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Hundred Peaks Section Holds Annual Election

There are eight candidates running for election to the 2006 Management Committee: Karen Isaacson Leverich, Winnette Butler, Dave Comerzan, Jim Fleming, Mark Allen, Lynda Armbruster, Greg de Hoogh and Wayne Vollaire. Wolf Leverich will remain on the Committee as Past Chair.

There are two proposed Bylaw Changes, one proposed peak addition, and one proposed removal from the List.

One proposed Bylaw change would change the requirement to have monthly meetings of the Management Committee, instead requiring bimonthly meetings. A second proposed Bylaw change would create staggered two-year terms for Management Committee members.

These proposed Bylaw changes would take effect only after approval by a majority vote of the membership and approval by the Angeles Chapter. The proposal to create staggered terms would not impact the candidates for election this year.

There is a proposal to add Goodykoontz Peak (7558') to the HPS List. There is also a proposal to remove Hot Springs Mountain (6533') from the List.

Candidate statements and arguments for and against proposed Bylaw changes and proposed peak List changes will be included in the election materials to be mailed to members in late October. Ballots must be received by December 1, 2005 to be counted.



(Above) Adopt-A-Highway Chair Jim Fleming stands below the sign along the Angeles Crest Highway which indicates the section of the highway that is the responsibility of the HPS to keep clean. Jim led a clean up party on September 24, 2005. Photo by Bob Thompson.

(Left) Past HPS chairs pose for Bob Cates' camera at the HPS Round Up on September 24, 2005. From left to right: Frank Dobos, Chair in 1987; Jim Fleming, 1984 and 1997; George Hubbard, 1973; Maureen Cates, 1974; and Stag Brown, 1983 and 1990.

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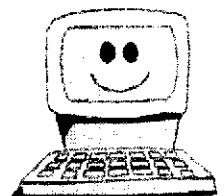
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<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/>

This site shows the up to the minute advance schedule of events, peak guides, information about individual achievements, and much, much more.



Membership Report

September 2005

By Greg DeHoogh

ACHIEVEMENTS:

200 Peaks

#416	John McCarty	July 20, 2005	Castle Rocks
#417	Maureen Cates	November 5, 1978	Cannel Point
#418	Lynda Armbruster	September 4, 2005	Sam Fink Peak
#419	Bob McEwan	September 9, 2005	Jean Peak

NEW SUBSCRIBERS:

Janet Hering
Renee Ordeneaux

MEMBERSHIP COUNTS

389 Members (336 primary + 53 household)
69 Subscribers
454 Total

The above includes 33 members and subscribers whose subscriptions expired at the end of August and who haven't renewed.

REGISTER BOX

By Jim Adler

Since the last article, register reports were received from Peter Dogget, Michael Ambrose, Ingeborg Prochazka, Don Cwik, Tom Hill, Kent Schwitkis, Rosina Mueller, and Melody Anderson. Seven erstwhile registers were added to the list, one was downgraded from deficient to missing, one new deficient was added, and none were removed.

Missing and deficient registers:

2Q	Weldon Peak	missing	7-05
3E	Tehachapi Mtn.	deficient	9-03
4H	Sawmill Mtn.	missing	7-05
9C	Condor Peak	deficient	2-03
9E	Mt. Lukens	missing	7-04
11A	Josephine Peak	missing	6-04
11B	Strawberry Peak	missing	2-04
12A	Mt. Deception	missing	7-05
12B	Mt. Disappointment	missing	6-05
12C	San Gabriel Peak	missing	6-05
12F	Occidental Peak	missing	3-04
13F	Mt. Williamson	missing	7-04
13I	Winston Ridge	missing	7-05
14A	Waterman Mtn.	missing	7-04
14B	Twin Peaks	missing	7-04
14E	Middle Hawkins	missing	9-05
14F	Mt. Hawkins	missing	8-04
16F	Thunder Mtn.	missing	8-02

16J	Mt. Harwood	missing	5-04
24D	Anderson Peak	deficient	8-05
25A	Allen Peak	missing	8-05
26B	Quail Mtn.	deficient 1	1-04
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 S. Alandeale Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90036-4625, or telephone at (323) 931-6844 or e-mail at jimadler@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 register books and pencils are so easy to carry all the time, peaks where only books or pencils are needed are not listed.)

Currently Suspended Peaks

By Karen Leverich

17G Buck Point, suspended 9 December 2003. Area is closed for fire recovery but may reopen in early November.

17H San Sevaine Lookout, same as Buck Point.

31H Hot Springs Mountain, suspended 20 January 2005. The peak is on the land of the Los Coyotes, and access is no longer being granted. Proposed for delisting on this year's ballot.

32D Middle Peak, suspended 14 December 2004. Areas off trail are closed for fire recovery.

No other peaks are currently suspended.



Register Can on Pacifico

From The Chair: So Where's Wolf NOW?

Three months and three procedures later, I still have a kidney full of calcium oxalate and a 10" plastic pipe running from my kidney to my bladder. I still can't hike, or even drive dirt roads, without some considerable amount of pain. It may be awhile longer before I get back on trail.

They say you don't know what you've got til it's gone. I'm not sure that's accurate, but I surely am missing traveling through the wilderness with my friends. Especially missing my friends. See you all on trail as soon as I can.

OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENTS

Leaders play a crucial role in HPS, and it's fitting that from time to time we salute our leaders for their achievements. As I write this column on the first weekend of October, I observe that two of our most senior leaders have just finished Leading The List.

On Saturday, 1 October, Mars Bonfire finished on Round.

On Sunday, 2 October, George Wysup finished on Liebre.

I hear the parties were spectacular, more than 30 HPSers participating in one or both of the events. Leading The List is a terrific achievement, and something that has only been done by 9 folks over the course of the last 50 years. While we salute Mars and George, it's also appropriate to remember the contributions of:

John Backus

Frank Goodykoontz (also 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Leads of The List!!!)

David Eisenberg (also a 2nd Lead of the List!)

Charlie Knapke

Joe Young

Byron Prinzmetal

Carleton Shay

NEW LEADERS AND NEW RATINGS

It occurred to me, as I was writing this column, that HPS doesn't really have a mechanism for saluting our new leaders and leaders who earn advanced ratings. That's unfortunate, because becoming a leader or earning a new rating does involve a significant commitment of time and energy. While I don't have a perfect mechanism for recognizing new HPS leaders and ratings, these are achievements I've been able to dig out of the LTC records for the last year or so:

Alex Amies (O)

Lynda Armbruster (I)

Gary Bickel (I)

Ana Cadez (O)

Dave Cannon (O)

Kathy Cheever (I)

Don Cwik (O)

Ignacia Doggett (O)

Greg de Hoogh (I)

Lilly Fukui (O)

Kevin Lahey (O)

David Meltzer (O)

Marlen Mertz (I)

Pamela Rowe (I)

Sheldon Slack (O)

Wayne Vollaire (I)

We also have a number of folks who have qualified as Provisional Leaders and are closing in on having their ratings:

Michael Daines (I)

David Doucette (I)

Robert Myers (I)

Chris Spisak (O)

And just yesterday, 72 leadership candidates attended the LTC Seminar to begin their leadership career. A number of HPSers were among them, including:

Melody Anderson

Bruce Coming

David Doucette

Paul Garry

Suzy Hermann

Charles Irving

Robert Myers

V. Blair Seibert

Laura Stockton*

* Laura is the daughter of legendary HPS leader and peakbagger Les Stockton.

If you notice that David Doucette and Bob Myers both attended the LTC Seminar yesterday and are both Provisional "I" leaders today, that's because they had finished all their technical checkoffs before the Seminar. In recent memory, HPS's Wayne Vollaire is the only other leader to have done that.

Because of the way the LTC records are organized, I am bound to have missed a few of our leaders. I apologize in advance. If you know of anyone I missed, please let me know at <wolf@hundredpeaks.org>.

IN CLOSING ...

I miss seeing you all on trail, and I'm looking forward to rejoining you as soon as I can. In the meantime, keep bagging those peaks and have the happiest of trails. - *Wolf*



HPS Chair Wolf Leverich

Announcement: Contest to Design a New List Completion Pin

We have used up all of the List Completion Pins in our inventory. Instead of ordering more pins identical to the old ones, we are having a contest to create a new design starting from scratch.

The pins will be 1 ½ inch in diameter, the same size as the new retro Emblem pins. There can be up to five colors in the design, and white is a color. The pin must have the words "Hundred Peaks," "Sierra Club," and "List Completion" on the face. There must also be images of two or more mountains.

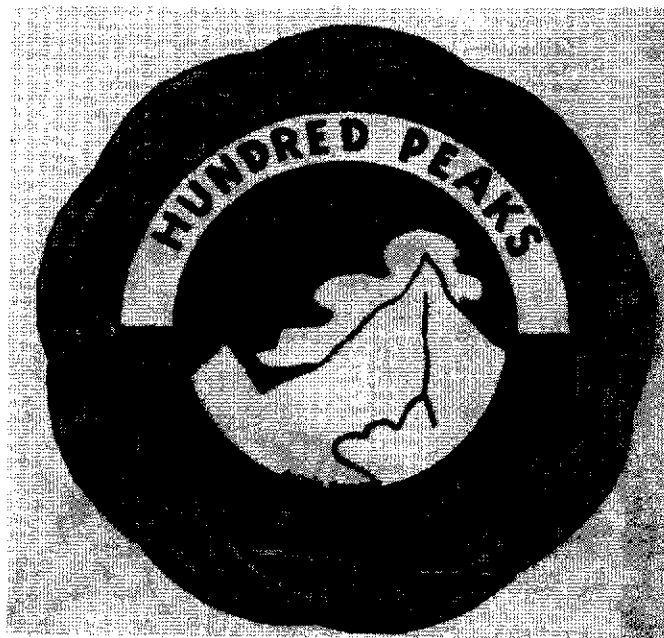
Use your imagination to design this new pin.

Please submit your design to Joe Young, 12551 Presnell Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066 - 6730. If there are a large number of submissions, the Management Committee will select a few to be finalists. If there are only a few submissions, all will be deemed "finalists." Please send your design by December 31, 2005.

The final designs will be displayed at the HPS Annual Awards Banquet to be held on January 21, 2006. Attendees will have an opportunity to vote on the designs at the Banquet with the winning design determined that evening.

For your reference, here is how the Emblem pin looked in its original hand drawn design. The flowers are red with green leaves, the sky is blue, the mountains are white, and the wreath is gold.

Good luck!



Management Committee meetings:

The meetings will be held on November 8 and December 13 at the home of Winnette Butler, 1141 Columbus Avenue, Glendale. Meetings start at 6:30 PM. These meetings are open to all HPS members. Please notify Winnette if you plan to attend.

Food for Thought

By Edith Liu

It's easy to get caught up in the HPS game of finishing the List while forgetting the Sierra's Club mission statement in the process. Have our personal needs for recognition overruled our commitment to the environment? I realize that my criticism and suggestions will meet strong resistance among the old-timers who put the "holy scripture" in place and the followers who adhere to it at all cost. I hope that presenting this heretical view may stir some true believers from their dogmatic slumber.

Times have changed. Does driving 100 miles or more to do a short hike to an insignificant peak still make sense? We need to consider the high price of gasoline and the foreseeable oil shortage. We need to look at the List carefully and consider deleting some of the peaks which are absolutely absurd.

High Point is on my priority list for deletion. About two months ago (after several phone calls to the appropriate Ranger Station to make sure the gate is open) we drove over 140 miles on a congested freeway and another 3 miles of dirt road to find out that the gate was locked. My passengers and I decided not to hike 20 miles on a miserable dirt road to bag an insignificant peak. We fought the traffic back to L.A. and I hiked up Mt. Hollywood in Griffith Park instead.

Without any changes the "game" might just die. Already now, many new-comers will do the list once, but swear to refrain from attempting it twice. And some avid hikers openly deride the process because of the transparent discrepancy between alleged environmental values and practice.

[Editor's note: If you have bagged Palomar High Point by a route that differs from the drive-up, please send your editor a trip report and a copy to Wolf Leverich for consideration as an alternate route in the Peak Guide.]



Advance Schedule of Outings November 2005 - June 2006 By Karen Isaacson Leverich

Nov 2 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: Waterman Peak (8038'): 8 miles round trip, 1500' gain, mostly by trail and old dirt roads. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear. Leaders: BETH MIKA, DAN BUTLER

Nov 5 Sat Hundred Peaks, Palos Verdes South Bay

I: Little Bear (7621'), Mill Peak (6670') and Deep Creek Hot Springs (5' deep): 14th semi-annual Fall Deep Creek Hot Springs hike/soak/swim with a couple more peaks. Moderately paced 9 miles, 2000' gain. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, lugs (swim suit optional). Small amount of dirt road driving, but high clearance not required. Plan on spending full day - it's near Hesperia via Big Bear. Rain cancels. Send email (preferable - bholchin@cox.net) or sase with carpool info to Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Nov 5 Sat Hundred Peaks

New Outing not in Schedule

O: Sunset Peak (5796'): Scenic views, good company (friendly dogs welcome). Moderate, 6 miles round-trip. 1500' gain hike near Mt. Baldy Village. Meet 9:00 a.m. (Fairplex park and ride). Bring water and munchies for you and your companion! Rain cancels. Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU, LILLY FUKUI

Nov 5 Sat LTC

Free Chapter-sponsored First Aid class in Los Angeles: Advance registration capacity so sign up early. Send 2 SASE + \$50 check made out to FACF (refunded and email contacts to 1st Aid/CPR, 514B Garfield Ave., South Pasadena, CA website for more information.



required, limited at class), phone 91030. See LTC

Nov 5-6 Sat-Sun Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks

I: Martinez Mountain (6560'), Sheep Mountain (5141'): Rescheduled to Nov 19-20, see below. Leader: ANN PERKINS Assistant Leader: GEORGE WYSUP

Nov 6 Sun Hundred Peaks

New Outing not in Schedule

O: Cleghorn Mountain (5333'), Cajon Mountain (5360'), Sugarpine Mountain (5478'), Monument Peak #2 (5290'): Moderate approximately 6 miles round trip, 1100' gain along a driving loop east of Cajon Pass. Meet 7:00 a.m. Fairplex Park & Ride, exit Fairplex off 10 Fwy. Bring lunch, lugs, all weather clothing. 4WD vehicles appreciated. E-mail or call leader the week of hike to confirm. Rain cancels. Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, VIRGIL POPESCU

Nov 7 Mon Hundred Peaks

New Outing not in Schedule

I: Butterbrecht Peak (5997'), Mayan Peak (6108'): We plan to conquer these 2 magnificent and (hardly) forested sand piles, er, peaks in the Kelso Valley area by pathfinder/explorer routes from the west sides. About 5 miles round trip with 3200' elevation gain on sandy ridges with some easy rock scrambling. Dirt road driving requires some clearance (no Jaguars). Email or phone a leader (Sandy is more pleasant) the week before the hike for meeting information. Consider staying for next day's Cross + Chuckwalla outing (possible car camp). Co-Leaders: SANDY BURNSIDE, GEORGE WYSUP

Nov 8 Tue Hundred Peaks

New Outing not in Schedule

I: Cross Mountain (5203'), Chuckwalla Mountain (5209'): 13 miles, 4200' gain in the Jawbone Canyon area. We will do these either together as a loop hike or separately. Please email leader the week before for instructions and updates. Leader: SANDY BURNSIDE Co-Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, GEORGE WYSUP

Nov 11 Fri Sierra Peaks, Hundred Peaks

I: Owens Peak (8453'): SPS 50th Anniversary climb. Join the veterans of the SPS on Veteran's Day as they celebrate the 49th anniversary of the first SPS trip to Owens Peak. Moderate pace, 7 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Phone or email leader the week prior to the trip for information. Snow cancels. Leader: GARY SCHENK Assistants: HENRY ARNEBOLD, DAN RICHTER, GEORGE WYSUP

Nov 12 Sat SMS, MBC, Hundred Peaks

O: Thunder and Telegraph Bike-n-Hike: Conditioning hike and mountain biking in the local mountains, starting at Manker Flats. Explore the terrain to be skied later in the season. Mountain bike 10 miles round trip, 2400' to top of ski lifts, then hike 3 miles round trip, 1000' to bag peaks. Mountain bike in good repair, helmet, lugsoles for hiking, lunch and water required. Call/email leaders for meeting time and place. Leader: LORENE SAMOSKA Assistant: MIKE SEIFFERT

Nov 12 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Rabbit Peak #2 (6640'): 14 miles, 6000' gain over challenging and thorny rocky washes and steep, loose ridges suitable ONLY for experience, conditioned, and determined hikers practiced in night travel. In Anza-Borrego State Park west of the Salton Sea, we'll be approaching the "Big Bunny" from the Coyote Mtn. side. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Call Mars at 661-609-8218 (or e-mail Peter) during four days before event for status and details. Leaders: PETER DOGGETT, MARS BONFIRE, IGNACIA DOGGETT, KATHY CHEEVER and KAREN LEVERICH

Nov 12 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Black Mtn #6 (5244'), Red Mtn (5261'): Rescheduled to November 13 (see below.) Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, DON CUIK, TOM HILL

Nov 12 Sat LTC

Free Chapter-sponsored First Aid class in Orange County: Advance registration required, limited capacity so sign up early. Send 2 SASE + \$50 check made out to FACF (refunded at class), phone and email contacts to 1st Aid/CPR, 514B Garfield Ave., South Pasadena, CA 91030. See LTC website for more information.



Nov 12-13 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC

I: Sheep Pass Navigation: Navigation Noodles at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send sase, navigation experience/training, any WTC, rideshare info, H&W phones to Leader: HARRY FREIMANIS Assistant: BAB BRADSHAW

Nov 13 Sun Hundred Peaks

Rescheduled from November 12

I: Black Mtn #6 (5244'), Red Mtn (5261'): Two volcanoes (!) on the HPS list await your attention in the northern Mojave Desert. Do one or both, each peak moderate, about 6 miles round trip, 1400' gain. For details contact leader about a week before the hike. Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, DON CUIK, TOM HILL

Nov 13 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: The Pinnacles (5737'), Mount Marie Louise (5507'): Moderately paced 6 mile, 1600' gain hike to two rocky summits Northwest of Lake Arrowhead in cross-country desert-like terrain. Some brush and rock scrambling. Bring lunch, water, lug boots. Esase (preferred) or sase. Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU, PAT ARREDONDO

Nov 13 Sun Hundred Peaks

O: Cole Point (5604') and Mount Gleason (6502'): Moderately-paced hike on firebreak and trail, 9.6 miles round trip, 2200' gain. First climb Cole Point; then drive a short distance back to starting point for Mount Gleason. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare point with 2-3 quarts water and lunch. Rain cancels. Leaders: DAVID BEYMER, MAURA RAFFENSPERGER

Nov 18 Fri Hundred Peaks, Palos Verdes South Bay Group

I: Villager Peak (5756'), Rosa Point (5083'): Extremely strenuous cross-country dayhike to two fine peaks in Santa Rosa Wilderness. 16 miles with 7200' gain over extremely steep/slippy desert terrain. We will be hiking part of the time in the dark at a slow moderate pace. Due to the extreme difficulty of the hike, the outing will be limited to a small group of people who have demonstrated the ability to complete such a hike. Rain cancels. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Leader: KENT SCHWITKIS Co-Leader: SHERRY ROSS

Nov 19 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: Mount Lukens (5074'): Join us on this moderately paced hike to L.A. City's highest point via the Stone Canyon Trail and fire road. 7 miles round trip, and 3300' gain. Meet 8 AM at the La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, and lug sole boots. Leader: CHRIS SPISAK Assistant: FRANK DOBOS

Nov 19-20 Sat-Sun Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks

I: Martinez Mountain (6560'), Sheep Mountain (5141'): Join us for a leisurely fall backpack of two fine peaks on the Hundred Peaks list (and as a bonus, Martinez is also a Desert Peak). Weekend totals, 22 miles, 5500' gain. We'll pack in Sat morning 5 mi to Cactus Spring (elevation loss and gain), and climb Sheep (4 mi rt, 1000' gain) in the afternoon. Climb

Martinez on Sunday (8 mi rt, 2500' gain from camp) and pack out, probably back to the cars by late afternoon. Be prepared for some brush on the Martinez climb. Send SASE or email with contact information, experience, conditioning to Leader: ANN PERKINS Assistant Leader: GEORGE WYSUP

Nov 20 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Iron Mtn #2 (5635'), Condor Peak (5440'), Mt Gleason (6520'): Get into a Thanksgiving mood with a moderately strenuous hike to Condor and neighbors in Angeles Forest, 8 miles round trip, 2500' gain for the first two peaks. Gleason is a pleasant stroll. Meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring some water, good footwear, and lunch for the top. Rain cancels. Leader: PAT ARREDONDO Co-Leader: TOM HILL

Nov 22 Tue Hundred Peaks

I: Pilot Knob (6200'): 6 miles, 3400' gain over steep, loose, and brushy terrain with slab walking and rock scrambling suitable only for experienced, skilled, and determined hikers. Parking fee. In Southern Sierra off Highway 178 east of Isabella Lake. Slow pace. Call Mars during four days before event for status and details. Leader: MARS BONFIRE Co-Leader: SANDY BURNSIDE

Nov 27 Sun Hundred Peaks

New Outing, not in Schedule

O: Mount Deception (5796'), Mount Disappointment (5960'), Occidental Peak (5732'): Here is a chance to work off some of that extra Turkey and Pumpkin Pie that you ate! Join us for 3 fun peaks in the San Gabriels done at a moderate pace. Totals for all 3 peaks will be 10 miles/2100' gain. Rain/snow will cancel. Meet at La Canada rideshare at 8 AM. Bring hiking boots, water, lunch, raingear, and fleece for temp changes. Leaders: DON CWIK, MARK ALLEN

Dec 2 Fri Hundred Peaks

New Outing not in Schedule

O: Smith Mountain (5111'): If we're in luck and the gate is open, this will be 5 miles round trip via a fire break, 1800' gain. If we're not in luck and the gate is closed, we might bicycle up the road from the gate to the planned trailhead, then hike 5 miles, etc., and bike back down. Or perhaps we'll start on the West Fork of the San Gabriel River and hike up the Bear Creek Trail to Smith Saddle, making the outing about 17 miles and 3700' gain. Contact Karen by e-mail or SASE in the weeks before the outing to learn the final plans. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, MARS BONFIRE

Dec 3 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Russell Peak (6696'), Backus Peak (6651'): 9 miles, 2500' gain on mostly easy terrain with occasional steep and loose sections suitable only for agile hikers. In Southern Sierra near Highways 178 and 14. Slow pace. Call Mars during four days before event for status and details. Leader: MARS BONFIRE Co-Leader: KATHY CHEEVER

Dec 3 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: Mount Hillyer (6200'+): Pleasant hike on the Silver Moccasin Trail to this favorite winter climb. 6 miles round trip, 900' gain. Meet 9 AM at the La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, wear boots. Be prepared for any kind of weather. Rain, snow cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, LAURA QUINN

Dec 4 Sun Hundred Peaks

O: Monte Cristo Loop: Rabbit Peak (5307'), Granite Mtn #1 (6600'), Round Top (6316'), Iron Mtn #3 (5040'). Strenuous loop hike to nearby Angeles Forest peaks, 14 miles round trip, 4200' gain. Experienced hikers meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring some water, good footwear, and lunch for the top. Rain cancels. Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, TOM HILL, PAT ARREDONDO, DON CWIK

Dec 7 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: Mount Islip (8250') from Islip saddle: 7 miles round trip, 1500' gain past Little Jimmy Spring and Windy Gap. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing. Leaders: GARY BICKEL, BETH MIKA

Dec 7-8 Wed-Thu Hundred Peaks, Desert Peaks

I: Villager Peak (5756'), Rabbit Peak #2 (6640'): Join us for a couple of nights and days in the Anza Borrego State Park. Spend the night before at the trailhead for an early start for Villager. Spend the night on Villager for an early start on Rabbit and out to the cars that day. Strenuous hike. 7 miles, 4800' day one, 14 miles, 3000' gain, 5800' loss on day two. Rain or bad weather cancels. Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, GEORGE WYSUP

Dec 9 Fri Hundred Peaks

I: Bernard Peak (5360'), Little Berdoo Peak (5440'): 8 miles round trip, 1440' gain along open high desert ridges in Joshua Tree National Park. High clearance 4WD advised. Park entrance fee required. Slow pace. Call Mars during four days before event for status and details. Leader: MARS BONFIRE Co-Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH

Dec 10 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Skinner Peak (7120'): Moderate trek along PCT to this Southern Sierra peak, 8 miles round trip, 1700' gain. Significant dirt road driving. Consider staying over for the Sunday trip for two more peaks in the area. For details send sase or esase to Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, GEORGE WYSUP

Dec 10-11 Sat-Sun Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks

I: Spectre Point (4400+'), Quail Mtn (5800+'): Join us on this edition of our almost-annual joint DPS/HPS expedition to Joshua Tree National Park. Saturday climb Spectre, the high point of the remote Cockscomb range, 2600' gain, 13 miles, 10 hours. Sun climb HPS's Quail, the JTNP high point, about 1800' gain, 10 miles, 7 hours. Potluck dinner Saturday night in a nicely-hidden spot just outside the park. Good conditioning required for these long hikes on rough terrain. Trailheads and camp OK for any car. Send email (preferred) or SASE to Leader: GARY CRAIG Co-Leader: SUE HOLLOWAY

Dec 11 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Black Mtn #3 (5686'), Red Mtn (5261'): Do one or both of these moderate northern peaks, each peak about 4 mi rt, 1500' gain. First peak is near Tehachapi, second peak (optional) is near Randsburg. For details send sase or esase to Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, GEORGE WYSUP

Dec 13 Tue Hundred Peaks

New Outing not in Schedule

I: Cahuilla Mountain (5635'), Little Cahuilla Mountain (5042'): 8 1/2 miles, 2400' gain. Join us for this hike near Idyllwild. Email leader the week before for information. Leader: SANDY BURNSIDE Co-Leader: MARS BONFIRE

Dec 14 Wed Hundred Peaks, Local Hikes

O: Barley Flats (5600+'): Join leader on his 60th birthday. Hike in Angeles National Forest involves 6 miles round trip, 1000' of gain, some brush on abandoned road from Red Box. Rain cancels. Bring water, sturdy boots, something to share on extended lunch on summit. Meet 9:00 AM at La Canada rideshare. Leader: JOE YOUNG Assistant Leader: BOBCAT THOMPSON

Dec 16-18 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks, Desert Peaks

I: Rabbit Peak (6640'), Villager Peak (5756'): Strenuous but fun cross country backpack to two desert peaks in the Santa Rosa Wilderness. Friday backpack up ridge to camp below Villager, 6 miles 4500' gain. Saturday climb Villager, hike across and up ridge to Rabbit and return to camp, 9 miles, 2500' gain. Sunday return to cars, brunch in Borrego Springs. Weekend totals 21 miles roundtrip, 7000' gain. Dry camp, must carry all water for weekend, 9 quarts minimum. send Esase (preferred) or 2 sase, h&w phones, conditioning/experience to Leader: DAVID DOUCETTE Assistants: WOLF & KAREN LEVERICH

Dec 17-18 Sat-Sun OCSS, Hundred Peaks

I: Snow Camping/Cornell Peak (9750') & San Jacinto Peak (10,804'): Snow camping and peak climbing trip in the San Jacinto Wilderness. Escape the hectic malls and join us for lots of holiday cheer in the mountains. 4 miles, 1500' gain the first day from the Palm Springs Tram, most with full backpack while on snowshoes. 7 miles of peak climbing, 2000' gain with snowshoes and daypacks the second day, before we pack out 2.5 miles to the tram. Participants should expect to traverse and climb snow-covered slopes. WTC or equivalent required. Send sase/email(preferred) H&W phones, recent conditioning/hiking experience to Leader: LISA BUCKLEY Co-leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Dec 17 Sat Hundred Peaks, Palos Verdes South Bay Group

I: Arctic Point (8336'), Grays Peak (7920'), Silver Peak (6756'): Moderately paced, strenuous, road and cross-country. 3 hikes total - 12 miles round trip, 3000' gain. Bring 10 essentials, lunch, and water. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Ldr: KENT SCHWITKIS Co-Ldrs: GEORGE WYSUP, PAMELA ROWE

Dec 18 Sun Hundred Peaks

O: LA by night Xmas Hike: Join leader STAG BROWN on his annual trek through downtown LA where we also distribute food and clothing to the homeless. Along the way visit Little Tokyo, Music Center, Bonaventure, and many other sites as we criss cross our way to the Pantry for breakfast. Meet at Union Station parking lot at midnight Saturday night. Leader: STAG BROWN Assistants: BOBCAT THOMPSON, JOE YOUNG

Dec 30 Fri Hundred Peaks, PVS, Natural Science

I: Ryan Mountain (5457'), Bernard Peak (5430'), Little Berdoo Peak (5440'): Moderately paced, strenuous, cross-country and trail. 10 miles round trip, 3600' gain. Some dirt road driving. Bring 10 essentials, lunch, and water. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Leader: KENT SCHWITKIS Co-Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Naturalist: SHERRY ROSS

Jan 1 Sun Hundred Peaks, PVSB, Natural Science

I: San Jacinto Pk (10,804'), Folly Pk (10,480'), Drury Pk (10,160'), Marion Mtn (10,320') via Snowshoe: Moderately paced, strenuous over varying terrain from the tram. We will attempt up to four peaks, resulting in 10 miles and 3500' gain. The leaders have made this San Jacinto pilgrimage for 6 years. Mt Charleston and the Channel Islands have often been visible. Take time to learn from our naturalist about the fauna and flora. Bring 10 essentials, lunch, and water. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Leader: KENT SCHWITKIS Co-Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Naturalist: SHERRY ROSS

Jan 4 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: 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 L.A. with views in all directions. Meet 8:59 AM in the supermarket parking lot on the NE corner of Foothill Blvd and Mt Gleason Rd (Thomas Guide p 503 H3) with water, lunch, suitable clothing and good footwear. Leaders: RON ROSIEN, DAN BUTLER

Jan 7 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Bernard Peak (5440'), Little Berdoo Peak (5430'): Moderate loop hike to visit two peaks in cool Joshua Tree Natl Park, 7 miles round trip, 1800' gain in desert terrain. Significant dirt road driving, high-clearance vehicles especially welcome. Consider staying over for the Sunday trip to Quail Mtn. For details send sase or esase to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, GEORGE WYSUP

Jan 8 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Quail Mtn (5800'): Visit the high point of Joshua Tree Natl Park in prime season on this strenuous cross-country hike of 12 mi rt, 3000' gain in desert terrain. Paved road driving. For details send sase or esase with conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ

Jan 11 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: Colby Canyon to Josephine Peak (5558'): 10 miles round trip, 2100' gain. Moderate pace. Shorter hike to Josephine optional. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear. Leaders: JENNIFER WASHINGTON, DON SIMINSKI

Jan 14-16 Sat-Mon Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks

I: 4th Annual MLK Desert Carcamp at Joshua Tree NP: Camp at group site Sat, Sun nights (Fri optional). Saturday dayhike in Wonderland of Rocks, 8 miles, 1000' gain with some rock scrambling. Sunday do 3 HPS peaks (10 miles, 2700' gain total): Lost Horse (5313'), Mount Inspiration (5560'), Ryan (5457'). Monday climb HPS peak Warren Point (5103'), 6 miles, 1100' gain. Not for beginners. Optional dinner in 29 Palms Saturday night. Group will share modest campground expense, maximum \$15 each. Send 2 sase or email address with recent conditioning and experience, H & W phones, carpool info to Leader: DEAN WALLRAFF Co-Leaders: BETH POWIS, TED LUBESKOFF

Jan 14 Sat Verdugo Hills, Hundred Peaks

I: Mount Lawlor (5957'): Moderate hike to this peak with some steep rock scrambling. 6 miles, 1300' gain. Meet 9 AM at La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, good boots are a must. Rain, snow cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, MARY McMANNES

Jan 14 Sat Hundred Peaks

New Outing, not in Schedule

I: San Ysidro Mountain (6147'), Combs Peak (6193'): Come join us for a couple of peaks in/near Anza Borrego that are not led very often. Hikes will be strenuous, but at a moderate pace. Expect warm temperatures in the desert! Totals will be 13 miles/3300' gain. Your 4 wheel drive/high clearance vehicles will be welcome, due to dirt road driving to get to trail heads. Contact Don Cwik at ocriskmgr@hotmail.com at least 1 week prior to Jan 14th to be added to list of participants. Leaders: DON CWIK, GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Jan 21 Sat Hundred Peaks

Annual Awards Banquet: To be held at Taix Restaurant, 1911 Sunset Blvd. Social hour 5 PM, dinner 6:30 PM. Program is the Fire Lookouts of the Angeles National Forest, presented by the Angeles National Forest Fire Lookout Association. Send \$30 per person (HPS). Specify beef, fish, or vegetarian entree. Silent auction for donated items. Email/H&W phones for confirmation (tickets will be held at door) to Reservationist: GREG DeHOUGH

Jan 25 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: San Gabriel Peak via Eaton Saddle: 4 miles round trip, 1000' gain. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare with water, lunch, appropriate footwear. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, BETH MIKA

Feb 1 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: Strawberry Peak (6163'): 6 miles round trip, 1500' gain from Red Box. Slightly shorter option avoids the steep 950' gain from the saddle to the peak but loses the spectacular view at the top. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing. Leaders: GARY BICKEL, PATRICK VAUGHN

Feb 4 Sat 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

Feb 21 Tue DPS, SPS, HPS, SMS, LPC

Annual Joint Peaks Section Meeting: Meet and make plans with your friends and learn activities of these groups. Each group will give a presentation of their scope and upcoming plans. Newcomers welcome. 7:30 pm Griffith Park Ranger Station.

Feb 22 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks

O: Mount Lowe and Mount Markham for Eaton Saddle: 4 miles round trip. 1000' gain. Meet 9 AM La Canada with water lunch, and appropriate footwear. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, GARY BICKEL

Feb 25 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Granite Mtn (5633'): Strenuous, trailless loop hike adventure in the Anza Borrego Desert backcountry, 10 miles rt, 3400' gain. We ascend from paved highway along the seldom visited east ridge and return on remote ridgelines and ravines on the north side to close the loop. Consider staying over for the Sunday trip to Whale Peak. Send sase or esase with conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, GEORGE WYSUP

Feb 26 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Whale Peak (5349'): Strenuous cross-country loop hike in Anza Borrego Desert, 10 miles round trip, 2700' gain. We ascend the standard gully from Blair Valley then return via the west ridge. Send sase or esase with conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, GEORGE WYSUP

Mar 5 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

Mar 11-12 Sun-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 18-19 Sat-Sun Sierra Peaks, Hundred Peaks

M/R: Mount San Geronio Snow Climb (11,499'): Strenuous, 16 mile round trip, 4600' gain. Saturday pack in to Dry Lake and camp, 6 miles, 2100' gain. Sunday climb North slope Mount San Geronio, 2 miles, 2500' gain and pack out. Trip restricted to Sierra Club members with ice axe and crampon proficiency. Send 2 sase/ email, H&W phones for reservation and verification of qualifications. 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 creek side. Sunday: Traverse a strenuous 12 mile loop hike to the peaks, with much cross-country travel in desert terrain, then pack out. Camping permit required, so reserve early. Send sase or esase with conditioning and experience to Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, TOM HILL

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 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 our trip from the gate at the highway turnoff on Lockwood Valley Road, then find and follow a brushy but interesting ridgeline 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 22 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: 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 30 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Iron Spring Mountain (5755'), Beauty Peak (5548'): Join our "ironically beautiful" trip on this moderately strenuous adventure to two chaparral peaks between Idyllwild and Temecula, 9 miles round trip, 2700' gain. Harder than it sounds due to some easy rock scrambling with usually brushy conditions. Send sase or esase to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, MARLEN MERTZ

May 14 Sun 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 esase with conditioning and experience to Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, PAT ARREDONDO

May 20 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: Pinyon Ridge (6535'), Circle Mountain (6880+), Gobblers Knob (6955'): 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

I: Exploratory route to Goodykoontz Peak (7558'), Pallett Mountain (7660'+) from the southwest: Enjoy another San Gabriel adventure as we explore a steep ridgeline from the Burkhardt/PCT trail junction to Goodykoontz Peak, then onward to Pallett Mountain with a return along the Burkhardt Trail, strenuous 10 miles round trip, 3300' gain. Most of the gain occurs on the ridge ascent. Send sase or esase with experience and conditioning to Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, TOM HILL

June 4 Sun Hundred Peaks

O: Silver Peak (8756'): This is the 25th anniversary of the first "first Sunday in June" hike with Stag. Easy hike near Big Bear involves 3 mi rt and 1000' of gain and is suitable for beginners. Bring water, sturdy boots and something to share on the summit. Possible second peak. Meet 8:00 am at Pomona rideshare pt. Leader: JOE YOUNG. Asst: STAG BROWN.

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 (pines 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 Bernadinos, 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 esase to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, PAT ARREDONDO, GEORGE WYSUP

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 24-25 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks

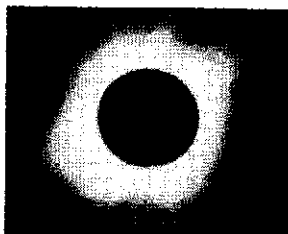
I: Morris Peak (7215'), Mount Jenkins (7921'), Cannel Point (8314'): We camp Saturday night at Walker Pass or civilize ourselves at Lake Isabella to break up the driving burden for these distant peaks in the Southern Sierras. Saturday: First two peaks using the PCT approach, 15 miles round trip, 3800' 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 esase to Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, MARLEN MERTZ

Two Private Outings

March 27-April 6, 2006 Mon-Thur

C: Hiking in Turkey & the Solar Eclipse. Fly LAX to where after a brief overnight we proceed to an Total Solar Eclipse will cross the earth at exactly sight and Bobcat Thompson will suddenly be a year wisdom has finished celebrating Bobcat's birthday, we commence 3-days of hiking from our hotel base in an volcanoes of the Central Anatolian Plateau. Our Turkish head south to the Lycian Coast. We will hike from hotels Europeans think is amongst the 10 most beautiful in

Istanbul from whence we fly home. This is not a bus trip; ability to walk 8-12 miles daily. \$3884 (\$3934 non-mem) includes airfare, hotels(2share), breakfast, local transport and guide, donation. To reserve send \$700 deposit with 2SASE/SC#/H&W phones/email to Ldr: Roxana Lewis. Co-ldr: Joe Young



Ankara, Hittite capitol of Turkey, unpublished spot where the arc of the 12:04pm; the sun will be blotted from younger. After the Earth in its infinite proceed to Cappadocia where we will area created centuries ago by the hiking adventure continues as we along a coastal route that many Western Europe. Our trip finishes in

June 16 - 29, 2006, Fri-Thu (14 days excluding travel time to/from U.S.)

C: Discover Bulgaria: Sofia, the Black Sea, and the Rhodopes Mountains. Visit the highlights of Bulgaria's capital, Sofia, experience the cobbled streets and Baroque architecture of the old town of Plovdiv; visit the Thracian tombs at Kazanlak; absorb nature as we pass through the dense pine forests and alpine pastureland hiking from village to traditional village. (Some days sightseeing by private van/bus, some days hiking as long as 8 hours.) Applicants should be in good physical condition and expect hill walking. Cost (beginning and ending in Sofia): \$1,525 - \$2,175 depending on group size and Euro exchange rate. Includes local guide, all meals, entrance fees, transportation within Bulgaria, and hotels/private lodgings (double occupancy, or add \$350 single supplement). Contact leader for detailed itinerary, and reserve early for best airfare to Sofia (not included.) Send \$700 deposit with 2 SASE/H&W phones/email to Leader, Karen Cassimatis. 4234 Rose Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807. (Email: karencass@verizon.net Mobile: 562/ 492-6344.



Alice Goldberg, second from right, and her two daughters listen as Alice's son-in-law speaks about his memories of Jack Goldberg, who passed away last year. About 40 people participated on a memorial hike to Pacifico led by Southern Courtney and Patrick Vaughn on August 10, 2005. *Photo by Bob Thompson.*



The Adopt-A-Highway clean up crew poses for Bob Thompson's camera prior to cleaning up our stretch of the Angeles Crest Highway on September 24, 2005. From left to right: Ping Pfeffer, Joe Young, Winnette Butler, Jim Fleming, Joanne Griego, and Frank Dobos.



Jim Fleming after the Adopt-A-Highway clean up.



Stag Brown chats with Alice Goldberg at the HPS Round Up on August 24, 2005. Attendees included Stag and Nami Brown, who served as hosts; Reina Lee Brown; Suzanne and David Michels; Bill Lingle; Maureen and Bob Cates; Carole and George Hubbard; Frank Dobos; Winnette Butler; Jim Fleming; Alice Goldberg; and Joe Young.



Many at the Round Up pose for the camera; From left to right: Maureen Cates, Jim Fleming, Bill Lingle, Suzanne Michels, David Michels, Joe Young, Carole Hubbard, George Hubbard, and Frank Dobos. *Photo by Bob Cates, Angeles Chapter Historian.*

Rideshare Points and List of Leaders

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La Canada: Angeles Crest Hwy (Hwy2). Just N of Foothill Fwy (I-210).

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Mars Bonfire Leads The List

October 1, 2005

By Kathy Cheever

Last fall or so Mars Bonfire decided it was time to finish leading the List. So he sat down and devised a plan of attack to do just that. Despite subsequent rain, sleet, snow, fires, unruly road conditions, and consequent rescheduling of peaks from this date to that date, Round Mountain remained, as originally planned, the final destination for Mars' long awaited Lead the List Finish!!! An impressive crew collected Saturday morning, October 1, and, in order of appearance on the sign up sheets, Byron Prinzmetal, Jean White, Doris Duvall, Winnette Butler, Edith Liu, Martin Parsons, Sandy Burnside, Keith Burnside, Pamela Rowe, Jorge Estrada, Diana Neff-Estrada, Dorothy Danziger, Bob McEwan, Natalie Gouneberg, Don Cwik, David Michels, Suzanne Michels, and myself were on hand to cheer him on Round Mountain and continued the celebration as we hiked nearby Luna and Rattlesnake!!!

It couldn't have been a more perfect day!! While the Santa Ana's had just been blowing, this day they subsided and instead we had a gentle cooling breeze on

peaks that are very often still and hot. We were a caravan of 6-7 4WDs wending skillfully from peak to peak. For those of you who haven't been up there recently, it is definitely 4WD!! Ask any of the participants about the artful dodging of large boulders and steep loose sections of road!! The hike to the top of Round Mountain is a short, albeit steep, jaunt. At the top we popped the cork and made merry with champagne, cookies, cake, etc. and Edith Liu entertained us with one of her celebrated headstands in Mars' honor!! Cheering, hand clapping, back slapping, hugs and "Thank You Mars" was rampant and continued back down at the cars where the coolers came out and delicious goodies were brought forth for continued festivity!!

Mars, what can so many of us say except to never-endingly say THANK YOU SO MUCH for leading us up all those peaks, which often culminate in individual List finishes and, always, provide increased enjoyment of the great outdoors!!! You're truly one bitchin' leader and we could never say THANK YOU enough!!! We look forward to that day somewhere down the road when we gather again to celebrate your Second Lead the List Finish (hint hint) ☺



Mars Bonfire is the center of attention as he completes leadership of the HPS List on Round Mountain

Explorer on Lily Rock

Sept 5, 2005

By George W.

As you probably know, HPS has a new emblem for 100, 200, etc., Explorer peaks, that is, climbing peaks by 3 different routes. I am on a quest to attain the 200 Explorers emblem. At this point I have amassed a total of 138, and getting 62 more is appearing very difficult for a senior citizen with my limited talents. Some time ago I was at Humber Park, above Idyllwild, with Mary Jo Dungfelder and Gary Schenk, staring at the awesome Lily Rock. They pointed out a route called The Trough that they said was easy to do. They had both done it, but not bothered to go to the true summit (rock climber types don't bother with anything less than class 5). I understood that The Trough was, at one time, the very definition of class 5.0. This was the first official route up "Tahquitz" Rock in 1936. I guess I must have muttered something like, "Gee, I'd like to try that. It would give me an Explorer on Lily." They responded that would also give them an Explorer. They had previously summited from the Tahquitz Peak traverse, and up a climbing route called White Maiden's Walkway (5.1). Then I forgot about this repartee. Last week I received a message from Gary saying that he and Mary Jo were ready to do this on Labor Day and did I want to join them. Talk about mixed emotions! I had never before climbed any real class 5 and never been roped up on rock, except for being top roped up a short rock at Indian Cove during BMTC about 30 years ago. I had forgotten what little I had learned about roped climbing and knots and belaying and that kind of stuff. It sounded a little scary but, after all, it's only 5.0, right? I jumped at the chance. I found, with some difficulty, my harness and rock shoes and my sole carabiner (which I carry so I might look to some like a mountaineer), and bought a helmet on sale at REI. Gary and MJ would provide the ropes and hardware. I asked if I should take my hiking poles. "Probably not a good idea," responded Gary, the master of understatement.

We drove to Idyllwild, had a good breakfast, and proceeded to the Ernie Maxwell trail. Gary and Mary Jo produced a 50 and a 60 meter rope (2 different colors so they don't get confused) and an incredible array of cams, chocks, stoppers, slings, various kinds of 'biners, whatever, that must weigh half a ton. I got to lug one of the ropes. Gary was to lead all 4 pitches for the experience because MJ had already led this route. MJ was to do all the belaying from below. "What do I get to do?" I asked. "Just climb and don't screw up too badly." We hiked a short distance down the trail and up to Lunch Rock, about 900' above the trailhead, while Gary explained to me the various shouted commands. It seemed to me that the most important is "falling". We assembled the gear for the climb, donned the harnesses and helmets, stowed the packs, and set out unroped for a while. Then we got to the serious part (which was just around a corner, so I couldn't see how nasty it looked) and paused for a long time while Gary and MJ built an anchor and flaked the rope (see, I'm learning the lingo). They gave me one last chance to bail. But now I was really interested.

Gary, carrying that heavy rack, began climbing

on lead. I thought it took a long time for him to reach the end of the pitch. I learned on my way up that the time was taken up in figuring out the route, placing hardware at many spots, and setting up a solid belay at the top. OK, my turn. It started out fairly easy, but soon became quite tricky. I concentrated on finding the holds and tried not to forget to swap ropes on the many anchors, so there wasn't much time to contemplate fear. This is almost fun! It is nice to be on a trusty belay, where I am very unlikely to fall more than a couple of feet. I developed a respect for the lead climber who has to place good pro on the way up and who can fall quite far before the fall is (usually) arrested. Finally I reached the top of the first pitch, tied into the anchor and tried to get out of the way as Gary belayed MJ up. She looked quite smooth on her ascent. I'm sure I didn't.

Then there was a very long rest (almost boring except for the great view) as they, very carefully and safely, prepared for the next pitch. I felt quite safe in their hands. In our conversation Gary mentioned that this route used to be called class 5.0, but the latest guide rates it class 5.4. This, I did not want to know. It's good they waited until now to tell me. Now the only thing I wanted to do less than keep climbing up was to go back down. They also told of a 5.1 route, but it takes 7 pitches and too long a time. After interminable preparation, Gary climbed the second pitch. This one took him even longer than the first. It was because the second was harder. I climbed and my head got back into the task at hand and away from the negative stuff. I confess to have batmanned (I love that term) up the rope at one tough spot where I just couldn't find holds to my satisfaction (really, I tried).

Avoiding a few grisly details, we finally got up the fourth and last pitch, at about 7750'. I managed to get the trailing rope caught somehow, maybe under a rock, so that it was very hard to pull it up behind me. Just what I needed. There were cries from all over the rock; "climbing," "tension," etc., as many lucky people were enjoying their day on one of the finest and most popular climbing spots in the world. At the top of pitch 3, along came a young man effortlessly climbing the route solo. He went around us, taking a route that I could never even consider on belay.

OK, on to the summit, off belay. This route was, it seems to me, class 2 up the west side of the rock about 250'. The rock shoes helped a lot on the steep slabs. It might be quite hairy wearing hiking boots. Sign in, Explorers for the 3 of us, high fives, and a group hug.

On the anticlimactic downhill trudge by the usual route, the famous "turn back ye fearful" spot, where the scrubby mountain mahogany is, seemed like no big deal. At the saddle below the summit we saw a fellow belaying his partner up a 5.7 route. We stopped here to change back into trail sneakers. Gary pointed out a route called Open Book, now rated class 5.9, which Royal Robbins first ascended—in sneakers—many years ago. The trip, car to car, took about 9.5 hours. It took extra time because of the third climber. We had some cold Eastern Sierra Lager in the car. We drank it. Mex dinner in Idyllwild. Life is good.

George Wysup Leads the List on Liebre! October 2, 2005

Thanks so very much to all for making this little trip such a memorable and incredible experience. What a party! A list of attendees follows.

LEADERS (24)

Pat Arredondo
Sandy Burnside
Don Croley
Harvey Ganz
Tom Hill
Karen Leverich
Marlen Mertz
Robert Neighbors
Edd Ruskowitz
Kent Schwitkis
Bobcat Thompson
Asher Waxman

Dave Beymer
Winnette Butler
Don Cwik
Ginny Heringer
Laura Joseph
Mary McMannes
Markey Neighbors
Maura Raffensperger
Gary Schenk
Mikki Siegel
Wayne Vollaire
George Wysup

PARTICIPANTS (34)

Mark Allen
Keith Burnside
Stella Cheung
Greg DeHoogh
Ignacia Doggett
Mary Jo Dungfelder
Jorge Estrada
Laura Franciosi
Natalie Grunberg
Lloyd Johnson
Melissa Kane
David Michels
Gene Mauk
Byron Prinzmetal
Sherry Ross
Yvonne Tsai

Sonia Arancibia
Larry Campbell
Tom Connery
Nancy DeHoogh
Peter Doggett
Diana Estrada
Rudy Fleck
Cheryl Gill
Ron Hudson
Rita Johnson
Bob McEwan
Duane McRuer
Zobeida Molina
Ingeborg Prochazska
Laura Stockton
Ron Zappen

Ray L. Riley 1930-2005

Ray Riley, a Sierra Club member since 1971, died January 24, 2005 after a year and one-half battle



with cancer. Ray grew up in Riverside County and developed an affinity for learning at an early age. He attended the University of California Los Angeles and the University of California Berkeley where he earned his Bachelor of Science in 1953 and his Master of Science in 1955, both in Electrical Engineering. Ray subsequently joined the Hughes Aircraft Company

where he spent a 35-year professional career designing analog and digital circuits. He held both technical and managerial positions at Hughes and ultimately attained



George Wysup celebrates on Liebre! Photo by David Michels

the prestigious position of Chief Scientist. Ray retired in 1989 to a life of Sierra Club Activities and travel.

Ray assumed a leadership role in the Sierra Club's Santa Monica Mountains Task Force (SMMTF). He represented it on the Angeles Chapter Safety Committee, served as its outings chair, wrote its safety policy, and led many memorable SMMTF hikes. Ray was a Basic Mountaineering Training Course (BMT) graduate and leader, a mountaineering-rated (M) leader and a Wilderness Travel Course (WTC) instructor. He also held memberships in the Hundred Peaks Section (HPS) and Sierra Peaks Section (SPS). Ray led HPS hikes, mentored many O- and I-rated leaders through the Leadership Training process, and served as evaluator for many new-leader provisional leads.

Ray was known by all who met him on Sierra Club trips as a very strong hiker and as an innovative route-finder. His endurance was legendary. Tough and adventurous, Ray was fond of traversing over steep ridges. It was often his wont to sign out early to explore off-trail routes through brush to make the trip back to the trailhead more interesting. On one such occasion, his passion for solo adventures resulted in him spending a cold-night bivouac while his friends waited anxiously at a command post set up by Search and Rescue. After being "found" the next morning and acknowledging the concern his misadventure had caused he stated: "Nevertheless, I am probably not fully repentant!"

Ray did his best to keep his cancer from getting the best of him. He continued to hike during his last year and ascended Mugu Peak, High Point, Mt. Baldy, Cucamonga, Troop, Burnham, Mt. Hawkins, Sandstone Peak and his favorite, Emerald Bug Pinnacle.

Ray will be remembered for his sly, elfin smile, his calm philosophy of life, his thoughtfulness, and the consideration he showed to friends and associates. Ray leaves behind his brother, Richard, and his wife, Nicole, who gave him tender, loving care to the very end as he made his way up the final pitch of his climb through life. By Don Croley and David Michels