100 PEAKS

Lookout

WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS
Lynda Romans  Jeffrey Wilson
Mitchell L. Miller  Glen Bernard
Laura A. Webb  Richard Clement
Emilio & Marion Irving de Cruz

CONGRATULATIONS

100 PEAKS EMBLEM
Micky Thayer
Don Lum
Judith C. Ware
John G. Leonard
Frank W. James
Middle Pk
Monument Pk #1
Tahquitz Pk
Inspiration Mtn
Quail Mtn
Feb. 16, 1985
Feb. 17, 1985
Sept. 8, 1984
Mar. 10, 1985
Mar. 16, 1985
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200 PEAKS BAR
John Southworth  Bernard Pk
Feb. 24, 1985  #204

OVENBIRD
YOU WILL HEAR THIS BIRD BEFORE YOU SEE IT

A partridge in a pear tree
CONSERVATION NEWS

Dotty Rabinowitz

Robert Kanne would like anyone interested to attend the next meeting for Forest planning on May 7 at the chapter office at 7:30-9:30. The meetings are helping to prepare for the release of the Forest Plan due out around May 15. To get on the mailing list for a copy of the plan write Angeles National Forest, 150 S. Los Robles Ave, Pasadena, 91101.

The Sierra Club filed a $2.3 million lawsuit against Chevron for allegedly dumping illegal levels of grease, oil, ammonia and other by-products, in Santa Monica Bay. Sierra Club attorney, Deborah Reames wrote in the suit that the club sent notices to the EPA and the California Water Resources Board. The Sierra Club filed suit after neither agency took any action. The club asks that the company be made to pay a $10,000 fine for each of the violations and shut down the refinery until violations cease and to pay all legal fees in the case.

Acid rain is threatening the west. Many of the National Parks are involved, including Sequoia and Yosemite. The mountain lands are particularly vulnerable because they are poorly suited to buffer the effects of acid rain already falling there. Mountain regions are most acidic where thin soils, steep slopes and granite bedrock exists, conditions that reduce the ability of the soil to neutralize acid deposits. We peakbaggers should regard this as a serious threat to the areas we love to hike in.

There is a land swap that is being proposed between the BLN and the US Forest Service. Some lands it could affect is in the South Sierras and Lake Isabella. The swap would be designed for consolidation, and would put more timberland into the national forest and rangeland under BLN. Since the forest grazing lands are in better condition than BLN, environmentalists are concerned over mismanagement by BLN, but they doubt this will occur due to the unpopularity of the proposal in congress and elsewhere.

A 290 ft. radio tower is proposed for Big Santa Anita at Chantry Flat. Interested parties please write: US Forest Service, county park, Oak Grove, Elfin Linville, 91011.

EXPLORING MOUNT NEVEREST

Professor Walingholmes, one of the exploring party, was allotted the special task of making a complete circuit of the base of the mountain at a certain level. The circuit was exactly a hundred miles in length and he had to do it all alone on foot. He could walk twenty miles a day, but he could only carry rations for two days at a time, the rations for each day being packed in sealed boxes for convenience in caching. He walked his full twenty miles every day and consumed one day's rations as he walked. What is the shortest time in which he could complete the circuit? (Solution in the next issue)
The winner of the puzzle contest announced last issue was Bob Michael. He was also the only entrant.

Don Lum deserves all the credit for providing the alphabetized HPS list which appeared in the last Lookout issue. Hats off for such a useful idea!

Attention: If you'd like to participate in the June 1-2 outing to Tehachapi, Double, etc., do not send your case to Jack Trager, since he will be out of town from May 13 to May 30. Instead, send your reservations to Luella Martin.

Correction: Item #1 of the Mountain Trivia Test, issued last HPS issue asked "Which HPS peak has the lowest elevation?" The answer is not Fox #2, but Chuckwalla (5029'). Thanks to Jim Raiford for pointing it out.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The national Sierra Club is having a Field Recruitment Incentive Program (FRIIP) for the next two years. The Chapter will receive an annual rebate for each membership recruited, above a threshold of 2% of the Chapter's membership. The more we recruit, the larger the average rebate will be.

Here's the important part: we can earn rebates, which are expected to average $5 to $10 per membership recruited, that will go into the Treasury of the Hundred Peaks Section. Just mark the code number 713 on the application of each member that you recruit during the next two years, and HPS will receive credit for it. Ask your friends, ask non-members who come on our hikes, and carry application forms with you. Get some application forms, mark 713 on them, then Go For It!

Bob Kanne

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Los Angeles, CA 90604
Is it possible that such an august group of dignitaries could all be delinquent? Come on, folks! Show your true colors.

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MOUNTAIN GORILLA
One of the most enjoyable things about the HPS is the opportunity to see areas that one might otherwise never experience. Take for example the Cuyama Valley on Hwy 166 between Bakersfield and Santa Maria. Lying between the Sierra Madre and Caliente Range, this valley is filled with small farms and ranches. Today, it is one of a few rare areas that could be a setting for a John Steinbeck novel. There is something euphoric about visiting a place 99% of the people would never care about. Winters are very cold and summer is usually blazing hot, but in spring the temperatures are mild with wild flowers covering the hills.

It was on one such spring day that 12 of us met at shady Aliso CG for the ascent of McPherson and Peak. Leaving the CG at 7:45, we climbed up the old ridge trail working our way through a few brushy spots. Reaching the summit a little after 10 we gained another member who had come up another route. The view was so clear we were guessing the names of the snowy Sierra (Nevada) peaks.

After a nice long break we started over to Peak Mtn. Along the way we enviously watched a deer effortlessly jump over brush, one of many seen during the weekend. By noon we were having lunch on top of the highest point in the Sierra Madre.

We returned taking the lower road around McPherson and down the better maintained trail to former Hog Pen CG (closed due to the plague). A small rattlesnake on down the road provided a little amusement as we returned to Aliso CG.

The next morning we drove over to Santa Barbara Cyn picking up those who went into town for their "Eggs Cuyama". Taking the standard route up Fox we returned by noon. After lunch we drove up Cuyama LO where we celebrated Wilma Curtis' 106th peak. Congratulations! (Wilma did not have a good opportunity to celebrate her 100th peak.) The road up Cuyama was in fair shape with one car and truck making it with no problems.

Further south we had 2 trips in the Anza Borrego area. Spring comes early in this Sonoran Desert although it was a bit early for most wild flowers.

Thirteen people met at Scissors Crossing (Jct Hwy S22 & 78) Saturday morning at 8 am for the climb of Granite Pk. It was pouring in LA which accounted for the relatively small group. Surprisingly, a group of BMTC students from San Diego were meeting at the same time and place. The sky overhead was blue but rain drops from the Laguna Mountains keep falling on us. I chose the route that begins from the dirt road that is inside the park boundary 3 miles south of Hwy 78. It was warm and sunny going up the ridge, but once the crest was reached a strong wind cooled us quickly. Small patches of snow were crossed as the group reached the summit by noon. Strong cold winds and a white-out made the summit an undesirable place for lunch so we went down to a place where the wind wasn't so bad. A few rain drops fell but we were never enough to get things wet. A bright rainbow stayed with us most of the day.

By afternoon the clouds cleared up and it was bright and warm again. After the hike we drove over to Little Blair Valley and found a campsite.

Sunday was a bright and balmy day. We started at the leisure time of 8am for the trip up Whale. We went up the route near the pictographs (Diane Rosentreter explained to us the difference between pictographs and petroglyphs). We reached the summit by 11am and had great views. After an hour on top we returned the same way reaching the cars by 2pm.

Weather was much better later in the same month when we did Villager & Rosa Pt. Frank Goodykoontz really did not make it this time; he had another obligation. When I told him that it would be no problem because there were many other "I rated" leaders on the trip, he replied that he would be "rated" if he couldn't go (funny, I thought he was already "M rated").

Anyway, 16 people met on Saturday at 6:30 in the morning for the hike up Villager. The day could only be described as "perfect" with ideal temperatures and clear views. Taking the standard route, most of the group reached the summit by 11:30 and had a nice leisurely 1½ hour lunch. Back down the same way most of the group was back before 5pm.

As usual, we had a community salad. No one had brought salad dressing so some
ingenuous cooks in the group created some (just don't ask what was in it). We had a nice campfire but most people were just plain tired and went to bed early, especially since we had to be up at the crack of dawn for another early start.

Same meeting time and place on Sunday saw 15 people gathered for the ascent of Rosa Pt. It was almost a repeat performance with ideal temperatures and views. We reached the summit in almost exactly the same time as it took to do Villager. I took the standard route up except where the route crosses Palo Verde Cyn. Here we went directly across and took the ridge that is almost directly south of the summit. This route has a well worked hikers path that skirts around most of the larger bumps on the ridge, although they are sometimes difficult to find. Back down the same way, we were once again back before 5pm.

Joshua Tree National Monument is a nice place to visit in March when the temperatures are mild. Luckily, this is a big year for the blooming Joshuas although we were a bit early for the full bloom. Weather was again near perfect with a few clouds on Saturday.

A very congenial group of 15 met at 7:30 am for Quail. Taking the route in the new peak description, we reached the summit in under 2 hours. After lunch we went over and climbed Queen Mtn with Evan Samuels leading the way for his 100th peak. Congratulations! After much champagne we returned to the cars before 4pm. With plenty of daylight we had time for one more peak, so as a favor for John "Ortega Hill" Southworth we drove over and did Lost Horse.

Almost everyone (including Jon Sheldon) stayed at the campground and enjoyed a community salad. Cow jokes seemed to predominate at the campfire (What do you call a cow with no legs? Ground Beef). The wind stayed mostly calm during the night.

Up again at 7:30, we drove over to Pleasant Valley for the climb of Bernard and Little Berdoo. Doing a semi-loop of both peaks took about 3 hours. With a whole afternoon left we climbed Ryan and Inspiration with a slightly diminished group size. Most of the group had done all 7 peaks by the time we were done.

Thanks to all co-leaders and participants for making these trips so successful. I would especially like to thank Brent Washburn, Jack Trager and Martin Feather for assisting on Villager and Rosa Pt.

RATTLESNAKE PK MARCH 2, 1985

LUELLA MARTIN
RONNIE NAGATA

By 7:10 AM, eight were assembled at the Azusa Carpool point, now by the Azusa Farms Market. We carpooled in three cars to the roadhead at the gate on Shoemaker Road where late sleeping Frank Goodykoontz caught up with us.

We quickly walked the 1.5 miles to milepost 3.39 and started up the ridge as described in the peak guide. All except the rear guard were on the summit by just after 11 AM. It was 27°F. The sky had been falling for some time. Rime had formed on yucca, rocks, brush and the few bigcone douglas firs near the summit. The snow was like a cross between hail and snow. It had the consistency of small bits of styrofoam. We had a short summit stay (about 2 minutes for the rear guard). We found a sheltered nook back down the ridge a ways where we had lunch. While eating, somebody up there dumped buckets of snice on us. The snail abated during the descent. Just before we reached the cars it began to sleat in earnest. We sighted two deer on the way up and walked through either a deer or bighorn bedding ground on the descent.

Thanks to Ronnie Nagata for assisting, since Jack Trager decided that he'd rather be on a sunny cruise. Besides Ronnie and myself, the real flakes that showed up for this snow job were Donica Wood, Nader Rakshani, Don Borad, Charles Trilling, Richard Akawie, Eric Sieke, and Frank Goodykoontz.

Luella Martin
Eleven energetic individuals met on the corner of Foothill and Canyon Bds. at 7am, from whence we drove 1mi on Canyon to Ridgeside Dr., turned L, and went 0.4mi further to Lower Clamshell Truck Trail on the L, parking on the street. After walking 1.7mi, we turned R up the firebreak and 2.3 acclivous miles later, at 9:30am, we found a new red "Hugh Baker" register bedecking the summit of Clamshell. Rankin and Monrovia were hidden by billowy clouds, and weather prospects appeared ominous.

We then dropped abruptly down Clamshell's E side to Upper Clamshell Rd., and after another 1.3mi we left the road and went R up the steep firebreak to Rankin--a gain of almost 700' in 1/3mi. Here there are two monuments to Reverend Rankin, but no register. Nor could we find a register at Monrovia, which is 3mi and 350' of gain further along the firebreak. After a windy lunch, peppered by light snowfall, we backtracked S to pt. 5360'+ and headed E down the ridge, lead by Larry Hoak. As we lost elevation, the ambience transformed from a wintry to summery mood, and our adornments were quickly busked. Then we tried to get to the Upper Clamshell Truck Trail by dropping into the canyon on the N. The terrain was so precipitous, however, that Larry was wounded on a controlled fall to the road, and we were advised to bushwhack back up to the ridgetop and take it down to White Saddle. Phil never left the ridge, and he assailed us with clever quips when we finally caught up.

Only one couple had trouble maintaining our vigorous pace, and they asked if it would be possible to take Monrovia Canyon Road back down Sawpit Canyon. As of yet, however, lush Sawpit Canyon is off limits to the public. Instead, we strode S down the road past Bliss' W flanks. Only LA desired to venture to its acme, so it took awhile for the leader to ketchup with the group. Taking the W fork in the road, we descended SW until reaching 3043, whereupon we dropped down a delightful rollercoaster route along the ridge just S of the MWD Upper Feeder. At the W end of the ridge, it is necessary to bear SW to avoid excessive declivity. From the canyon bottom, you must go under a gate and climb the hillside to reach Canyon Bd. We then had a 3/4mi walk back to the cars. Marion Cruz was alert enough to drive back to the canyon and chaffeur two stragglers back to their vehicle. Gramercy to everyone, especially Marion, Phil, and Betty Bergey, for a derring-do day.

EDITORIAL

What is the mission of the Hundred Peaks Section? As much as I love peak-bagging with its tremendous aerobic health benefits and breathtaking views, surely some other goals should be encouraged. For instance, let's consider the primary purpose of the Sierra Club--conservation. Perhaps the HPS should provide some incentives for conservation-oriented activities. Trail maintenance programs open up the wilderness to many citizens who otherwise might not get involved in hiking and the pleasures in the out-of-doors. These people may then be more likely to join the Sierra Club or support conservation issues. Furthermore, Chuck Jones and the Trails Committee have been affiliated with the HPS, as evidenced by several joint HPS-Trails scheduled outings.

Other activities which stimulate appreciation for nature and conservation include (to name but a few): Flora and fauna field studies, visits to streams and springs, exploratory trips to canyons and unlisted peaks.

(cont.)
Because of the crying need to promote and reward such pursuits, the HPS should consider offering an Activities Emblem. Below is one conceivable list of required accomplishments:

1. Climb at least one peak in each of the 32 geographical areas.
2. Climb ten of fifteen emblem peaks. Here is a possible list:

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3. Climb ten officially designated, sub-5000' peaks.
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A more extensive list, covering the entire territory of the HPS, will be presented in a future issue.

4. Participate in two exploratory hikes to unlisted peaks.
5. Participate in two canyon explorations in the Southland.
6. Participate in two trail maintenance trips.
7. Visit ten recognized mountain springs in the HPS region.
8. Visit at least one hot spring.
9. Visit at least two recognized waterfalls.
10. Participate in at least two two-day natural science field studies.

I'd appreciate hearing any criticisms or improvements upon this plan, so please send your opinions for the next edition of the Lookout.

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OUR FIRST NIGHT IN THE DEEP WILDERNESS!

Yeah! It's scary and different!

MAYBE WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING SORTA FAMILIAR ON OUR FIRST NIGHT TO LESSEN THE SHOCK!

Yeah!
The day began with light showers all over the basin between 6 and 7am, but despite this 17 people showed up at the N end of Lake Ave. at 7:30. Although it remained cloudy all day it never rained on us and we were rewarded with excellent visibility in the afternoon.

After climbing Echo Mtn, we began the figure 8 by following the old trolley roadbed/fire road to the Mt. Lowe campground. We continued on the Mt. Lowe East/fire trail, where chaparral is rapidly re-growing from the fire of about four years ago, and had lunch on top. We descended the Mt. Lowe West, stopping along the way to hear my spiel about Bear Canyon when we had a good view of it. Bear Canyon and the central Arroyo Seco adjoining it are the only areas that the Forest Service is studying for possible Wilderness Recommendation as part of the Angeles Forest Plan. We "crossed the 8" just above the Mt. Lowe Cmpgd. and followed the Upper Sam Merrill (Sunset) trail back to Echo Mtn.

As we neared Echo Mtn, the haze disappeared and we could see the whole LA Basin. Sights included San Clemente Island (100 miles away, beyond Catalina), the Marina del Rey boat basin, and large ships off of El Segundo. With my 8X10 binoculars I could see the Spruce Goose dome in Long Beach, the colors of the Union Oil tanks in Wilmington, and individual sailboats in Santa Monica Bay.

One of the real attractions of this route up Mt. Lowe is all of the history associated with the railway (1893-1937). There is a new Mt. Lowe Museum located at 2245 N. Lake Ave., in the Electric Substation that converted AC to DC for the railway. Jim Dickson Realtors renovated the building and their hours are usually 10-4 Mon-Sat (call 818 791-1000 if bringing a group). Free admission, excellent photos, and interesting memorabilia. I recommend a visit!

Many thanks to Jon for assisting and to a congenial group. Participants: How Bailey, Ingeborg Damal, Bob Ferguson, Geoffrey Brown, Lynda Romans, Mike Fredette, Leslie Lederman, Laura Webb, Martha Flores, Fran Silver, Dennis Kavas, Greg Marlowe, Donn Cook, Gerry Olow, and Eivor Nilsson. This is one of my favorite trips and I plan to lead it again next year, using the Castle Canyon trail as one leg of the lower loop.

All of the trails are in excellent condition thanks to the JPL Hiking Club's years of work on them. We also saw Boy Scouts with hard hats drilling rock as they worked on reconstruction of the Dawn Mine trail.

--- Bob Kanne
OLD MAN MOUNTAIN, MONTE ARIDO - March 16, 1985 - Leaders: Carleton Shay, Frank Dobos

Neither of the scheduled leaders (Luella Martin and Jack Trager) were able to make the hike, so Carleton Shay was pressed into service; Frank Dobos assisted ably. Seventeen sturdy hikers were on the way at 6:10 in perfect weather for the day's 24 miles. The morning was what photographers call "cloudy bright," and with a cool breeze made the ascent very pleasant. The group was treated to a sea of clouds breaking like surf over the reef of the coastal mountains. Murietta canyon was spectacular with the lilacs in full bloom, lupines starting to make their appearance, and even the shiny leaves of new poison oak lining the fire road. The leader opted for the "scenic route" over the SE summit of Old Man Mountain, complicating the brush problem, which was even worse than "character building." He promises to go up along the SW ridge next time, although that would probably not lessen the brush problem measurably. All were up by 11:00 with the only other significant event having to remove a tick from an ankle. On to Monte Arido and up by 12:30. There was no register, but thanks to Frank Dobos' memo pad and creativity, we left a small fruit/dessert can register which should do until replaced (Hugh Baker take note!) The weather continued to be ideal as the sun came out on the way down counteracting the cool breeze. We kept together pretty well all the way up the peaks and down to Murietta saddle, where the tigers were allowed to go ahead talking about the peaks they were going to do the next day. All were down in 12 hours with daylight left over. You missed a good one, Luella and Jack! A note regarding the Climber's Guide: the road to Matilija lake is not signed, simply says "Dead End Road," but is distinguished from others by a row of mailboxes on the left.  

- Carleton Shay

Black Mtn #4, Quail, Queen, Warren Pt March 23-4, 1985 Lew Amack, Don Tidwell

Sat morning at 7, Jim Kuivinen and Ron Zappen appeared at the entrance to Black Rock Canyon campground. From there we drove to the Black #4 trailhead. We climbed the false summit 4mi S of 6149 with its large cairn and wooden cross, then arrived on the summit by 10:30. We then took a bearing back to the jumble of boulders which we thought to be near our cars, reading 210°. Since the cars cannot be seen on the return, it's easy to go astray. After crossing Antelope Creek and going up and down several washes, we found ourselves on a ridgetop about 4mi N of pt. 5225. Ron caught a glimpse of the road leading to Devil's Gate Pass, and we shot for it, finding ourselves 400' above and 4mi to the W of our vehicles. After reaching the autos, Ron departed, since Black was the only peak that he needed.

The next morning, Lisa Freundlich, Larry Shumway, and Wes Veit arrived. Quail was climbed from the road S of Lost Horse Ranger Sta. Then came Queen, followed by Warren, which we completed in the dark. By then Don had recovered from gastroenteritis, and Lew was able to rest from his climb of Spectre Mtn on Friday night.
Luella Martin had planned to lead this with Gordon assisting but due to the illness of her mother she was unable to do so. She had scheduled it as a leisurely backpack and day hike and I suppose if any climb of the Rabbit can be considered leisurely it was.

Starting time was supposed to be 8 am but Gordon and I made the mistake of driving to the trailhead instead of following directions and by the time we all got to the starting line it was 9. There was some confusion as to who was to lead but Dick Akawie finally out-voted me and I received the honor.

At the post besides Gordon, Dick and myself were Edna Ersparner, James Kuivinen, Eric Sieke, John Sarna, Francoise Walthert and Frank Dobos. We subsequently collected John Backus and Renee Spargur who had started out earlier near the point of the ridge. A very congenial group!

Weather was a little warm but beautiful with the Ocotilla blossoming out, the beavertails and barrel cactus wearing crowns of flowers and many blue and yellow varieties. We lunched on top of the ridge and arrived at our camping spot at the west end of the plateau about 2 pm for a leisurely afternoon and brief evening campfire.

Up at daybreak we were off up the mountain at 6 am with the exception of Renee who preferred her sack time and returned to the cars. All arrived at the summit at 10 or a little later and enjoyed their snacks or prone positions until 11. Views from the higher elevations of the Salton Sea and 360° vistas were gorgeous and only a couple of small patches of snow under trees.

The return to base camp was not much faster and I started down the wrong ridge at one point requiring a traverse to correct. I was very appreciative of the timely advice of Dick Akawie and John Backus each doing the peak for the 5th time! Those who had not lunched on top ate and rested at camp then when everyone was packed up, Dick agreed to lead on out while I brought up the rear guard. His group arrived at the cars just before dusk while we laggards took until 10. Many of us enjoyed an occasional Cholla barb or Yucca spike. One member fell into a cactus and required minor first aid and one hiker somehow strayed from the trail and was separated from the party for a period until the flashlights converged. Six and seven quarts of water a piece were none too many for the outing. Thanks to all for being such good sports!

Jack Trager
Pinyon Ridge to the Devil's Punchbowl  April 6, 1985  Lew Amack, Bobcat Thompson

We met at Sylmar at 7am, from which 35 people carpooled to the Devil's Punchbowl. Leaving 3 cars behind, we then caravanned to Jackson Lake. Taking the trail on the W, we escaladed over frequent snowdrifts up to Blue Ridge, overlooking Baldy, Big Iron, and Baden-Powell, completing a segment of the Pacific Crest Trail. We followed the road between Vincent Gap and Pinyon Ridge as far as pt. 6963, then took the trail to the junction S of Pinyon Ridge, only 1/2 mi and 150' gain from the register. Just W of the register is a shady grove, where we lingered for an hour-long picnic.

LA then took over the reins from Bobcat, descending directly into Fenner Canyon and following its road W until we found ourselves in a prison camp (Stag was right—we should have stayed on the ridge to Calef). We were closely scrutinized as we escaped into Big Rock Canyon to ensure that no inmates became intermingled with our party, and we painstakingly took a head count to see if any participants had been whisked away by the correctional authorities.

Rather than taking the paved road on the N side of Big Rock Canyon, we boulder-hopped on the canyon floor, which became a trickling stream at its confluence with Dorr Canyon. From the marshland E of Paradise Springs, half the group struggled up and over the ridge and the other half took the paved road. The first half passed a beguiling row of tepees, rejoining the others to dip our feet in the cool water at the bridge W of the settlement.

From here we managed to find the trail to South Fork Campground. By the time we reached the camp, several people had run out of water, since only George Emerick had filled up at Paradise Springs. Some campers graciously gave us halogen tablets, and we were saved from dehydration. We then continued W, dropping into Holcomb Canyon, where the clear, cold water was rushing and other canteens were replenished.

Another 500' gain was necessary to reach the Devil's Chair. By then it was 4:30pm, and we still had 3.8mi and 500' of gain to Punchbowl Canyon and our cars. Back at 6:15, we wished we'd beelined it to avoid the huge squiggle factor, and to see more of the Punchbowl. The hike was much more substantial than originally estimated. After 17mi and 3000' of gain, we still had a one-hour wait for the car shuttle, during which time Jim Throgmorton went back 3mi rt to get his misplaced ice axe, and we square-danced by starlight.
George Neuner and Al Hill were supposed to lead this trip but neither one could make it. So I found out one day before the trip that I was going to be the leader. Luckily, I have done all peaks and mostly remember the routes.

Sixteen people met at the entrance to Pinon Flat CG at 6:00 am Sat morning. The dirt road up to the old starting point is now closed. With the help of one local person and Edna Ersparmer’s recollection of a conversation with Dick Akawie we were able to find another road close to the original location. We were off at 6:30 with the weather already considerably warm. Hiking at a moderate pace, we reached Cactus Spring in about 2 hours. Leaving the trail at the usual location, I took the direct but tedious route over a ridge into the gully that leads up to the ridge to the west of the summit. A better route would have been to stay in the stream bed indicated by the dashed blue line on the topo map. Once into the gully things were better as we headed steeply but surely uphill. Stopping frequently due to heat, we wearily reached the summit of Martinez by noon.

We retraced our steps and descended in the same gully from which we ascended. Continuing in the same streambed, we reached the main canyon. From there we took the standard route directly over to Sheep Mtn reaching its summit by 4:00pm. Leaving 15 minutes later we headed south and met the trail near Cactus Springs. It began to get dark by the time we reached Horsethief Cyn. With a mile to go, the flashlights came on as we finished the hike as one group 3 hours from the start. Not surprisingly, 14 of the 16 participants elected to eat dinner at the nearby Sugarloaf Cafe.

With a greatly diminished group of 9, we met Sunday morning at 7:30 am for Asbestos. The hike up went without incident, reaching the summit in about 45 minutes. Afterwards, we drove over to Santa Rosa Mtn. With some snow and mud on the road, we parked our cars near Santa Rosa Spring and hiked up the ridge to the summit. The summit was pleasant and cool, so we lingered a while before returning home. Thanks to Jack for assisting on Sat and Martin Feather for Sun.

One Hundred Peaks Trivia

I have just completed my first 100 peaks, which I did as a five year project, beginning on my 60th birthday. The experience was so rewarding I am now starting on my next 100 peaks, which I hope to complete in the next five years.

My list included at least one peak in 26 of the 32 groups. Twenty of these peaks could have been driven up the day I was there, however I happen to feel that this defeats the purpose so I either took a trail, if one existed, or picked a spot several miles from the top and walked up. In degree of difficulty, 17 were strenuous, 23 were easy and 50 fell in the moderate range. In the process I climbed over 142,000 feet and walked over 600 miles. Also, a half dozen times I didn’t get there – weather, not enough daylight, or just too tired. Adding the failures would bring the totals to 154,000 feet and 660 miles.

Reiterating, I think this is a great program and would recommend it to those who are able and like to walk in the woods.
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ROAD REPAIRS NEXT 12 YEARS

Please forgive any errors. Send corrections to the Treasurer. John Sheldon. We very much appreciate a new Membership Chair. If you have a personal computer and are interested, contact Jon.
UPCOMING HUNDRED PEAKS

SECTION OUTINGS

JUL 13 SAT 100 PEAKS
1. PEAK BAGGING AND POT LUCK DINNER: Fun, frivolous frolic starting at Cloudburst Summit and going over WATERRAP (8828'). BUCKHORN (7823'), WINDSON RIDGE (7083') and WINSTON PEK (7582') off trail (8 mi. 3800' vertical gain). Pot luck dinner afterwards at nearby picnic area. Bring boots, water, lunch, one dinner item on railcar. (leaders will bring lettuce) to the La Canada carpool at 8 AM. Leaders: PLAN COLES. MARTIN FEATHER.

JUL 14 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. MT WILLIAMSON (8214'), PLEASANT VIEW RIDGE (7995'), WILL THOMPSON (7385') PELSETT MOUNT (7765') Long strenuous workout for beginners. Bus 18 mi. 1150' hike 4 mi. 4750' gain. Meet 6 AM at Million's restaurant or 7 AM at La Canada carpool. Leaders: LEN ARMACK, FRANK DOBBS.

JUL 21 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. FINE MTN (9648'), DAVIS PNT (9575'), WRIGHT MOUNT (9055'), MOUNT LEMNI (9596'): You must be in good condition for this moderately paced hike to these four peaks. All leaders for meeting info. Leaders: KATHLEEN BROWN, WALTER MILL.

JUL 21 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. SAN JACINTO PK. (10,834'), FOLLY PK. (10,834') VIA NUMBER PARK: Strenuous hike, not for beginners. For hike/reservations send e-mail to Leaders: GARY COHEN and WILMA CURTIS.

JUL 21 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. THEODOR PK. (8126'), MT BURHART (8557'), MT BADEN-POWELL (3939'): Join us for this invigorating stroll through the country of the San Gabriel Mtns. From Dawson Saddle to Vincent Gap. 6 mi. 3500' elevation. Meet 7:30 am at La Canada carpool. Leader: JOSEPHINE SCHLORF. Roset: JIM "SHARPS" FLEMING.

JUL 27 SAT 100 PEAKS
1. THUNDER MOUNT (9857'), TELEGRAPH PK (9885'), TIMBER MTN (8093'): Short shuttle will allow us to bag the 3 T's (8100'). 3000' vertical gain. Meet 7:30 am at Mt Baldy carpool. Leaders: JON SHELDON, EVA SMERLS.

JUL 29 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. FT WILLIAMSON (8214'), BOLT-THE-HEAT MIKE: Suitable for non-seasoners. Bring lunch and water along for this moderate climb (1600' gain, 5 mi) on the PCT, which will be followed by an optional walk (1/2 hour each way) to beautiful Little Rock Creek. Bring extra shorts or swimsuit if you like). Enjoy fine panorama of Pleasant View roadless area and the Mojave Desert. Meet 7:30 am at La Canada carpool. Leader: BOB KANNE. Roset: JIM FLEMING.

AUG 3 SAT 100 PEAKS/RID HONDO
1. DOBBS PK. (10,455'), SIRGO FOGGIO MNT (11,499'): 4500' gain; 17 mi; loc: wildnerness permit set limit. Send SASE to leader for recent experience and carpool info. Leader: LUDDE MARTIN, Roset: JACK TRACER.

AUG 4-4 SAT-SUN 100 PEAKS
M:10/O BACKPACK IN THE SAN JACINTO: Meet 8 AM at Marion Mtn camp. Gravity hike 1 mi. 3000' strenuous pace to Little Round Valley, set up camp, then bag SAN JACINTO (10,804'), CORNELL (7765)', and FOLLY (10,409') Pks. Show pride and most-dinner cheer. Sat. night, do Marion and Jean Pkcs, break camp and return. Expect a good workout. Group limited to 15. Reserve with 2 SASE's to Asher Box 7/28, including van phones and carpool info. Leader: ASHER ASHMAN. Roset: RON JONES.

AUG 17 SAT 100 PEAKS/RID HONDO
1. SHIELDS PK. (10,894'), ANDERSON PK. (10,840'), SAN BERNARDO PK. (10,849'), SAN BERNARDO E Pk. (10,651'): 4500' gain; bag 4 peaks via Foresail Trail. Wilderness pass is set limit. Send SASE to leader for carpool info and recent experience. Leader: LUDDE MARTIN. Roset: JACK TRACER.

AUG 25 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. SAN GORGONIO MNT (11,582') VIA VIVIAN CREEK TRAIL: Strenuous hike, not for beginners. 14 mi, 6000' gain. For info/reservations, send e-mail to Leaders: GARY COHEN and WILMA CURTIS.

AUG 1 SUN 100 PEAKS
1. DOBBS PK. (10,455'): Strenuous hike of pk near San Gorgonio involves over 5000' gain and 15 mi. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots for hike via Vivian Creek Trail. Meet 8:30 am at Pomona carpool. Leader: JOSEPH YOUNG. Roset: MART BROWN.

SEP 8 SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. ANDERSON PK. (10,040'), E. SAN BERNARDO PK. (10,591'), SAN BERNARDO PK. (10,649'): Interesting loop (17 mi. 4500' gain) via Foresail and back along John Henevy Trail. Wilderness is limited size. Send SASE to leader: PAUL COLES. Co-leader: JOHN ANDERL.

SEP 12 SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. WINSTON PK. (7582'), WINDSON RIDGE (7083'): Be among the first to climb this new addition to the PCT list. 3 mi. 1500' gain. Possible also BUCKHORN PK. Bring lunch. Water, long socks, boots. Meet 5:30 am at La Canada carpool. Leader: SELNEU. Roset: AL MILLER.

SEP 22 SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. TAHQUITZ PK. (8828'), RED TAHQUITZ PK (8739'): Climb these 2 beautiful mts above Idyllwild; 12 mi. 3200' gain. Permit required. Send e-mail for carpool info to Leader: SHARPS FLEMING. Roset: BRENT WASHBURNE.

SEP 22-29 SAT-SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. McDOUGALD PK. (8670'), SAWMILL MNT (8750'): Climb peaks the 1st weekend on Sat hike from Mutual Flat at 8 am. 17 mi. 3500' gain to above Sespe, if road is open. Sun leave 3 Falls Camp at 7 am for 16 mi. 3500' gain hike to San Joaun Valley overlook. Trim 3 mi. No beginners. Send e-mail for carpool info to Leader: DON TIDWELL. Roset: LEN ARMACK.

OCT 5 SAT 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. APACHE PK. (7567'), SPITLIER PK. (7448'): PALM VIEW PK. (7160')- DUNDEE PK. (6808'): Short cars shuttle: lone hike. SASE to leader: carpool info and recent experience. Leader: LUDDE MARTIN. Roset: JAC TRACER.

OCT 5 SAT 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. MT BALDY (10,664') FROM THE VILLAGE: This is the hard way; for strong hikers only. 24 mi. 6000' gain at 1400' per hour for strenuous but superb hike. Bring lunch and water. Meet 8 am at Footprint Blv. and Mason. Leader: GERRY DUNN. KATHY DEEGEE.

OCT 5 SAT 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. SUNSET PK. (7254') TRAVERSE, Octoberfest hike. Slow pace, a leisurely hike on a new route, and end up at the festivity at Harwood early. We'll go up the Ridge and down the E (4 mi. 1600' gain), with a short car shuttle. Route is on firebreaks. Bring lunch and water. Meet 8 am at Mils. Foothill Blvd in Claremont. Leader: BOB KANNE. Roset: STAG 86.

OCT 5-6 SAT-SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. IRON MNT at (6000'): Our 12th annual climb will assce the 4th peak in each of the west ridge, starting from the Narrows, and passing the Stanley-Miller mine. This trip is recommended for adventurers whose routine routes rather than first time peak baggers. Bring SASE to leader with day and night phones, car info and climax qualifications. Leaders: BILL H. RUSSELL, BOB NICKS.

OCT 6 SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. MT BADEN-POWELL (3939'): Meet 8 am at La Canada carpool. 1200' gain. Bring lunch and water. Leader: BOB MATSON. As: JOE WABNML.

OCT 12-13 SAT-SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. TELESCOPE PEAK, DEATH VALLEY: On Sat., fast-paced hike to REYES PK. and then hike to Death Valley. Have Sat. dinner in short town. For reservations send 6 SASE's, 1 for food. Bring lunch. Bring overnight for backpacking. Leader: LUDDE MARTIN. Roset: WALTER MILL, KATHLEEN BROWN.

OCT 13 SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. CASTLE ROCKS (9449'), BLACK MTN #1 (7772'): Join us for a two peak and a birthday celebration (Sheila's) in the San Jacinto Mnt. Meet 7:30 am at Pomona Basin carpool. Leader: JIM "SHARPS" FLEMING. Roset: BRENT WASHBNE.

OCT 19-20 SAT-SUN 100 PEAKS WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
1. REVES CREEK C.G. TO CHORRO GRANDE CANYON: Car shuttle, back; and hike to beautiful Las Flores Flat Forest. First day in to REYES PK. and return to car with lunch. Leader: JIM "SHARPS" FLEMING. Roset: BRENT WASHBNE.

15 cont.
Along the streamside at Happy Acres Camp there were four tents in a row, each at a site named after a different state. Each tent was occupied by a family from a different state (not the same state as the name of the site). Each family arrived on a different day of the week; each had a different destination; and each had differently colored backpacks. Given the following nine clues, can you answer the four questions below? (Answers in the next lookout)

1. The family from Kansas occupied the tent to the west of the Idaho site.
2. The family from South Carolina arrived on Tuesday; they were heading for Mesa Verde.
3. The family with the blue backpacks occupied the Arizona site.
4. The family occupying the Idaho site came from Maine and had red backpacks.
5. The family that was going to Yosemite was in the second site just to the east of the family from South Carolina.
6. The family with the blue backpacks was to the west of the family from Maine.
7. The family that was traveling to Canada was at the next to last site, which was named Arizona.
8. The family that arrived on Friday had green backpacks and stayed at the Florida site, to the west of the family with the blue backpacks.
9. The family at the Idaho site arrived on Saturday.

Which family came from Minnesota?
Which family arrived on Wednesday?
Which family was heading for Yellowstone?
Which family had the yellow backpacks?
a fictional mountaineering true story
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The injured climbers were confined to their shelters

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The pain was in tents

Once upon a time there was a little village nestled in the foothills of a beautiful mountain range.

The highest peak in the range stood at the head of the valley just north of the village. To the east, 5,000 feet above the valley floor stood West Peak. The highest peak (7,000 feet above the valley floor) to the north was named Red Mountain because it resembled a wine bottle.

The village was named Belay. The townspeople were very proud of their hamlet. Early in its history they established a Chamber of Commerce. Of course the Chambers' job was to promote the hamlet. They always claimed that their hamlet was the valley front runner in agriculture, commerce, education, and mountaineering. Being good promoters they came up with a slogan for their hamlet. Far and wide they spread the word, "Belay the Leader."

Two of the people in the town were sweethearts, about to be married. They first met in grammar school. He was lean and long, well built and strong -- his name was Pete Ton. She was shapely, slim, and while she was generally quiet, she would occasionally open up -- especially when she caught Pete's eye. Her name was Carrie Beaner. Both Pete and Carrie had become professional mountain guides since graduating from high school.

One night Pete and Carrie were sitting in the local pub drinking beer and eating corp with their friend the proprietor -- Ruck Sack. Ruck had bought the pub many years before. He, too, had been a guide before his accident. A young, inexperienced tourist had stepped on him with a crampon. While the doctors patched up Ruck Sack, he never regained his original strength. Ruck loved the mountains, but he also loved his mountaineering friends. In order to enjoy them and give them a place to relax and tell their tales, he felt they needed a place to slow down after a climb. That was when he bought the Belay Bar.

As they sat, enjoying the company of one another, the front door opened suddenly. There stood the three members of the Glacier Patrol. "The patrol was not so much like the rangers we know; they were actually part of the local police. To many of the townspeople, they were known as the ice screws. The first one in was the dynamic of the group -- Ed L. Rid -- he had a knack for holding the group together. The second one in was Rock Hammer -- he was the strongest of the group, but generally hard headed. The last member was Rip Stop -- he was an all-around guy; nothing got him down; when well treated he seemed to shed trouble. Rip was completely devoted to his job and had no other love. Rock Hammer and Ed L. Rid were enthusiastic about their work. Both of them had another love and her name was Carrie Beaner. Ed L. Rid and Pete Ton were reasonably good friends and occasionally they both went out with Carrie Beaner. Sometimes Ed L. Rid went by himself, but Pete Ton was rarely seen without Carrie Beaner. Rock Hammer had a different approach. Instead of trying to win Carrie on his own merit, he was always knocking Pete Ton. Of course, Carrie did not like that; she considered Rock Hammer a dolt. (cont next page)

TONGUE TANGLER

The two tiny torpid turtles trudged through the trackless thicket.
One month later, Pete and Carrie were married by their long time friend, Bishop Cal. Best man was Al Timeter. Maid of honor was Ann Crak. Pete and Carrie honeymooned at a delightful little resort called Cornice on the Ridge. After the honeymoon they returned home to Belay to continue their guide work. It wasn’t long before they realized that Carrie was going to have to give up guiding. Dr. Red Cross informed Carrie she was pregnant. Carrie had a fondness for Dr. Red Cross, for he had come to her aid first when she was injured five years ago. Dr. Cross would not be able to handle her case as Red had committed himself to a convention in Geneva. The new oriental doctor, Dr. Kao Pectate, would be there in the end. Time passed quickly and Carrie had twins — a boy and a girl, Rurp and Piffi. So that Pete and Carrie could once again climb together, they hired a nurse for the children. Her name was Gretchen Biotic. The children grew to love her so much they called her Aunty Biotic.

One day, while climbing Red Mountain, heading across the upper glacier for the area known as the handle, Pete stepped in a crevasse; Carrie was unable to effect a self-arrest and she was dragged into the crevasse. She had not caught him this time. She had caught him in marriage, but in the mountains she had failed as a Pete Ton catcher. Neither was seriously hurt. They both realized they must get out quickly. They wished they had some ice screws. Luckily, they had been wandering their route and the Glacier Patrol found them. Their wish for ice screws had come true. Rip, Rock, and Ed had one objective — to get the two climbers out. Ed L. Rid lowered himself into the crevasse. Pete and Carrie prudently out, thanks to Ed. L. Rid. Within minutes, all five were on their way to the Belay Bar.

Ruck Sack had hired a new barmaid, Polly Bottle, and a new bartender, Ed. L. Weiss. Together they all drank and talked.

Just then Aunty Biotic injected herself through the doorway. She reported that Rurp and Piffi had wandered toward the rock cliffs and had not returned. Immediately they realized that Rip, Rock, and Ed L. Rid could not help. Everyone knows ice screws are almost useless on rock. Pete and Carrie were exhausted from the crevasse ordeal.

In the next episode, Polly Bottle the barmaid, Ed L. Weiss the bartender, and Ruck Sack, the proprietor and once-upon-a-time climber, go the rescue of Rurp and Piffi. Who, if anyone, will be the hero or heroine? Who is Billie Can? Who is the mystery girl referred to only as the Sleeping Bag? Who called the HPS Search and Rescue Team?

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