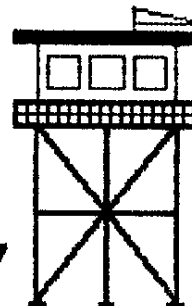


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Peakbagging Olympics II: Photo by Sue Palmer, 6/21/87
After the hike, left to right: Bob Thompson, Joe Young, Wayne Wurzbarger, Mike Baldwin, Roy Stewart. (See story Pages 10-11.)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Alan Lopez
Jon Ferguson
Michael Graziano
Milt Adams
Daniel Bleiberg
Michael Kelley
Chris Cauffman
Fred Huebscher
Colleen Schlosser
Ann Murray
Jack D. Haddad

**COME TO THE HPS SOCIAL
MEETINGS!**
Refreshments served!

WHERE:
Griffith Park Ranger Station
4730 Crystal Springs Drive
Griffith Park

PROGRAMS:
Sept. 10: Thurs./7:30 p.m.
"Adventures in China." Janet Schipper will show her slides taken during her 4/86 with Friends of Photography workshop in China.

Oct. 8: Thurs./7:30 p.m.
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING!
Come discuss the ballot measures, meet candidates! "Secrets of the Incas." R.J. Secor will present a program on climbing Aconcagua, the highest mountain in the Western Hemisphere.

**BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR
OKTOBERFEST, 10/3-
10/4/87, & THE ANNUAL HPS
AWARDS BANQUET, 1/29/88!**
FURTHER DETAILS INSIDE!

CONGRATULATIONS

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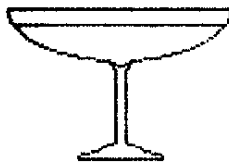
Tom Ferguson	Burnt Pk.	10/05/86	748
Julie King	Constance Pk.	05/31/87	749
D. O'Shaughnessy	Cornell Pk.	06/20/87	750

200 PEAKS BAR

Bob Michael	Little Bear Pk.	05/27/87	235
Donica Wood	Alamo Mtn.	05/28/87	236
John Cheslick	Southwell Pk.	07/18/87	237

LIST COMPLETION

John Vitz	Cornell Pk.	06/20/87	118
George Tucker	Mt. Hillyer	07/19/87	119
Second List Completion:			
Edna Erspamer	Iron Springs Mtn	01/21/87	9





**ATTENTION:
CANDIDATES WANTED!
HPS ELECTIONS ARE
DRAWING NEAR!**

The Nominating Committee is looking for candidates to run for the 1988 Management Committee. Please contact Dotty Rabinowitz, Nominating Committee Chair, if you would like to run or suggest candidates.



**JAN. 29, 1987, FRIDAY
PEAKBAGGERS ANNUAL
BANQUET**

Join us for the annual Hundred Peaks Section Awards Banquet at Taix Restaurant, 1922 Sunset Blvd., L.A. (near Alvarado), at 6:30 p.m. for preliminaries or 8:00 p.m. for dinner and special activities. The program will be put on by Roy Murphy, a well-known photographer, featuring the scenic flowers and wildlife of the San Gabriel Mountains. You will be able to purchase his beautiful books at the banquet. Send \$16.00 (check payable to "Hundred Peaks Section") for your ticket, a SASE and state your choice of beef, chicken or vegetarian entree to Reservationist: **JON SHELDON**, 524 S. Ogden Dr., L.A., CA 90036.

**The California Wildlife,
Coastal and Parks Initiative**

Due to the unavoidable length and complexity of the petition forms, they will not be included in this issue of the LOOKOUT. But, please make sure that you sign the petition! All signatures must be turned in by the middle of November.



**From the Editor:
Replacement
Needed**

by Ruth Adler, Editor

Unfortunately, I am no longer able to continue in my volunteer capacity as Editor of the HPS LOOKOUT. So, if you know of anyone who wants to take over as Editor, or, if--heaven, forbid--you want to be Editor of the newsletter of the finest Section of the Sierra Club, please contact Micky Thayer, Secretary of the Hundred Peaks Section.



**ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE
TREASURER**
by Tom Neely

We now have more of the sky blue T-shirts that everyone has been demanding for over a year since I sold the last one. They are available in small, medium, large and extra-large; are 100% cotton and look better than the ones we sold two years ago. So far, I've washed mine once and it did not shrink. The price is still the same, \$7.25, and an order form is in the back of this issue.

As I mentioned in an earlier issue, I only have a few (14) green shirts left, 8 HPS wreaths, and no list completion pins. So if you don't have one, I told everyone.

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR
THE NEXT ISSUE OF
THE LOOKOUT MUST
BE RECEIVED BY
OCTOBER 1, 1987!**

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING
SEMINAR: SAT. - SUN.
10/17-10/18/87**

Become a qualified Sierra Club leader! Leader Candidates are required to be Sierra Club members, to have participated in at least five Club outings or equivalent, and to have the mountaineering technical skill appropriate to the category (O, I, M, E) you want to be rated for. The training is initiated with a set of lectures held in a centrally located area. Send a sase for application, calendar of events, info to LTC Registrar: **WYNNE BENTI**, 4375 Alhama Dr., Woodland Hills, CA 91364, (818) 992-6756. Completed application deadline is Oct. 5.



**ANNOUNCEMENT
FROM THE MAILER**

by Mike Sandford

All LOOKOUT mailing address labels will now include awards and credits on the top line along with the date that your membership expires. To check and make sure that your credits are correct I have listed the codes below:

- * 100 or more peaks
- ** 200 or more peaks
- List completion. (Each • given will equal the no. of times list has been completed.)

If a family membership gets one LOOKOUT then the initials of each will be given followed with awards. If both are the same, then no initials.

Finally, if a special award was given, such as a leadership Award, Sam Fink Awards, etc., then these will be listed with first initials as well. Example would be SF (Sam Fink Award), followed by the year received.

If you find a mistake in this or any other part of the address, please drop me a postcard and I will make the necessary changes.



Lost Members, Where are You?

by Michael Sandford, LOOKOUT Mailer

Below is a list of members who have disappeared from our membership. If you know any of these past members who might have moved, please let them know so we can get them back on the membership list.

Beveridge, Don & Nicky	Tujunga, CA
Brotman, Patricia	La Crescenta, CA
Chiu, Wellington	Los Angeles, CA
Cook, Jane	Anaheim, CA
Depth, Dennis D.	Orange, CA
Eisenberg, David	Glendale, CA
Fleming, Jim	Huntington Beach, CA
France, Earl	Temple, CA
Furlong, Dave	Redondo Beach, CA
Fuselier, Joe	N. Hollywood, CA
Gibba, John C.	Lancaster, CA
Frau, Ron	Pomona, CA
Hall, Walter	Woodland Hills, CA
Hansen, Doug	Los Angeles, CA
Henry, Beth	Little Rock, CA
Hess, Robert A.	Canyon Country, CA
Hill, Alfred & Kitty	Redondo Beach, CA
Irving de Cruz, Emillo/Marlon	Simi Valley, Ca
Jackson, Gary L.	San Diego, CA
Lutz, Jon & Betsy	Los Angeles, CA
Martin, Jane	Huntington Beach, CA
Miller, Mitchell L.	Garden Grove, CA
Olinka, Seth & Juliana	Sherman Oaks, CA
Salomons, Vera	Sherman Oaks, CA
Scher, Howard & Ernie	La Canada, CA
Snyder, Phyllis	Long Beach, CA
Stevenson, Robin	Rolling Hills Est., CA
Tenero, John A.	Hermosa Beach, CA
Todd, James C.	Burbank, CA
Vallejo, Arlene	Buena Park, CA
Yarnell, Candy	Brea, CA



Volunteer Trail Building: Mt. Islip Trail, San Gabriel Mountains

During the summer months volunteers will work at 6000-8000 foot elevation where the weather is cool. First, volunteers will rework the existing Mt. Islip Trail from Little Jimmy Campground to the peak. Then they will build a new trail from the peak down the south trending ridge. The new trail will drop off the ridge about opposite Deer flat Campground and end at a junction with Windy Gap Trail near Crystal Lake parking area. The new trail route traverses the top of the ridge through open conifer forests with magnificent views of the high country. The new trail will be similar to the Hawkins Ridge Trail completed last September.

Volunteers will meet at 8:00 a.m. on the dates listed below in La Canada on the Angeles Crest Highway just north of the 210 Freeway, carpool from the meeting place, pick up tools at Chilao Ranger Station and drive to the Pine Hollow Picnic Area. Here, cars will be consolidated again for the short drive on a Forest Service Road to Little Jimmy Campground. Bring lunch, water and gloves. Rain cancels.

09/05-Sat.	10/03-Sat.
09/13-Sun.	10/11-Sun.
09/19-Sat.	10/17-Sat.
09/27-Sun.	10/25-Sun.
	10/31-Sat.

Group Participation

Scout, church, club or other groups are welcome. Please notify the leaders in advance of the number expected in your group to be sure to have enough tools are available. Scout group should plan to work together and to be accompanied by their own leaders.

Further Information

Call leaders: Charles Jones (818) 352-9611 (Home), (818) 957-2233 (Work); Louis Derry 665-9147.



To the Editor: Lost Glove!

July 23, 1987

Dear Editor:

Stuck in the bottom of one of my daypacks I discovered a glove which I found going up Jenkins on June 13th. It's a right-hand, good leather glove, in excellent shape. I'd be crying if I'd lost it, and so if you have a spot in the LOOKOUT maybe [you can publish this] and the owner will give me a call.

Sincerely,
Micky Thayer, (818) 999-3861



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An Encounter With a Condor

The Biggest Bird of All Is an Anomaly—
a Living Incarnation of Mortality
BY DAVID DARLINGTON

A few [months] ago, the last condor in the wild was captured and placed in a captive breeding program.

The bird was cruising in leisurely loops, like a toy boat circling in an eddy. When it enters the foreground below us, still too distant for its white wing patches to be visible, it turns, banks and rises. Now it goes into the flex-glide, dipping its wings and suddenly soaring behind the ridge to our left. I climb the clay embankment on the other side of the road, slip through the barbed-wire fence and set off in the direction where the condor disappeared.

A warm wind is blowing now; the rain has stopped. I tie my coat around my waist and ascend a hill of oak and foxtail. Beyond the ridge that borders the road is a broad brown and yellow valley with gigantic outcroppings of pockmarked rocks. The surrounding hillsides are bare, eroded; but on the higher hills the bush takes over—green manzanita, chaparral. Behind these foothills four ridges recede, becoming bluer as they grow more distant. There are flat banks of fog in the far valleys, and stacks of gray clouds on the horizon. A black dot rises from the ridge line, I raise my glasses and it leaps into close-up: the condor, its white patches clearly visible against the black, widespread wings.

The bird banks and rises in lazy

circles, another smaller raptor behind it, and I realize for the umpteenth time how regal raptors are on their rounds; it has to do with how little effort they seem to expend, how steady their bearing is, how unchallenged their place in the sky. The fingerlike pinion feathers seem to express an attitude of relaxedness; they're spread the way your fingers would be if you were shooing something away from you—an air of utter independence.

After a lengthy period of circling, the bird comes to Earth on the valley floor, a few hundred yards from a cluster of farm buildings. I watch through the binoculars for a while, but the condor doesn't move, so I keep on hiking. There are lots of brightly colored wildflowers in this barren-looking landscape—purple asters with yellow centers, scarlet buglers being visited by iridescent hummingbirds. I find the big brown rocks in the valley to be filled with caves, and I crawl inside one to get out of the rain, which has resumed. Eventually, though, opting for the view, I climb the exterior of the cliff in a fine misting shower. When I get to the top, I look up and am startled to see the condor above me.

The bird seems to be scrutinizing me. (I remember Ken Brower's line: "When man and condor meet today, it is with a glance of mutual appraisal, each to see whether the other is yet extinct.") What, I wonder, do you say when you're finally face-to-face with an absolute—the biggest bird in North America, the embodiment of all endangered species, a messenger from the living to the dead. I don't say anything; I stand in the rain with upturned face, a lone earthling rooted to a rock, regarding the hovering form of extinction. This condor is an anomaly, I know: a living incarnation of mortality. Spinning high in the air above me, framed against storm clouds, with warm sheets of water blowing betwixt as a totem for North America. It's because of the coloring, somehow—red, white and black is a morbid heraldry for a once-

promising continent.

In spite of this, the condor does not appear gloomy; it seems polite, tolerant, curious. After a moment, having witnessed enough of me and my perambulations, it dips its wings and glides away. I look again through my binoculars and see the naked head extended, held slightly lower than the rest of the horizontal body in the sulky demeanor of vultures. It disappears, and soon I hear the distant, excited voices wafting across the sodden landscape.

For those of us raised far away from wilderness—in places populated solely by domesticated animals—there's something miraculous about seeing them in the wild. The first time I saw a bear in the woods, I couldn't believe there was something so big that nobody owned, fed or kept on a leash. The self-sustaining ability of nature seems a marvel, though it's literally the oldest thing in the world. Similarly, seeing the condor here where it "belongs" is simultaneously remarkable and mundane. I was actually surprised by how natural it seemed; there were no trumpets, no soundtrack music, no caustic debate, no fee of admission. The condor was unaware of its celebrity and of the controversy that surrounds it. It was just a big black and white bird flying around in a quiet canyon. To be sure, its size and bearing distinguish it from any other animal you might imagine; but, for me, the most extraordinary thing about the condor was the fact that it was free.



Peak and Chews: An HPS Restaurant Review

If you come across a restaurant that you would like to comment on during your peakbagging travels,

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please send in a postcard or letter to the Editor and your review will be included in this column.

The Magic Recipe: 125 Fairway Lane, West Covina, CA (Grand Ave. exit from I-10). Their claim to be "The coziest restaurant in town," is probably overstated, in that the restaurant has the same slick, clean and efficient atmosphere as a chain establishment but the food is good, plentiful, and reasonably priced. Dinners range roughly from \$4.75 to \$ 8.00 and include a vegetable (not overcooked or greasy), choice of soup or trip to the salad bar (very adequate for creating a dinner salad but not spectacular), choice of potatoes (baked, french fried or mashed), sour dough bread (good) with sweet butter and a choice of entrees including chicken, meat and fish. I had the liver and onions (\$4.75) which was well prepared. The menu also features other items including sandwiches and burgers. The service was good. (Jim Adler, 7/19/87.)



REGISTER BOX

by Jim Adler

REGISTERS NEEDED:

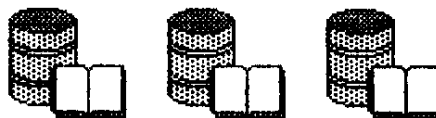
Antimony/4D: decrepit
Roundtop/10H: crummy
Vetter Mtn./11F: missing
Mt. Markham/12D: missing
Mt. Lowe/12E: missing
Middle Hawkins/14E: beer can
Smith Mtn./15B: missing
Chalk Pk./16H: decrepit
Sugarpine/19C: missing
Pinnacles/19E: missing
Marie-Louise/19F: missing
Hawes/20I: missing
Delamar/21E: decrepit
Gold/21H: decrepit
Silver/21 I: beer can
Onyx #1/23G: missing
Constance/24A: 1/2 missing

Birch/25B: 1/2 missing
Cedar/25C: decrepit
Ryan Mtn./26D: missing
Garnet Pk./32I: missing

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, please advise either the Author or the Editor. 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 register books and pencils are so easy to carry all the time, peaks where only books or pencils are needed will not be listed.)

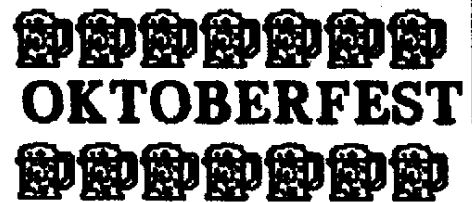
Since the last issue, six peaks have been removed from the "canless" list and two have been added.

By the way, more red cans are needed. Chow down, canned-food-eaters!



HPS TRIP: SAT-SUN, 9/12-9/13/87

I: San Jacinto Backpack: Join us in this late summer backpack of the high country without the crowds. Moderate weekend--15 mi., 5000' gain. Camp at Little Round Valley with peak climbs of San Jacinto (10804') and Folly (10480') on Sat., Jean (10670') and Marion (10332') on Sun. Garbage bag salad Sat. night. Wilderness permit limits group size. Send sase with experience, carpool info and phone to Leader: JON SHELDON, 524 S. Ogden Dr., L.A. 90036, W(818) 905-4311, H(213) 938-4316. Co-leader: BOB KANNE.



OKTOBERFEST PHOTO CONTEST: 10/3/87

Don't miss this opportunity to win a prize. There will be two Grand Prizes awarded, plus eight other prizes.

Categories

The categories for **COLOR PRINTS** (5 x 7 inches, or smaller) or **SLIDES** are the same:

1. Scenic
2. Plants and Animals
3. People
4. Humorous

All pictures must be taken on an HPs peak or at an HPS function.

Each of the eight groups (four for color prints, four for slides) will have first and second place winners. Prizes will be awarded to the first place winners in all eight categories.

Instructions

Please put your name on each print or slide and turn them in by 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 3rd, to Patty Kline, who will be at Harwood Lodge for the Oktoberfest.

The winning pictures will be shown and prizes awarded during the Saturday night program.



**SINGING
DANCING
MUSIC
GOOD FOOD/DRINKS
HIKING**

100 Peaks section of the Sierra Club
Presents Their Annual

OKTOBERFEST!

Sat. & Sun. October 3 & 4, 1987

\$12 members \$15 non-members

Price includes sat. snacks & dinner, Sun. breakfast. Please bring a sleeping bag and any other personal necessities. Lodging is *first come, first serve*. Bavarian attire, musical instruments & tapes welcomed. There will be a limit of 120 people, so sign up early.

★ PHOTO CONTEST ★

Categories for slides and color prints, 5x7 or smaller.

- | | |
|-------------------|-------------|
| 1. Scenic | 3. People |
| 2. Plants/Animals | 4. Humorous |

1st & 2nd place for each.
2 GRAND PRIZES AWARDED.

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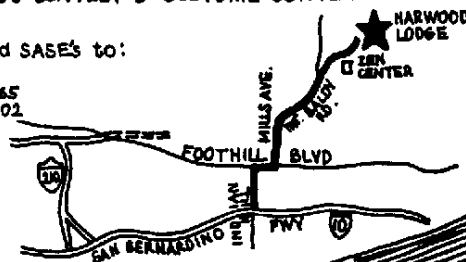
RULES:

1. All pictures must be taken on an AFS peak or function.
2. Put your name on each picture.
3. All slides or prints must be turned in by 4:30 p.m., Saturday October 3rd, to Patti Kline.

Judging and awards will take place Saturday evening.

also ★ MUG CONTEST & COSTUME CONTEST ★

For reservations, send SASEs to:
Dotty Rabinowitz
9900 Vesper Avenue, #165
Panorama City, CA 91402
(818) 893-2574



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HUNDRED PEAK TRIPS: NOV. 1987 - FEB. 1988

(See the Angeles Chapter Schedule for further details.)

1987

10/31-11/1 **White #2, Cobblestone, Black #2, Snowy, Sewart:**
Jones, Brecheen

- NOV** 1 **Strawberry (3rd Class Route):** Nilsson, Holladay
14 **Strawberry, Lawler:** Cheslick, Henderson
14 **Bighorn, Ontario:** Kline, Brown
14 **Smith:** O'Sullivan, Lum
14 **Lookout:** Goodykoontz, Long
15 **Aantsell, Apache, Spittler:** Anglin, Henderson
15 **Rattlesnake:** Dobos, Brown
15 **Fox, Cander:** Curtis, Cohen
18 **Throop, Middle Hawkins:** Brown, Sutherland
21 **Liebre (w/ Wilderness Adventures):** Rasche, Miller
21 **Throop, Hawkins, Middle Hawkins, Islip:**
S. Brown, Thompson
21-22 **Granite, Whale:** Martin, Shay
21-22 **Pinnacles, Marie Louise, Monument, Sugarpine, Cajon,**
Cleghera: Kline, Benti
27-29 **Villager, Rabbit, Indianhead (w/ DPS):** Tucker, Dobos
DEC 5 **Gleason, Cander, Fox #2, Irea #2:** Bleiberg, Sheldon
12 **Butterfly, Rock Pt.:** Martin, Lindberg
12 **Lowe, Markham:** Nilsson, Ertl
12-13 **Monte Arido, Old Man, Reyes, Ortega Hill, Ortega Pt.:**
Benti, Bleiberg
12-13 **Lightner, Bald Eagle, Serail, Mayan, Betterbredt,**
Cress, Chuckwalla: Jones, Brecheen
12-13 **Pac. Crest Trail, San Diego County:** McCosker, McRuer
13 **Lowe:** S. Brown, Thompson
13 **Sunset:** Kelly, Moore
16 **Barley Flats:** Sutherland, Goldberg
20 **L.A. Xmas at Night:** Brown, Thompson

1988

- JAN** 9-10 **Granite #2, Whale:** Henderson, Cheslick
9-10 **Thorn Pt., San Rafael, Lockwood Pt., San Guillermo,**
Alamo Mts.: Jones, Brecheen
16 **Lukens:** Thompson, S. Brown
16-17 **Pacific Crest Tr., Part V (w/ DPS):** Camphausen, Lutz
16-17 **Sheep, Martinez, Santa Rosa, Asbestos:** Danta, Benti
20 **Leader's Choice:** Cordell, Salomons
23-24 **Bighorn, Granite Pt., Tip Top, Mineral, Chaparral,**
Heeks, Black #4: Jones, Brecheen
FEB 6 **Circle Mts., Gobbler's Knob:** Martin, Lindberg
6 **Menrevis (w/ Wilderness Adventures):** Coles, Radalj
6 **Unnamed Pks. Below 5000'/Verdugo Exploratory:**
Tidwell, Thompson
7 **Twin Pks.:** S. Brown, Thompson
13 **Menrevis:** Bruce, Brumer
13-14 **Monte Arido, Old Man, Fox #1, Cuyama, Lizard Head:**
Brecheen, Jones
17 **Josephine:** Cavalleri, Cavalleri
20 **Lizard Head:** Coles, Feather
21 **Lukens:** Brown, Dobos
27 **Rosa Pt.:** Goodykoontz, Akawie
27-28 **Chuckwalla, Cress, Betterbredt, Mayan:** Sheldon, Tidwell
28 **Smith (w/ Int'l Community):** Waxman, Aronson

OKTOBERFEST


HPS OKTOBERFEST HIKE: 10/4/87, SUNDAY

O: 3 T'S FROM TOP OF SKI LIFT: Oktoberfest hike. 8 mi., 1600' gain, 4000 loss. Experienced, well-conditioned hikers only. Bring lunch, 2 qts. water, lugs (\$4?), essentials. Rain cancels. Call Wilma for info. Leaders: WILMA CURTIS, DOTTY RABINOWITZ.

HPS OKTOBERFEST HIKE: 10/4/87, SUNDAY

O: SUNSET PEAK (5796'): Oktoberfest hike. 7 mi., 1273' uphill hiking going out, all downhill coming back, all on dirt roads. Meet 9:30 a.m. at Harwood Lodge. Bring 2 qts. water, lunch. Moderate pace, beginners welcome. Leader: TOM ARMBRUSTER. Asst.: BOB THOMPSON.

TRIP REPORTS

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**Peakbagging Olympics II -
Scouting Trip 1: 5/3/87;**
Leaders: Joe Young,
Bobcat Thompson
by Joe Young

A dozen hikers met at the place formerly known as the Pomona carpool meeting place for a day of hiking in the Big Bear area. This was a trip designed to accomplish two purposes: first, to scout the peaks to be climbed on the Olympics (June 20-21); and second to check the ability of the participants. We did climb nine of the eleven peaks ultimately to be climbed during the Olympics.

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although we showed that coming off Little Shay directly back to the cars requires additional scouting. But the nine peaks we climbed: Slide, Keller, Mill, Delamar, Little Bear, Hawes, Shay, Ingham, and Little Shay, went quite well on a warm, clear day. Almost all of the participants showed sufficient stamina (physical and mental) to have made good candidates for the Olympics. **We celebrated Steve Zoschka's 100th peak on Hawes.** We also celebrated Bobcat's 2010th ascent of a named summit (any and all lists) in his illustrious hiking career. We were joined on Hawes by two of Steve's friends who had been peakbagging in the Big Bear area this weekend.



**Galena, Little San Geronio:
5/30/87; Leader: Bill T.
Russell, Ass't.: Alan Coles
by Bill T. Russell**

This "routebaggers bagit" was probably the first HPS sponsored trip along the ridge from Galena to Little San G. Our group of twelve started at 0640 from the Vivian Creek Trailhead and topped Galena about 0940. The dirt in the infamous Mill Creek Jumpoff headwall was moist, which made step kicking easy and the ascent relatively safe and rapid. Jon Sheldon carried a new set of nesting register cans, which Galena appreciated receiving.

The route from Galena to Little San G. along the crest is about four miles of good walking on animal trails, good views, a few brushy spots and considerable up and down (+1400', 1600'). Between "west" Galena and pt. 9764' is an easy 3rd class downclimb of about 50' with another one on the west side of pt. 9764'.

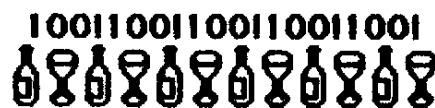
We reached Little San G. about 1340 where we found no register can and only a lousy book in a plastic sack. Julie King produced a new book which we left in the sack. We had lunch and started down about 1430. We returned to the saddle east of the

peak, then north through the small saddle at UTM 113693 (8440+) and then directly north down the forested slope over easy terrain.

Near the bottom, the slope becomes a rounded ridge and at the bottom (6600') we had to push through some brush to get into the dry stream bed on the east. We followed this out to the Mill Creek wash and then hiked back the one-half mile to the roadhead which we reached at 1640. We were pleased to find the group led by John Beckus, who had just returned from a climb of Galena—they appreciated the path we made up the headwall.

It was a fine trip through new terrain with good weather and splendid people. Usually a leader has a group of young tigers close at his/her heels, but this time that group comprised four tigresses: Alice, Julie, Cindy and Carolyn. Alan Coles is thanked for being vice leader in place of Frank Goodykoontz who had an injured foot.

Participants: Daniel Bleiberg, Alice Cahill, Alan Coles, Wilma Curtis, Julie King, Cindy Okine, Bill T. Russell, Jon Sheldon, Don Slager, Ursula Slager, Carolyn West, and Bryce Wheeler.



**Bagging *100/Private Trip
by Julie King**

After being at 97 HPS peaks climbed for three months, I finally decided to get more to complete 100. However, the only scheduled hike on the weekend of 5/30/87 was for only two, Galena and Little San Geronio, on Saturday. Carolyn West and I figured we could spend the night and climb San Geronio the next day. A friend, Dick Belliveau, would join us on Sunday.

Saturday on the way down after a challenging and interesting two peak climb, I started having some second thoughts about San Geronio when a

caif muscle and a knee started bothering me. I thought maybe we were being a little too ambitious. All I needed was one more peak to reach 100. Some of the people on the hike suggested Constance Peak, as it was in the area and was an easy one. Carolyn wanted to get home early, so she thought that was okay. The only problem was Dick, who was coming specifically to do San Geronio.

Sunday morning just before 7:00 a.m., I finally managed to get Carolyn up about the time Dick arrived. Being a gentleman and after being presented with a few facts including how long it would take us to do San Geronio, he went along with us.

Eventually, we found the correct dirt road to the base of Constance and parked on the SW side. There it was—.25 mile up, maybe. To make a long story short, it took us almost 2 hours to get to the top through thick and tall thorny brush. We got scratched and stuck all over. It took us ten minutes to come down on the opposite side. I'm sure that is the way most people go up, too! **Back at my truck, we celebrated my 100th on a couple of Irish Wild Rose Coolers.**

It was still early in the day so we decided to do another small one in the area. We tried Allen, but the only road to it was posted "Private, No Trespassing", so we drove to the base of Pisgah Peak. The whole area was posted as private property! Carolyn was all for just going home. We finally decided to sneak up the not very high peak cross country through the non-thorny brush and trees. We thought we might get caught any time crossing the private road twice. We got to the top and it looked like they are going to build a house up there. We turned around and dashed back down to the cars on what seemed to be the trail. We made it without getting caught and getting arrested. That was No. 101.

The following Sunday after aborted Charleston/Mummy hike, Dick and I climbed San Geronio, *102.

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Lockwood Pt., Thorn Pt., San Guillermo: 6/6/87; Leaders: Luella Martin, Alfredo Sanchez Gomez
by Luella Martin

Friday night, Los Angeles had a thunderstorm. I had a wet drive Saturday a.m. to Sylmar where I collected Molly Beathe and Tom Anneus. June? Art Schain was waiting for us at Frazier Park. He'd spent the night along side the Frazier Mtn. Rd. He'd learned that he could get into his cab from the back of his truck without going outside after a particularly awesome clap of thunder. His first words were: "You mean you're really going to have this hike?"

By 7:30, we were nine. Because of the possibility of muddy roads, we loaded into Rocky Morton's Jeep and my Subaru 4x4's. We were on Lockwood Pt. by 10:15 in a drizzle. Shorts and rain jackets--Hawaiian weather. The weather improved. The drive out to Thorn Mdws. was sunny. The Utah-like Grade Valley was fresh, green and flowery. Molly decided to wait at the cars because she needed San Guillermo and not Thorn. Donn Cook was cheerleading me on to lead S.G.

Thorn Pt. is one of the nicest hikes on the list. We had butterflies, ferns, and black oaks in the meadows, blooming yucca on the hillside, and fields of lupine up on the final push past the sandstone bluffs. We ate a late lunch on top. On the descent, we watched it rain on Pinos and Frazier. The Crack of Doom. Sound effects, color, lightning, and sets by God. A light mist reached us in the meadows. We were at Pine Flat by 4:00. All eight of my fellow hikers needed S. Guillermo. The sky was black. I led a quick ascent up S.G. We spent about two minutes on the summit. The storm was really going at it on Pinos and was coming our way. We got a bit wet just before we reached the cars. Art Schain joined the five others already

in Rocky Morton's Jeep. Rocky, Alfredo, Jack Hardad, Donn Cook, Mary Bloom and Art wanted to drive up Frazier Mtn. Rocky put Art into the luggage area. (How many hikers can you get in a Jeep?) It was 6:00 p.m. Tom, Molly and I drove to Mark's for dinner.

Thanks to all for being a good group; to Rocky for driving; to Alfredo for the assist; and thanks to the Good Lord for dumping that white stuff on Pinos and not San Guillermo.



Ontario and Sugarloaf: 6/6/87; Leaders: Patty Kline, Wynne Benti
by Patty Kline

On Saturday June 6th, nine hikers led by Patty Kline and Wynne Benti started out in threatening rain. This was a ten mile trip with 4000 feet of gain beginning and ending at Ice House Canyon.

By the time we got to Ice House Saddle the lightning had started on Baldy. We waited out the thunder and lightning storm about 1/2 mile below Ontario under a fallen log. Conveniently this was also our lunch break. The storm broke and we were able to bag both peaks in the sunlight.

The cross-country route from Ontario to Sugarloaf was very straight forward on a use trail as described in the peak guide. It was fun "skiing" down the scree slope in Falling Rock Canyon below Sugarloaf. The boulders in Falling Rock Canyon were very stable, and it appeared that it had been a long time since there was much water in this dry stream bed.

Patty Kline became an "I" rated leader on this trip.

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6th Annual 1st Sun. in June, After Memorial Day Hike with Stag: 6/7/87; Leaders: Joe Young, Stag Brown
by Joe Young

For six years Stag and I have led a hike designed for Sierra Club hikers to meet and hike with Stag, one of the most memorable hike leaders the Sierra Club offers. This year we scheduled a hike to Grouse and Sawmill in the Pinos area (Los Padres National Forest), but via a trail from the Boy Scout camp in Lockwood Valley. There is a maintained forest service trail from the valley floor which intersects the often hiked trail from Pinos to Cerro Noroeste near a spring. However, the day before our hike a big storm had blanketed the Pinos area with hail, and by Sunday morning the hail appeared to us hikers as ice, even as low as 5500 feet elevation. Fifteen hikers followed the trail (or what appeared to be the trail under 6" of ice/hail.) The group was fairly strong and hiked without long breaks. We arrived at the summit of Grouse shortly after noon, having joined three more hikers who had chosen the more customary route from Pinos. By noon storm clouds had gathered and we cut short our stay on Grouse. We hiked quickly over to Sawmill and stopped there only briefly as thunder rumbled to the west and north. Sue Palmer checked out and joined the three hikers going back over Pinos. The rest of us hiked back down to Lockwood Valley and endured light to moderate rain the last hour. Most of the group reconvened at a restaurant in Frazier Park for post hike revelry.



Mt. Islip: 6/13/87; Leader: Tom Neely, Asst. Frank Debes
by Tom Neely

Forty-two hikers met at 9:00 a.m. at the La Canada carpool and drove to the Islip trailhead at the old Azusa highway. The hike was along the

PCT, had a snack break at the Little Jimmy Campground, and proceeded along the Islip trail where we met Louis Derry and his trail crew doing maintenance along the Islip trail. The work is excellent and the trail is wide where it used to be overgrown and eroded. Thirty-six made the summit for lunch, and the leader kept his promise that there would be beautiful views and cool breezes. The return trip was along the same route. No one signed out for Hawkins, although some were only on their 10th peak hike.

After most of the group had left, I met the Sierra Madre Rescue Team returning to their truck which was parked next to mine. Last winter a hiker was lost, spent two nights on Mt. Islip, and abandoned a lot of her equipment. The team decided to locate her equipment as a training exercise. The exercise was a success, and they displayed a set of thongs, haircurlers and other essentials.

My appreciation to Frank who is an excellent sweep, Louis Derry for the good trail and passing out a "Volunteer Trail Building" schedule to most members of the hike, and the participants who helped me get a leadership rating.



**Peakbagging Olympics II: 6/20-6/21/87; Leader: Joe Young.
Asst. Bobcat Thompson
by Joe Young**

The bottom line: four hikers, namely Joe Young, Bobcat Thompson, Roy Stewart and Wayne Wurzbarger bagged thirty (30) HPS peaks in a 24 hour period this weekend.

Five hikers, the four aforementioned hikers plus Mike Baldwin, who was to bag 29 peaks this weekend, met at 7:00 a.m. at Lloyd's of La Canada for breakfast prior to what would prove to be quite a weekend of driving and hiking. The ultimate specs: 7 hours of driving, 17 hours of hiking, 13,000 feet of

gain, and approximately 30 miles of hiking.

The five of us drove out in one vehicle (my new 4WD GMC V-Jimmy) to the roadhead for Slide Pk. We hiked out to Slide, and at 10:45 a.m. left the summit, thus beginning the 24 hour period. We drove up to Keller, then drove to within .25 of Mill on a very recently graded road, shortening the hike considerably. We then drove to Fawnskin on the north shore of Big Bear Lake and began our long trek to bag peaks along the San Bernardino National Forest Rd. 3N14. We drove to within 50 yards of the summit of Little Bear, then drove to the roadhead for Delamar, and bagged that peak. We then drove west on 3N14 turning off to the roadhead for Hawes which, with 1000 feet of gain, was our hardest single peak climb of the day. From the same roadhead, we bagged Little Shay, Ingham and Shay. After returning to 3N14 we drove to Rattlesnake, a short cross-country hike. We then drove to Round, leaving the Summit at about 7:00 p.m.

After Round, which was our eleventh peak, we drove through Hesperia, stopping for gas, coffee, cleanup, etc. We had gotten slightly ahead of schedule so we felt we deserved it.

We then drove I-15 south, exiting at the Wrightwood turn-off. We turned onto Lone Pine Canyon Rd., then turned onto the road to Gobbler's Knob. This hike was our first in darkness, arriving at 9:23 p.m. We then drove through Wrightwood to the Angeles Crest Highway, proceeding to Vincent Gap, then drove to Pinyon Ridge. Returning to the Crest Highway, we traveled west bagging Lewis, Kratka Ridge, Buckhorn, Winston, Hillyer, Mooney, Vetter, and Sally. We hiked all these peaks in darkness. At the dawn's early light, we hiked Barley Flats, walking warily (and wearily) through the compound to the water tank. It was then 5:08 a.m.

Now in daylight, we drove out to the entrance to Wilson, and, hiking

around the gate, proceeded across the parking area down the new trail towards Harvard. However, I started sleep-hiking down the wrong road and we had to backtrack. This error cost us some added elevation gain and about 20 to 30 precious minutes. We bagged Harvard and Wilson, then drove to the alternate roadhead for Occidental. After bagging Occidental, we drove to Eaton Saddle and were greeted by Laura Webb and Sue Palmer with cool fruit juice and warm spirits. At 7:55 a.m. we left Eaton Saddle and began the last hike for the final five peaks. We were not too confident of success at this point, but, nevertheless, WE DID IT! With about 20 minutes to spare, we arrived at the summit of Deception, having bagged Markham, Lowe, San Gabriel, Disappointment and Deception in about 2.5 hours. Don Tidwell hiked the last few peaks with us and treated us to cold beer on Deception. Sue Palmer doused me with water on Deception, as had Don Tidwell earlier. The dousings felt great!

Mike Baldwin rested during the scramble of Occidental, but this outing was a team effort. Each participant contributed to our success: we shared food, driving, beverages, flashlights, jokes, music and knowledge. Spike Jones and Harry Belafonte came along for the ride and kept our spirits high. It should be noted that all five hikers are regulars on Stag Brown's Wednesday evening hikes in Griffith Park, and we thank Stag for helping to make us physically and mentally tough enough to survive this grueling outing.

Anyone wishing to attempt this kind of event should be aware of the possibilities of ways to go astray or things which can go wrong. A partial listing includes wrong turns, vehicle failure, getting stuck on roads, somebody getting lost, improper boots, injuries (even the most minor can take several minutes to remedy), losing contact lenses, flashlight failures, and, of course, forgetting the right way to the peak

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or the return therefrom. All of these problems are exacerbated by darkness.

Thanks again to all participants for making this event a success: Bobcat, Roy, Mike and Wayne. Thanks to Sue, Laura and Don for being there at the end when we needed you.



HPS BEAKBAGGING OLYMPICS:
6/20-6/21/87
"FOR THE RECORD"
Compiled by Bobcat Thompson

No.	Peak	Time on Top
1.	Slide	10:45 a.m.
2.	Keller	11:07
3.	Mill	11:32
4.	Little Bear	12:23 p.m.
5.	Delamar	12:52
6.	Hawes	2:10
7.	Little Shay	3:14
8.	Ingham	3:34
9.	Shay	4:21
10.	Rattlesnake	5:58
11.	Round	6:58
12.	Gobbler's Knob	9:24
13.	Pinyon Ridge	10:28
14.	Lewis	11:08
15.	Kratka Ridge	11:55
16.	Buckhorn	12:47 a.m.
17.	Winston Pk.	1:46
18.	Hillyer	2:39
19.	Mooney	3:28
20.	Vetter	3:55
21.	Sally	4:33
22.	Barley Flats	5:08
23.	Harvard	6:40
24.	Wilson	7:06
25.	Occidental	7:36
26.	Markham	8:30
27.	Lowe	8:50
28.	San Gabriel	9:39
29.	Disappointment	10:00
30.	Deception	10:23

Total Elapsed Time:
23 Hours, 38 minutes

Participants: Joe Young, Bob Thompson, Wayne Wurzberger, Roy Stewart & Mike Baldwin (29 pks.)



**San Geronimo Mtn. Jepson Pk.,
Dobbs Pk.: 7/11/87; Leaders:
Alan Coles & John Radalj**
by Alan Coles

We had a good group of people show up bright and early at 7:00 am at Vivian Creek Trailhead. This delightful trail was taken to the summit of the big "G" which everyone reached by 1:00 pm. Three had enough and returned the same way while the others relentlessly pushed on to Jepson, then down to Dobbs. From Dobbs we went over to East Dobbs then cross-country down the south ridge. From the saddle before bump 9782, we dropped down to High Creek Camp. This route avoids the brush on the west and south slopes. From High Creek we returned along the brush on the west and south slopes. From High Creek we returned along the trail, arriving back at the cars around 6:00 pm.

Thanks to John for helping lead this trip.

**100!100!100!100!100!
200!200!200!200!200!**



**Southwell Pk., Red Tahquitz
Pk.: 7/18/87; Leaders: John
Cheslick, Bob Henderson**
by John Cheslick

A strong and eager group of 20 started out at the South Ridge trailhead at 10 am. The late start was due to the long drive out to Idyllwild. Originally I had planned to do these peaks from the Devil's Slide Trail but that trailhead was filled due to quota restrictions. So the hike was changed to start from South Ridge, which added about 1,700 feet of gain to the day and another peak (Tahquitz).

At 11:30 most of the group was up to the top of Tahquitz, having done three miles and 2,000' of gain in an

hour and a half. I guess they all wanted to get on to Southwell for the champagne and goodies. The plan was that Bob Henderson would get his 100th and I would get my 200th peak on Southwell. However, that plan went astray. As most of the group was waiting at the turn-off point to climb Southwell, Bob made a wrong turn and wound up with Ed Richburg and Ann Murray climbing Red Tahquitz. **There [Bob Henderson] had his own semi-private peak celebration [for his 100th peak].**

Meanwhile, back at the cut-off for Southwell, Alan Coles volunteered to wait for Bob and company while the group climbed Southwell and celebrated my 200th. The view from the top of Southwell and the other peaks was spectacular since the rain of the prior day cleared up the sky.

On the way back from Southwell, the group finally met up with Bob and company. They still wanted to do Southwell so I agreed to wait for them at a trail junction. While some of the group waited for Bob to return, Alan led the rest of the group up to Red Tahquitz. Alan made it up to the peak and down to the trail junction before Bob got back. I then led the group back to the trailhead while Alan once again volunteered to wait for Bob and company. The group made it down to the cars at 6:30 in the evening after eight and a half hours of hiking.

A special thanks goes out to Alan Coles for helping out on this hike and to all the other hikers that joined Bob and I on this hike and made it a most enjoyable peak celebration.



**Winston Pk., Winston Ridge,
Buckhorn Mtn.: 7/18/87;
Leaders: Luella Martin, Helen
Graziano**
by Luella Martin

Despite a weather report for drizzle, 27 eager peakbaggers met at 7:30 a.m. in La Canada. We

carpooled up to Cloudburst Summit and set out on the Great Circle Loop by 9:00 a.m. We quickly ascended Winston Peak and discovered that Uncanny Jim's missing can report was greatly exaggerated. We found an oldish can with a register going back to 1965 in the pile of rocks furthest north before you descend to Winston Ridge. The weather was perfect, clear and cool. The low clouds stopped at the front range. Views to the north and west were great as we descended to Winston Ridge. The normally flowery saddle between the Winstons only had a few buckwheats in bloom. During a rest break, one hiker took a recorder out of his pack. He played old favorites as we marched along up Winston Ridge.

We descended from Winston Ridge into Cooper Canyon via the PCT. There were still flowers in the canyon. Here, we had our lunch break. Besides flowers, we had a fish which nibbled Helen's bare feet and a rattle snake which startled several of the group who were lurching below the creek crossing.

We hiked up the Buckhorn Trail past a patch of lemon lillies to the Buckhorn Campground where several filled canteens. Some didn't believe me when I suggested 2 quarts minimum for this hike. We then ascended a steep logging skid to the top of Buckhorn Mtn. There were still a few lupines in bloom here. We then descended to the Angeles Crest Hwy. via the guide route and up the highway 1/2 mile to our cars. Most were ready to go home. I had to drive to Santa Barbara that evening, so I didn't push for Kratka. After giving Bob Kannes's Pleasant View Wilderness sheets out, we all left for the lowlands.

Thanks to Helen Graziano for her assist, to our recorder player for the fine marching music, and to the group for being so nice. Special thanks to Larry for being a good sport about Kratka when most of the rest didn't want it.



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