM CHAPMAN TRAIL - ICE HOUSE LOOP HIKE
Beginning at Ice House Canyon, we will hike a 9 mile loop with 2500 foot elevation gain, going up the Ice House Canyon Trail, enjoy lunch at the saddle, then return down via the Chapman Trail through Cedar Glen Camp. Rain cancels, BRING: water, lunch/snacks, sturdy boots, hat, sun screen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. MEET: Contact leader for carpool arrangements from Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola 909-346-9653, kviola826@gmail.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

NOV 30 (WED) 9:00 AM HIDDEN SPRINGS HIKE
Moderate 4-mile loop hike on the Hidden Springs trail and arroyo. Trail has some ups and downs but basically follows the base of the hills. We start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Bring water, wear sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: next to Hidden Springs School, 9801 Hidden Springs Dr., Moreno Valley. Park along Greenridge Dr. next to the park. INFO and LEADER Eileen O'Brien (951) 616-9739 MORENO VALLEY GROUP

****DEC 1 (THU) 9:00 AM CHANTRY FLAT HIKE**
This will be a moderately strenuous 10-mile loop hike from Chantry Flat, through Sturtevant Falls, Spruce Grove & Hoegees Campgrounds, returning via Upper Winter Creek Trail. This is a very scenic trail following creeks, mostly forested, with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, lunch & snacks, sunscreen, hat, and layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Adventure Pass is required for parking at trailhead. CONTACT Kathy Viola to confirm and for directions to trailhead OR carpooling from Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola at 909-346-9653 or kviola826@gmail.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

DEC 3 (SAT) 8:30 AM EUREKA PEAK HIKE
Join us on a 10.1-mile round-trip, moderately difficult hike in the Black Rock Canyon area of Joshua Tree National Park. The hike has 1,535' of net elevation gain. We will meet at the Black Rock Canyon Campground Ranger Station, located at 9800 Black Rock Canyon Rd. Yucca Valley, CA 92284. BRING: 3 liters of water, snacks, a lunch and a good pair of hiking shoes. Sun screen is a must and a hat is recommended. Dress in layers. DIRECTIONS: From the 10 freeway take highway 62. In Yucca Valley turn south on Joshua Lane and drive 5 miles through a residential area to the Black

Rock Ranger Station. LEADER: Bob Audibert - For information or to make reservations email me at bob.takeahike1@gmail.com or call at (951)3021059. Rain Cancels.

SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

DEC 3 (SAT) 8:30 AM SANTA ANA RIVER TRAIL HIKE
This is a lovely moderate, 8-mile hike with little elevation gain. It's off Hwy 38 on the way up to Big Bear. It has some special views, lots of trees, mostly it's just a nice trail to get out on for a few hours on a fall day. Bad weather cancels. MEET: The trailhead is off Glass Rd from Hwy 38. You will see a small parking area where the trailhead is. BRING: 10 essentials, 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, wear layered clothing, sun protection, hiking boots, trekking poles and camera. RESERVATIONS: Hike Leader Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com BIG BEAR GROUP

DEC 3 (SAT) 9:00 AM ARRASTRE CANYON AND POWER LINE ROAD HIKE
This 7-mile hike is rated moderate. The canyon is always a pleasure on the eye and there are many wonderful rock formations in the area. BRING: Water, snacks and strong footwear. Layered clothing is recommended. MEET: Bowen Ranch Road/Coxey Truck Trail by 9 a.m. LEADER: Carol Stubblefield. 760-964-0039 or yorkshirerose1@juno.com MOJAVE GROUP

DEC 3 (SAT) 9:15 AM ERNIE MAXWELL SCENIC TRAIL HIKE
This is an Idyllwild, CA area hike of the Ernie Maxwell Scenic Trail and return. The hike is a total distance of 5.20 miles within the Mt. San Jacinto Wilderness. The elevation gain is approximately 700 feet. Since you need a Wilderness Permit to park at the trailhead, participants will meet at the main U.S. Forest Service headquarter office in Idyllwild, CA at 9:25 a.m. Deep snow will cancel the hike. The hiking leader will contact all participants the night before the hike if the hike is cancelled due to poor weather. This hike is rated "easy". This is a perfect setting for a leisurely family hike. We will hike through a dense forest of pines with spectacular views of Suicide Rock and Tahquitz Peak. For additional information please call Darlene Taylor, Hiking Leader at (951) 385-5706 or email: dtaylorncrew@verizon.net. Co-leader Sharon Nardoza at (760) 208-3654, snardoza@cox.net BIG BEAR GROUP

DECEMBER 5 – DECEMBER 11

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
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DEC 5 (MON) 6:00 PM MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on Feb 1, Apr 4, May 2, Oct 3, Nov 7. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. MOUNTAINS GROUP

DEC 6 (TUE) 9:00 AM POTATO MOUNTAIN HIKE
This moderate 5-mile round-trip jaunt has a 1,200' elevation gain. It starts off in shady Evey Canyon and after reaching the saddle, we have exposures offering great vistas of the cities of Upland and Claremont below. BRING: water, sturdy boots, hiking sticks, and layered clothing. Rain cancels. MEET: Please call LEADER: JEFF WARHOL 909-985-7686 or e-mail jmwandjw@hotmail.com to confirm by 5 p.m. Dec. 5. LOS SERRANOS GROUP

DEC 6 (TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING
PROGRAM: See front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS, (909) 800-3911, ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com CHAPTER

DEC 7 (WED) 9:00 AM BOX SPRINGS MTN: SKYLINE LOOP HIKE
Moderate 3-mile hike on the skyline trail. Bring water and sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: From 60 Freeway exit at Pigeon Pass Road and drive north about 4 miles. Pigeon Pass turns into Box Springs Mountain Rd and becomes a dirt road going up. In 1.2 miles you reach parking area. Fee \$5. INFO and LEADER: Eileen O'Brien (951) 616-9739. MORENO VALLEY GROUP

DEC 7 (WED) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com BIG BEAR GROUP

DEC 8 (THU) 6:00 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

****DEC 9 (FRI) 8:00 AM STODDARD PEAK HIKE**
This will be a moderate hike up Barrett Canyon to the top of Stoddard Peak (elevation 4624 ft.), 6 miles round-trip with 1100 ft. elevation gain. The hike in Barrett Canyon is easy but the last half mile up Stoddard Peak is a steep scramble. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, snack, sunscreen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Adventure Pass will be required for parking at the trailhead. Contact John St. Clair to confirm and for directions to trailhead and carpooling meeting place. LEADER: John St. Clair at 909-983-8501 or john@stclairs.us LOS SERRANOS GROUP

DEC 9 (FRI) 9:00 AM S B MTS, GREEN VALLEY LAKE SNOWSHOE OR HIKE
We will snowshoe or hike depending on the weather. Green Valley Lake has some of the best snow in our local mountains, so come and join me for a day of fun. No prior snowshoe experience is necessary--it is not difficult to learn--just another form of hiking. You need to provide your own equipment. MEET: across from the post office and general store in Green Valley Lake at 9 AM. WEAR layered clothing, BRING: No need to bring lunch just a snack and water. Leader: SANDY ELLIS. 909-867-7115, <fsellis67@gmail.com>. Please CALL to check on weather conditions. If no snow, we will hike. MOUNTAINS GROUP

DEC 10 (SAT) 8:00 AM SANTA ANA RIVER BOTTOM BIRD WALK
MEET: at Sierra Club Office, 4079 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside 92501. Leader: BILL ENGS (909-338-1910). Bill will guide you to the birds. Distance: 3 mi. round-trip. Breakfast at local restaurant after walk (optional). MOUNTAINS GROUP

DEC 10 (SAT) 8:00 AM MOJAVE RIVER BASIN HIKE
This is a new trail along the Mojave River bank hiking towards Deep Creek Dam. It is rated moderate due to the fairly soft sand on parts of the 6-mile hike. The views throughout this area are ruggedly beautiful. BRING: Water, snacks and strong footwear. Layered clothing is recommended. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873 Apple Valley Road, CA 92308 by 8 a.m. LEADER: Norman Bossom 760-912-3725 or coachnorm@yahoo.com MOJAVE GROUP

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Big Bear Group

By Ed Caliendo, Group Chair

WINNERS of the Local Sierra Club Raffle

The final drawing was held on July 17, 2016, and thirty prizes were awarded to lucky ticket holders. The success of the RAFFLE was entirely the result of generous Big Bear area merchants! Prizes ranged from breathless helicopter scenic rides, to Lake Tours, Action Tours Segway rides, Costa fire wood, and hair salons. A special thanks to Terrance McCorkle (760) 252-2194 for donating five custom made birdhouses comprised of re-claimed lumber.

Thirty winners with 17 ticket holders from the Big Bear Valley. We want to thank all the participants.

William Brandt, Fawnskin
 Alysa Brennan, Big Bear Lake
 Scott Brennan, Yucca Valley
 Nancy Carter, Sugarloaf
 Nancy Cheifetz, Sugarloaf
 Nancy Elaez, Big Bear City
 Jim Fink, Anaheim
 Barbara Gregory, West Hollywood
 John Hardin, Redlands
 Kathy Hough, Fawnskin
 Joe Hoover, Twenty-nine Palms
 Roma Kiser, South Pasadena
 Maria Laverpy, Big Bear Lake
 Marianne Lins, Sugarloaf
 Diane Lynch, Sugarloaf

Lee Martin, Whittier
 Paul Melzer, Redlands
 Jim McGrew, Fawnskin
 John "Stumbles" Mirbo, Twin Peaks
 Greg Nazarian, Glendale
 Scott Orr, Big Bear Lake
 Paul Penardi, Big Bear Lake
 Michael Perry, Big Bear City
 Glenna Robideaux, Big Bear City
 Nyvette Schwemer, Big Bear City
 Sandy Simper, Helendale
 Kristen Valentyn, Laguna Niguel
 Alan Walter, Barstow
 Jeryle Warren, Big Bear Lake
 Christine Zink, Big Bear City

A New Feature Added to Big Bears Website

A new column of information has been added to our website, entitled: "NEWS". Go to: <http://www.sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/big-bear> and click on the NEWS tab. You will be able to review the latest in local news and photos.... All about what is happening in Big Bear with the Sierra Club!

Four Summit Mount Whitney

In the last week of August, 2016, four individuals began a 76 mile round-trip backpacking trip from Horseshoe Meadows/Cottonwood Pass (9,950') with the goal of climbing to the top of Mt. Whitney (14,495'). This is the highest peak in the continental United States of America. Our return trip was an exact return of the John Muir Trail and Pacific Crest Trail that we followed in reaching the top of Mt. Whitney.

Lorrie Ann Monson, the fourth member of our team, reached within one-mile of the top of Mt. Whitney before becoming too light headed and dizzy to continue. For her safety, Lorrie Ann returned to our base camp at Guitar Lake.



L to R: Catherine Shih, Charlotte Watts, and Ed Caliendo at summit



L to R: Lorrie Ann Monson, Catherine Shih, and Charlotte Watts on backpacking trip



Top of Mt. Whitney 14,495'

VOTE for New Board Members

Each year at this time, we ask members of the Sierra Club Big Bear Group to vote on those incubate and new board members for the coming year. This year we have only one incubate board member to vote upon.

Please vote for the proposed board member:

Individual Vote Yes Vote No
 Ed Wallace Incumbent Board Conservation Chair

A second ballot is provided for those families that have two Sierra Club members in the same household. Each member is to vote separately.

Individual Vote Yes Vote No
 Ed Wallace Incumbent Board Conservation Chair

Completed Ballots are to be returned to:

The Sierra Club Big Bear Group, P.O. Box 3048, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315

The open board position is for the years 2017 – 2018. If elected, the above individual will serve for two consecutive years. The board position and responsibilities as an active board member will be determined at our first meeting in January 2017.



Candidate Profile:

Ed Wallace has been a Sierra Club member for over 30 years and is currently responsible for overseeing our conservation activities within the Big Bear Valley. Ed is a past-Group Chairman of the Big Bear Group and is on the board of the San Bernardino Land Trust and on the Big Bear Valley Educational Trust.

Also, Ed received two distinguished Sierra Club service awards; the Ralph Salisbury Award and the Joe Momeyer Award. Further, Ed Wallace was selected as Man of the Year by the Big Bear Rotary Club in 2015.

Ed Wallace



Mojave Group

By Susan Stueber, Group Chair, and Jenny Wilder

Stewardship Activities in Arrastre Canyon

By Jenny Wilder

We invite visitors and locals to join us in our stewardship activities in Arrastre Canyon just south of Apple Valley. We encourage you to explore this lovely area of natural beauty, while also helping to keep it beautiful. Stewardship is about adding a deeper level of appreciation for the area and learning more by doing good and feeling good about your visit.



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There is a rich history in these foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains and lots of opportunity to enjoy fantastic views of the valley and mountains beyond.

The Juniper Flats Area is a transition zone between the desert and mountain ecosystems and the area is packed with biodiversity, cultural sites and numerous seeps and springs.

The Friends of Juniper Flats want this area to remain open to the public, so that it can serve as the much-needed connection to nature we all crave. But keeping it open and in a natural state means taking care of the land and trails. A thriving native habitat provides better forage and shelter for wildlife, so in addition to more native plants and wildflowers visitors get to see more wildlife.



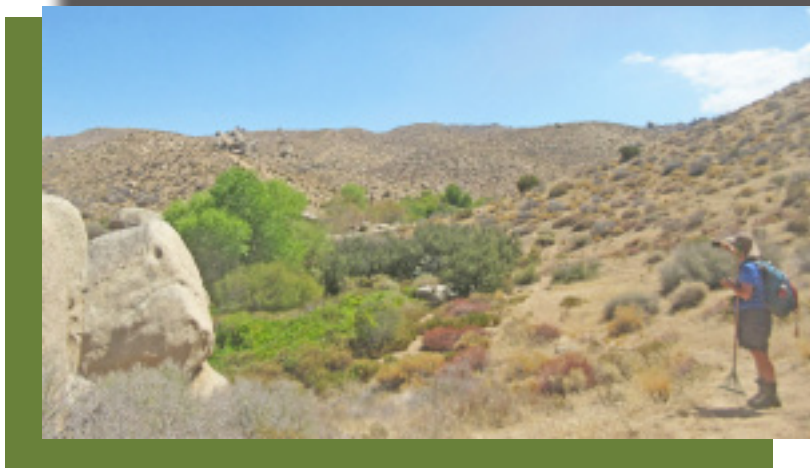
In conjunction with the BLM (Bureau of Land Management) Volunteer work days are held regularly and these provide a hands-on experience for stewardship and an opportunity to enjoy good exercise and great scenery while doing good work. On workdays you might find yourself raking out tracks, hauling logs or rocks to put next to a red closed sign, taking photos, fixing fences, helping to identify animal tracks, birds or plants (and learning more about them), or re-installing route signs.

In addition, if you are looking for a career in the great outdoors or career change, these workdays will look good on your resume!

Several roads and trails in the area Juniper Flats Area welcome hikers, horseback riders, mountain bicyclists, motorcycle riders as well as

street legal and green sticker OHVs.

Come out and find out more. Contact Alyssa Canoff at BLM Barstow. She is Visitor Use, Monitoring and Restoration Fellow in charge of the Restoration Project in Arrastre Canyon. Office: (760) 252-6051 Email: acanoff@blm.gov. Ask to be added to her email list for updates on public outreach activities and volunteer workdays.



The next public outreach day is Saturday, November 12. Friends of Juniper Flats are also coordinating "monitoring hikes." If you like to hike in hilly terrain to feel good and get something done, please contact Jenny Wilder at JensOasis@aol.com (760 220 0730) or Susan Stueber at [sstueber16@gmail.com](mailto:ssstueber16@gmail.com) (760 900 5330). We can use your help! In addition to the hikes, there are opportunities to "monitor" from a 4x4 vehicle, horse, mountain bike or ATV.

If you like to leave it better than you found it, we hope you will join us in our efforts!

MOJAVE GROUP ELECTIONS

It is time to cast your vote for four positions vacant on the Mojave Groups Executive Committee. Please complete and cut out the ballot below and mail it to: Quintin Lake, 17100 Bear Valley Road Ste. B #237 Victorville, CA 92395-5852. Ballots must be received by the end of November. You can also vote at the Mojave Group's November 9th general meeting.

- You may vote for four:
- Susan Stueber (incumbent chair)----- Check
 - Bryan Baker (incumbent conservation chair)-----
 - Norman Bossom (outings chair)-----
 - Deborah Buchanan (recorder) -----
 - Other: _____
 - Write-in -----

Mountains Group

By Dave Barrie, Group Chair

Let's start with the Mountains Group Executive Committee (ExCom) election ballot and your voting options.

On Page 9 you will find the Mountains Group "paper ballot" that you can cut out, complete, and mail in. Or, as you will see on the ballot, you can go to the Mountains Group website and vote online. And that is a first for us. We are pretty sure that it is going to work too! (Fingers crossed.)

On the ballot, in addition to the ExCom candidates you will find a "Proposal" that we are asking you to vote on as well.

The Proposal is asking for approval to revise our bylaws to allow for a fixed ExCom term start date of January 1st, instead of "the first meeting of the year."

The Mountains Group ExCom approved the change, the Chapter ExCom approved the change, the Sierra Club Bylaws, Standing Rules and Election Committee approved the change, and now, if you please, we need you to approve the change. The Mountains Group ExCom recommends a yes vote on this!

And a note about online voting: The Sierra Club has a policy of ballots being secret ballots but says about online voting - "Because it is not possible with current technology to verify one-member/one-vote without an Election Committee member having access to each member's voted online ballot, the requirement to maintain strict ballot secrecy has been removed. We still expect that members' votes will be kept confidential by the individual examining the online voting record." And that is how we will treat your ballot.

Finally, sadly, I need to mention the loss of two of our long-time Sierra Club and Mountains Group members.

Margaret Spiess was an active participant – in the Sierra Club, in her mountain community and in life. She was a hiker, an Outings Leader (including inner-city outings), an Overseer for gatherings at Keller Hut, and helped raise funds for us working at the Mountain Thrift Shoppe. Margaret was a teacher, an artist, an active environmental advocate and a dear friend to many of us. We'll miss her.

Carol Pedder was fierce, combative, dedicated, and tough. She loved our mountains and she loved animals and fought tirelessly to protect both. She was an environmental leader in our community, a Mountains Group member and the "Founding Mother" of the Save Our Forest Association. She showed us that if one environmental group is good, two is better. We'll miss her.

Mountains Group Ballot Statement

NAME: Karla Barton
 RESIDENCE: Green Valley Lake, California
 CURRENT MEMBER SINCE: 2013
 OCCUPATION: Clean Vacation Rentals
 SIERRA CLUB LEADERSHIP POSITION: Outings Leader (2014)
 OTHER LEADERSHIP POSITIONS: Mountains Community Alliance Board Member (2013-2016)

STATEMENT:

I seek a San Bernardino Mountains Group Excom position to support the continued health and effectiveness of the organization. I strive to assist the organization in:

1. Stopping over-development.
2. Protecting the ecosystem.
3. Educating the community.

Lead hikes, participate in Keller Hut work parties, and volunteer at the Blue Jay Thrift Shoppe for the Sierra Club Mountains Group (SCMG). I volunteer for the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust (SMBLT) building trails and participating in forest restoration projects which include: removal of invasive species, tree planting, illegal road / trail abandonment, and graffiti removal. I also volunteer at the Green Valley Lake Community Garden for Mountain Communities Alliance (MCA). I recently organized a project funded by the SCMG and sponsored by MCA to build bat houses for our declining bat population. Thus, I have experience addressing ecological issues that affect our local mountain region.

I'm finishing up an MS in International Relations Global Studies, and hold a BS in Sociology / Criminal Justice, Troy University, AL. I also have an AA in Liberal Arts & Sciences, and Fire Technology, Palomar College, CA. I have worked in the non-profit sector for the American Red Cross, first as a volunteer instructor for 14 years, and secondly in a paid position as an Instructor Scheduler and Training Coordinator. I worked as a teacher overseas, and taught English in Japan and South Korea. This experience in organizational management and education can be used to further the mission of the Sierra Club.

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Santa Margarita Group

By Michael H. Momeni, PhD - Environmental Nuclear Scientist

Visit our interactive blog "What's up" at: <http://sierraconservation.blogspot.com/>
After our brief summer vacation, we started working hard on our agenda. We met at the pool at Laurie and David Webster's house:



Members of Executive Committee and Associates

Transportation Task Group

Exhaust from gasoline engines has been a major contributor to the air quality of Temecula Valley. We are tasked to examine local transportation problems, seek methods to promote mass-transit systems, and collaborate with other organizations pursuing similar objectives. Multiple studies have identified air pollution as an initiator for asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and lung cancer.

Highway 15/215 in Temecula Valley is the main artery for connecting San Diego to the highways 10, 40 and route 91. In addition, it is the principle route for commuters to Los Angeles, Riverside, Escondido and San Diego. These vehicles all have contributed to the airborne pollution in our valley.

The existing train connecting Perris to Riverside is infrequent and very slow to be useful for commuters. The proposed rapid train linking San Francisco to Los Angeles or San Diego would be many years to come; in addition, it would be infrequent and could not function for commuters. The frequently stated justification for these deficiencies has been few commuter are using the present transit system in town; the commuters complain the system is infrequent, or not in existence, and very slow to be practical.

What are the solutions? Our Task Group will be examining both short-term and long-term practical objectives. We will pursue a greater access to local public transportation within our community. Our agenda includes attending the T-Now, organizing outings using mass transit.

Wildlife Corridor

The Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve and the Santa Margarita River are essential to wildlife in the region and should be permanently protected. Highway 15 in Temecula divides the natural routes for wildlife passage between the western section of Cleveland National Forest, Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve, and the eastern section of the Forest.

Two proposed major developments in Temecula, Altair and Temecula Inn Golf Course, close to Highway 15 would further exasperate the problem. The Altair development would be located on the western side of Temecula, adjacent to the Old Town (see graphic left). The Temecula Inn Golf Course Development would be located on the present golf course land. We are working and consulting with other local organizations pursuing the same objective of a wildlife corridor.

We have been examining the details for development of both projects. We are recommending elimination of Phase 4 so that the wildlife crossing at Temecula Creek is less impacted.

Meadow Day Teri Biancardi notes: "The next Meadow Day is on Saturday, October 29th. It would be a model for Riverside County's watershed management." Among the topics to be presented are:

- Grasslands and greenhouse gasses: California's new energy policy;
- Meadowview's milestone stream restoration: a first for Riverside County;
- Working with Nature to Heal the Harm;
- Restoring the meadow: a comprehensive land management plan;
- A team on the ground: Meadowview's service minded volunteers;
- The state of the meadow: where we are and where we're going

Election: Tim Sheridan

Maryellen Garcia recommended: "Tim Sheridan of California's 42 Congressional District supports our Sierra Club goals." Tim will challenge Ken Calvert, who has had an abysmal anti-environmental record in the House. The Santa Margarita Group enthusiastically encourages voting for Sheridan in November.

Reflections on California Naturalist Certification Conference

Margaret Meyncke offered feedback: "This conference was Fabulous! It is a great opportunity to get training as a naturalist and also connect with citizen science projects throughout the state of California.

How do we connect this fantastic opportunity with the Sierra Club?

- Get the word out through social media and other means of communication. This program

- is a solid fit with the mission and goals of the Sierra Club.
- Create a chapter-wide campaign of support that will unify us and provide a common cause to create connection.
- Take personal responsibility.

Monthly Speaker

Professional investment advisor Scott Smith's presentation, September 8, focused on investment in socially responsible companies that would not abuse or pollute the environment.

Schedule of Events

- October 15th: Tour of Primal Pastures, a Murrieta humane and sustainable farm, including a picnic for the whole family;
- November 6th: Tour of Temecula Olive Oil Ranch. Located in Aguanga;
- December 11th: Holiday Party at Vail Lake Resort Village.

Hikes

- August 6, Palomar Mountain State Park;
- September 6, Suicide Rock above the town of Idyllwild.

SANTA MARGARITA GROUP ELECTIONS

Below is the ballot for our upcoming elections for members of our Executive Committee. This Committee (ExCom) sets the direction of the group for 2016. The ExCom consists of seven members with four elected one year and three on the following year. Offices and responsibilities are decided once the group meets in January.

If you are a member of the Santa Margarita Group, please cast your vote, which can include writing yourself in. You can also become involved by attending ExCom meetings on your own, with your input and ideas encouraged!

Please vote for no more than three and mail to arrive on or before

November 30, 2016.

**Mail to: Santa Margarita Group Sierra Club
31915 Rancho California Road Ste. 200-133, Temecula, CA 92591**

Print your name and address and sign your name on the outside of the envelope along with your signature. In the case of a joint membership, both should print their name and sign. This is required to verify membership.

Santa Margarita Group Ballot

(Please vote for 3 or fewer)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> George McMackin | <input type="checkbox"/> George McMackin |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Audibert | <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Audibert |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Momeni | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Momeni |
| <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| First Ballot | Second Ballot (Joint Membership) |

Tahquitz Group's Excom Election

By Joan Taylor

Candidates' Biographical Statements

Kathy Kelley has been an active member of the Sierra Club for many years. An avid sportswoman even during her busy career as a physician, Kathy "took to the hills" more seriously after her retirement. Kathy moved to the Coachella Valley and proceeded to hike 1,200 miles of the PCT! Kathy currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Group, and has held the positions of Chair and Program Chair in the past.

Jeff Morgan has been a resident of the Tahquitz Group area since the 1970s and Sierra Club member for over two decades. Currently Jeff is Chair of the Tahquitz Group and represents the Group on Chapter Excom, the Desert Committee and many other local boards and committees. Jeff is currently working on water, power and proposed residential developments in unsuitable areas regarding the environment and endangered species. He would like to continue this work on behalf of the Group and the Club.

Joan Taylor is currently Tahquitz Group Conservation Chair, Chapter Excom member and a lead activist concerning large-scale renewable energy projects in California deserts as well as the Salton Sea. Having been a land conservationist for decades, Joan is proud to have been part of the Tahquitz Group team that was very instrumental in the designation of the two nearby National Monuments, as well as the Santa Rosa Wilderness and the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Plan. She also lead the Group successfully battling several bad developments in the Coachella Valley, including the erstwhile Shadowrock, Palmwood, Mountain Falls, Palm Hills, and other ill-advised projects in sensitive canyons and hillsides.

PLEASE VOTE FOR THREE

Kathryn Kelley _____

Jeff Morgan _____

Joan Taylor _____

Ballots should be sent to PO Box 4666, Palm Springs
CA 92263 to arrive by December 24, 2016. Please sign
your name on the outside of the envelope. Thank you.

Moreno Valley Group

By Ann McKibben, Secretary

Fall is here and it's time to get out for some local group hikes. On November 2, there will be a Hidden Springs Hike at 9 a.m. On November 16 there will be an Olive Mountain Hike at 9:00 a.m. Please check our web page for the details: http://sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org/groups/moreno_valley

Here is another reminder that our fall group newsletter has the MV group executive committee election ballot. Please take time to vote and return the ballot in the self-addressed, self-stamped envelope. Also, you can use the same envelope for any donation you are willing to give towards new efforts to challenge the 11,350 unit Villages of Lakeview project on the southern border of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area and continue our World Logistics Center litigation. Please make checks out to the "Sierra Club" and send your donations to: Sierra Club—Moreno Valley Group, P.O. Box 1325, Moreno Valley, CA 92556-1325. Thank you to all those who have donated!

(11,350 units) is planned on the southern boundary of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. You can contact planner Russell Brady at rbrady@rctlma.org or (951) 955-3025 for more information and to be put on their mailing list.

Mid County Parkway: The six-lane Mid County Parkway (MCP) between the cities of San Jacinto and Perris is designed to allow projects like the Villages of Lakeview to be built. The Center for Biological Diversity is leading litigation efforts on the MCP with the help of the Sierra Club as well as several other local groups. According to their brief challenging the Federal Highway Administration's approval of the project, there is a troubling disregard for low income, minority communities in Perris that will bear the brunt of the project.

The Riverside County GPU, officially known as General Plan Amendment 960 (GPA 960) lawsuit, is moving slowly through settlement talks. The environmental groups have not accepted all of the county's suggested settlement positions and plan to move forward with most of the litigation.

SR-60 Truck Lanes: In May, Caltrans administration approved the SR-60 Truck Climbing & Descending Lanes project that begins on State Route 60 at the eastern edge of the World Logistics Center (WLC) in Moreno Valley. In June the Center Biological Diversity, Sierra Club, Residents for a Liveable Moreno Valley and Friends of the Northern San Jacinto Valley sued to stop the



Oak Glen Preserve Hike, June 2016
Photo by Christina Torres



Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park Hike, June 2016
Photo by Christina Torres

Update World Logistics Center: On August 17 a Riverside County Superior Court judge denied a request by those opposed to the World Logistics Center (WLC) to block the initiative process the city of Moreno Valley used to approve the controversial warehouse project. We are currently looking as to whether we will be able to appeal. The opponents, including the Center for Biological Diversity, Earthjustice, the Sierra Club and other environmental groups, said the developer did not adequately address traffic, air pollution, and other concerns. Here are links to two articles with more details: <http://www.pe.com/articles/environmental-810973-city-state.html?page=1> & <http://www.pe.com/articles/city-812812-district-air.html> To give some perspective, the project area is 2,610 acres which larger than the city of Grand Terrace; it would generate 68,721 vehicle trips a day.

Villages of Lakeview (VOL): The Riverside County Planning Department released the draft environmental impact report (DEIR) for the VOL on September 30. The deadline for comments is November 14, 2016. The DEIR is available online at: <http://planning.rctlma.org/Home/TheVillagesofLakeviewSP00342.aspx>

The proposed VOL housing project

proposed project and instead the groups favor making the road safer without adding more lanes. The project would induce more trucks to travel the route (almost 14,000 daily truck trips), worsen air quality, and endanger wildlife at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area which is south of Highway 60 and the WLC project. Here is a link to a newspaper article with more information: <http://www.pe.com/articles/valley-805965-truck-moreno.html?page=1>

Lake Perris State Recreation Area offers a number of events that range from guided nature walks, kayak tour, weekly campfire program. Check out their Facebook page for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/Lakeperris/> For information on hours, visitors fees, and year-long passes please check: http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=651

Moreno Valley Recreational Trails Board hike, Saturday, October 22, 2016, 7:30 a.m., Hike to Box Springs M Trail (DIFFICULT); approx. 4.8 miles roundtrip; meet in the parking lot on the west side of campus, Canyon Springs High School, 23100 Cougar Canyon Drive, MV. Verify all information at (951) 413-3703. List of hikes: http://www.moreno-valley.ca.us/resident_services/park_rec/trails.shtml

Mountains Group Ballot

Not sure if you are a Mountains Group member? Except for a few special cases, you are a Mountains Group member if you are in the following ZIP code areas: 92317, 92321, 92322, 92325, 92326, 92341, 92352, 92378, 92382, 92385, and 92391.

Mail in the printed ballot (below) or vote electronically at <http://www.sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/san-bernardino-mountains>

Printed Ballot Instructions

Remember to print your name and address and sign your name on the outside of the envelope so the ballot can be verified. If two ballots from a Joint Membership are enclosed, be sure to print the name and address and sign for both.

Mountains Group Ballot	Mountains Group Ballot
Please Vote for 4 or Fewer	Please Vote for 4 or Fewer
<input type="checkbox"/> Steve Farrell	<input type="checkbox"/> Steve Farrell
<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Sherman	<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Sherman
<input type="checkbox"/> Sherry Bailey	<input type="checkbox"/> Sherry Bailey
<input type="checkbox"/> Karla Barton	<input type="checkbox"/> Karla Barton
Proposal	Proposal
Bylaw Change: Change Mountains Group bylaw 3.1 to set a January 1 Excom term start date. (See below for details.)	Bylaw Change: Change Mountains Group bylaw 3.1 to set a January 1 Excom term start date. (See below for details.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(First Ballot)	(Second Ballot - Joint Member)

Mail your ballot(s) to:

Sierra Club
P.O. Box 651, Blue Jay, CA 92317

Ballots are due no later than November 25 at 12 noon.

Bylaw Change details:

The current bylaw 3.1 calls for a "first meeting of the year" term start date for newly elected Executive Committee (ExCom) members. If that meeting is cancelled, for any reason (such as weather), the start date moves further into the new year, sometimes as much as 4 months.

To eliminate this problem, an ExCom term start date of one minute after midnight on January 1st has been identified as best meeting our needs.

The Executive Committee recommends a "Yes" vote.

Calendar . . . Continued from Page 5

DEC 10 (SAT) 8:30 AM PAINTED CANYON/LADDER CANYON LOOP

HIKE

This is a MUST hike! The Painted Canyon and Ladder Canyon Loop are located in the northeast corner of the Coachella Valley within the Mecca Hills. This hike cuts through twisted and exotic Painted Canyon and the hiker uses a series of ladders to climb the Painted Canyon area. This is a 5.0-mile hike taking 4 to 5 hours to complete the loop. RATING: Easy/moderate. MEET: Take I-10 to Spot Light 29 Casino, Dillon Road off-ramp and look for TA Travel Center gas station signage. Meet in parking lot under the TA Travel sign. BRING: Ten-essentials, layered clothing, 2-liters of water, lunch/snack, sunscreen, sunglasses, and hat. Hikers should wear long pants or 2-in-1 pants. RESERVATIONS: Call Hike Leader, Ed Caliendo (442) 242-4103 or dogs111@msn.com. BIG BEAR GROUP

DEC 10 (SAT) 2:00 PM

PUDDINGSTONE LAKE

HIKE

Hike around big Puddingstone Lake in Bonelli Regional Park, adjacent to Fairplex in Pomona. Explore urbanized sage scrub, parkland, beaches, mountain views, and fall foliage. Easy 6 mile round-trip, 300 - 600' gain. BRING water, snacks, appropriate footwear, and layered clothing. MEET: Please call LEADER: BILL JOYCE (909) 596-6280 or email bill@rollingtherock.com to confirm by 5:00 PM December 9. LOS SERRANOS GROUP

DEC 11 (SUN) 8:30 AM

MORTON PEAK LOOKOUT

HIKE

Morton Peak is located at the base of Hwy 38 just past the Mill Creek Ranger Station. We walk on a service road to get to the peak where the lookout tower is. It's a moderate, 6-mile, 1350 ft. elevation gain hike. We will take our break at the top where the lookout is and wonderful views. We will return to our vehicles on the same service road. Bad weather cancels. MEET: Mill Creek Ranger Station 34701 Mill Creek Rd, Mentone. BRING: 10 essentials, 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, wear layered clothing, sun protection, hiking boots, trekking poles and camera. RESERVATION: Hike Leader Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com. BIG BEAR GROUP

DECEMBER 12 – DECEMBER 18

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

DEC 13 (TUE) 7:00 PM

CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING

Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate: we need your help! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimffloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385. CHAPTER

DEC 14 (WED) 9:00 AM

HIKE INTO LAKE PERRIS

HIKE

Moderate 7.2-mile hike along hills into Lake Perris. We start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Bring water, snack and sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: Ridgecrest Park at 28506 John F. Kennedy Dr, Moreno Valley. INFO and LEADER Eileen O'Brien (951) 616-9739. MORENO VALLEY GROUP

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San Gorgonio Chapter Ballot

Voter Instructions

Remember to print your name and address and sign your name on the outside of the envelope so the ballot can be verified. If two ballots from a Joint Membership are enclosed, be sure to print name and address and sign for both.

<p style="text-align: center;">San Gorgonio Chapter Ballot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please Vote for 4 or Fewer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mary Ann Ruiz</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Steve Farrell</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Jono Hildner</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bobbi Jo Chavarria</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(First Ballot)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">San Gorgonio Chapter Ballot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please Vote for 4 or Fewer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mary Ann Ruiz</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Steve Farrell</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Jono Hildner</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bobbi Jo Chavarria</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Second Ballot - Joint Member)</p>
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Mail your ballot(s) to:
 Sierra Club, PO Box 651,
 Blue Jay, CA. 92317
 Ballots are due no later than November 21 at 12 noon.

elected to another term on the Executive Committee to continue helping with management and organization of these efforts.

NAME: Jono Hildner

RESIDENCE: 49305 State Highway 74, #86, Palm Desert, CA 92260

CURRENT MEMBER SINCE: 2006

OCCUPATION: Retired Public Administrator

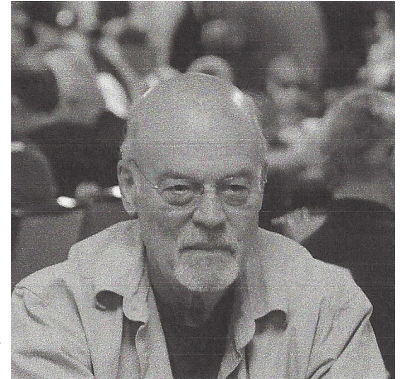
SIERRA CLUB LEADERSHIP POSITIONS: Tahquitz Group Political Chair (2007 – Present), San Gorgonio Chapter Political Chair (2009 – Present), Sierra Club California Excom (2014 – Present), Sierra Club California Vice-Chair (2015 – Present)

OTHER LEADERSHIP POSITIONS: Save Our Mountains Chair (2006 – 2015), Friends of Palm Springs Mountains Secretary (2011 – Present)

STATEMENT:

As Political Chair, I have been extremely active in helping to improve the quality of our representation at the state legislature. I have also been very involved in increasing the participation of younger folks in the Chapter and in assisting them in their activism for the environment and environmental justice. This has helped in working with several other members of the Chapter Excom to begin our efforts towards making the Chapter more diverse, equitable and inclusive.

My professional experience as a public administrator at both the county and state level has provided me with skills and knowledge that I have applied and would expect to continue to apply as a member of the Excom if I am elected.



San Gorgonio Chapter Ballot Statements

NAME: Mary Ann Ruiz

RESIDENCE: Chino, California

CURRENT MEMBER SINCE: 2001

OCCUPATION: Retired from Product Manager, ThyssenKrupp Materials NA

SIERRA CLUB LEADERSHIP POSITIONS: San Gorgonio Chapter Chair (current), Los Serranos Group Chair, Sierra Club CA ExComm Secretary

STATEMENT:

San Gorgonio Chapter is on a path to accomplish our many goals. We are working to elect environmentally friendly lawmakers; protect habitat and open space, hold officials accountable to control sprawl and improve air quality. Our chapter is a leader in working on environmental justice issues. As Chapter Chair I hope to continue to contribute time and effort towards supporting our volunteer activists and staff organizers. I hope to be



Los Serranos Group

Submitted by Mary Ann Ruiz, Chapter Chair & Group Member

SIERRA CLUB 2017 CALENDARS



Sierra Club 2017 Wilderness Wall Calendar
Spiral bound, month-by-month format, featuring 12 majestic North American landscapes.



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Week-by-week format, featuring 57 spectacular photographs and "wire-o" binding.

Order Form

Save up to 30% off the list price. Support local conservation efforts.
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Title	1 – 4 price	5 – 9 price	10+ price	Quantity	Price	Total
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Make checks payable to Sierra Club and mail this coupon to: Sierra Club Calendars, 4079 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501						Total
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Address _____						
City, State, Zip code _____						

LOS SERRANOS GROUP BALLOT

Please indicate your vote on this ballot, cut out and mail so it is received by
 12/15/2016
 Mail To: Joe Whyte, 1404 Albright Ave.
 Upland, CA 91786

Remember to print your name and address and sign your name on the outside of the envelope so ballot can be verified. If two ballots from a joint membership are enclosed, be sure to print name and address and sign for each ballot.

LOS SERRANOS GROUP BALLOT
 Please vote for 3 or fewer

John St. Clair
 Mary Ann Ruiz
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DEC 14 (WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgcrest.) Enter on Ridgcrest side of the building. INFO: SUSAN STUEBER, susanquintin.stueber@gmail.com MOJAVE GROUP

DEC 17 (SAT) 7:45 AM JOSHUA TREE: NORTH VIEW LOOP HIKE
This will be my second slower-paced hike, adjusted for those hikers who would like to take in the sights, have more frequent short breaks, baby their knees, and take their time completing the 7-8-mile hike. We'll be on sections of two to three different day hike trails that provide varied views and terrain from boulders to washes. The trailhead lies 1.7 miles from the West Entrance Station on the north side of the park road. We'll take the North View Trail for 2.7 miles inside the Wilderness boundary, up and down past some spectacular views, canyon wrens, and giant rock outcrops, and pick up the winding Maze Trail for 1.2 miles. We may head back to the cars at this point or continue on to the Window Rock trail for 1.9 miles for a great view of a thunderbird "window", and rejoin the Maze Trail for the remaining 1.2 miles back to the parking area. Don't forget your camera. RATED: Moderate, with some short climbs and descending, but no more than a few hundred feet total elevation gain overall. Some parts of the North View Trail have rough footing and there is some deep sand, which can strain knees. All the trails are exposed with very little shade. MEET: 7:30 AM at the Joshua Tree Visitor Center parking lot, 6554 Park Boulevard, Joshua Tree CA 92252. Parking at the trailhead is extremely limited (4 cars, or park along the road) so we'll take as few cars as possible. BRING: Ten essentials including layered clothing (a windbreaker might be wise), 2-4 liters of water, lunch, snacks, sun protection (hat, sunglasses, long sleeve shirt, and umbrella if desired), personal first aid kit, and trekking poles. We will practice No Trace hiking by packing out all our fruit peels, trash, & used toilet paper, so be prepared for that as well. WEATHER: December in the high desert can be warm or cold, so please check the forecast prior to the date. RAIN OR SNOW CANCELS. RESERVATIONS: Email LEADER: LJ Foster at eljayeff@verizon.net (best) or leave a message (name, contact number) at (951) 845-9440. BIG BEAR GROUP

DEC 18 (SUN) 8:30 AM SUNSET PEAK HIKE
Hoping for a snowy view of the San Gabriels from top of Sunset Peak, a former fire lookout. Hike is 7 miles, 1400 feet gain on a gradually ascending fire road. Bring: Hiking boots, layered clothing, snacks or lunch, and 2 liters of water. Contact leader for meeting place: LEADER: Mary Ann Ruiz, ruizmaryann@gmail.com or 909-815-9379. LOS SERRANOS GROUP

DECEMBER 19 – DECEMBER 25
Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

DEC 20 (TUE) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
Monthly except July & August. Programs on nature, conservation & travel topics. The public is welcome & refreshments are served. See Los Serranos webpage for detailed program information: sangorgonio.sierraclub.org/groups/los_serranos PLACE: First Presbyterian Church, 869 N. Euclid Ave, Upland CA (educational building, entrance in rear). INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

DEC 21 (WED) 9:00 AM TERRI PEAK HIKE
Difficult 5-mile round-trip hike up Terri Peak, overlooking Lake Perris with 1000 ft. elevation gain. We start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Bring water, snack and sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: from 60 Freeway exit at Moreno Beach Drive, go south for 3.4 mi., then turn left, on Via del Lago. Park in the dirt area on right side just past the housing tract, do not enter Lake Perris SRA. INFO and LEADER Eileen O'Brien (951) 616-9739. MORENO VALLEY GROUP

DECEMBER 26 – JANUARY 1
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DEC 31 (SAT) 8:30 AM BLACK ROCK CANYON/WARREN PEAK HIKE
Take a break from the holidays and enjoy a New Year's Eve hike in Joshua Tree! This loop hike combines easy wash walking in pretty Black Rock Canyon; a nice occasionally steep trail through the aptly named Panorama Loop; a short but steep walk-up ascent of Warren Peak on an occasionally loose trail; followed by a longer descent on a use trail off the north side of the peak that brings us back to the trail system for a short return to the trailhead. The excellent view from the peak takes in the surrounding valleys, plus San Jacinto and San Gorgonio. Vegetation in the canyon includes Joshua trees, pinyon/juniper, and oak. Total distance is about 7 miles. Starting elevation is 4000 ft., with an 1100 ft. gain to the top of the peak. RATED: Moderate due to occasional steep climbs and descents. MEET: Black Rock Visitor's Center, 9800 Black Rock Canyon Road, Yucca Valley, CA 92284. The meeting point offers easy access on the west side of the park; you do not go through an entrance station and no fee is required. We should be back to the trailhead by 3:00 pm. BRING: ten essentials, hiking pole, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, and 2.5-liters of water RESERVATIONS: Contact Dave Melton, Hike Leader at (760) 408-2456 or dmelton61@yahoo.com BIG BEAR GROUP

JANUARY 2 – JANUARY 8
Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

JAN 3 (TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING
PROGRAM: See front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS, (909) 800-3911, ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. CHAPTER



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Do Your Part to Turn Our Representation GREEN!

By

Jono Hildner, San Geronio Chapter Political Chair

The election on November 8 is a great opportunity for all of us to help make a major change in the kind of environmental representation that our area deserves. We've got four endorsed challengers to anti-environmental members of the state Assembly and two challengers to anti-environmental members of county Boards of Supervisors. They need and deserve our support at the polls. With your vote, they can make a real change and send a message to those who would continue to spend tons of money to support policies that continue to foul our air.

We urge you to be sure to VOTE and vote for the candidates and measures endorsed by the SIERRA CLUB:

United States President: Hillary Clinton (D)

United States Senate: Kamala Harris (D)

United States House of Representatives:

Congressional District 31: Pete Aguilar (D)

Congressional District 35: Norma Torres (D)

Congressional District 36: Raul Ruiz (D)

Congressional District 41: Mark Takano (D)

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Statewide Ballot Measures:

Proposition 56—California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 (Tobacco Tax initiative) YES

Proposition 58—California Education for a Global Economy Initiative (English language learner measured place on the ballot by the Legislature) YES

Proposition 59—Advisory measure to support actions to overturn Citizens United YES

Proposition 67—Ban on Single-Use Plastic Bans (referendum) YES

California State Assembly:

Assembly District 40: Abigail Medina (D)

Assembly District 42: Greg Rodriguez (D)

Assembly District 47: Eloise Reyes (D)

Assembly District 56: Eduardo Garcia (D)

Assembly District 60: Sabrina Cervantes (D)

Riverside County Board of Supervisors

District #1: Debbie Walsh

San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors

District #1: Angela Valles

As always, your Chapter Political Committee is looking for a few of you who have an interest in working to help get good environmental champions elected to positions of influence at every level of civic life everywhere in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

Let's keep turning our Chapter Green!!

