Letter From the Incoming Chair
By Winnette Butler

HPS moves into 2006 with a flourish, and I'm pleased to serve as Chair for the coming year. My thanks go out to the 2005 Management Committee (both elected and appointed positions) for a very congenial, constructive and rewarding year. I'm really looking forward to working with the new team towards an even better year in 2006.

The 42nd Annual Awards Banquet was held at Taix French Restaurant on January 21st, where over 100 attendees socialized, renewed old acquaintances, made new ones and enjoyed dinner and the amazing "HPS Ritual." It was wonderful to see the enormous number of achievements recognized. Over 40 new emblems/achievements were earned in 2005, and special recognition certificates were presented to the recipients who attended the banquet. Five members were presented awards for outstanding service and leadership in 2005. The John Backus Leadership Award was given to Virgil Popescu, the Bill T. Russell New Leader Award went to Sandy Burnside and the R.S. Fink Service Award was awarded to John Connelly. A special award for Spirit of Volunteerism was presented to Doris Duval. Sherry Ross was presented an award for her outstanding Conservation Service. Charles White entertained the audience with an interesting program on the history of Fire Lookouts in the Angeles National Forest, and provided information on how to become a lookout host. He pointed out during his talk that he was a little perplexed by the remarks he kept overhearing, "Oh, I didn't recognize you with clothes on!" The only sad pause in the evening's festivities was a moment of silence to mark the passing of three long-standing Sierra Club members - Elizabeth Cohen, Louis Quirarte and Andy Smatko.

HPS moves into 2006 with a strong, stable membership and a large, outstanding group of leaders (soon to pass the 200 mark). I am proud to report that HPS sponsored over 250 scheduled outings last year, from beginner to strenuous, covering a wide variety of events involving hiking, climbing, snowshoes, backpacks and mountain bikes. We're starting off the New Year with another great schedule of outings, but we can always use more!

Upcoming Events to Remember:
✔ Spring Fling at Foster Lodge in San Diego - May 6th and 7th
✔ Waterman Rendezvous - July 22nd
✔ Fall Festival with DPS and SPS - October 7th and 8th
✔ Annual Business Meeting - September 12th (Deadline for proposals to add new emblems, peak additions, and bylaw amendments)
✔ Annual Awards Banquet, Taix French Restaurant - January 20, 2007

This looks like it's going to be a banner year for the HPS. We're looking for new records to be set and old records to be broken, with lots of emblems, achievements and parties for everyone! With the recent addition of Snowshoe, Explorer and additional Pathfinder Emblems, it's been rewarding to see the number of members staying actively involved after their First List Completion.

I would like to encourage all of you to communicate with members of the Management Committee. This is a great section, and whether old or new, each one of you brings something unique to the section. Please share your thoughts and let us know your ideas for making this the best year ever.

Happy Hiking!

Just a reminder: the next Leadership Training Program seminar is 1 April 2006. Details are at: http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/. Sign up early, take a Red Cross CPR/First Aid course in advance, and you can walk out of the Seminar as a "Provisional O" leader.

Hikers, many of them Sierra Clubbers and HPSers, gather at the gravesite of Owen Brown on January 15, 2006, the actual birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. Owen Brown was the son of famed abolitionist John Brown. Owen Brown moved to Southern California in the 1880's, and he attempted to build a monument to his father on what is today Brown Mountain, near Millard Canyon. Owen Brown died in 1889, and he was buried on a low hill near Altadena. Visitors had been hiking to his gravesite since then. But the property including the gravesite was sold in 2002 and the new owners obstructed passage to the gravesite. Save The Altadena Trails brought legal action to regain access to the gravesite and succeeded. Their attorney, Paul Ayers is shown above, seated third from left.
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Hundred Peaks Section
Membership Report
By Greg DeHoogh

Achievements

100 Peaks Emblem

1072  Mary Jo Dungfelder  June 5, 2004  Little Shay Mountain
1073  Gary Schenk  April 6, 2003  Asbestos Mountain
1074  Don Croley  June 24, 1994  Ingram Peak
1075  Laura Franciosi  April 1, 2005  Pyramid Peak
1076  David Clark  December 3, 2005  Alamo Peak
1077  Pamela Rowe  December 17, 2005  Silver Peak
1078  Sara Danta  December 26, 2005  Lightner Peak

200 Peaks Bar

420  Diana Estrada  October 13, 2005  Black Mountain #2
421  Jorge Estrada  October 13, 2005  Black Mountain #2
422  Don Cwik  November 11, 2005  Owens Peak
423  Marlen Mertz  December 11, 2005  Red Mountain
424  Mark Allen  December 11, 2005  Granite Peaks

List Finish #1

251  Lloyd Johnson  October 8, 2005  Lizard Head
252  Suzy Hermann  October 22, 2005  Eagle Crag
253  Doris Duval  November 12, 2005  Rabbit Peak #2
254  Ignacia Doggett  January 7, 2006  Sheep Mountain

List Finish #2

44  Edith Liu  November 12, 2005  Rabbit Peak #2

List Finish #8

4  Peter Doggett  January 7, 2006  Sheep Mountain

List Finish #10

2  Mars Bonfire  November 21, 2005  Smith Mountain

200 Pathfinders

10  Dorothy Danziger  September 20, 2005  McDonald Peak

Lead 100 Peaks

34  Kent Schwitkis  December 30, 2005  Little Berdoo Peak

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Donors

- William Meyerchak: $10
- Wayne Bannister: $50
- Kathy Cheever: $30
- David Stepsay: $1
- Leo Rosario: $13
- Roy Stewart: $15

Membership Counts

- 380 Members (328 primary + 52 household)
- 64 Subscribers
- 444 Total
From The (Past) Chair
By Wolf Leverich

WELCOME, WTCers! HPS is giving a copy of the March-April issue of The Lookout to each of the Wilderness Travel Course’s 250 students. WTCers, HPS would like to welcome you and invite you to come out and hike with us. HPS has a full spectrum of slow to fast hikes, and easy to extremely strenuous outings. In particular, you can find both fast short hikes and slow huge hikes, both of which can be great for improving your conditioning. And many of these hikes leave from trailheads near your home.

We also lead a number of backpacks that are suitable for your experience climbs. Look for leads of the “Big 3”, the “Big 4”, and Villager/Rabbit, as well various others. Because there are no permit restrictions on these outings, you’ll generally be welcome on the outing if your conditioning is appropriate.

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THANKS, EVERYONE, FOR A GREAT BANQUET! Particular thanks go to Joe Young (most of the arrangements), Winnette Butter (the certificates and more), all the members of the 2005 and 2006 MComms, and many other folks. It’s always great to see how many folks pitch in to make the Banquet a success!

LTC IS COMING APRIL 1 to Eaton Canyon in Pasadena! If you aren’t a leader, you should be. Even if you never schedule an outing yourself, leadership training will help you understand why leaders do what they do. And you can always save an outing by volunteering to lead when a scheduled leader is sick or otherwise can’t participate.

Getting your “O” rating is easy: you just attend the LTC seminar, you take CPR and Standard First Aid, and you lead a single outing. That’s it – no stress, you learn useful things, and less than three days total.

To get started, block out 1 April 2006 on your calendar. Then send $25 (payable to “Sierra Club”), your name and postal address, your phone number, and your e-mail address to:

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SO WHERE’S WOLF “NOW”? Six months have gone by, I’ve had 4 ESWL procedures, and lived 4 months with plastic tubing in my gut. And I still have 15-20% of that darn kidney stone left. Yes, it hurts. And yes, I’m looking for a new urologist. Nonetheless, I’ve started working on my conditioning again. Cribbing shamelessly from my Banquet speech, I desperately miss the peace of the wilderness.

And I miss eating bugs and stale trail bars, being cold, wet, and miserable, being hot, dehydrated, and miserable, having sore feet, sore legs, sore arms, and just generally being sore. (Maybe I’m a masochist ... ? Naw, just a peak-bagger.)

And, being more serious, I miss the feeling of accomplishment that comes from having done, and especially having led, a peak.

But WAY, WAY MORE than anything else, I miss hiking with HPSers. The best people I’ve ever met are in HPS, and I really miss being out in the backcountry with you. See you on trail as soon as I can.

JANUARY 2006 MRC REPORT
By Wolf Leverich

01G PILOT KNOB
As background, we may have effectively lost legal access to Pilot Knob. We definitely do not have useful legal access through the California Department of Fish & Game’s Canebrake Ecological Reserve. Areas we’d need to cross are posted no trespassing.

Josephine Stone warned us in May 2005 (our last known contact with her) that it was probable that HPS would lose access through the White Blanket Ranch. She is now being unresponsive to written requests. The next steps are to “tactfully” approach Mrs. Stone personally, and to contact DF&G to see if access through the CER can be obtained. Regaining legal access to Pilot Knob may require some time.

03B BLACK MOUNTAIN #3 ROUTE 1 (kudos to Kathy Cheever)
As background, we may be about to lose access to this route. A house is being built where the route historically has begun. The next step is to drive around the area looking for any other unobstructed ways to start the route.

09B IRRON MOUNTAIN #2 (kudos to Gabriele Rau, with adjustments by MRC)
Distance: 6+ miles round trip on road and cross-country. Gain: 1300’ total, 600’ out plus 700’ on return. Time: 3 hours round trip

09C CONDOR PEAK (kudos to Gabriele Rau, with adjustments by MRC)
Distance: 10+ miles round trip on road and trail. Gain: 2400’ total, 1000’ out plus 1400’ on return. Time: 5-6 hours round trip

09D FOX MOUNTAIN #2 (kudos to Gabriele Rau, with adjustments by MRC)
Distance: 12+ miles round trip on road and trail. Gain: 3400’ total, 1300’ out plus 2100’ on return. Time: 6-7 hours round trip
Note that Iron, Condor, and Fox as a single hike is 14+ miles and about 4,200’ total gain.
Current Trip Reports

Owens Peak 49th Anniversary
Nov. 11, 2005
by Gary Schenk

On November 11, 1956 Miles Brubacher and Pat Meixner led the first SPS trip to Owens Peak with 46 participants. The beginning of the SPS’s 50th Anniversary year seemed like a good time to repeat that trip. George Wysup and Henry Arnebold agreed. So much that they decided to help lead the repeat. And so, on Armistice Day, 2005, 17 intrepid peakbaggers gathered at the Owens Trailhead.

The weather did not look promising. The summit was hidden in a thick layer of white clouds, but we thought we’d give it a go, expecting to find whiteout conditions along the way. This fear proved unfounded.

One of the changes since the first trip is the presence of a good use trail for almost the entire route. One only has to take some care upon reaching the talus, and follow the abundant ducks to reach the base of the slabs. Above the slabs the use trail is even more defined, and steeply climbs to the top.

Here we encountered Bill and Susan Livingston along with their dog Kaweah. We also found nice views north and east. Clouds covered the south and west.

Folks starting bringing out celebratory goodies and the feasting commenced. Right about this time it came out that Don Cwik had just earned his HPS 200 Peak Emblem as well as his first SPS peak. Not a bad day!

Eventually we started getting a little cold. Cold enough to actually want to leave this fine peak. In short time we reached the trailhead, and were soon back at Powers Well. Just another fine day along the Sierra Crest.

Thanks to George Wysup, Henry Arnebold, and Larry Hoak for helping lead this rowdy crowd. And thanks to Mark Allen, Gary Bickel, Larry Campbell, Don Cwik, Mary Jo Dungfelder, Rudy Fleck, Cheryl Gill, Stephanie Gylden, David Koskenmaki, Bob McEwen, Gloria Miladen, John Radalj and Kevin Rooney for making this trip so enjoyable.

Double List Finish On Rabbit #2
November 12, 2005
By Doris Duval

Some of us wanted to climb the Rabbit without a backpack and without carrying gallons of water. How do you do that? Try an approach from the West! On the morning of November 12 we car-pooled past Clark Dry Lake to the foot of Coyote Mountain and started across the desert floor. Participants were: Mars Bonfire and Kathy Cheever (Leaders), Peter and Ignacia Doggett, Jorge and Diana Estrada, Ginny Heringer, Edith Liu, Martin Parson, Joanne Griego, Dorothy Dantziger and Doris Duval.

Would the flat and sandy desert floor ever end?

The photo is by Rudy Fleck. It is on the summit of Owens and shows: sitting left to right: Henry Arnebold, Gary Bickel, Cheryl Gill, Gloria Miladen, Mary Jo Dungfelder, Susan Livingston, Kaweah.

standing left to right: David Koskenmaki, Larry Hoak, Gary Schenk, Mark Allen, Don Cwik, John Radalj, Stephanie Gylden, Kevin Rooney, Bob McEwen, Larry Campbell, George Wysup, Bill Livingston.

Eventually we reached the mouth of a dry and rocky streambed and started to gradually go uphill. There were many ridges and bumps to traverse or side-hill, through rough terrain of rock and cactus. The desert in splendid isolation was stark and beautiful, with giant ocotillos in full leaf. No use trails to follow. We even spotted a rare Desert Bighorn high above us, contouring the slope in the same direction as we were. Martin zoomed him in and took a picture.

I became aware of the Ridge we would have to climb, a one mile ridge with 2000 feet elevation gain. That’s steep! We reached it sometime in the early afternoon. It was loose and rocky, except for one area of giant sandstone outcroppings. Of course, Mars knew just the right path across this maze, avoiding any real exposure.

The top of this ridge intersects the use trail coming from Villager (the usual approach from the South) and the moment the Doggetts and Estradas hit this trail, they were off. Up to now they had to endure our relatively slow pace, because only Mars knew the route, and he was accommodating some of us slower pokes. They would reach the peak in the last glimmer of daylight. Later we passed each other in the night, and at the rest of us reached the peak by moon light. It was Edith’s 2nd and my 1st (and I am sure only) List Finish. What a thrill!

After a short celebration we started heading back down. Dorothy and I dreaded the idea of descending that awful ridge in the dark. I thought of rescue helicopters at any price, and Dorothy suggested to go down over Villager. As it turned out though, it was easier at night, because our headlamps only illuminated what we needed to see and not the abyss beyond. Our four faster companions flashed their lights at us from the bottom and we flashed back in envy. They were already down there, off the ridge. What seemed an eternity later, we finally
arrived “down there”, greatly relieved and tired. But trying to catch some sleep on our Z-rests proved futile. Too cold and too windy.

So we pressed on over bumps and ridges, cholla and rocks to the last water stash, where Dorothy who was out of water, could not find her cache. We were collectively low on water, until Mars happened to find two small bottles of the precious liquid behind a large rock. What luck! (We found out later that the Doggett party either could not find them or forgot them there). At this point Edith, Martin and Ginny headed for the cars ahead of the stragglers. After a good rest those stragglers, together with the endlessly patient leaders, crossed the vast expanse of by now hot desert floor, before reaching the cars. It had been a very strenuous and sleep-deprived but glorious hard day’s day, night and morning.

Thank you Mars and Kathy for a great lead, and thanks to all the other wonderful leaders who helped me “get the peaks I needed” on this memorable quest of completing the HPS List.

Barley Flats
December 14, 2005
Leaders: Joe Young and Alice Goldberg
By Joe Young

On December 14, 1975 I celebrated my 30th birthday by leading an HPS hike to Emma and Old Emma on a cold and windy day. On December 14, 1985, my 40th birthday, I led Cole, Emma and Old Emma for the HPS, hiking in snow the entire way. On the evening of December 14, 1995, my 50th birthday, I gave a slide show program at the HPS monthly meeting. This year December 14 fell on a Wednesday and I chose to schedule a hike to Barley Flats for the HPS and Local Hikes.

About 30 people showed up at the La Cañada rideshare point, and as is the custom, split into different hiking groups. Some opted for the pines of the higher peaks; some would do Barley Flats via Lawlor. Most of us drove to Red Box and began a hike up the old overgrown road to Barley Flats.

My scheduled leader, Bobcat Thompson, had a conflict this day. He could have stayed home, joined me on this brushy climb, or... go to Tahiti on an Angeles Chapter fundraiser. Unbelievably, he chose Tahiti! However, Alice Goldberg graciously volunteered to assist today.

Virgil Popescu was also at the rideshare point, but he had brought some celebratory items which he wanted to take to the summit via the short hike through the abandoned County facility.

It took about 2 to 2 ½ hours for everyone to get to the summit of Barley Flats, including the group who had bagged Lawlor. This was my first semi-tough lead since hip joint replacement surgery in November of 2004, and I figured that no one would complain about my lack of speed on this brushy trail. The weather cooperated today as it was sunny and pleasantly cool.

Thanks to Virgil, there were desserts and champagne on the summit. The group sang happy 60th birthday to me, and I enjoyed the occasion.

Virgil offered to drive some of us down to Red Box and we heartily accepted his offer. Peter Doggett and Frank Dobos led the rest of the group back down the trail to Red Box where we all later reconvened.

Skinner Peak, Black Mtn #3, Red Mtn:
There’s More than the Peaks
December 10-11, 2005
By Marlen Mertz and Tom Hill

Remember those long HPS road trips? Ya know, where you drive three hours to hike seven but it seems like you’ve driven seven and hiked three? If you have the nerve to mention the subject, it’s certain that some diehard peakbagger will respond: “But think about it! These outings take you to corners of Southern California you otherwise would never have visited.” Here’s a great example of fascinating and fun “extras” surrounding three Hundred Peaks hikes on one December weekend.

The Hikes

On Saturday morning, after a caravan from the town of Mojave, our group of 11 gathered at Bird Spring Pass and proceeded up the 4-mile trail to Skinner Peak in breathtaking big-sky country, temperatures 40-50 degrees, a gorgeous sunny day. On Sunday we explored a new route to nearby Black Mtn #3. We began at the standard Quail Springs trailhead (Route 1) then hiked south to an obvious ridgeline lying between the two routes described in the peak guide. This ridge worked as well as the other routes described in the guide. Sunday afternoon brought us to Red Mountain. After a short lunch we scrambled up the canyon and ridges just east of the namesake town to the rather unique summit with a collection of yellow tanks that some have decided were the fuel supply for an early
aerial beacon. We returned to our cars at the base of the mountain adjacent to the deteriorated old mining town of Osdick (renamed Red Mountain) once known for its lively "red light" district.

Our on-hike discussions found three participants with less than ten peaks under their belts and one first-timer. How remote one hundred peaks must have seemed! But we planted seeds for the sprouting of new hundred peak baggers. They were just beginning to get a taste of the best-kept secret of all, that each summit beckons you on to the next.

The Experience Surrounding the Hikes

Near Red Mountain we visited the almost-ghost-town of Randsburg. This authentic gold mining town looks much as it did a century ago (but you have to imagine hordes of wide-eyed, grizzled prospectors). In dwindling daylight we visited the local saloon and conducted our own walkabout of the historic downtown with its wooden church, antique stores and a general store that has been in continuous operation since 1896. Upon peeking into the Randsburg White Horse Saloon, replete with local color, we discovered the owner of the 1920's three-room Randsburg Inn across the street. She showed us the museum's premises and invited us to return for a stay and to contact the local historian to arrange a personalized tour of the district. We learned that some still pan for gold in the district's dry stream beds and that we could return for instruction—assured with a straight face that people do occasionally walk proudly away with nuggets! We also learned that brothels were built underground at Red Mountain. Right there on the Kern-San Bern county line. When law enforcement arrived, shady activities moved back and forth between the counties to avoid the officers. So say the local townsfolk!

How about Tehachapi itself, near Black #3? This railroad town has the Tehachapi Loop, one of the great engineering feats of the nineteenth century. Completed in 1876, the unique loop of railroad track contains 18 tunnels and 8,300 degrees of rotation in 16 miles through the Tehachapi Pass.

Tehachapi also has more than its share of apple and pear orchards. The harvest is from August through November. Although we were behind the season by a month, we still found pears for 10 cents a pound and lots of perfect, fresh crunchy apples we are still enjoying.

Ever heard of Stallion Springs? Neither had we. Our design was to encourage hikers to take advantage of back-to-back hiking days. Some Internet research led us to a luxurious timeshare available at Stallion Springs (a developed resort area at the western end of ranchlands in Cummings Valley, about 13 miles west of Tehachapi). The rolling, well-wooded hillsides stretch between generations-old homesteads, spreading a quiet ambience totally unexpected. And that's how some of us ended up enjoying the large two-bedroom, two-bath timeshare. Saturday evening we enjoyed a happy hour in front of the warm fire before dining at Papa (Joe's) Italian restaurant down the road.

On Sunday morning we met additional participants while enjoying breakfast at the Apple Shed, located in an historic packing shed along the major railroad line passing through Tehachapi. We shopped in the restaurant's unique shop, which features unusual gifts and local crafts. And so went our weekend of hiking to Skinner Peak, named for William Skinner, a gold miner who married a local Kawaiisu Indian, Black Mountain #3 (no particular meaning for its name) and Red Mountain, whose red clay flanks were to be exploited for the production of cosmetics, when gold was discovered, twenty million dollars worth.

We were guided in our weekend explorations by the HPS "Summit Signatures" found at the end of each Website peak guide. The Signatures were compiled by Louis Quijarte. We were keenly aware of his passing (announced just prior to this outing), since we use his notes to familiarize ourselves with the history of each peak and surrounding area prior to a trip. We feel strongly that the mountains have many stories to tell us. They bring with them thousands of views and the mountains speak silently, the efforts of Mr. Quijarte and many others allow each of us to hear their stories just a little bit better.

And that brings us back to where we started our little tale of one weekend in the quiet backcountry, with special thanks for a memorable outing to hikers Stephanie Gyden, Diana Neff-Estrada, Jorge Estrada, Kevin Rooney, Laura Stockton, Don Colly, Larry Hock, Paul Garry, Dennis Haensly, Chris Wu, Mary Patterson, Jennifer Washington, Jim Davis and Larry Mattson.

My Sunday Hike

January 8, 2006
by George Wysup

After an enjoyable group climb of Bernard and Little Bird Doo on Saturday, I opted not to go along with the group on the scheduled Quail climb on January 8 because I needed to get home early, besides which I don't need any more Quails. The other peaks in the area that I need happen to be Black #4 and Chaparrasas.

Saturday night after dinner with marien, Tom Hill, and Jim Davis at the Royal Siam in Joshua Tree I drove up Pioneertown Road with the intention of sleeping somewhere along Burns Canyon Road, then climbing Black #4 the next morning. Some primitive instinct led me to park near Chaparrasas. Maybe I just didn't want to drive any farther, maybe it was the prospect of an explorer route, but I decided to bag Chaparrasas.

I decided to gain the ridge trending WSW and see how that went and play it by ear to avoid class 3 bouldering and dense brush, figuring there might be problems and I might have to turn back and settle for a standard route. But the hike went surprisingly well. There were open leads through the scrub oak most of the way. I was able to skirt the "Wonderland of Rocks"-like boulder fields. There was some extra downhill, but not too much. I crossed the trail, built by Wildlands Conservancy, and ascended the hillock (5480+) just NW of Chaparrasas and easily strolled across
the saddle and up to the peak. The hike was totally cross country and very enjoyable.

The jaunt required 3 hours at my rather slow pace. I generally hike slowly and carefully when traveling alone in remote areas and, besides, I am out of shape after too much holiday indulgence. Yeah, I know. You didn’t ask, and you couldn’t care less. But here you are—a free report.

Whoops! on Granite #2
Private trip, Sat, January 6, 2006
by George Wysup

Ginny Heringer needed them, Zobeida “Explorer” Arauz needed them, I needed Granite. So let’s do ‘em. We decided to kill Saturday bagging Granite Mtn #2 (Anza-Borrego) and the treacherous Boucher Hill. I rounded up a few more who wanted to share our sport. These were; Chris Wu, Shin-Fu Hsu (it’s always nice to have 2 MDs along), Anne Howell, Scott Gabbert, and Laura “no way I’m driving up Boucher” Joseph.

Granite Mtn #2

I had not visited this peak for 3 years so my memory of the driving and hiking route was getting hazy. Actually, at my age, my memory tends to get quite hazy by the next day. This, and my natural carelessness, turned this rather pedestrian hike into a bit more of an adventure, with 7 people wondering just how lost we were. We all met at 7 am at a gourmet McD’s in Temecula for a caffeine and triglyceride elevation session, then proceeded via Warner Springs ($2.99 for regular petrol) to the turnoff to the dirt road leading to Oriflamme and Rodriguez canyon roads, where we coagulated into high clearance vehicles. We followed the peak guide directions for the first 2 miles, then I performed my usual exercise of driving a short distance up the old mine road to get a head start. Only it turned out that I drove an extra half mile up Rodriguez canyon road, which is rather in the wrong direction. When we returned (yes, we all did) I noted that the old mine road has been blocked by some boulders whose heights exceed the ground clearance of my 4Runner. Hence the road has become overgrown and I did not notice it. In my defense, I must say that no one else caught the error. This error, together with my blithe assumptions, were the root causes of the adventurization of this hike. We started up the road, then I led us up the steep slope to the right to intercept the road, intending to shortcut the anticipated switchback. We climbed for much longer than I thought we needed, so I called a time-out to see, belatedly, where the blanketly blank we were. Resorting to the GPS, I saw that we were over a mile west of where we oughta be, and I saw that I must have parked in the wrong spot. Returning to the cars and starting over was, by now, not an option. I had heard and observed that all routes to Granite go, sort of. So why not forge a new route? If it works some of us get Explorers or Pathfinders on Granite! We continued basically north over rather steep but open terrain until we saw the ridge that turned to the northeast going to our summit. I could see a change in the vegetation to intense brushiness. At this point there was no alternative to continuing as best we could. At least we were all wearing long pants, had plenty of water, and it was before noon. We had only about 1/2 mile to go to reach the main route which, I figured, should go smoothly. After some initial bashing through the (mostly dead, and not thorny) brush the way improved. There were open stretches between brief bouts of brushiness. The going was slow, but we made steady progress and finally joined route 1. From there it was a thickly ducked wall-to the summit block, then a mild class 3 romp to the register can. We could see 2 people relaxing on the summit as we approached. They turned out to be Virginia West and Jerry Higgins, vigorous and prolific hikers from the San Diego area. They had ascended the southeast ridge from highway S2. As I promised my group, we descended via the real route 1. It was quite tricky in one rocky spot and it seemed to me that there was much more cactus and brush than there was 3 years ago. I frequently heard screams of pain behind me as participants were attacked by cholla. I actually felt that the “wrong” way we climbed was a better route. Plotting our route on the map later showed that the wrong route was, if not better, at least shorter—by more than a mile. We were back to the vehicles at 5:15 pm, almost exactly 8 hours after starting.

Boucher Hill

Anne and Scott and (of course) Laura opted not to go to Boucher. Something to do with darkness or lateness perhaps. The other 5 wanted and needed this imposing escarpment so badly we could taste it. We drove up the east grade road, hwy S7, in pitch darkness. There were few other fools on the road. We passed the deserted state park fee collection site and drove to the loop road going to the mighty summit. There was a locked gate across the entrance and a sign stating that the area was open from 8 am until sundown. Well it was only about 1.5 hours past sundown, and we thought the view at night would be interesting. I could have driven up the one-way exit road, but I didn’t want to get my vehicle cited by some stray park ranger. So we donned our lamps and hiked 300 feet vertical up the 0.6 mile long trail to the summit. There we were treated to the outlines of the electronics site and the old fire lookout against the starlit sky and the lights of San Diego thousands of feet below. Truly spectacular. This fantastic day was capped by a delicious dinner at Siggy’s Deli in Temecula. I recommend the pastrami sandwich.

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Turn on your headlights between La Cañada and the Angeles Forest Highway
Advance Schedule of Outings and Events
March - July 2006
By Karen Isaacson Leverich

Come get high with us.

Mar 1  Wed  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Mount Gleason (6520'): Join us for a pleasant hike to this local favorite. Route to be determined the day of the hike.
Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Mar 1  Wed  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Santiago Peak (5687'), Modjeska Peak (5496'): If the gate is open, a nice (or at least long) dirt road drive and a short (2 miles round trip, 500' gain) hike to visit the two high points of Orange County. Otherwise, we'll at least entertain the notion of hiking (gasp!): 15+ miles, 4500' + of gain. Your high clearance or 4WD vehicle is welcome. Email or SASE to Karen at least a few days before the outing. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, GREG DeHOOGH

Mar 1  Wed  Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Barley Flats (5500') from Alder Creek: 8 miles round trip, 2100' gain. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, good footwear. Leaders: MARY PATTerson, DAN BUTLER

Mar 4  Sat  Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks

Mar 4  Sat  Crescenta Valley, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Lukens (5074'): Join us for this late winter hike to the highest point in the city of Los Angeles. Hike from Deukmejian Park in La Crescenta via trails and fire road. Spring wildflowers and great views to Catalina Island. 9 miles round trip, 3000' gain. Bring the "3 L's" (Liquids, Lunch & Lugsoles). Well-mannered K-9's welcome. Meet 8 AM at Deukmejian Park. From I-210 take Pennsylvania Ave exit N to Foothill Blvd, left to New York, right to top of New York, left on Markridge 1/2 block to park entrance on right. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, JIM FLEMING

Mar 4-5  Sat-Sun  20s & 30s, Hundred Peaks
I: Combs Peak (6193'), Lookout Mountain #1 (5590'), Rouse Hill (5166'), Thomas Mountain (6825'), Beauty Peak (5580'), Iron Spring Mountain (5755): Let's enjoy two days of car camping and peak bagging. Day 1, hike Combs & Lookout #1, drive-up to Rouse and Thomas, camp atop Thomas. 4.5 hiking miles, 1800' gain. Day 2, Beauty and Iron Spring, 8 miles round trip, 2500' gain. Dirt road driving with high clearance vehicle recommended. Send Esase (preferred) or sase to Leader: DAVID DOUCETTE Co-Leader: BILL VALENTINE

Mar 5  Sun  Hundred Peaks
O: Circle Mountain (6880'), Gobblers Knob (6955), Pinyon Ridge (6535'): Easy hikes near Wrightwood, 6 mi round trip, 2200 gain total. High clearance vehicles recommended. Bring 10 essentials and water. Rain cancels. Contact leaders 2-3 days prior to hike. Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU and PAT ARREDONDO

Mar 5  Sun  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Bighorn Mountains (5894'), Meeks Mountain (6277'): Come join us for a couple of seldom led peaks in the high desert area between Big Bear and Joshua Tree. Totals will be 10 miles and 2100' gain, much of it on dirt roads. There is a LOT of dirt road driving to get to the trailheads, with a fair amount of sandy surface, so 4WD, or at least high clearance will be necessary to get in and out. Hike will be at a moderate pace, with great views from the peaks. We may get lucky and see the desert in bloom! Bring the 10 essentials, hiking boots, plenty of liquid, food, rain wear, AND a sense of humor. Rain/snow will cancel. Meet 6:15 at Pomona Fairgrounds rideshare, 1st exit on the 10 east of the 57, north of the 10, OR 8AM at Denny's in Yucca Valley, on south side of 62. Leaders: DON CWIK, MARK ALLEN
Mar 8 Wed  Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Deception (5795'), Mount Disappointment (5960'): 6 miles round trip, 1800' gain to do these old peaks and view the big depression. Will have some fun coming down from the peaks. Meet at 9 AM La Canada ride share point with water, lunch, good footwear. Leaders: SOUTHERN COURTNEY, ROSEMARY CAMPBELL

Mar 8 Wed  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Rosa Point (5083'): Join us in the Anza Borrego State Park for a day hike rated as very strenuous. It is 12 miles round trip, cross country, gain of 4800', estimate 12 hours of hiking. Contact leader for details. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN
Co-Leader: GEORGE WYSUP

Mar 11 Sat  Hundred Peaks
I: Snowshoe in the San Gabriels: Enjoy a moderately paced snowshoe hike to one or more peaks in the San Gabriels (or other southern California location depending on road or weather conditions). Anticipate 4-8 miles, 1000-2000' gain. At least 2 days before the trip, send email. Leader: SANDY SPERLING Co-Leader: SANDY BURNSIDE

Mar 11-12 Sat-Sun  Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks
I: Rabbit Peak #2 (6,640') and Villager Peak (5,756'): Hike to these two desert peaks in the Santa Rosa Mountains. The trip will be a backpack with 7,900' gain, 21 miles round trip. The route will be via the south side over Villager up to Rabbit. There should be great views of the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park to the south and the Salton Sea to the east. Send SASE / email with conditioning information to Leader: ALEX AMIES (alexamies@yahoo.com) Assistant: GARY CRAIG

Mar 17 Fri  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Nicolls Peak (6070'): Nicolls all by itself, without the distraction of nearby Heald, is quite a pleasant (although at times steep and rocky) scramble. Appreciate this peak and its dramatic view of Lake Isabella without clock watching or worrying about the sun setting (hint: SLOW pace). 6 miles round trip, 2000' gain, almost entirely all cross-country. The road in can be a bit gnarly, so high clearance is welcome and 4WD especially welcome. Email or SASE early (please, no phone calls!) to Karen. Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, WOLF & KAREN LEVERICH

Mar 18 Sat  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Queen Mountain (5680') from Indian Cove: Rough tough scramble up a ridge near Rattlesnake Canyon to follow a watercourse through no-man’s-land. Very strenuous, unique cross-country route with a look at three pictograph sites en route. Approximately 8 miles, 3600' hard won gain. Well conditioned non-fergs send SASE early with experience, H/W phones to Leader: DIANE DUNBAR Assistants: ROBERT and MARKEY NEIGHBORS

Mar 18 Sat  LTC
Deadline for Leadership Training Seminar: Last day for receipt of application and payment by LTC Registrar for enrollment in April 1 seminar. Next seminar: Fall 2006. Registrar: STEVE BOTAN

Mar 18-19 Sat-Sun  Sierra Peaks, Hundred Peaks
M/R: Mount San Gorgonio Snow Climb (11,499'): Postponed.
Leader: VIRGIL POPESCU Co-Leaders: DON CROLEY, ASHER WAXMAN

Mar 18-19 Sat-Sun  Hundred Peaks
I: Martinez Mountain (6560+), Sheep Mountain (5141'): Strenuous backpack in the Santa Rosa Wilderness, weekend totals 18 miles, 5000' gain. Martinez Mountain is also on the DPS List. Saturday: Backpack 3 miles to Horse Thief Creek for a pleasant overnight camp at creekside. Sunday: Traverse a strenuous 12 mile hike to the peaks, with much cross-country travel in desert terrain, then pack out. Camping permit required, so reserve early. Send sase or esas with conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Mar 21 Tue  Hundred Peaks
I: San Bernardino Snowshoe: Snowshoe up a peak in the San Bernadinos (or wherever the conditions are appropriate). Approximately 10 miles, 3000' gain. Pace will be moderate. Email Sandy the week before for instructions. Leader: SANDY BURNSIDE Assistant: MARS BONFIRE

Mar 22 Wed  Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Colby Canyon to Josephine Peak (5558'): Return via Josephine Road. 9 miles round trip, 2100' gain at slow to moderate pace. Short car shuttle. Meet 9 AM La Canada ride share with water, lunch and appropriate footwear. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, MARY PATTERSON

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Mar 22  Wed  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Vetter Mountain (5908'), Mount Mooney (5840'+): Join us for a pleasant hike to these two local favorites. Route to be determined the day of the hike. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Mar 25  Sat  20s & 30s, Hundred Peaks
I: Asbestos Mountain (5265'), Toro Peak (8716'), Santa Rosa Mountain (8070'): The three E's: Easy, Enjoyable, and Entertaining. Come join us for a fun day that will end with an afternoon picnic atop Santa Rosa which will be a drive-up. 6 miles, 1800' gain on easy cross country. Send Esase (preferred) or sase to Leader: DAVID DOUCETTE Co-Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN

Mar 25, Saturday Pasadena, Hundred Peaks
O: Mt Yale (4760'): strenuous, moderate pace, 12 mi rt, 3700' gain to Mt Harvard's neighbor in San Gabriel Mountains. Meet 7:30am at Mt. Wilson Trail Park (from 210 Fwy, exit Baldwin Ave. go N, E on Mira Monte to end of road). Bring water, lunch, boots. Rain cancels. Leaders: Mei Kwan, Gary Kinsley

Mar 29  Wed  Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Strawberry Peak (6164'): A great time for this popular climb - 6+ miles round trip, 1564' gain form Red Box to spectacular views on the peak. Meet La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, suitable footwear for steep slopes and layered clothing at 9 AM. Leaders: ROSEMARY CAMPBELL, RON ROSIEN

Apr 1  Sat  LTC
Leadership Training Seminar: Become a qualified Sierra Club leader. Deadline for receipt of application and payment is March 18. No registration after this date or at door. Next seminar: Fall 2006. Registrar: STEVE BOTAN

Apr 1  Sat  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Eagle Crag (5077'): Join us for a lovely walk in the Aqua Tibia Wilderness. The total hike will be about 18 miles with 3,500' of Gain. Bring Lunch, Hat & Lug Soles. Email or telephone Leaders for starting time & place. Leaders: PETER DOGGETT, IGNACIA DOGGETT

Apr 1  Sat  Hundred Peaks
O: Wilson Ridge Cleanout: San Gabriel Peak (6161'), Mount Deception (5796'), Mount Disappointment (5960'+), Mount Markham (5742'), Mount Lowe (5603'), Occidental Peak (5732'), and Mount Wilson (5710'). Gather all the HPS peaks along Wilson Ridge on this classic skyline above Pasadena, moderately strenuous 10 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Call or email leader Mon-Thu the week before the hike for trip info. Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, LILLY FUKUI

Apr 1  Sat  Hundred Peaks
I: Sawtooth (5200'), Burnt Peak (5780'), Liebre Mountain (5760'): Easy way to bag all 3 peaks in the Liebre range. The wildflowers to the North should be beautiful. Approximate total hiking with about 9.8 miles and 2500' gain. Meet 8:30 AM Sylmar rideshare point. Leader: HARVEY GANZ Co-Leaders: KENT SCHWITKIS, MARLEN MERTZ

Apr 1  Sat  Palos Verdes-South Bay, Hundred Peaks
I: Slide Peak (7841'), Mill Peak (6670'), Keller Peak (7882') and Deep Creek Hot Springs (5' deep): 15th semi-annual Spring Deep Creek Hot Springs hike/swim with a few more peaks. Moderately paced 10 miles, 2200' gain. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, lugs (swim suit optional). Plan on spending full day - it's near Hesperia via Running Springs. Rain cancels. Send email (preferable - bholchin@cox.net) or sase with conditioning and carpool info to Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN Co-leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Apr 2  Sun  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Round Mountain (5272'), Luna Mountain (5967'), Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'): Enjoy driving high clearance vehicles on dirt roads? Don't care for big pine trees or streams? Then these 3 beauties east of Hesperia are for you. Chance of wildflowers and rattlesnakes. Will hike via pathfinder/explorer routes on demand. 7 miles, 2200' gain on road and easy cross country (more if 3N14 gate is locked). Email George for information. Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE VOLLAIRE, MARKEY and ROBERT NEIGHBORS, GARY SCHENK
Apr 2 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Cahuilla Mountain (5835'), Lookout Mountain (5590'): Hike these two lovely peaks in Riverside County. The entire hike will walk 7 miles round trip on trails with 1700' of gain. Brisk pace. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Apr 5 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Mount Emma (5273'), Old Mount Emma (5063'): 6 miles round trip, 1600' gain with 800' gain on the return. Loop and short car shuttle options possible. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing. Leaders: GARY BICKEL, PATRICK VAUGHN

Apr 5 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Reyes Peak (7514'), Haddock Mountain (7431'): Spend the day with us in the beautiful Los Padres National Forest doing these two lovely peaks. 8 1/2 miles round trip and 800' of gain. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Apr 7-9 Fri-Sun 20s & 30s, Hundred Peaks
I: Garnet Peak (5880'), Garnet Mountain (5880'), Monument Peak (6271'), Cuyapaipo Mountain (6378'), Sheephead Mountain (5896'), Oakzanita Peak (5054'), Stonewall Peak (5730'), Cuyamaca Peak (6512'): Sensational Springtime Southern San Diego Peak Bagging and Car Camping 3 Day Extravaganza. Bag 8 peaks in 3 days. Day 1, Garnet & Garnet, Monument, 6 miles, 1200' gain. Car camp Friday night. Day 2, Cuyapaipo, Sheephead, Oakzanita, 11.5 miles, 2600' gain. Car camp Saturday night. Day 3, Stonewall, Cuyamaca, 8.5 miles, 2500' gain. Send Esase (preferred) or sase to Leader: DAVID DOUCETTE Co-Leader: BILL VALENTINE

Apr 12 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Sally Peak (5408'): Good workout going over Devil Point and Memorial Peak before reaching Sally. Car shuttle. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare with water, lunch, good footwear. Leaders: BETH MIKA, SOUTHERN COURTNEY

Apr 15 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Exploratory route to San Guillermo Mountain (6606'): Leave your income tax and pre-Easter preparations far behind as we trek the scrub pine country of northern Ventura County, moderate 9 miles round trip, 2000' gain. Paved road driving, since we begin out trip from the gate at the highway turnout on Lockwood Valley Road, then find and follow a brushy but interesting ridge line west to the peak. Call or email leader Mon-Thu the week before the hike for trip info Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: KAREN LEVERICH, GEORGE WYSUP

Apr 15 Sat Crescenta Valley, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Lowe (5603'): Spend a "taxing day" on this strenuous 13 mile round trip, 3800' gain hike on trails to this historic mountain. Bring the "3 L's" (Liquids, Lunch, Lug soles). Well-mannered K-9's welcome. Meet 8 AM at top of Lake Ave at Loma Alta Dr in Altadena. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, JIM FLEMING

Apr 16 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Lockwood Peak (6261'), Thorn Point (6935'): Thorn is nice, Lockwood is, well, on the List. If Mutau road is closed we will do something else near Frazier Park. High clearance vehicles appreciated. 13 miles, 3300' gain on trail with a short piece of steep cross country. Consider combining these with Saturday San Guillermo hike. Email George for information. Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE VOLLAIRE, MARKEY and ROBERT NEIGHBORS

Apr 21-23 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks, PVSBG, Natural Science, Long Beach
I: Peak Mountain (5843'), McPherson Peak (5749'), Fox Mountain #1 (5167'), Caliente Mountain (LO) (5106'): My plan is to camp at Aliso Campground on Friday and bag two of the most difficult drive-ups on the HPS list on Saturday. We'll continue on Saturday and bag Fox at a moderate pace on steep-slippery, brushy cross-country for 5 miles and about 2300' gain. Saturday night we'll carcamp in the area to stage for Caliente on Sunday: 17 miles round trip, 3000' gain, to view the plains from the high ridges and visit the summit cabin at the high point of San Luis Obispo County. Much dirt road driving. Take time to learn from our naturalist about the fauna and flora. Natural Science credit available for LTC candidates. Bring 10 essentials, lunch, and water. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Leader: KENT SCHWITKIS Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, PAT VAUGHN, PAMELA ROWE & SHERRY ROSS
Apr 22 Sat  Hundred Peaks
C: Strawberry Peak (6164'), Mount Lawlor (5957'): The trail from Red Box Gap winds through fast-growing chaparral and is steep in spots, but this trip is well worth it as we visit two dominant Front Range peaks near Pasadena, 8 miles round trip, 2400' gain. Call or email leader Mon-Thu the week before the hike for trip info. Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leader: LILLY FUKUI

Apr 26 Wed  Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
C: Mount Lukens (5074') via Stone Canyon Trail: 7 miles round trip, 3300' gain. A real climb at a moderate pace to the highest point in the city of Los Angeles with views in all directions. Meet at 8:58 AM in the supermarket parking lot on the NE corner of Foothill Blvd and Mt Gleason Rd (Thomas Guide p503-H3) with water, lunch, suitable footwear. Leaders: RON ROSENI. ROSEMARY CAMPBELL

Apr 28 Fri  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in schedule
I: Heald Peak (6901'): If we succeed at savoring Nicolls in March, what about the orphaned Heald? Don't despair! If you need it badly enough, how about another drive to the Lake Isabella area, then 7 miles, 3400' gain over demanding terrain only for determined and conditioned hikers. If all goes well and you ask nicely, or if we missed it in March, we MIGHT visit Nicolls. High clearance 4WD advised. Slow pace. E-mail or SASE early (please, no phone calls!) to Karen. Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, KATHIE CHEEVER, KAREN LEVERICH, WOLF LEVERICH

Apr 29 Sat  Hundred Peaks
I: Iron Mountain #1 (8007'), Bonita Peak (3983'): Very strenuous, moderately paced hike on trail and steep use trail to Big Iron, visiting the Lower Peak listed Bonita along the way. 14 miles round trip, 7200' gain for hikers with really good endurance. Tigers may get bored with the moderate pace. Submit request to George via email (SASE if necessary) stating contact info and recent conditioning. Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, PAMELA ROWE, GEORGE WYSUP

Apr 29, Saturday Pasadena, Wilderness Adventures. Hundred Peaks
C: Manzanita Ridge: strenuous, moderate pace, 12 mi rt, 3800' gain loop hike start from Bailey Canyon Park and return via Mt. Wilson trail. A short car shuttle is required. Meet 7:30 am at Bailey Canyon Park with 2-3 qts water, lunch, & hiking boots. No tigers or beginners; this will not be fast paced hike. To reach Bailey Canyon Park drive N from Baldwin Ave, exit off 210 Fwy; W on Carter to end of road. Rain cancels. Leaders: Mei Kwan, Pam Allen

Apr 30 Sun  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Backus Peak (6651') and Russell Peak (6696'): A tough, fun hike ending with a boot ski down arguably the best scree slope on the List and, in the spring, flowers as well! No dirt road driving. 9.5 miles cross country loop, 3600' gain. Email Laura for info. Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Apr 30 Sun  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
M: Five Fingers (5174'): 2 miles round trip, 900' gain along sandy trail and up steep, decomposing rock suitable only for experienced rock scramblers. High clearance 4WD advised. West of Hwy 14 near Ridgecrest. Slow pace. Email Kathy during four days before event status and details. Leader: MARS BONFIRE Co-Leaders: BYRON PRINZMETAL and KATHY CHEEVER

May 3 Wed  Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Pacifico Mountain (7124'), Mount Hillyer (6200'): Get smelly for the DPS banquet with these hikes from near Alder Saddle, north of 3 Points. 10 miles, 2500' gain mostly on trail. Road is suitable for most anyone's car. Meet 9 am at La Canada rideshare point. Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, DAVE COMERZAN, SANDY BURNSIDE, ASHER WAXMAN, BOBCAT THOMPSON
May 6 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Mayan Peak (6108'), Butterbredt (5997'): Hike these two steep, sandy peaks in Kern County. The entire hike will cover 5.7 miles round trip with 3000' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send e-mail to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

May 6-7 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
The HPS Spring Fling Weekend at Foster Lodge near Julian in San Diego County: Join the HPS for a weekend of fun and peak bagging in the San Diego spring time. Hikes suitable for beginners through tigers planned. Socialize after hikes Sat and enjoy potluck dinner. Breakfast Sun morning hosted by HPS Management Committee. Overnight stay in the lodge's unisex dorm rooms, on the lodge's beautiful grounds, or in nearby motels. Send sase, $10 per person for Sat night only/$20 for Fri and Sat to Reservationist: WINNETTE BUTLER

May 6 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Stonewall Peak (5730'), Oakzanita Peak (5054'): Join us for a couple of hikes at Spring Fling time in San Diego County. Do one or both peaks. Stonewall is 2.5 miles round trip (900') and Oakzanita is 4 miles round trip (1000'). Both hikes are on trail. Meet 10 AM at Paso Picacho State Park day use parking area (fee) off of Hwy 79 (2.7 miles south of Cuyamaca Dam) to climb Stonewall. We will drive between trailheads. If you only want to climb Oakzanita, meet at the Oakzanita trailhead, 5.6 miles south of Paso Picacho State Park on Hwy 79 at 12:00 noon. Leaders: PAT ARREDOndo, VIRGIL POPESCU

May 6 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: San Ysidro (6147'): Stop and bag this craggy peak on your way to the Spring Fling. About 4 miles round trip and 1600' gain on road and cross-country. Lug soles, 2 liters water, lunch. Esase leader for meeting place and time. Leader: SANDY SPERING Co-Leader: GEORGE WYSUP

May 6 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Sheephead (5896'), Garnet Peak (5880'), Garnet Mountain (5680'), & possibly Stonewall Peak (5730'): Sheephead is 3.5 miles round trip, Garnet Peak 2.5 miles, Garnet Mountain 0.6 miles. Enjoy 3 (maybe 4) easy peaks at HPS Spring Fling. Meet at Foster Lodge at 8:30 AM or call Leader: HARVEY GANZ Assistant Leaders: SHERRY ROSS, KENT SCHWITKIS, PAT VAUGHN

May 7 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Cuyamaca Peak (6512'), Middle Peak (5883'): A moderately paced hike in conjunction with HPS Spring Fling in San Diego County, but all conditioned hikers are welcome. We'll do these peaks as a loop trip using a car shuttle for a total of 7.5 miles and 2000' gain on trail and road. Parking fee at trailhead. Meet at 8:30 AM in the Day Use parking lot for Paso Picacho Park off Hwy 79. Leaders: SANDY SPERING, INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

May 7 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Cuyamaca Peak (6512'), Palomar Mtn (6140' - AKA High Point): Moderate 6 mile round trip, 1600' gain peak at HPS Spring Fling. Meet at 8:30 AM at Foster Lodge or call Leader: HARVEY GANZ Assistant Leaders: SHERRY ROSS, KENT SCHWITKIS, PAT VAUGHN

May 7 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Whale Peak (5349'): 9 miles round trip, 2300' gain cross-country with bouldering and lots of cactus in Anza-Borrego State Park. Bring goodies to share, water, lunch, 10 essentials. Esase (preferred) or sase. Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU, PAT ARREDOndo

May 7 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Oakzanita Peak (5054'), Sheephead Mountain (5896'), Monument Peak #1 (6271'): A swing through southern San Diego County to pick up three common orphan peaks, moderately paced, 12 miles round trip, 2600' gain. Each peak is a separate trip — do one or all. Paved road driving. Send sase or esase to Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, TOM HILL

May 7 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Tehachapi Mountain (7960'+): Hike this lovely nice peak in Kern County. The entire hike will cover 7 miles round trip with 3500' of gain. May hike another peak in the area. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send e-mail to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT
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Hundred Peaks  
New Outing, not in Schedule  
O: Mount Deception (5796'), Mount Disappointment (5860'+), San Gabriel Peak (6161'), Mount Markham (5742').  Occidental Peak (5732): Spend the day hiking these local peaks. Spend the day hiking these local peaks. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBOR PROCHAZKA

May 13 Sat  
Hundred Peaks  
I: Exploratory route to Mt Lewis (8396') from South Fork Campground: Steep cross-country adventurous ascent of the N-by-NW ridge from near Valyermo on the Antelope Valley side of the San Gabriel Mountains, strenuous 7 miles round trip, 3500' gain. Send sase or esasle with conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, LAURA JOSEPH

May 13, Saturday Pasadena, Hundred Peaks  
O: White Saddle via Ben Overturf Trail in Monrovia: Moderate pace, 10 mi rt, on road and trail, 2000' gain in historic Sawpit Cyn to site of early mountain resort. Meet 8am at the lower parking lot in Monrovia Cyn Park (1200 N. Canyon Blvd, 210 Fwy, exit Myrtle Aee. N to Foothill Blvd, E to Canyon Blvd, go N 2 mi to entrance)$5 parking fee, bring lunch, water, & boots. Rain cancels. Leaders: Mei Kwan, Sarah Hess

May 13-14 Sat-Sun  
Hundred Peaks, PVSBG, Natural Science  
I: San Ysidro Mountain (6147'), Combs Peak (6193'), Palomar High Point (6140'): Moderately paced, strenuous, cross-country/brush. Day 1: San Ysidro 8 miles round trip, 2100' gain. Car Camp. Day 2: 6 miles 1400' gain and lots of dirt road driving. Bring 10 essentials, lunch, and water. Take time to learn from our naturalist about the fauna and flora. Natural Science credit available for LTC candidates. Esasle (preferred) or esasle with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Leader: KENT SCHWITZKIS Co-Leaders: BARRY HOLCHIN & PAT VAUGHN Naturalist: TBD

May 20 Sat  
Hundred Peaks  
O: Pinyon Ridge (6535'), Circle Mountain (6880+), Gobblers Knob (695'), Three easy peaks near Wrightwood -- the first two peaks begin from pavement, 2.5 miles 900' gain for each peak, with some steep spots and possible brush encroachment; the final peak is optional since it is one mile round trip, 500' gain and then only if the 3.6 mile dirt road is open. Your high-clearance vehicle welcome! Call or email leader Mon-Thu the week before the hike for trip info. Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leader: LILLY FUKUI

May 21 Sun  
Hundred Peaks  
Outing revised due to probable road/trail closures  
I: Pallet Mountain (7600'+), Goodykoontz Peak (7558') from the north: Here's an opportunity to experience the remote portion of the Burkhart Trail as we ascend from Devils Punchbowl to newly listed Goodykoontz Peak from the north, strenuous 16 miles round trip, 4700' gain, mostly on trail. This approach visits picturesque countrysides seldom viewed by ordinary hikers. Send sase or esasle with experience and conditioning to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, LAURA JOSEPH, MARLEN MERTZ

May 21 Sun  
Hundred Peaks  
New Outing, not in Schedule  
O: Iron Mountain #1 (8007): Hike this very strenuous peak at a brisk pace, NOT intended for beginners. 14 miles round trip on trail with 7200' of gain. Meet 7AM Azusa rideshare point. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

May 24 Wed  
Hundred Peaks  
New Outing, not in Schedule  
O: Strawberry Peak (6164'), Mount Lawlor (5957'): Spend the day hiking these local peaks. Both peaks are about 6 miles and 1500' each. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBOR PROCHAZKA

May 24 Wed  
Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks  
O: Mount Hillyer (6200') via Chilao: 6+ miles round trip, 1000' gain. Lunch beyond peak for great view. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, appropriate footwear. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, GABRIELE RAG

May 27-29 Sat-Mon  
Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures  
I: Big Bear camping weekend with climbs of Granite Peaks (7527'), Arctic Point (8336'): Enjoy three days of holiday adventure on this camping getaway to Big Bear Lake. Saturday visit the old gold mining district in Holcomb Valley with optional 8 mile, 1000' gain side journey to nearby Arctic Point. Sunday enjoy an optional 8 mile, 2000' gain cross-country
scrambling adventure as we explore Granite Peaks and its jumbled rock formations and twisted terrain, wandering among pristine pinyon-juniper woodlands along the way. Monday we tour the lakeshore for local history and color, including a visit to the Discovery Center and nature trail, before heading home. Overnight camping with possible cabin alternatives to be determined near the time of the trip. For details and trip information send sase/esease at least two weeks before the trip to Leaders: WAYNE VOLLARE, MARLEN MERTZ

May 31 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Waterman (8036'): Join us on this lovely shaded trail, 7 miles round trip, 1399' gain. We'll lunch on an overlook and loop past the peak on the return. Meet 9 AM at La Canada rideshare with lunch, water, good footwear and suitable clothing layers. Leaders: ROSEMARY CAMPBELL, RON ROSIEN

Jun 3-5 Sat-Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Sunday Peak (8295'), Bohna Peak (6788'), Black Mountain #5 (7438'), Split Mountain (6835'), Lightner Peak (6430'), Bald Eagle Peak (6181'), Plute Lookout (8326'): Let's spend less on gasoline per peak and enjoy an extended weekend in the Lake Isabella area bagging some interesting summits. Or, you may opt for 1 or 2 days worth. Saturday: Sunday and Bohna as a continuous hike (easy dirt driving), mostly trail, 9 miles, 3300' gain. Sunday: Tough cross-country hike of Black and Split, 9 miles, 3200' gain (easy dirt driving). Monday: 3 short hikes to the others (dirt drives between), with pathfinder route to Plute, 9 miles, 2800' gain. Car camping at primitive site with happy hours, or motel if you must. Email George with recent conditioning and contact/rideshare information. Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-leaders: SANDY BURNSIDE, DAVID DOUCETTE, WAYNE VOLLARE, GREG De HOOGH

Jun 3 Sat Hundred Peaks, WTC
O: Baldylocks and the Three Ts: Our third annual hike for Big Bad Wolves only! You know the story: Baldylocks heads out from her Mt. Baldy Village home at the strike of dawn and hikes up 6000' in 6 miles to the top of Mt. Baldy (10,064') where, gazing eastward, she spies Mama T, Papa T and Baby T, aka the Three Ts. "A T party!" she exclaims and scrambles over Devil's Backbone, past the ski lift and up Thunder Mountain (8587'), Telegraph Peak (8395') and Timber Mountain (8303') before descending Icehouse Canyon to Grandma's house and a waiting car shuttle. "Only 20 miles and 8000' gain -- this hike was ju-u-u-u-u-st right!" This will be a very long and very strenuous hike, paced to complete pre-dark. But if you think this hike is just right too, email your conditioning, experience and contact info to Leader: EDD RUSKOWITZ Assistant: MELISSA KANE

Jun 3 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Tecuya Mountain (7155'), Thorn Point (6920'): Hike these two peaks in the Frazier Park area. The entire hike will cover 14 miles round trip at a brisk pace with 4100' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send e-mail to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jun 4 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Reyes Peak (7510'), Haddock Mountain (7416'): Join pretty hike through forested section of the Los Padres. The entire hike will be 9 miles round trip at a brisk pace with 800' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send e-mail to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jun 4 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Silver Peak (6756'): This is the 25th anniversary of the first "first Sunday in June" hike with Stag. Easy hike near Big Bear involves 3 miles round trip and 1000' of gain and is suitable for beginners. Bring water, sturdy boots and something to share on the summit. Possible second peak. Meet 8 AM at Pomona rideshare point. Leader: JOE YOUNG Assistant: STAG BROWN

Jun 7 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Iron Mountain #2 (5635'), Condor Peak (5444') from Mendenhall Ridge Road: 11 miles round trip, 1950' gain plus 1550' on the return. Moderate pace for this ambitious hike. Meet 9 AM at La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing. Leaders: GARY BICKEL, RON ROSIEN

Jun 10-11 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Big Bear Carcamp to Little Bear Peak (7621'), Delamar Mtn (8398'), Bertha Peak (8201'), Mineral Mtn (7238'), Tip Top Mtn (7623'): Why not smell the roses (pine and chaparral too) while collecting peaks. Don't rush home! Enjoy our fun carcamp after viewing beautiful forested areas near the Big Bear area. Saturday: First three peaks, moderate 8 miles round trip, 2400' gain, do any or all as we alternate between stretches of old jeep roads and cross-country scrambles for the first two peaks then move to Holcomb Valley for Bertha. Sunday: Enjoy pinyon-juniper woodlands on this moderate
cross-country loop hike to a pair of distant peaks on the eastern fringe of the San Bernardinos, 6 miles round trip, 1700’ gain. Those who stay over on Saturday will appreciate being in the area to ease the driving chores. High-clearance vehicles welcome due to much dirt road driving on both days. Send sase or ease to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, LAURA JOSEPH, MARLEN MERTZ

Jun 10-11 Sat-Sun WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: Newton Drury Peak (10,160), Folly Peak (10,480), San Jacinto Peak (10,804): 13 miles round trip, 4400’ gain in San Jacinto Wilderness. Easy paced but strenuous hike up the Marion Mountain trail to beautiful Little Round Valley, one of the gems of our local mountains. We will take cross-country routes to Drury and Folly with some boulder hoping to reach the summits. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: GEORGETTE RIECK

Jun 14 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Waterman (8039’): 7 miles rt, 2000’ gain, via the PCT and well used use-trail from the large pullout at the 6000’ level. Meet 9 AM at La Canada ride-share with, water, lunch, good footwear. Leaders: SOUTHERN COURTNEY, BETH MIKA

Jun 14 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Mount Burnham (8997’): Join us for a day of hiking one of the local favorites. We will do this from Vincent Gap. 10.4 miles round trip and 3600’ gain. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Jun 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Mount San Antonio (10,064), Mount Harwood (9552’): Traditional, but always enjoyable, moderately paced loop hike of 12 miles, 4100’ gain to the summit of Mt Baldy from Manker Flat via the Ski Hut Trail, with a return over nearby Harwood to the chair lift. Call or email leader Mon-Thu the week before the hike for trip info. Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leader: LILLY FUKUI

Jun 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Cannel Peak (9470’), Cannel Point (8314’): Two moderate peaks with cross country travel on both. Enjoy both Cannels: Cannel Peak, seldom led and not on "the list" 6 miles round trip and approximately 1200’ gain. Cannel Point, approximately 2 miles round trip, steep 800’ gain with a spectacular view of Lake Isabella. Meet 7:30 AM at Walker Pass for car pool or call Leader: HARVEY GANZ Assistant Leader: BRENT COSTELLO

Jun 17-18 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks, PVSBG, Natural Science, Long Beach
I: Morris Peak (7215), Mount Jenkins (7921), Owens Peak (8453’): Moderately paced, very strenuous on trail and over steep, rocky, slippery, brushy cross-country terrain. Take time to learn from our naturalist about the fauna and flora. Natural Science credit available for LTC candidates. Day 1: Morris and Jenkins 14 miles round trip, 3300’ gain. Car Camp at Walker Pass. Day 2 Owens: 7 miles 3200’ gain and lots of dirt road driving. Bring 10 essentials, lunch, and water. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & ride-share information to Leader: KENT SCHWITKIS Co-Leaders: SHERRY ROSS, PAT VAUGHN & BOB BEACH

Jun 17-18 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Weldon Peak (6320’), Sorrell Peak (7704’), Heald Peak (6901’), Nicol Is Peak (6070’): Like dirt driving and butt-kicker hikes? This is for you. We will need AWD, high clearance vehicles and tough hikers. Attend one day or both. The first 2 peaks on Saturday, 8 miles, 2000’ gain. Sunday, 8 miles, 4400’ gain, with lots of fun class 2. Saturday night at primitive campsite, or motel it if you prefer. Email Laura with contact info and recent conditioning. Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, GEORGE WYSUP

Jun 18 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Cucamonga Peak (8859’), Etiwanda Peak (8662’): Hike two of the nicest peaks in the Angeles National Forest. The entire hike will cover 17 miles round trip with 4400’ of gain. Brisk pace. Meet 8:30 AM at the Icehouse Canyon Parking Lot. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jun 21 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
I: Sam Fink Peak (7339’): Spend the day in the beautiful San Jacinto Wilderness. We will take the first tram up. Estimate 9 miles round trip, gain of 3300’ (2200’ on the return), most of it cross country. Estimate 8-9 hours of hiking. Contact leader for details. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: GEORGE WYSUP
Jun 24-25 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Morris Peak (7215'), Mount Jenkins (7921'), Cannel Point (8314'): We camp Saturday night at Walker Pass or civilize ourselves at Lake Isabella to break up the driving burden for these distant peaks in the Southern Sierras. Saturday: First two peaks using the PCT approach, 15 miles round trip, 3800' gain, with some easy 3rd class rock scrambling near the summit of Jenkins. Sunday: Cannel Point at a relaxed pace, 2 miles round trip, 900' gain. Early finish expected, allowing for a leisurely drive home or an opportunity to join leaders to explore another nearby peak. Send sase or ease to Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, LAURA JOSEPH, MARLEN MERTZ

Jun 24-25 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Red Tahquitz (8720'), Southwell Peak (7840'), Suicide Rock (7528'), Black Mountain #1 (7772'): Beautiful hikes on trail and cross country in the San Jacinto Wilderness to enjoy views of dense forests and rugged granite cliffs. Saturday: Red Tahquitz and Southwell - 15 miles round trip, 3500' gain. Sunday: Suicide Rock and Black Mountain #1 - 8 miles round trip, 2300' gain. Bring 10 essentials and sturdy lug-sole boots, rain gear, warm clothing. You may car camp or find a motel. Permit limits group size. Send e-mail to Leader: VIRGIL POPESCU Co-leaders: WAYNE VOLLAIRE, PAT ARREDONDO

Jun 28 Wed Local Hills, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Baden Powell from Vincent Gap: 8 miles round trip 2800' gain at a slow to moderate pace. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare with water, lunch, appropriate footwear. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, DON SIMINSKI

Jun 28 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Charlton Peak (10,806'): Spend a long day on the San Bernardino ridge. 15 miles round trip, 4230' gain. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Jun 30-Jul 2 Fri-Sun WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: San Bernardino Peak (10,649'), San Bernardino East Peak (10,691'), Anderson Peak (10,840+'), Shields Peak (10,680+'): Friday long backpack at an easy pace on trail 6 miles 4000' gain to Trail Fork Camp. Saturday bag the peaks in an easy 7 mile loop, 1800' total gain with much cross-country and minor boulder hopping. Also visit 1852 survey monument. Sunday easy back pack out. Send sase/email conditioning/experience (WTC leader if applicable) to Leader: GARY BICKEL Co-Leader: PAT VAUGHN

Jul 1 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Shields Peak (10,880+'), Anderson Peak (10,840+'), San Bernardino East Peak (10,691'), San Bernardino Peak (10,649'): Join group for lovely, big hike to four high peaks. The entire hike will be 20 miles round trip on good trail with 5000' of gain. Brisk pace. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jul 2 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, not in Schedule
O: Sugarloaf Mountain (9952'), Onyx Peak #1 (9113'): Join hike for briskly-paced stroll. The entire hike will be 8 miles round trip on good trail with 1600' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jul 5 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: San Gorgonio (11,499'): Spend another long day on the San Bernardino ridge doing this old favorite. 15 1/2 miles round trip, 5420' gain. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Jul 5 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: The Pinnacles (5737'), Mount Marie Louise (5507'): Hike these two easy peaks near Lake Arrowhead. The total hike will be 6 miles round trip with 1600' gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant Leaders: IGNACIA DOGGETT, GREG DeHOOGH

Jul 8 Sat Hundred Peaks
M: Lily Rock (8000'), Suicide Rock (7528'): We'll follow two separate climber routes to these spectacular rocks in Idyllwild, totals for the day 5 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Lily Rock is a moderately strenuous climb in steep, rocky terrain, with some previous experience in 3rd class climbing required. Suicide Rock is a fine afternoon stretch. Do one or both. For trip information or to reserve a spot, send sase or ease with recent climbing experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leader: GEORGE WYSUP

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July 9  Sun  Hundred Peaks
l: Sam Fink Pk (7339'): Strenuous hike in San Jacinto wilderness involves 4500' gain (1900' on return) and 16 mi rt. Some steep xc to bag summit. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots, stories about Sam to share on summit. Meet 6:00 AM at Pomona ride share point. Leaders: JOE YOUNG and BOB THOMPSON.

Jul 12  Wed  Hundred Peaks
O: Delamar Mountain (8398'), Bertha Peak (8201'), Gold Mountain (8235'), Silver Peak (6756'): Join brisk hike to four Big Bear peaks. The entire hike will be 10.6 miles round trip with 3300' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT, IGNACIA DOGGETT, GREG DeHOOGH

Jul 16  Sun  Hundred Peaks
O: San Gorgonio Mountain (11,499'): Hike Southern California's highest peak. The hike will be 15.5 miles round trip with 5400' of gain. Will hike via the Vivian Creek Trail and a Wilderness Permit will be required. Brisk pace, not intended for new hikers. Please notify leaders of intention to participate one week before hike. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT, IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jul 19  Wed  Hundred Peaks
O: Pyramid Peak (7035'), Pine Mountain #2 (7054'), Lion Peak (6888'): Hike these three peaks on the Desert Divide south of San Jacinto Peak. The entire hike will be about 11 miles round trip with 2000' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT, IGNACIA DOGGETT, GREG DeHOOGH

Jul 22  Sat  Hundred Peaks
Annual Waterman Rendezvous: More details in future issues and the Schedule of Activities 302. But keep the date open, we're going to have fun!

Jul 22  Sat  Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Waterman (8038'): Of the several routes to this peak, we'll take the one that starts at Three Points. 12 miles round trip, 2200' gain. Contact leader for meeting place and time. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN Co-Leader: INGEBO RG PROCHAZKA

Jul 22  Sat  Hundred Peaks
l: Mount Akawie (7283'), Kratka Ridge (7515'), Mount Waterman (8038'): Warm up on easy Akawie (400' gain, optional), then move vehicles to enjoy an interesting cross-country Kratka-to-Waterman loop scramble in forested terrain; total for all three peaks comes to a moderately strenuous 8 miles round trip, 2900' gain, including the easy trail return after the Rendezvous celebration. Experienced hikers meet 6:30am La Canada ride share point. Bring some water, good footwear, and celebratory items for the Rendezvous. Leaders: TOM HILL, GEORGE WYSUP, PAT ARREDON DO, DON CWIK, MARLEN Mertz

Jul 26  Wed  Hundred Peaks
l: Grays Peak (7920'+), Little Bear Peak (7621'), Arctic Point (8336'): Hike these three peaks in the Big Bear area. The entire hike will be about 10 miles round trip with 2500' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leaders: PETER DOGGETT, IGNACIA DOGGETT, GREG DeHOOGH, KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH

July 30  Sun  Hundred Peaks
l: San Bernardino East Pk (10,681'), San Bernardino Pk (10,649'), Anderson Pk (10,840'), Shields Pk (10,680'+): Ascend via Momyer trail, descend via Forsee trail. Very strenuous hike involves 22 mi rt, 6200' gain. Car shuttle. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots. Meet 6:00 AM at Mill Creek Ranger Station on highway 38. Leaders: JOE YOUNG and BOB THOMPSON.
Rideshare Points and Leaders’ List

Azusa: On street next to market, 9th St & Azusa Av N of Foothill Bl
La Canada: Angeles Crest Hwy (Hwy2), Just N of Foothill Fwy (I-210). Park on Angeles Crest Hwy only
Pomona: Towne Av exit from SB Fwy (I-10), S 1/2 block, park along curb
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Angeles Chapter Fundraising Trips
By Rozana Lewis

APR 15, 2006 Sat
Angeles Chapter Fundraiser
O: Ranunculus & Rail/Train, Hike to Carlsbad: 7am depart historic Union Station for Oceanside, breakfast opportunity onboard. Hike 9 mi to Carlsbad, moderate pace. View/walk the Ranunculus fields. Picnic lunch amongst the blooms. Take bus back to Oceanside to catch Amtrak to L.A. Return Union Station 6pm. Bring 2 quarts water, snacks, lunch, camera. Includes rail fare, flower admission, donation. Send $52 ($72 non-mem) with SC#, SASE, H&W phone, email to Ldr: Rozana Lewis, Co-Ldr Dotty Sandford.

SEPT 17-27, 2006 Sun-Wed
Angeles Chapter Fundraiser
C: Hiking the Italian Lakes: From Lake Como to Lake Maggiore and in between, you will have the opportunity to hike pristine hillsides offering panoramic vistas of lakeside villages with the Italian Alps as a backdrop. Visits to the Borromean Islands, the castle town of Angera, the real Bellagio, Lugano. This is an independent adventure involving no tour buses. You must be willing to walk 7-10 mi per day. $2,503.00 ($2416 non-mem); includes LA airfare, hotels (2share), breakfast, transfers, donation. To reserve send $500 deposit/2SASE/SC# to Leader: Rozana Lewis, Co-leader TBA

OCT 16-26, 2006 Mon-Thur
Angeles Chapter Fundraiser
C: ZEN ADVENTURE IN JAPAN & Mt. FUJI HIKE: Fly LAX to Osaka and spend 7-days in the cultural capitol of Japan, Kyoto succumbing to everything Zen. Day trips via rail to Hiroshima, Nara, Miyajima, Ise, Nagahama. Proceed to Mt. Fuji area hiking with a final day in at Lake Kawaguchi to recover before flying home. Ability to walk approx. 6-10 miles daily. $2986 ($3011 non-mem) includes. Airfare, hotel (2share), breakfast, 7day rail pass, donation. To reserve send $700 deposit/2sase/sc# to Ldr: Rozana Lewis, Co-lrd TBA

Recent Rediscovery and Exploration of Local Gold Mines

Native Son Horseshoe Mine/Horseshoe Annex
Black Cargo, Iron Fork
Lucky Strike Emma/Emma Annex Gold Ridge
By Hugh Blanchard

In the October 2005 Explorer, the writer included the Native Son Mines among local mines we will probably never see, since the 11 mile long Blue Ridge Road leading to the mines (just west of Wrightwood off the Angeles Crest Highway) was closed several years ago by the Forest Service. However, this closure was temporarily lifted in October permitting hikers to now drive to Lupine Campground which is within three miles from the end of the old road at Cabin Flat Campground (now unmaintained) and two miles from the mines. Numerous fallen tree trunks now block the road at that point. In November, a dozen Grotto members took advantage of this narrow window of opportunity to visit the area and find two of the mines. A few days later the road was closed again until next summer because of snow making operations at the Mountain High Ski Area.

The most interesting mine has well over 300 feet of walking passage that goes in straight as an arrow. Toward the end of the mine, there is a few inches of limestone-saturated water that contains cave pearls, small rimstone dams and stalactites, as well as flowstone. A second mine was dry, with an estimated 250 feet of walking passage. There were originally six tunnels, reportedly worked on and off from 1897 to 1920.

Access to the mines was by an old miners trail along the southern slopes of the East Fork and by trail from the desert up Big Rock Creek and then down Vincent Gulch. The Blue Ridge Road was not constructed until the 1930's as part of the attempt to develop the Big Pines Park by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation.

In October, several Grotto members explored the Black Cargo and Lucky Strike mines near Monte Cristo Campground on the Angeles Forest Highway. Dell Quick mapped both mines, whose entrances until recently had been closed for many years. The Lucky Strike, which is the last hard rock gold mine still operating in L.A. County, has one level with a passage length of 152 feet. The Black Cargo, worked until 1998, has three levels, including a 50-foot shaft totaling 447 feet. Several bêtas were observed.

The entrance to the Gold Ridge Mine – near the Mt. Baldy ski-hut (see March 2005 Explorer) was completely covered by gravel and rocks from last winter's record-breaking rain and snow. In September, several Grotto members helped uncover the entrance and two members (Curt Wheeler and David Lew) braved the chest-high cold water to reach the end. They estimated its length at about 150 feet. A big horn mountain sheep was observed near the dig. The mine was last worked in 1907.

Major rediscoveries were also made last month on the East Fork of the San Gabriel River just below the
Bridge. The Horseshoe Mine was rediscovered last year, (see October 2004 Explorer) and an October Grotto trip discovered an additional 150 feet of walking passage near the end of the mine, as well as a small upper level. This increased the total length of the mine to around 400 feet. On the same trip, the long sought Horseshoe Mine Annex was also found and explored. More than 500 feet of passage was found. Eric and Mike Bull played a major role in both discoveries. Neither mine has been worked since the 1930's.

The following week, a trip was made to Iron Fork, a mile beyond the Bridge. We saw several old-time miners who let us examine their gold nuggets and also viewed the remains of the century-old cabin of Oliver (Old Hickory) Justice, once the patriarch of East Fork miners. We also studied the trails that lead up to the Stanley Miller Mine. During the return trip, we saw several big horn mountain sheep near the Bridge.

The Emma and close-by Emma Annex - both old copper mines on Soledad Canyon Road near Acton (See June 2005 Explorer), were explored and mapped by Dell Quick in September. The Emma's length is 312 feet and the Emma Annex is 278 feet. A nearby shaft has an estimated depth of 25 feet but has not yet been bottomed. Bats have been observed in the Emma Annex.

Several additional clogged mines/tunnels have been opened in recent months in Las Flores Canyon in Altadena within the past few months.

With a half-dozen major rediscoveries made in the past several months, this may well be considered the golden age of mine rediscovery in Los Angeles County.

Grotto members involved on these trips include Eric and Mike Bull, Curtis Wheeler, Daniel and Betty Veeh, Richard Collier, David Lew, Roger Brown, David and Dorothy Bowman, Dell Quick, David Campen, and the writer.

Hugh Blanchard can be reached at hwblanchard@charter.net. For further mine information you can also visit his website “Gold Mines of Los Angeles County” at www.lagoldmines.com

Conservation Report
By Mel Kwan

Chapter Conservation Retreat Feb. 25

The first annual Chapter Conservation Retreat on Feb. 25 from 9AM to 5PM at Grace Black Auditorium in the El Monte Community Center, 3130 N. Tyler Ave., El Monte, CA. There will be no charge to attend this event and all Sierra Club members who are interested in conservation are welcome. We will be discussing in depth all of our Chapter's conservation efforts, and will have an array of speakers covering the complete gamut of conservation topics including local land-use issues, our new GIS committee, endangered species, energy and global warming, transportation, forest and wetlands preservation, etc. etc. We will send out a complete program in early February. This will also be a dynamite opportunity to network with your fellow conservation chairs and other Chapter conservation activists. This is the most important Conservation Committee meeting of the year, so please plan to attend!

There will be a potluck lunch, so bring some lunch food to share if you come; also bring a cup, napkin, plate and utensils as this event will have a zero-waste policy (i.e. no styrofoam cups, paper plates, plastic forks, paper napkins, etc.). A kitchen will be available so that you can wash the above after you eat.

REGISTER BOX
By Jim Adler

In the interim since the last column four peaks were added to the missing and deficient list and two were removed. Register reports were received from Peter Dogget, Don Cwik, Frank Dobos, Steve Doepke, Kent Schwitkis, and Joe Young.

Missing and deficient registers:

2Q Weldon Peak missing 7-05
3E Tehachapi Mtn. deficient 9-03
4H Sawmill Mtn. missing 7-05
6H San Rafael Mtn. deficient 12-05
10I Mt. Hillier missing 12-05
11A Josephine Peak missing 6-04
14A Waterman Mtn. missing 7-04
14B Twin Peaks missing 7-04
14E Middle Hawkins missing 9-05
14F Mt. Hawkins missing 8-04
16C Pine Mtn. missing 11-05
16J Mt. Harwood missing 5-04
19C Sugarpine Mtn. deficient 1-06
19F The Pinnacles missing 1-06
24D Anderson Peak deficient 12-05
26B Quail Mtn. deficient 11-04
32E Cuyamaca Peak missing 5-03

If you are climbing any of the above peaks, please consider bringing a new register can and book. If you discover a peak which needs a new register can, please let me know by mail addressed to Jim Adler, 836 Alandale Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90036-4625, or telephone at (323) 931-6844 or e-mail at jimagler @ mindspring.com or from the HPS web site. Also, please advise if you have replaced any of the missing or deficient registers or discover that any of the above reports are erroneous or out of date. (Since registration books and pencils are so easy to carry all the time, peaks where only books or pencils are needed are not listed.)
Scenes from the Annual Awards Banquet

David Eisenberg stands alone as the only person alive to have led the entire HPS List more than once. The all-time leader, Frank Goodykoontz, who passed away last year, led the List four times.

Winnette Butler, chair in 2005, Presents Past Chair Award to Outgoing 2005 Chair Wolf Leverich

Mars Bonfire and Carleton Shay, left, and Peter Doggett, right have finished the HPS List the most of any hikers today.

Charles White, left, and Jim Fleming stand in front of the R. S. Fink Service Award. Charles White presented the program on the Fire Lookouts of the Angeles National Forest.

Wolf Leverich presents an award to Doris Duval for her Spirit of Volunteerism.

Wolf presents the Conservation Award to Sherry Ross.
Reflections on an HPS Journey
By David F. Jensen

It hardly seems possible but it has been over 20 years since I went on a hike to my 1st HPS peak. It was 28 July 1985 and the scheduled trip was with the Long Beach Group to Sunset Peak. It was the only time out of six climbs that I actually walked all the way to the top on the road so it was both a hot and somewhat boring trip. For some reason, it sparked an interest in me that eventually led to hundreds of trips and just barely making three List finishes. All that was still years in the future but as I began my quest for high places, I had no idea of the adventures ahead.

Along the way, I met a lot of wonderful people and great leaders as well as a few gourmets and a few leaders that weren’t. I learned to save my weekends and vacation time for those hikes that were not led very often and spent many hours carefully reviewing the Sierra Club trip schedule and The Lookout to see which peaks I “needed” and how to fit them all together. Then I took the leadership training course and became an “O” rated leader in July 1986 with Timber Mountain as my provisional lead. Keats Hayden, one of the participants, had arranged for a Los Angeles Times journalist and photographer to come along for a story. So my 15 minutes of fame came early on but their description of me as “tall, balding and serious” certainly kept my head from swelling too much.

As my wife Kathy and I enjoy our home in NE Oregon, I can look outside our windows and see the Wallowa Mountains just a few miles to the east and at the Blue Mountains just 20 miles or so across the Grande Ronde Valley. Sometimes I think back about some of the trips I went on and look at my collection of pictures to remind me of details that are sometimes a bit fuzzy. While most of my hikes were generally just one day at a time, one longer trip from 1992 still stands out in my memory as representative of my HPS career.

It was THE BIG SEVEN, also known as the Big 4 plus the Big 3, on 22-26 April. It was led by Carlton Shaw and David Eisenberg along with Roy Stewart and Jennifer Lambelet. Two others started with us on the adventure but had to sign out early due to medical issues. This trip is rarely led since it is over 60 miles and nearly 15,000 feet of gain. Luckily the weather was good and there was plenty of water along the way. We even got to spend one of our nights camping on West Big Pine which was one of David’s goals. My most enduring memory was after we left Cachuma Saddle for the long drive back to the Big 4 trailhead. David was driving and we stopped at a strawberry stand near Ventura. He then spent the rest of the drive eating most of a flat of fresh strawberries! I could go on and on about other various trips but will stop while I’m ahead.

It would be nice to still be going on trips like those but another injury and knee operation have slowed me somewhat. My doctor’s prognosis and my lack of desire for a knee replacement means that my peak bagging days are mostly over, other than the easier state highpoints and some easy/moderate hiking and walking. After wearing out two vehicles and one body, it looks like I’ll be switching to activities on flatter terrain, such as riding my bicycle, cross country skiing and snow shoeing.

Looking back to 1985, one thing really strikes me and that is how the HPS keeps re-invigorating itself. If you look at the old Lookouts, the names have almost all changed. There are just a few of the old-timers still active as trip leaders and on the management committee. All the fresh blood with a constant flow of new people is what has kept the peak bagging game alive over more than 50 years. I enjoyed my time in the sun and know that others will do so in the future as well.

Upcoming Meetings of the Management Committee

March 14, April 11, 2006
These meetings are scheduled to be held at the home of Winnette Butler, 1141 N. Columbue Ave, Glendale. Phone (818) 549 - 9636

These meetings are open to all members. Please call prior to the meeting if you wish to attend.

The Hundred Peaks Section Website
http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/

The website, maintained by Karen Leverich and Wolf Leverich, is loaded with information:

- Upcoming outings
- Peak List
- Peak Guides
- Summit Signatures
- List of members and their achievements
- Awards won by HPS members
- Climbing archives
- Bylaws
- Links to climbing sections, the Angeles Chapter, and to the national Sierra Club
HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION
ANGELES CHAPTER
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 8, 2005

Winnette Butler’s house
Attending: In attendance were MComm members Wolf Leverich, Karen Isaacson Leverich, Winnette Butler, Joe Young, Lynda Armbruster, Greg de Hoogh and Charlotte Feitshans. Absent: Kathy Cheever. Non-member: Tom Armbruster
Meeting: begin 6:45 pm.

Minutes: Charlotte Feitshans
Minutes from the October meeting were read and approved as amended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasury: Sandy Burnside
The Treasurer’s report was m/s/p... (attached)

Membership: Greg de Hoogh
It was m/s/p to accept the membership report (attached)
It was m/s/p that the Membership Chair will be the “reminder volunteer” to help retain membership. It was also m/s/p that we will provide a free Lookout to WTC’s 250 students, beginning with the March/April issue. The cost to HPS is about $175.00.

Programs: Joe Young
Our deposit for the January Banquet has been made.
The Spring Fling is on weekend of May 6-7, 2006, at Foster Lodge; reservationist is Winnette. Joe will ask ranger to speak again to the group as at last year’s Fling. The HPS ballots are in the mail...Charlotte to receive them at her address and count them sometime after Dec. 1, which is mail deadline.

Outreach/Conservation: Lynda Armbruster
Santa Ana Task Force is talking about straightening Ortega Highway and paving it. The Forest Service is opening more roads designated for OHV’s.
For our outreach for new members, we should encourage leaders to lead more beginner hikes, beginning with the July Schedule.

Merchandise: Lynda Armbruster
We’ve sold 3 patches == $15.00; 2 more are on order.

Outings/Safety: Karen Leverich
In Schedule #301, HPS has hikes almost every weekend.

Mountain Records: Wolf Leverich
HPS has received letter from R. Sorrels, stating that the summit signature needs to be modified on our web page to show correct spelling of name. It was m/s/p to do so. The family also intends to go to the Geological Board to have it changed.
Tom Hill will be asked to send a letter from HPS to the family informing them of our change. Middle Pk: Peak has been suspended. Issues: 1) Do we keep it suspended? Or (2) move summit down on legal ground, or (3) ask Ranger when we want to go to Summit. Wolf to bring the modified peak guide to next meeting. San Sevaine and Buck Pt: road still closed. Wolf will investigate a possible legal route to them so we can unsuspend them.

Tom Armbruster: Tom mentioned that Louis Quiartre has passed away...Louis was an active member of HPS, Lookout Editor at one time, and Historian investigating every peak name. Tom will write a piece about Louis for the Lookout.

New Business: (in closed session)
There was discussion of yearly awards to be given at the Banquet. The next meeting is on Dec. 13, at Winnette’s house.

Adjournment: 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Charlotte Feitshans

December 10, 2005

Winnette Butler’s house
Attending: In attendance were MComm members Wolf Leverich, Karen Isaacson Leverich, Winnette Butler, Joe Young, Lynda Armbruster, Greg de Hoogh and Charlotte Feitshans. Absent: Kathy Cheever. Non-member: Tom Armbruster.
New electees: Jim Fleming and Dave Comerzan.
Meeting: began at 6:58 pm.

Minutes: Charlotte Feitshans
Minutes from the November meeting were read and approved as amended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasury: Sandy Burnside
The Treasurer's report was m/s/p (attached)

Membership: Greg de Hoogh
It was m/s/p to accept the membership report (attached)

Programs: Joe Young
The January Banquet is set. The three choices for dinner are: salmon, steak and vegetarian.

Outreach/Conservation/Merchandise: Lynda Armbruster
Two patches have been sold...$10.00
No outreach information.
Conservation: extension of toll road to San Clemente has been approved, but still is in contention.

Outings/Safety: Karen Leverich
Most all leaders have taken the First Aid classes to upgrade their information.

Mountain Records: Wolf Leverich
Pilot Knob: traditionally the only to access it is over private property. Recently, one of our leaders couldn't get permission to cross the land. The owners are redesigning the property as an Ecological Reserve.
Wolf volunteered to go to Fish and Game people and try to get a route.
Black #3: a house is being built on vacant property.
Buck and San Sevaine: no new information
Middle Pk.: It was m/s/p to unsuspend peak. Leaders need to ask ranger to get permission to reach peak. Without permission, the HPS summit is now the high point of the road. Karen to change peak guide to reflect this.
The Chair would like to see a reorganization of the Mountain Records Committee with several members instead of just one. More members are needed to clean up the issue of access to many peaks.

New Business:
It was m/s/p to approve the Election Committee's report as follows:

Bylaws change: Change bylaws to require that Management Committee hold bimonthly meetings instead of monthly meetings; Vote: Yes

Bylaws change: To allow members of Management Committee to serve staggered, two-year terms; Vote: Yes

Joe will inform ExComm of our by-law changes.

The new Management Committee for 2006 is:
Joe Young -- Lookout editor, Historian
Greg de Hoogh -- Membership Chair
Wolf Leverich -- Past Chair, presently MRC Chair
Karen Isaacson Leverich -- Outings and Safety Chair, Webmaster
Winnette Butler -- Chair
Lynda Armbruster -- Vice Chair/Outreach
Dave Comerzan -- Secretary
Jim Fleming -- Programs Chair, Adopt-a-Highway, Merchandise
Sandy Burnside -- Treasurer

The person to be Conservation Chair will be decided later.

The next meeting is on Tuesday, Jan. 10 at Acapulco Restaurant, Glendale
Adjournment: 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Charlotte Feitshans