

## THE LOOKOUT

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION





Vickie Shriver took this picture along the Cactus to Clouds Trail on Saturday, November 28, 2009. Barry Holchin and Kent Schwitkis led groups of sixteen participants on the 8,300' gain hike from Palm Springs to the upper Palm Springs Aerial tram station.

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

The HPS Website is maintained by Karen Isaacson Leverich and Wolf Leverich. It's really cool and chock full of information: The HPS List, Peak Guides, Peak Maps, Past trip reports, Member achievements, The schedule of HPS activities, Links to other Sierra Club entities, and much more!

#### Hundred Peaks Section Conducts Annual Election of Its Management Committee

The following were elected to the Management Committee: Wayne Bannister, Ted Lubeshkoff, and Pamela Rowe. These members will serve for 2010 and 2011. They join Jim Fleming, Wolf Leverich, Karen Leverich, and Wayne Vollaire whose terms expire in 2010. In addition, members voted to ADD McDill Peak (5,187') to the HPS List.

#### Rideshare Changes Effective Immediately

The Pomona rideshare point has been eliminated. It will be replaced by the Fairplex rideshare point. Please use this location instead of the Towne Ave site. Fairplex: Park-N-Ride north of the San Bernardino Freeway (I-10) in Pomona. Exit Fairplex Dr, go north, turn right on Gillette Rd. Thomas Guide 600 - E7

The Mt Baldy rideshare point has been relocated. The previous location at Foothill Blvd and Indian Hill Blvd (the Pomona First Federal Bank) is terminated. The new location is the Park n Ride lot at the northeast corner of Mills Ave and Mt Baldy Road. Exit the 210 Freeway at Baseline, go west on Baseline for 0.6 mile, then north on Mills Ave for 1.2 mile. Thomas Guide 571 - E4.

## Hundred Peaks Section To Hold Annual Awards Banquet January 23, 2010 Saturday

Join us for an evening of fun, festivities, good food and sharing good (and bad) times with old (and new) friends. This year we are returning to the Taix restaurant, 1911 Sunset Blvd, in Los Angeles. Social hour begins at 5:00 pm and dinner at 6:30. Our speaker will be Bob Cates, Chapter Historian, who will be speaking about "The Great Hiking Era", a presentation rich in history. Silent auction for donated items. Tickets are \$30 per person if paid by 1/17/2010, and \$35 per person if paid after 1/17/2010. Make check to HPS. Tickets will be held at the door. Send check, email and/or phone(s), and choice of beef, fish or vegetarian entree to Reservationist: DAVE COMERZAN, 695 Aurora Drive, Claremont, CA 91711.

## HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT - DECEMBER 2009 By Greg De Hoogh

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

100 Peaks

#1116 - Coby King - 9/28/09 - Grays Peak

List Finish #1

#282 - Dan Richter - 10/25/09 - San Guillermo Mountain

List Finish #13

#1 - Mars Bonfire - 9/29/09 - Stonewall Peak

List Finish #14

#1 - Mars Bonfire - 10/9/09 - Black Mountain #2

List Finish #15

#1 - Mars Bonfire - 10/30/09 - San Bernardino Peak

100 Leads

#46 - Cheryl Gill - 10/5/09 - Castle Rocks

Lead List #2

#4 Tom Hill - 5/3/08 - Lizard Head #5 Mars Bonfire - 12/5/09 - Ross Mountain

**NEW MEMBERS** 

Yasuhide lemori Chris Gallardo NEW SUBSCRIBERS

George White, Jr. Christine Tate

Barbara Karagosian Jeffrey Swain

Harold Sipple Jacques Naviaux MEMBERSHIP COUNTS

320 Members (270 primary + 50 household)

53 Subscribers

373 Total

DONATIONS

Roy Stewart - \$10 Delores Holladay - \$1 Bob McEwan - \$100

Yasuhide lemori - \$16

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August 1 for the September-October December issue; and December 1 for the photos or cd's please write your name on identify all subjects in each photo whether

ask participants to remove sunglasses!

issue; October 1 for the November-January-February issue. If you send film the back of each photo or cd. Please digital or film. *When taking photos please* If you want the film photos returned please

state so and include a return SASE. Articles may be edited for length or appropriateness. Please send articles, photos, etc to Joe Young, 12551 Presnell Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066 - 6730, fax to Joe at (310) 301 - 9642; or email to joengeri@ca.rr.com. The Lookout is the property of the Hundred Peaks Section.

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## View from the Chair - A Look at Next Year by Jim S. Fleming

Well, folks, this is my final column to you, that of the Outgoing Chair of our organization. In 2010, the Section will have a new leader in Wayne Vollaire. Wayne has been a part of our group for some time now, serving as Vice Chair and Lookout mailer most recently. He will take the Chair position in January, and continue with **The** 

Lookout mailing task. Our new Vice Chair and Secretary is Pamela Rowe, newly elected to MComm. Yours truly will continue to do his best as Co-Outings and Safety Chair in conjunction with Karen Leverich. I am also continuing as Adopt-a-Highway Chair, although I cannot say for certain if we will be able to access the stretch of Angeles Crest Highway to do our cleanups there next year, at least. Our Mountain Records Co-Chair once again is Wayne Bannister, who was re-elected to his post and will continue on. He will be joined in this effort by Ted Lubeshkoff, the third member who has been elected to serve on MComm.

Ted is also going to assist Wayne V. in **The Lookout** mailing department. Rounding out the voting members, Wolf Leverich continues as the Sections Webmaster. Our



Jim Fleming with his dog Maui. Jim is the only person to have chaired the Hundred Peaks Section three times.

appointed positions remain essentially unchanged next year, with Dave Comerzan returing to handle Programs, Greg de Hoogh as Membership chief, Mark Allen as Register Box guru, Winnette Butler czar of Conservation, Peak Access under the auspices of Tom Hill, Outreach activities via Patrick Vaughn, Bobcat Thompson continuing (for his 23rd year!) as Peak Guide mailer, Sandy Burnside watching the books as Treasurer and our eminent Editor of **The Lookout** and HPS Historian Joe Young doing what he so ably does.

Folks, we're in good hands, with all these hard working and dedicated souls doing the things that make us great! One area that needs to be determined (and may come back to me, kind of like a boomerang) is the Merchandise position. Anyone out there interested? The pay is low, working conditions non-existent, but the fringe benefits are other-worldly. Other items of interest: Mount McDill was approved by the membership for addition (re-addition, really) to the List. If you haven't yet hiked it, please think about doing so in the near future. And, Boucher Hill in San Diego was suspended, at least through the end of March. The State Park in the area has been closed, and the peak, along with all roads, campgrounds, and trails, is affected.

Make sure to get your reservations in for the HPS Banquet, to be held on Saturday, January 23rd, 2010 at Taix Restaurant. Contact Dave Comerzan for reservations. If you have items to donate to the silent auction, let Mark Allen know-he is handling them this year. SO, have a safe, happy, enjoyable holiday season, and see you all on the trail and elsewhere during 2010! Yours truly, Jim Fleming







View of the completely charred Vetter - Charlton Ridge. Bob Cates photo.



## Come get high with us.

# Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities January - October, 2010 By Karen Leverich

Many of our peaks were burnt over by the Station Fire and may be unavailable for hiking for several months. When in doubt, even for a "meet at such-and-so rideshare at \_\_ AM", contact the leader first to make sure the outing is still happening as planned. Never hurts to confirm you know where the rideshare point is, either!

Jan 1 Fri Hundred Peaks, PV-SB, Long Beach, Natural Science I: San Jacinto Peak (10,804'), Folly Peak (10,480'), Drury Peak (10,160'), Marion Mountain (10,320') via Snowshoe: Moderately paced, strenuous over varying terrain from the tram. We will attempt up to 4 peaks, resulting in 10 miles and 3500' gain. The leaders have made this San Jacinto pilgrimage for 9 years. The ocean, Mount 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 Leaders: KENT SCHWITKIS, Naturalist: SHERRY ROSS

Jan 4 Mon Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Lukens (5074'): Due to Forest Closure,
replaced by McDill, below. Leaders: JOHN RADALJ,
MARS BONFIRE

Jan 4 Mon Hundred Peaks
Replaces Lukens, above.
O: Mount McDill (5187'): A moderate mountain bike
outing for 10 miles round trip with 1687' of gain to a
peak near Acton. Bring food, water, 10 essentials,
helmet, spare tube, bike light and lock. High clearance
4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details.
Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 5 Tue Lower Peaks
O: Brown (4486'): Canceled due to Forest Closure, replaced by Arrowhead, below. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, LLOYD JOHNSON

Jan 5 Tue Lower Peaks
Replaces Brown, above.
O: Arrowhead (4237'): North of San Bernardino, off of
Hwy 18. 6 miles round trip, 1200' of gain on trail. Pace is
moderate to slow. Contact leaders for details. Leaders:
DAVE COMERZAN, LLOYD JOHNSON

Jan 6 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Three Sisters (8100'): A moderate walk on road and trail for 7 miles round trip with 1840' of gain to a peak near Heart Bar Camp in the San Bernardino Mountains. Moderate pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 6 Wed Wilderness Travel Course
I: Wilderness Travel Course begins in West Los
Angeles: Want to become a more competent HPS trip
participant or aspire to be a leader? This ten week
Wilderness Travel Course uses classroom instruction
and field experiences to teach skills for mountain and
desert travel. The course includes navigation instruction
using topo maps and compass, rock scrambling
techniques, snow travel, how to choose equipment,
backpacking food and nutrition, wilderness first aid, trip
planning and lots more. Class includes two weekend
outings. For more information and to be notified when
enrollment opens, visit WTC Web site,
http://www.wildernesstravelcourse.org/.

Jan 8 Fri Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
I: Lookout Mountain #1 (5590'), Asbestos Mountain
(5625'): Located 8 miles south-southwest of Palm
Desert, these are two short hikes. Lookout is 1 mile
round trip, 600' gain. Asbestos is 2 miles round trip, 800'
gain. Other routes possible. Pace is moderate to slow.
Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for
status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jan 9 Sat Hundred Peaks
Rescheduled from December 19
I: Black Mountain #6 (5244'), Red Mountain (5261'): Join us for this great hike to 2 separate peaks in the Mojave Desert near Ridgecrest, with a drive in between. Black Mtn. is 3 miles round trip, 1500' gain. Red Mtn. is 4 miles, 1600' gain. We will have an early start. Consider

staying in area Friday night. Email leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: PAT VAUGHN

Jan 9 Sat Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks, Lower Peaks O: Nordhoff Peak (4485'): A moderate paced hike to one of the Lower Peaks. Approximately 14 miles and 3500' gain. Time permitting, we may stop off to explore the Town of Ojai on the return trip. Meet 7 AM Sylmar rideshare point. Bring lunch and 10 essentials. Leaders: HARVEY GANZ, MARLEN MERTZ

Jan 9 Sat LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS
I: Warren Point (5103'): Practice navigation for Sunday's checkoff on this 6 mile round trip, 1300' gain hike in the pinyon pine and juniper region of western Joshua Tree National Park. We will take a cross-country route to Warren Point and practice micro-navigation skills along the way. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leaders: ADRIENNE BENEDICT, ANN PEDRESCHI SHIELDS, JANE SIMPSON

Jan 10 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS I: Warren Point Navigation: Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To participate, send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Leader: ROBERT MYERS, Assistant: HARRY FREIMANIS

Jan 11 Mon Hundred Peaks
O: Santa Rosa Mountain (8070'): A drive-up to a peak
above Palm Desert. May be able to add a short hike to
Toro. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for
status and details. Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS
BONFIRE

Jan 12 Tue Wilderness Travel Course
I: Wilderness Travel Course begins in Orange County:
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information about his ten week Wilderness Travel
Course which includes classroom instruction and field
experiences to teach skills for mountain and desert
travel. outings. For more information and location, visit
WTC Web site http://www.wildernesstravelcourse.org/.

Jan 13 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Sewart Mountain (6841'), Snowy Peak (6532'), Black
Mountain #2 (6202'): A strenuous hike on road and
rough trail for 10 miles round trip with 4000' of gain to
peaks near Gorman. Moderate pace. Suitable only for
experienced and conditioned hikers. High clearance 4
WD advised. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact
leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 13 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Lukens (5074') from Deukmejian in La
Crescenta: Moderate paced 9 miles, round trip, 2900'
gain hike. Meet 9 AM at trailhead. Deukmejian Park (exit
210 Fwy at Pennsylvania to N to Foothill and left on
New York up to Markridge left for a short distance to
park entrance on right.) Bring water, lunch, good
footwear. Rain cancels. Leaders: DON SIMINSKI,
SARAH KORDA

Jan 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Russell Peak (6696'), Backus Peak (6651'): Join us for
this hike to these prominent peaks in the Mojave Desert
near Ridgecrest. 8 miles, round trip, 4000' gain. Email
leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader:
WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Jan 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Sheep Mountain (5141'), Martinez Mountain (6560'): A very strenuous hike on road and rough trail for 18 miles with 5500' of gain to peaks above Palm Desert. Summit involves optional rock climb. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Moderate pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHRIS SPISAK, LILLY FUKUI, KATHY CHEEVER BONFIRE, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 16 Sat Hundred Peaks, K-9, La Crescenta
O: Mount Lukens (5074'): Join us on this Mid Winter
Hike to the highest point in the City of Los Angeles. Hike
from Deukmejian Park in La Crescenta via Crescenta
View Trail and fire road. Return via Deukmejian West
Trail. Great views to Catalina. 9 miles round trip, 3000'
gain. Well-mannered K-9's welcome. Meet 9 AM
Deukmejian Park (from 210 Freeway, exit Pennsylvania
Ave, go north to Foothill Blvd., left to New York, right to
top of New York, left on Markridge 1 block to park
entrance on right.) Bring 3 L's (Lunch, Liquids,
Lugsoles), goodies to share for Jim's Birthday, and a
spirit of adventure. Leaders: BOBCAT THOMPSON,
JIM FLEMING

Jan 16 Sat Pasadena, Lower Peaks
O: Hoyt Mountain (4416'): Moderate 5 miles round trip,
1400' gain on fire road and trail. Check out this front
range peak in the San Gabriels. Great views of Brown,
Josephine and Strawberry. Weather permitting, we will
see the San Andreas Fault across the canyon from
Georges Gap. Meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point.
Bring water, lugsoles, snack. Rain/snow cancels.
Leaders: DANA HUNTER, MEI KWAN

Jan 20 Wed Wilderness Travel Course
I: Wilderness Travel Course begins in Long
Beach/South Bay: Want to become a more competent
HPS trip participant or aspire to be a leader? See Jan

6th write up for more information about his ten week Wilderness Travel Course which includes classroom instruction and field experiences to teach skills for mountain and desert travel. outings. For more information and location, visit WTC Web site http://www.wildernesstravelcourse.org/.

Jan 21 Thu Hundred Peaks
O: Inspiration Point (5575'), Lost Horse Mountain
(5313'): Two easy Joshua Tree National Park hikes for 7
miles round trip with 1620' of gain on dirt road and trail.
Moderate pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Park
entry fee. Contact leaders for status and details.
Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 22 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Round Mountain (5272'), Luna Mountain (5967'),
Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'): Three separate hikes of
these high desert peaks 10 miles southeast of Hesperia.
Cross-country desert hiking. Total for the three hikes is
5 ½ miles round trip, 2000' gain. High clearance
vehicles recommended. Pace is moderate to slow. Bring
food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status
and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Jan 23 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mt. McDill (5187'): Hike this wonderful peak near
Palmdale at a steady pace. The entire hike will be about
13 miles round trip with about 2500' of gain along the
PCT and a dirt road. The views from much of the hike
are very nice. We will want to finish hiking by early
afternoon, so we will have ample time to get ready for
the HPS Banquet that evening. Please bring: water,
lunch, lug soles, windbreaker & a hat. For meeting
information, contact Leader: PETER DOGGETT
Assistant Leaders: LORRAINE DALY, JOHN
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Jan 24 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Smith Mountain (5111'): Seven miles round trip,
1800' gain. Bring water, lunch, good footwear, suitable
clothing layers, 10 essentials.Contact leaders for
meeting time/details. Rain cancels. Leaders: PAT
ARREDONDO, JENNIFER WASHINGTON

Jan 25 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Asbestos Mountain (5265'): An easy hike on rough trail for 3 miles round trip with 1000' of gain to a peak above Palm Desert. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 26 Tue Lower Peaks
O: Mount McKinley (4926'): Canceled due to Forest
Closure, replaced with Sandstone Sextet, below.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, INGEBORG
PROCHAZKA

Jan 26 Tue Lower Peaks
Replaces Mount McKinley outing.
O: Sandstone Sexton: Sandstone (3111'), Boney
(2830'), Inspiration (2800'), Exchange (2960'), Tri Peaks
(3010'), Big Dome (2900'): Loop hike of these 6 Lower
Peaks in the Santa Monica Mtns., 9 miles round trip,
2100' of gain on mostly trail, some bushy, cross country.
Pace is moderate to slow. Contact leaders for details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, LLOYD JOHNSON

Jan 26 Tue Wilderness Travel Course
I: Wilderness Travel Course begins in San Gabriel
Valley: Want to become a more competent HPS trip
participant or aspire to be a leader? See Jan 6th write
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Travel Course which includes classroom instruction and
field experiences to teach skills for mountain and desert
travel. outings. For more information and location, visit
WTC Web site http://www.wildernesstravelcourse.org/.

Jan 27 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: Queen Mountain (5680'): A moderate hike on road and trail with some rock scrambling near the top for 4 miles round trip with 1000' of gain to a peak in Joshua Tree National Park. Entry fee. Moderate pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jan 31 Sun Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks I: Snowshoe Outing: Depending on snow conditions, leaders will locate a suitable local peak (or two) for a snowshoe climb in the San Gabriel or San Bernardino Mountains. Email leader for details the week of the outing. Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leader: DAVID COPLEN

Feb 1 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Bernard Peak (5360'), Little Berdoo Peak (5440'): A
moderate hike of 7 miles round trip with 1500' of gain to
peaks in Joshua Tree National Park. Moderate pace.
Park entry fee. High clearance 4WD advised. Bring
food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status
and details. Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS BONFIRE

Feb 2 Tue Lower Peaks
O: Frankish (4200'): Strenuous hike of this Lower Peak
in the San Gabriel Mountains. 10 miles round trip, 2600'
gain on use trail and road. Pace is moderate to slow.
Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, LLOYD JOHNSON

Feb 3 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Cross Mountain (5203'): If the gate is open, we will do
this peak from Jawbone Canyon Road, short and steep
cross-country hike just north of Mojave. This is a
strenuous 4 mile round trip, 2200' gain hike. Other
peaks in the area possible. If the gate is closed, we will
do it from Chuckwalla, a strenuous 12 mile round trip,
4200' gain hike. High clearance vehicle recommended.
Pace is moderate to slow. Bring food, water, 10
essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Feb 3 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Cerro Negro Peak in the San Rafael Mtns: Join us for a moderate mid-winter hike above Descanso Gardens. Hike the beautiful trails and Cherry Canyon, 6-7 miles, 1000' gain on trails and fire roads. Meet 9 AM, La Canada rideshare point. Bring good footwear liquids and spirit of adventure. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, BETH MIKA

Feb 6 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks I: San Jacinto Snow Shoe Trip: Moderate paced trek from top of the Palm Springs Tram to Wellman Divide. Approximately 6.6 miles and 600' gain. Time and weather permitting, we may try to bag Jean Peak. Meet 7 AM the Pomona Park and Ride (this is not the Towne Ave. exit) Call Leader for late breaking details. Bring snowshoes, lunch, water and 10 essentials. Leader: BRENT COSTELLO Assistant: HARVEY GANZ

Feb 6 Sat Lower Peaks
O: Glendora Peak (3322'), Azusa Peak (2081'): Join us on an exploratory hike up the locally popular Garcia Trail to Azusa Peak, 2.5 miles round trip, 1050' gain, then drive over to Glendora Peak, 3 miles round trip, 800' of gain. Depending on group, we can hike both on one 10.5 mile hike. Rain cancels. Contact leaders the week prior to the trip. Leaders: DANA HUNTER, MICHAEL GOSNELL

Feb 8 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Quail Mountain (5800'): A moderately strenuous hike for 14 miles round trip with 1400' of gain to a peak in Joshua Tree National Park. Moderate pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Park entry fee. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS BONFIRE

Feb 10 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Rosa Point (5038'): A very strenuous hike on rough trail and cross-country for 12 miles round trip with 4800' of gain to a peak near the Salton Sea. Moderate pace. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Feb 17 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Lukens (5024'): Up the Grizzly Flats Trail and
Mount Lukens Truck Trail to highest point in Los
Angeles. 11 miles round trip, 2800' gain. Meet 9 AM La
Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, good hiking
footwear. Leaders: DAN LUKE, BROOKES TREIDLER

Feb 19 Fri Hundred Peaks
O: Liebre Mountain (5760'), Burnt Peak (5788'),
Sawtooth Mountain (5200'): Part drive up, part hike of
these three peaks just north of Los Angeles. We will
hike Burnt and Sawtooth, and then drive to Liebre.
Moderate hiking on use trail of 9.8 miles total, 2500'
gain. High clearance vehicles recommended. Pace is
moderate to slow. Bring food, water, 10 essentials.
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Feb 22 Mon Hundred Peaks
O: Queen Mountain (5680'), Ryan Mountain (5461'): A
moderate rough trail and an easy trail hike totaling 7
miles round trip with 2100' of gain to peaks in Joshua
Tree National Park. Moderate pace. Bring food, water,
10 essentials. Park entry fee. Contact leaders for status
and details. Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS BONFIRE

Feb 23 Tue Lower Peaks
O: Mount Muir (4686'): Replaced due to Forest Closure
with Temescal, below. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN,
INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Feb 23 Tue Lower Peaks
Replaces Mount Muir, above.
O: Temescal (2126'): Road hike up to this Lower Peak in
Topanga Canyon. 9.4 miles round trip, 1300' gain. Pace
is moderate to slow. Contact leaders for details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, LLOYD JOHNSON

Feb 24 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: Ryan Mountain (5461'), Inspiration Point (5575'), Lost
Horse Mountain (5313'): Three easy trail hikes totaling
10 miles round trip with 2720' of gain to peaks in Joshua
Tree National Park. Entry fee. Moderate pace. Bring
food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status
and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Feb 24 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks O: Fox Trail, with option to bag Fox Peak (5033'): We take a shortcut to the Trail from Big Tujunga Cyn Road. 10 miles round trip with 1500' gain will give us a good lunch spot. Meet 7:58 AM at NE corner in supermarket parking lot off Foothill Blvd and Mt. Gleason Rd in Tujunga. Bring water, lunch, suitable clothing layers, good footwear. Significant rain cancels. Leaders: RON ROSIEN, GARY BICKEL

Feb 28 Sun Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks I: Snowshoe Outing: Depending on snow conditions, leaders will locate a suitable local peak (or two) for a snowshoe climb in the San Gabriel or San Bernardino Mountains. Email leader for details the week of the outing. Leader: DAVID COPLEN Co-Leader: MARLEN MERTZ

Mar 2 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Meeks Mountain (6277'), Black Mountain #4 (6149'):
Located east of Big Bear in the Bighorn Mountains, two
moderate cross-country hikes. Meeks is 4 miles round
trip, 1000' gain. Black is 4 miles round trip, 800' gain.
4WD vehicles recommended. Slow pace. Bring food,
water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 2 Tue Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks
O: Tongva Peak (2635') Conditioning Hike: Moderately
paced conditioning hike on fireroad. Outstanding views
of the LA basin from the top of Tongva Peak. Meet at
the intersection of Beaudry Terrace and Beaudry Blvd in
Glendale at 6PM. Trailhead is in residential
neighborhood. Leader: LAURA WARRINER Co-Leader:
TED LUBESHKOFF

Mar 3 Wed Lower Peaks, Orange County
O: Sitton Peak (3273'): A good time of year for a woodsy
walk to this local Lower Peak. 10 miles round trip, 1700'
gain, pace slow to moderate. Meet 8 AM at South OC
rideshare point or 8:30 AM at the Candy Store on
Ortega (74) Hwy. Bring water, lunch and lugsoles. Rain

or fire cancels. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, RON SCHRANTZ

Mar 5 Fri Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
I: Mayan Peak (6108'), Butterbredt Peak (5997'): Mayan
and Butterbredt, total 6 miles/3000' gain. Lots of dirt
road driving, high clearance vehicles recommend. Slow
Pace. Bring water, lunch boots and appropriate clothing.
Rain cancels. Contact leaders (e-mail preferred) for
details. Leaders: PATRICK VAUGHN, MARS BONFIRE,
WAYNE BANNISTER

Mar 6 Sat Lower Peaks
O: Lower Peaks Committee Meeting: Join us for a hike to Mugu Peak (1266') from PCH, 6 miles round trip, 1266' gain. Following the hike, we will meet with other interested people at La Jolla Valley campground and picnic area in Point Mugu State Park to hold our meeting. In case of rain or other natural disasters, we can meet at Neptune's Net at 42505 PCH in Malibu (310 457 3095). Please contact leaders if interested. Leaders: INGEBORG PROCHAZKA, MICHAEL GOSNELL

Mar 7 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina New Outing, first time published I: Rattlesnake Peak (5826'): Strenuous mostly cross-country hike in the San Gabriel Mountains involves 10 miles round trip and 3700' gain. Not suitable for beginners. Bring three liters of water, lug sole boots, lunch, sunscreen, hat. Rain cancels. Meet 7 AM at the Azusa rideshare point. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, LAURA JOSEPH

Mar 9 Tue Hundred Peaks
O: Ken Point (6423'): A moderately strenuous walk on
PCT and hiker trails for 16 miles round trip with 2600' of
gain to a peak above Palm Desert. Slow pace. Bring
food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD
advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders:
DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 13 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks
O: Mount Lowe (5603'): Join us on Hike 1 of the 7 SoCal
Summits Training Hikes; complete all of them and you
may qualify for an invitation to Mount Whitney. 13-mile
round trip with 3800' feet of gain via Sam Merrill Trail
and Castle Canyon Trail to Mount Lowe. No beginners;
heavy rain cancels. Meet 7 AM at trailhead: From the
210 Freeway, exit Lake Avenue, head north to its end at
Loma Alta Drive in Altadena. Leaders: LAURA
WARRINER, MARY FORGIONE

Mar 15 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Warren Point (5103'): An easy hike on road and trail for 4 miles round trip with 1000' of gain to a peak in Joshua Tree National Park. Slow pace. Bring food,

water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 16 Tue Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks
O: Tongva Peak (2635') Conditioning Hike: Moderately
paced conditioning hike on fireroad. Outstanding views
of the LA basin from the top of Tongva Peak. Meet at
the intersection of Beaudry Terrace and Beaudry Blvd in
Glendale at 6PM. Trailhead is in residential
neighborhood. Leader: LAURA WARRINER Co-Leader:
TED LUBESHKOFF

Mar 19 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Warren Point (5103'): Located in Joshua Tree National
Park, this is a moderate cross-country hike of 4 miles
round trip, 1000' gain. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10
essentials. Contact leaders for details Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 20 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Scodie Mountain (8453'): Join us for this hike along
the PCT to the high point of the Scodie Mountains, a
small range at the southeastern end of the Sierra
Nevada just south of Walker Pass, overlooking the
Mojave Desert. 12 miles round trip, 2500' gain. Email
leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader:
PAT ARREDONDO

Mar 20 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks I: Snowshoe Outing: Depending on snow conditions, leaders will locate a suitable local peak (or two) for a snowshoe climb in the San Gabriel or San Bernardino Mountains. Email leader for details the week of the outing. Leader: DAVID COPLEN Co-Leader: MARLEN MERTZ

Mar 24 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Sheep Mountain (5141'), Martinez Mountain (6560'): A very strenuous hike on occasionally steep and loose trail for 18 miles round trip with 5500' of gain to peaks above Palm Desert. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 28 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Hildreth Peak (5065'): Hike Hildreth by the beautiful
and moderately challenging 16 mile round trip, 3700'
gain cross-country route from Agua Caliente Hot Spring
on the south side of the peak near Santa Barbara. In
contrast to the boring road hike that is usually done, this
route follows a river through a beautiful valley with
opportunities to swim in clear pools or soak in hot
springs. Car or tent camp Saturday night near the
trailhead and hot spring for an early start Sunday

morning. Send email to Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, PAT ARREDONDO, WAYNE BANNISTER

Mar 31 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Palomar Mountain (6140'): Walk, don't drive to the
Lookout at the high point of the Palomar Mtns. Located
in Dan Diego County, 22 miles northeast of Escondido.
Estimate 15 miles round trip, 3400' gain. Slow pace.
Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for
details Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 2 Fri Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
I: Onyx Peak #2 (5244'), Skinner Peak (7160'): Enjoy
rocks and wildflowers in the Southern Sierras on these
steep, rocky desert-like peaks. Oynx Peak is a
scree-and-scramble of 4 miles round trip, 2300' gain.
Skinner is 8 miles round trip on trail and cross-country
with 1900' of gain. Some dirt road driving,
high-clearance vehicles recommended. Rain cancels.
For trip details send recent experience, phone &
rideshare information to Leaders: PATRICK VAUGHN,
MARS BONFIRE, WAYNE BANNISTER, TED
LUBESHKOFF

Apr 3 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks O: Mount Wilson (5710'): Join us on Hike 2 of the 7 SoCal Summits Training Hikes; complete all of them and you may qualify for an invitation to Mount Whitney. Hike from Sierra Madre, 15 miles/4800' gain. From the intersection of I-210 and Baldwin Avenue in Sierra Madre, drive north on Baldwin to Mira Monte Avenue. Turn right (east). Go 2 blocks to the start of the Mount Wilson Trail. Park here. No beginners; Email leader for meeting time. Leaders: LAURA WARRINER, MARY FORGIONE

Apr 6 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Granite Mountain #2 (5633'): A strenuous hike on occasionally steep and loose trail for 8miles round trip with 3000' of gain to a peak southeast of Julian. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 10 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Reyes Peak (7514'), Haddock Mtn (7431'): Hike
these especially beautiful forested peaks in the Los
Padres National Forest and get a good workout.
Moderately paced, strenuous 15 miles, 4500' gain. We'll
go up the interesting Chorro Grande Trail rather than
driving Pine Mountain Road and drive the road down.
Send email to Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, PAT
ARREDONDO, WAYNE BANNISTER

Apr 13 Tue Hundred Peaks
O: Combs Peak (6193'), Boucher Hill (5438'): Located in
San Diego County near Warner Springs. Combs is 5
miles round trip, 1200' gain. Boucher is 3 miles round
trip, 600' gain. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10
essentials. Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 16-18 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
Spring Fling 2010: Welcome in the spring with a fund
and festive weekend in the San Jacinto Mountains. Join
us for some outstanding peak bagging in the area.
Check the HPS Website, the Lookout or the Schedule of
activities for hikes scheduled. We have a group
campground reserved for Friday and Saturday nights at
the Hurkey Creek Campground. Join us for potluck on
Saturday night. No charges for them campground but
reservations are on a first come, first served basis. Send
sase/esase to Reservationist: DAVE COMERZAN

Apr 16 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Beauty Peak (5548'), Iron Spring Mountain (5755'): A
moderately strenuous hike on occasionally steep and
loose trail for 9 miles with 1900' of gain to peaks near
Aguanga. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials.
High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status
and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Apr 16 Fri Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Castle Rocks (8600'), Black Mountain #1 (7772'):
Hike these two separate peaks near Idyllwild as part of
the HPS Spring Fling, with a drive in between. Dirt road
driving. The total of the 2 hikes will be 6 miles round trip
with 1500' gain. Email leader for info. Leader: TED
LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: WAYNE BANNISTER

Apr 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O/I: Pyramid Peak (7035'), Pine Mountain #2 (7054'),
Lion Peak (6868), Ken Point (6423'): Hike these four
peaks along the PCT on the Desert Divide as part of the
HPS Spring Fling. 15 miles, 3500' gain. One-way hike
with car shuttle. Email leader for info. Leader: TED
LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON

Apr 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Thomas Mountain (6825'): Another opportunity to
avoid a drive up! 13 miles round trip with 2400' gain on
the Ramona trail and then join group at the campground
for happy hour goodies/potluck. Contact leaders for
meeting time and place. Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO,
LAURA JOSEPH, PATRICK VAUGHN, WAYNE
BANNISTER

Apr 17 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Apache Peak (7567'), Spitler Peak (7440'+): Moderate
hike on the Desert Divide south of Idyllwild involves 10
miles round trip and 3300' gain, mostly on trail. HPS
Spring Fling outing. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots,
sunscreen. Meet 7 AM Fairplex rideshare point. Rain
cancels. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, HARVEY GANZ

Apr 17 Sat Hundred Peaks, PV-SB, WTC
New Outing, first time published
I: Deer Mountain (5586'), Deep Creek Hot Springs (5'
deep): 20th semi-annual Deep Creek Hot Springs
hike/soak/swim with another shot at Deer Mountain.
Moderately pace 17 miles, 5400' gain, mostly utilizing the
PCT. Bring 10 essentials, lugs, (swim suit optional), and
water tolerant shoes for creek crossing (could be high
water - trekking poles recommended). High clearance
vehicles desirable for dirt road driving. No beginners.
Plan on spending full day - it's near Hesperia. Rain
cancels. Send email (preferable) or SASE with carpool
and recent conditioning information to Leader: BARRY
HOLCHIN Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Apr 12 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Round Mountain (5272'), Luna Mountain (5967'),
Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'): Three easy hikes on
rough trail for 6 miles round trip with 2000' of gain to
peaks near Hesperia. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10
essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact
leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL,
MARS BONFIRE

Apr 18 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I/O: Rock Point (5280'), Suicide Rock (7528'): Rock Point
approximately 4 miles round trip 720' gain on road and
cross-country; Suicide approx 6 1/2 miles roundtrip,
1850' gain on trail. Short drive between peaks. Space is
limited by wilderness permit restriction for Suicide, so
reserve early by email. Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO,
LAURA JOSEPH, PATRICK VAUGHN, WAYNE
BANNISTER

Apr 17-18 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS I: Indian Cove Navigation: Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Sat for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sun checkout. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: HARRY FREIMANIS

Apr 17-18 Sat-Sun Desert Peaks, WTC, Hundred Peaks I: Martinez Mtn (6560'+): Enjoy desert scenery on this challenging point-to-point backpack featuring a peak in the Santa Rosa Wilderness near Palm Springs. Be prepared to carry extra water. Sat 11

mi, w/approx 3000' gain climbing Martinez Mtn (3+ miles will be x-c). Sun 14 mi hike out with car shuttle return. Send email, phone #s, conditioning, and recent backpacking experience, including comfort w/x-c travel to Leader: DAVE SCOBIE Assistant: BETH EPSTEIN

Apr 20 Tue Lower Peaks
O: Cachuma (4696'), Montecito (3214'): Two Lower
Peaks in the Santa Barbara area. Cachuma is 5 ½
miles round trip, 1600' gain on road and steep firebreak.
Montecito is 2 miles round trip, 800' gain on trail. Bring
water, lunch, lugsoles. Rain or fire cancels. Contact
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, LLOYD JOHNSON

Apr 23 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Palm View Peak (7160'+), Cone Peak (6800'+):
Located on the Desert Divide, 8 miles southeast of
Idyllwild, this is a moderately strenuous loop hike of 6
miles round trip, 2200' gain on trail and
cross-country. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10
essentials. Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 24 Sat PV-SB, Hundred Peaks, WTC
New Outing, first time published
M: Strawberry Peak (6164'): Moderate 7 miles round trip,
2500' gain. New route this year because of recent fires:
more distance, less gain. Experience and comfort on
class 3 rock required. If inclination and time permit, we'll
also do Josephine Peak (5558'), adding 3 miles and 700'
gain. Meet 9 AM parking area at Angeles Crest/Angeles
Forest junction (11 miles from La Canada). Bring good
boots, something with "strawberries" to share on top.
Rain cancels. Leaders: BARRY HOLCHIN, BOB BEACH

Apr 24-25 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, DPS, Desert Committee I: Places We've Saved Navigation Noodle in Mojave National Preserve: Join us for our eighth annual journey through this jewel of the Mojave; preserved under the California Desert Protection Act, as a result of the efforts of Sierra Club activists and others. A basic to intermediate cross-country navigation day-hike workshop will be conducted out of the Mid Hills area in the pinyon and juniper forests at 5500' elevation. Potluck and social on Saturday, and for those arriving early on Friday. Limited to 14 participants. Send email/sase to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leaders: VIRGIL SHIELDS, HARRY FREIMANIS

Apr 26 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Fox Mountain (5167'): A moderate hike on rough trail for 5 miles round trip with 2300' of gain to a peak west of Maricopa. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 26-30 Mon-Fri Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks New Outing, first time published O: Pacific Crest Trail Backpack: In the northern Angeles National Forest from Agua Dulce through the Sawmill and Liebre Mtn. Ranges to the Antelope Valley. Experience the Black Oaks with fuchsia spring growth and the Ca. Poppies in bloom. Moderately paced, 5 days, 60 miles, one-way. Average day will be 12 miles with 2500' gain/loss. No layover days/no beginners. Participants will need to share in expense of a rental van. Send email with H & C phones, city, recent conditioning and backpack experience to Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF, Co-leader: PAT ARREDONDO

Apr 28 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Eagle Crag (5078'): A strenuous hike on occasionally steep and loose trail for 18 miles round trip with 3500' of gain to a peak near Aguanga. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 28 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Bare Mountain (6388'): Get bare! 6 miles round trip
1800' gain from Pinyon Flats. 800' gain on return.
Moderate pace, meet 8:58 AM La Canada rideshare
point with water, lunch, appropriate footwear and
clothing. Leaders: RON ROSIEN, GARY BICKEL

May 2 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Iron Mountain #1 (8007'): Very strenuous outing for
experienced hikers only involves 7000' of gain and 16
miles round trip. Bring at least three liters of water,
lunch, lug sole boots, sunscreen, hat. Excessive heat or
rain cancels. Meet 6 AM Azusa rideshare point for drive
to trail head. Call or email leaders if in doubt about the
weather. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, LILLY FUKUI, CHRIS
SPISAK

May 4 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Pyramid Peak (7035'), Pine Mountain #2 (7054'), Lion
Peak (6868'): Located on the Desert Divide, 11 miles
southeast of Idyllwild, this is a moderately strenuous
loop hike of 12 miles round trip, 1900' gain on trail and
cross country. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10
essentials. Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 6 Thu Lower Peaks
O: Cram (4162'), Morton (4624'): Two Lower Peaks in
the San Bernardino Mtns., 7 miles NE of San
Bernardino. Approximately 8 miles round trip, 2500' gain
on road and trail. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles. Rain or
fire cancels. Contact Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN,
LLOYD JOHNSON

May 8 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Crafts Peak (8364'), Grays Peak (7920'), Butler Peak
(8535'): Crafts is 4 miles round trip, 1300' gain. Grays is
6 miles round trip, 1200' gain. If time and conditions
permit, we'll drive to Butler Lookout which will require
high clearance 4WD vehicles. Contact leaders for
meeting time, place, vehicle type. Leaders: PAT
ARREDONDO, PATRICK VAUGHN

May 8 Sat LTC, WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: Beginning Navigation Clinic: Spend the day
one-on-one with an instructor, learning/practicing map
and compass in our local mountains. Beginners to rusty
old-timers welcome, and practice is available at all skill
levels. Not a checkout, but it will help you prepare. Many
expert leaders will attend, many I-rated leaders started
here in t he past. 4 miles, 500' gain. Send sase, phones,
\$25 deposit (Sierra Club, refunded at trailhead) to
Leader: DIANE DUNBAR Co-Leader: RICHARD
BOARDMAN

May 10 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Chuckwalla Mountain (5029'), Cross Mountain (5203'):
A strenuous hike on road and rough trail for 10 miles round trip with 4900' of gain to peaks north of Mojave.
Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

May 11 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Black Mountain #5 (7438'), Scodie Mountain (7294'):
A moderate hike on occasionally steep and loose trail for 3 miles round trip with 1200' of gain to Black and 4.5 miles with 2500' of gain to Scodie. Peaks are well north of Mojave. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 14 Fri Hundred Peaks
O: Oakzanita Peak (5054'): Located in San Diego
County, 13 miles south of Julian, this is a 8 miles hike,
1000' gain on trail and use trail. Slow pace. Bring food,
water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 16 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina New Outing, first time published I: Mount Williamson (8214'), Goodykoontz Peak (7558'): Strenuous hike in the Angeles National Forest involves 10 miles, 4200' gain on trail and cross-country. Hike not suitable for beginners. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots. Short car shuttle. Meet 7 AM at the La Canada rideshare point. Goodykoontz peak is named for the most prolific leader in HPS history who led the HPS List four times. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, DIANE DUNBAR

May 21 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Weldon Peak (6360'): Rescheduled to June 4.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 26 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Sheephead Mountain (5896'), Monument Peak #1 (6271'), Garnet Peak (5880'), Garnet Mountain (5680'):
Rescheduled to June 11. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 31 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Beauty Peak (5548'), Iron Spring Mountain (5575'): A
moderate hike on road and rough trail for 9 miles round
trip with 2700' of gain to peaks near Temecula. Slow
pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance
4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details.
Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 1 Tue Hundred Peaks
O: Thorn Point (6935'): A moderate walk on trail for 8 miles round trip with 2000' of gain to a peak southwest of Frazier Park. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 2 Wed Local Hikes, 100 Peaks, Natural Science

O: Lookout Mountain #2 (6812'): Slow, easy pace on a short, 4 mile round trip, but steep, 2300' gain, to a scientifically significant peak with a lecture by one of the leaders. Meet 9 AM at Public Parking lot, corner of Mills Ave and Baldy Road in Claremont. Bring water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing. Leaders: GARY BICKEL, DAN BUTLER

Jun 4 Fri Hundred Peaks
Rescheduled from May 21
I: Weldon Peak (6360'): A moderate hike on PCT, road, and occasionally steep and loose trail for 8 miles round trip with 1700' of gain to a peak above Jawbone Canyon. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 5 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks
O: Cucamonga Peak (8856'): Join us on Hike 3 of the 7
SoCal Summits Training Hikes; complete all of them
and you may qualify for an invitation to Mount Whitney.
14 miles round trip/4200' gain from Ice House Canyon.
Adventure Pass required. Email leader for meeting time.
Leaders: LAURA WARRINER, MARY FORGIONE

Jun 5 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Grinnell Mountain (10,284'), Lake Peak (10,161'):
Meet at Lost Creek Trailhead (6320'). 5.3 miles on trail

to Grinnell Ridge (8132'), then cross-country up to peak. Optional side trip to Lake Peak before continuing down to Dry Lake (9065') and then out via trail. A moderately strenuous 15.5 miles with 4000-4400' gain. Send esase/sase (email preferred), recent conditioning, H/W phones to Leader: NICK HOOPER Assistant: ERIC SCHEIDEMANTLE

Jun 5 Sat LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS
I: Heart Bar Peak (8332'): Practice navigation for
Sunday's checkoff on this 7 mile round trip, 1400' gain
hike. We will take a cross-country route to Heart Bar
Peak and practice micro-navigation skills along the way.
Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent
conditioning to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leaders:
JANE SIMPSON, ADRIENNE BENEDICT, ANN
PEDRESCHI SHIELDS

Jun 6 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Tahquitz Peak (8846'): Beautiful trail in spectacular
San Jacinto area involves 6 miles round trip and 2400'
gain. Moderate hike is suitable for beginners in good
shape. Bring water, snack, and sturdy boots. This is the
annual first Sunday in June hike with Stag. Meet at the
Fairplex rideshare point at 7 AM for drive to Idyllwild.
Leaders: JOE YOUNG, STAG BROWN

Jun 6 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS
I: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation Noodle in San
Bernardino National Forest for either checkout or
practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level
navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info,
navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating,
rideshare to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant HARRY
FREIMANIS

Jun 7 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Black Mountain #4 (6149'): A moderate hike on road and rough trail for 4 miles round trip with 1200' of gain to a peak near Yucca Valley. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 8 Tue Hundred Peaks
M: Southwell Peak (7840'+), Antsell Rock (7679'):
Located on the Desert Divide, 4 miles east of Idyllwild.
Will start at Humber Park, this is a strenuous hike of 17 miles round trip, 3600' gain on trail and cross country.
Antsell requires some class 2 and 3 climbing. Slow pace.
Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 11 Fri Hundred Peaks
Rescheduled from May 26
I: Sheephead Mountain (5896'), Monument Peak #1
(6271'), Garnet Peak (5880'), Garnet Mountain (5680'):
Located in San Diego County, southeast of Julian, these

are four separate hikes. Sheephead is 3.5 miles round trip, 800' gain. Monument is 3 miles round trip, 500' gain. Garnet Mountain is 0.6 miles round trip, 200' gain. Garnet Peak is 2.5 miles round trip, 500' gain. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 12 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
I: Mount Baden-Powell (9399'), Ross Mountain (7402'):
Strenuous hike in San Gabriel mtns involves 12 miles
round trip and 4800' of gain. Possible third peak.
Experienced hikers only. Bring water, lunch, sturdy
boots. Call leaders for meeting time and place. Leaders:
JOE YOUNG, PAT ARREDONDO, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jun 12 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 peaks
O: Mount Wilson (5710'): Meet at Chantry Flats to hike
Mt Wilson via the Sturtevant Camp Trail and return on
the Upper Winter Creek Trail, for a total of 13
miles/4000'. No beginners; heavy rain cancels.
Adventure Pass required. Email leader for meeting time.
Leaders: LAURA WARRINER, TED LUBESHKOFF

Jun 16 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Timber Mountain (8263'): A hike up Ice House
Canyon is always in order. Lesser hikers may wish to
stop at Ice House Saddle. To the peak is 8.5 miles
round trip, 3400' gain. Meet 9 AM at carpool parking lot
corner of Mt Baldy Rd and Mill Ave in Claremont. Bring
food, liquid, appropriate footwear. Leaders: BROOKES
TREIDLER, DORIS DUVAL, DAN LUKE

Jun 16 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Hildreth Peak (5069'): Strenuous road and cross
county for 16 miles round trip and 3700' gain. Peak is
northwest of Ojai. We will do Route 1 from the south.
High clearance vehicle advised. Contact leaders for
status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Jun 18 Fri Hundred Peaks
O: Reyes Peak (7510'), Haddock Mountain (7416'): A
moderate walk on occasionally steep and loose trail for
9 miles round trip with 1100' of gain to peaks north of
Ojai. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High
clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and
details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 19 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport Marina
New Outing, first time published
I: Drury Peak (10,160'): Newton Drury fought for years
to protect the San Jacinto area from commercialization.
Hike to the peak named for him. Strenuous hike involves
10 mi rt, 3,800' gain on steep trail and cross-country.
Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots. Meet at the Fairplex

rideshare point at 7 AM for drive to Idyllwild. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, MELODY ANDERSON

Jun 21 Mon Hundred Peaks
O: Combs Peak (6193'): A moderate hike on PCT and rough trail for 5 miles round trip with 1200' of gain to a peak near Warner Springs. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 23 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Sorrell Peak (7704'), Skinner Peak (7120'): Located in the Lake Isabella area, these are two separate hikes on trail and cross country. Sorrell is ¾ mile round trip, 400' gain. Skinner is 8 miles round trip, 1900' gain on trail and cross country. Extensive dirt road driving. High clearance vehicle recommended. Slow pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Copter Ridge (7499'): Moderate steep and loose
cross-country and trail hike 9 miles round trip with gain
of 3450' total, 1850' out plus 1600' on return. Moderate
pace. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders:
PAT ARREDONDO, LAURA JOSEPH, WAYNE
BANNISTER

Jun 30 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Butler Peak (8535'), Arctic Point (8336'), Gold
Mountain (8235'), Silver Peak (6756'): Easy hikes and
drive-ups in Big Bear area. Arctic and Gold total 6.5
miles round trip with 1700' of gain. Slow pace. Bring
food, water, 10 essentials. High clearance 4WD
advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders:
DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE, PATRICK
VAUGHN

Jul 17 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks
O: Mount Baldy (10,064') from Baldy Village: Join us on
Hike 4 of the 7 SoCal Summits Training Hikes; complete
all of them and you may qualify for an invitation to
Mount. Whitney. 12 miles round trip, 6000' gain. Meet at
Manker Flat trailhead, up via Bear Flat Trail, down via
the Notch. No beginners. Adventure Pass required.
Email Leader for meeting time: Leaders: LAURA
WARRINER, MARY FORGIONE

Aug 1 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS I: Mount Pinos Navigation: Navigation noodle in Los Padres National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: KIM HOMAN

Aug 1 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks
O: Mount San Jacinto (10,804') from Humber Park: Join
us on Hike 6 of the 7 SoCal Summits Training Hikes;
complete of them all and you may qualify for an
invitation to Mount Whitney. 16 miles round trip, 4500' of
gain to Mount San Jacinto (10,804') near Palm Springs.
No beginners; Adventure Pass required; Email leader
for meeting time and directions Leaders: LAURA
WARRINER, MARY FORGIONE

Aug 14 Sat Wilderness Adventures, 100 Peaks O: Mount San Gorgonio (11,499') via South Fork: Join us on Hike 7 of the 7 SoCal Summits Training Hikes; complete all of them and you may qualify for an invitation to Mount Whitney. 19 miles round trip, 5350' of gain to Mt. San Gorgonio (11,499') in the San Bernardino Mountains. No beginners; Adventure Pass required; group size limited due to permit; Email leader for meeting time and availability Leaders: LAURA WARRINER, MARY FORGIONE

Sep 26 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS I: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation Noodle in San Bernardino National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: HARRY FREIMANIS

Oct 1-3 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks, Desert Peaks?, Sierra Peaks? New Event, first time published Fall Festival in the South Sierras: Lots of hiking and climbing, lots of evening partying. Bag scenic peaks from all three climbing section Lists. Hikes range from moderate on-trail hikes to cross country climbs. Saturday night happy hour, potluck and campfire at Powers Well. Camp in Walker Pass, or primitive camping in Powers Wells or stay at motels in Ridgecrest or Lake Isabella. More activities, hikes, and climbs will be added closer to the event: check http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/outings.htm#fallfestival for details on all the outings and how to participate. For directions to Powers Well and other information, contact HPS Programs Chair: DAVE COMERZAN

## Rideshare points mentioned in the outings in this issue of The Lookout:

Azusa: On street next to market, 9th St & Azusa Av N of Foothill Blvd

• Fairplex: Park-N-Ride N of San Bernardino Fwy (I-10) in Pomona, exit Fairplex Dr, go N, turn R on Gillette Rd. (Thomas Guide reference page 600, E7).

 ◆La Canada: Angeles Crest Hwy (Hwy 2). Just N of Foothill Fwy (I-210). Park on Angeles Crest Hwy only

• Sylmar: Encinitas Av, S of Roxford St; Roxford exit from Golden St Fwy (I-5)

•South OC: Ortega Plaza parking lot SE corner, Ortega Hwy/Rancho Viejo, San Juan Capistrano

melody grace@sbcglobal.net

Most Angeles Chapter rideshare points, with maps, can be found here:

http://angeles.sierraclub.org/outings/RideShare.aspx

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Contact information for leaders with outings in this issue of **The Lookout**. (If you don't have e-mail, drop a note several days in advance of the outing to Dave Comerzan, 695 Aurora Dr, Claremont, CA 91711-2925, and he'll forward your request to the leader.)

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Kent Schwitkis (right) led a group of hikers on the Cactus to Clouds hike, November 28, 2009. A blizzard began in the early morning hours and continued for several hours.

## Dan Richter (author of "Moonwatcher's Memoir") Famously Finishes HPS List on San Guillermo Mtn

On Sunday, October 25th our group met at the Pine Springs Campground in the Los Padres to celebrate a long-coming peak accomplishment. Our leader was Dan Richter, an avid mountaineer, and his friend and assistant was Asher Waxman. Winnette Butler and I had secured a camping spot at the CG the night before, having climbed Fox Mountain on Saturday. We were quite startled to find the place packed with hunters, as Winnette could only recall seeing one or two folks there in previous visits. We stayed in the last available site there-whew! In the morning, meeting the group, it was wonderful to see all the old-timers and youngsters alike. We were joined by a group including Delores Holladay, Marlen Mertz, Gary Bowen, Tina Bowman, Don Crowley, Pat & Gerry Holleman, Christine & Ron



Dan Richter and fellow celebrands on San Guillermo Pountain

Bartell, Rich Gnagy, Gene Mauk, Larry Hoak, Eric Siering, Annie Kramer, Ricky Gordon (whom Mary Mac calls "Ricky Nelson"), Mary McMannes, and relatives of Asher's (his brother Jonathan Owen, sister in law Michelle Owen, and their children Danielle, age 7, Orion, age 4, and baby Indigo Skye Safron). New hikers and older ones alike!

The hike went up the standard route, through the gully and up the ridge, which has a

distinct use trail. It was quite a beautiful, cool morning, and soon the group reached the lofty summit. Champagne was uncorked, goodies unwrapped, and Dan changed into a tuxedo for the great celebration (um, he also had on "lovely boxer shorts with little DPS rams on them" according to Mary Mac)! Asher officiously pinned Dan with his LF pin. Annie K. provided cream cheese treats and Winnette cupcakes. Mary Mac and Marlen changed into 1950's style dresses to jazz up the festivities (Mary's was from her mother), wishing that they also had formal attire to match Dan (who also was clad in tuxedo at his DPS list finish). I think Dan is a member of AMPAS (a star, maybe-wasn't he at the Oscars last year?). Photos of all sorts were taken next (including List finishers of one, two, or all three Section lists). Also, a picture of Tina Bowman and Eric Siering, who we think finished all three lists TWICE-ugh! Our lovely trio of ladies Marlen (the poetess of HPS), Mary Mac (DPS chair and mentor), and my lovely Winnette read a poem to Dan, praising his great cheerleading efforts. He is wonderful at getting people charged up about all sorts of events, even offering to help organize them once approved.



Dan Richter played the ape that touched the obelisk, thereby learning to think, in the science fiction classic 2001 A Space Odyssey.

Dan has now finished two of the three lists, and has only the SPS to finish for the trifecta. He has survived lung cancer, with only one lung remaining, but still hikes strongly, as well as a 25 year old.

Descending from the peak, the group assembled at campsite 12 for more enjoyment, aided by Winnette's bison chili, Christine and Mary's deviled eggs, Genes grapes, hummus, chips, cookies, Marlen's apple pie, a chicken Waldorf salad from the Holleman's, and other delicacies. No one left hungry!

CONGRATULATIONS, DAN, MY MAN!"

## Shane Smith HPS List Finish, July 11, 2009 By Mary MacMannes

With belated congratulations to Shane Smith who finished the HPS List on Bailey Peak, July 11<sup>th</sup>, I can't help but think of the lyrics to a wonderful song, "You raised me up, so I could stand on mountains, you raised me up to be all that I could be." Here was Shane, the third generation HPS and DPS List Finisher who followed in the lug sole steps of his father, Steve Smith, and grandfather, Fran Smith. For all the climbers who may be nearing senior citizenry, they'll remember Fran Smith who climbed Rabbit Peak more than anyone (well, maybe not more than Mars), and led people up countless numbers of times (15?) in what was deemed as, "Fran's Follies." It was a tender moment when Shane reached Bailey Peak and produced the Three Generations photo of Steve's HPS List Finish on Mt. Gleason, 1983, when Shane was a snip of a boy. Fran was in the photo, too, and he had finished the HPS List himself on Villager, 1979. And to make



Shane Smith, left, with his father Steve Smith hold a picture of Steve's father Fran Smith. This makes three generations of HPS List finishers! Steve Smith finished the list in 1983, while Fran finished in 1979. Fran Smith led "Fran's Follies" – day climbs of Rabbit Peak – over fifteen times.

Mississippi Mud) and more photographs of the merry-makers. Susie presented Steve and Shane with Three Generation blue tee shirts which matched Shane's blue eyes and reminded all of us of the blonde, blue-eyed cowboy Alan Ladd who starred in an unforgettable movie called, uh uh, "Shane." We ate grapes, cherry tomatoes, strawberries, cookies, and a fresh melon salad along with more beverages. Bobcat began singing, "Danke

it even more wonderful, Fran would have been 90 years old that very week that Shane was climbing his last and final HPS peak.

And furthermore, another tender moment for the imbibers, was when



Shane Smith takes a swig of Bailey's Irish Cream - on Bailey Peak!

someone produced a bottle of Bailey's after dinner liquor and set it on the rocks—get it? Bailey on the rocks? We had champagne, Bailey's, and snacks after that arduous climb that took us all of ten or fifteen minutes. My kinda peak when it was 110 degrees HOT down in Upland. Bobcat Thompson was up to his usual offering of quips after a chap remarked how unusual it was to see a young person finishing the HPS List, Bob said, "And not only being young, he still has a pulse!" A toast was made to Shane and then to the entire Smith family as great mountaineers, and then Steve added, "And a toast to the Smith women who have put up with us." Mom Susie said, "Hear, hear!"

This is one easy peak for sure, and we all mustered enough energy to descend and celebrate with more food and drink (Bobcat's



Participants gather for a summit photo on Bailey Peak on July 11, 2009. Left to right: Shane Smith, Steve Smith, Karen Leverich, Wolf Leverich, Bobcat Thompson, Mary Motheral, Steve Davis, Susan Smith (Shane's mother), Shelby Smith (Shane's sister), Robert Hyde, Terry Flood, Mary McMannes, Charlie Knapke, and Rob Langsdorf.

schoen," and later we heard by the grapevine that original singer Wayne Newton might be thinking of suing Bobcat for singing malpractice.

Participants were not only Shane, Steve, Susie, sister Shelby, but also, Karen and Wolf Leverich (leaders), the melodious Bobcat, Mary Motheral, Steve Davis, Robert Hyde, Terry Flood, Charlie Knapke, Rob Langsdorf, and Roving Girl Reporter, Mary Mac.

And Shane, if there's a fourth generation picture of yet another climbing Smith boy or girl, we hope he or she will finish on Bailey Peak, 'cause we all want to return with our lug-soled walkers and canes up a nice little peak which takes only 10 minutes. Congrats, Shane, for a job well done. We enjoyed being there with you.

## Silent Auction To Be Conducted at the Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet

Once again we will be conducting a silent auction at our Banquet. Items brought for the auction are displayed on tables around the Banquet hall. Associated with each item is a piece of paper with the name of the item, the minimum bid, and the ,minimal incremental bid. For example, an item may be marked with a \$20 minimum bid and a \$5 minimum incremental bid. The first bid for that tem must be for at least \$20. The second bid must be at least \$5 over the preceding bid. At the close of the auction (to be announced during the banquet) the bid sheets will be collected and the highest bidder for each item gives the Hundred Peaks Section an amount equal to the highest bid, and then takes possession of the bid.

If you have items to be donated, please let Program Chair Dave Comerzan know in advance of the banquet!

At this point four books have been donated by Wynne Benti. The price shown is the list price for each book.

- ✓ <u>Desert Summits: A Climbing & Hiking Guide to California and Southern Nevada</u> (Zdon) \$21.95
- Woman on the Rocks: The Mountaineering Letters of Ruth Dyar Mendenhall (Valerie Mendenhall Cohen) \$18.95
- ✓ Close Ups of the High Sierra by Norman Clyde \$14.95
- Death Valley to Yosemite: Frontier Mining Camps and Ghost Towns \$14.95

Items such as used camping or hiking equipment, topographic maps, books, clothing, coupons for meals at restaurants, bicycle gear, discounts for sponsored bus or train trips, and many more have been auctioned.

And it all benefits the Hundred Peaks Section.

But you can't win if you don't attend the banquet!

It will be held on Saturday, January 23, 2010 at Les Freres Taix restaurant, 1911 Sunset Blvd, in Los Angeles. Social hour begins at 5:00 pm and dinner at 6:30. Our speaker will be Bob Cates, Chapter Historian, who will be speaking about "The Great Hiking Era", a presentation rich in history. Silent auction for donated items. Tickets are \$30 per person if paid by 1/17/2010, and \$35 per person if paid after 1/17/2010. Make check to HPS. Tickets will be held at the door. Send check, email and/or phone(s), and choice of beef, fish or vegetarian entree to Reservationist: DAVE COMERZAN, 695 Aurora Drive, Claremont, CA 91711.

The Banquet Hall at Les Freres Taix restaurant





#### Farewell To Ron Young, 1934-2009 By Mary Mac Mannes

The three climbing sections of HPS, DPS, and SPS, bid a fond farewell to an all around good and mellow guy, and one who had many guips and one-liners, Ron Young. Ron passed away on Sunday, September 27th, after losing the battle with non-smoker's lung cancer. He was a favorite M-rated leader who led many up desert and Sierra peaks mainly in the 1980s (and often with friend, Jackie Van Dalsem.) Not only did he lead some peak ascents, but he was a BMTC assistant leader for four years (the parent of WTC, mountaineering training course.) Ron was most proud to have finished the Hundred Peaks List in 1982, and later shared a Desert Peaks List Finish with George Toby on Waucoba in 1995.

When I hear Aaron Copeland's Fanfare for the Common Man, I think of people like Ron who came from good and hearty Midwestern stock. His childhood was rough with the loss of his mother when he was nine; and later as a teenager, he found himself cast out and homeless. The Air Force saved him and later sent him to UCLA where he received a degree in accounting. Ron remarked that his real life began when he joined the Sierra Club. Known as Ron Ron, he had a penchant for being mischievous and puffed out his cheeks (to our great annoyance) when he'd see us girls eating desserts or second helpings at the lavish DPS potlucks. It was a climb on Cloud's Rest where Ron sat on the summit puffing out his cheeks anytime a

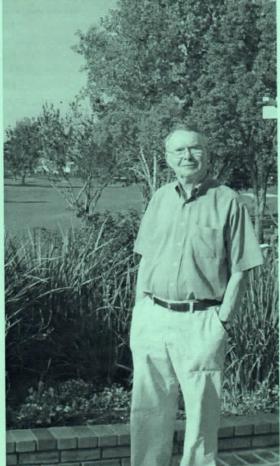
rest of us. If anyone used an unusually big vocabulary word or a phrase in French or Spanish, he'd quip, "And if you do,

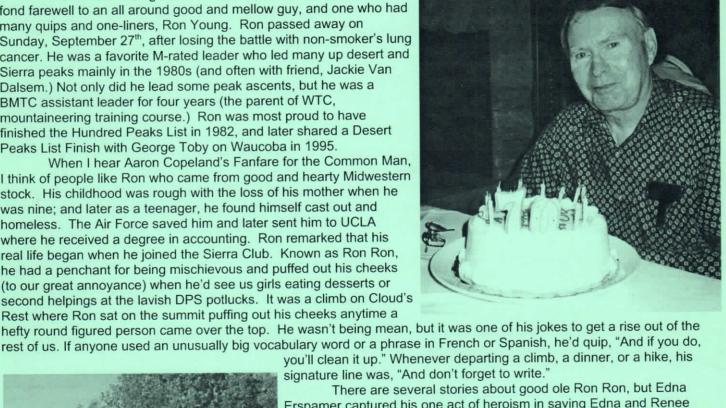
signature line was, "And don't forget to write."

There are several stories about good ole Ron Ron, but Edna Erspamer captured his one act of heroism in saving Edna and Renee Spargur after a harrowing, freezing and sleety day on Mt. Goddard (in the High Sierra.) The three returned to a wet tent and equally wet sleeping bags, where Renee was definitely in the first stages of hypothermia. Ron managed to get himself and the girls wrapped into the driest sleeping bag, and they cuddled all night thus saving Renee's life. During Ron's last two months of his terminal illness, his one bright and shining moment was seeing that story in print, on p. 69, in Edna's tell-all book, "Getting High In the Mountains." Ron was proud of many things that a poor boy from Beaver Falls, Pa., had accomplished, but they were minor compared to being known as a climber, a peak bagger, and a mountaineer. Eivor Nilsson led several peaks with Ron and acknowledged that he was an excellent route finder and dependable in bringing people to the summits and back to their cars, safe and sound.

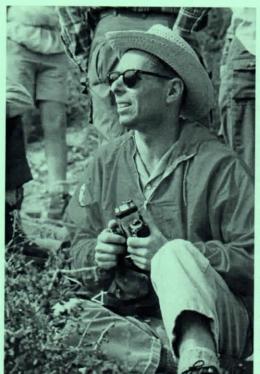
Sad to say, his ashes won't be scattered on his favorite peak, Mt. Baldy, but maybe we'll take his floppy hat and old lug soled boots up there for one last hike. He'll be interred back in the family cemetery in Beaver Falls, where good folks will visit him often. Ron returned to his high school reunion, year after year, looking eternally young but more proud of the fact that he was a California mountaineer and had climbed some of the big ones. I hope his family will inscribe on his tombstone, "Ronald Young, Going to the Mountains Is Going Home." He'd like that, and John Muir would have surely enjoyed knowing a good man like Ron who loved the mountains and his mountain family. For all who knew Ron, "A funny, nice, unpretentious guy is a joy, forever."

Rest in peace, Ron, and by the way, "don't forget to write."





## JOE MCCOSKER 1917-2009 By Mary MacMannes



Joe McCosker, March 1967. Photo by Dick Worsfold (Worsfold Collection, Angeles Chapter Archives)

Most of us met that zany and incredibly witty couple, Joe and Betty McCosker back in the 1970s, when they were deemed our matriarch and patriarch of the Desert Peaks Section along with old timers as Ron Jones, Jon Inskeep, Gene Olson, Fran Smith. A camaraderie, indeed. It was sad news to hikers and climbers that Joe had passed away after a lingering illness prior to his 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Joe had been past DPS chairman and an E-rated leader leading many up desert peaks, local hundred peaks, and Sierra peaks. He had finished both the HPS and DPS Lists plus bagged mighty Kilimanjaro, mountains in Mexico and Europe, and trekked the base camp of Everest. There wasn't a peak that Joe didn't like, and he instilled his love for the mountains in his children, Duncan, John, and Margaret. He and Betty were known to us youngsters as the bon vivants of the infamous Burro Bakes where climbers not only bagged a couple desert peaks, but were treated to campfire antics of singing, poetry recitation, skits, and of course, the famous pit barbecue. There was one skit where Joe and Betty dressed up in a burro costume (Betty says it was she), and one can only imagine the hilarity of that performance. When Joe was out climbing the peaks, Betty set up her artist easel and painted the beauty of the desert whether it be our peaks, old miner's shacks, and even lost hikers in her outstanding oil renditions. Many are us are fortunate to own one of those paintings which are reminders of yesteryear and the joys of camping and hanging out with Joe and Betty.

It was a dismal day in the hot San Fernando Valley, where Dr. Joe hung up his CPA career, and he and Betty moved to San Diego. All would miss their pool parties, early days of computer lessons, and

Betty's delicious casseroles and cakes (despite the fact, she might put a plastic spider in the batter for an added surprise.)

Not only did Joe continue climbing and leading Sierra Club hikes, he now had time to follow his life long dream of doing whatever he could in promoting world peace. He was a pacifist for peace, an activist for change, and joined and supported those peace seeking organizations that shared his passion for a world without war.

Joe's great smile, deep sense of honesty and integrity, and his wonderful sense of humor will be

missed by all of us who were blessed in sharing wilderness days with this kind and gentle man. Please email marymuir@earthlink.net if you wish to communicate with Betty and her family.



Joe McCosker, photo by Bob Cates (Bob and Maureen Cates Collection, Angeles Chapter Archives)



Betty McCosker, Joe McCosker and Sam Fink.

## Wilderness Travel Course (WTC)

Ten Tuesdays or Wednesdays (depending on location) plus four field trips
7:30 PM

Sierra Club, Angeles Chapter

For over 20 years, this very popular Sierra Club course has been teaching basic wilderness travel skills including mountain, desert and snow hiking/camping. The Wilderness Travel Course (WTC) includes navigation instruction using topographical maps and compass, 3<sup>rd</sup> class rock scrambling techniques, how to choose equipment, backpacking food and nutrition, snow travel, wilderness safety and lots more. The course includes ten evening classes, two full day and two weekend outings. Following the ten sessions and four outings, WTC instructors offer course participants a choice of dozens of backpack experience trips in the Sierra Nevada and local mountains. Registration opens September 15, 2009. Enroll early to assure a place as each year the course has a waiting list. See the Wilderness Travel Course website for more information. Classes are located in West Los Angeles, South Bay, San Gabriel Valley, and Orange County

www.wildernesstravelcourse.org

Contact:

WTC Hotline: (310) 967-2029

Cost:

\$270 (Sierra Club Members), \$275 (Non-Members)

After Dec 15 (slightly higher)

Registration Required?

Yes

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## The Register Box By Mark Allen

Thanks to Peter Doggett and Joe Young for reporting on the condition of registers for this addition.

3B	Black Mtn. #3	deficient	1-07
9B	Iron Mtn.#2	missing	4-07
9C	Condor Peak	missing	4-09
9D	Fox Mtn. #2	missing	4-09
9E	Mt. Lukens	missing	3-08
13B	Mt. Akawie	missing	5-08
14B	Twin Peaks	missing	5-08
14G	Throop Peak	missing	11-07

14K	Krakta Ridge	missing	4-08
14E	Middle Hawkins	missing	7-09
16C	Pine Mtn. #1	missing	5-07
16J	Mt. Harwood	missing	5-04
17C	Big Horn Peak	missing	7-09
19F	The Pinnacles	missing	1-06
24L	Grinnell Mtn.	missing	10-07
25A	Allen Peak	deficient	4-08
32E	Cuyamaca Peak	missing	5-06

Please Report any missing or deficient Peak Registers to Mark Allen at markallen4341@socal.rr.com. Peak Registers are also available by writing or calling: 562-598-0329



## Roxana Lewis Special Trips

JAN 23rd . 2010 Verdugo Hills Outing Sat O: Train/Hike/Monarch Butterfly Reserve: Depart L.A.Union Station at 7:30am for Goleta. Hike to the Coronado Butterfly Reserve to see Monarchs during their annual migration. Time for picnic lunch at the Reserve and a brief hike along the coast. Ice cream stop prior to our return train which arrives L.A. at 7:45pm. Ability to hike 10mi.\$93 (\$113 non-mem) includes rail fare. Send check payable Sierra Club, sase, SC#,phone,email to Leader.Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews Pl/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933/email ROXTLEWIS@aol.com<mailto:ROXTLEWIS@aol.com> Co-leader Bruce Hale. Minimum 10 participants or trip cancels.

FEB 28th, 2010 Sun Verdugo Hills O: Trail-By-Rail to Carpinteria Seal Rookery: Depart L.A. Union Station on Amtrak at 7am to Carpinteria. We will walk a short 1.5 mi. to the cliffside seal rookery. Volunteer docent guide will provide background on the California seals that give birth and raise their pups in this protected area. Time to enjoy a picnic lunch at the beach, explore the asphfaltium deposits or the Salt Marsh. Return to L.A. at 5:30pm. \$65 (non-mem \$85) includes rail fare, snack. Send check payable Sierra Club, sase, SC#, phone & email to Leader.Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews PI/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933/email ROXTLEWIS@aol.com<mailto:ROXTLEWIS@aol.com> Co-leader Dotty Sandford. Minimum 10 participants or trip cancels. Registration after Jan 14 add \$25.

MAR 6-7, 2010 Sat-Sun Verdugo Hills C: Trail-By-Rail Tijuana Wetlands & San Diego Weekend. A train adventure to San Diego via Amtrak. Leave Union Station at 7am. We will then take a local bus to Imperial Beach and walk a mile to the Tijuana Wetlands. After a docent lead walk thru this fascinating estuary we will alternate walking with buses thru Coronado to the ferry. This will leave us at the San Diego wharf where we will walk to our motel. Individual opportunities to enjoy the Gaslamp area. The next morning we will have a walking tour of this vibrant Navy town including the aircraft carrier USS Midway. After a visit to historic Balboa Park we will board our return train to L.A. (Arr.6pm) Ability to walk 11-miles. \$263 (\$283 non-member) includes rail fare, motel (2share). donation. Send check payable Sierra Club/SASE/SC#/H&W phones/email to Leader: Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews PI/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933. Co-leader Dotty Sandford. Minimum 10 participants or trip cancels. Registration after May 12th subject to late add availability only; late fee applies.

APR 3rd, 2010 Sat Verdugo Hills
O:Ranunculus & Rail/Train, Hike to Carlsbad: 7am
depart historic Union Station for Oceanside, breakfast
opportunity on board. Hike 9 mi to Carlsbad, moderate
pace. View/walk the Ranunculus fields. Picnic lunch
amongst the blooms. Take bus back to Oceanside to
catch Amtrak to L.A. Return to Union Station at 6pm..
Bring 1 quart water, snacks, lunch, camera. Includes rail
fare, flower field admission, donation. Send \$65 (\$85
non-mem) with SC#,SASE,H&W phone &email to
Leader:Roxana Lewis, Co-leader Bruce Hale. Minimum
10 participants or trip cancels.

MAY 15th, 2010 Sat Verdugo Hills 0:Train to Calif Strawberry Festival: Leave L.A. Union Station at 7am for Oxnard. The 27th annual Strawberry Festival is a celebration of the fruit that made Calif. famous. Enjoy strawberry pizza, shakes, chocolate dipped, parfaited. The day includes optional 2-4mi, walk thru Oxnard to/from the festival to work off the pies/cakes. Return to L.A. by 5:00pm. Includes rail fare, festival admission, donation. Send \$74 (\$94 non-mem) with SASE/SC#/Email/Home & work phones to Leader: Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews PI/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933/Email roxtlewis@aol.com<mailto:roxtlewis@aol.com>, Co-leader Bob Thompson. Minimum 10 participants or trip cancels. Registration after April 16th add \$25.

July 13-25, 2010 Tue-Sun Verdugo Hills C: Zen Adventure in Japan & Mt. Fuji Climb: A total Zen immersion spending 7-days in Kyoto, the cultural capitol of Japan. We will visit a sampling of the 1836 temples & gardens succumbing to everything Zen. An added treat is the Gion Festival, considered one of the three best in the country. Day trips via Bullet train & public bus to Hiroshima, Nara, Miyajima, Chikubushima, Hikone. We will then proceed to the Mt. Fuji area for a climb to the summit with a day at lovely Lake Kawaguchi. This will be followed by two recovery days in frenetic Tokyo before flying home. Ability to walk approx. 7-12 miles daily. \$2850 (\$2900 non-member) includes standard western hotel with private bathroom (2 share), breakfast daily, 7-day rail pass. Airfare additional; arranged on request. To reserve send \$700 deposit, 2sase, SC#, phones, email, recent hiking experience to Leader: Roxana Lewis/16304 St.Andrews Pl/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933/email roxtlewis@aol.com.<mailto:roxtlewis@aol.com.> Co-leader Linda Wooldridge.

## THE NAVIGATION CORNER: ANSWERS TO NAVIGATION SKILLS CONTEST By Bol Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

In the November-December edition, readers were given an opportunity to test their navigation knowledge by answering 15 questions. Anyone who got 10 out of 15 questions right was entered in a drawing for a Suunto MC-2 compass. At publication time, responses were still coming in and the winner will be announced in March-April issue.

You can add to your navigation knowledge base by reading the answers to the questions.

1. What is the primary coordinate system for land ownership in the United States?

Land ownership records are tied to the Public Land Survey System. Land surveys describe parcels of land and are the foundation for our system of land tenure (the record of who owns what and where it is located). There are two very different types of land surveys conducted in the United States: (1) "metes and bounds" and (2) "grid" or "rectangular" surveys. "Metes and bounds" surveys trace boundaries based on physical features of the land, such as trees, boulders, roads, and fences. These were used in surveys of the original 13 colonies.

In a grid or rectangular survey, the land is described in relation to the "township" and "range" system established by the Land Ordinance of 1785, a law to encourage settlement of the lands west of the original 13 states. The resulting rectangles, known as townships, sections, lots, and parcels, are tied to a "meridian" and a "baseline." Meridians (which run north and south) and base lines (which run east and west) are long, straight lines used as reference points for the small rectangles established by the surveys. Each Township has 36 Sections, each one mile square. Today, the metes and bounds survey system is used in the 18 eastern states, plus Texas and Hawaii. The rectangular system is used in the other 30 states, and is most evident west of the Mississippi River. Together, these two survey systems provide the basis of our system of land ownership.

TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH RANGE 3 WEST SECTION 

The 7.5 minute topo maps will often show sections on the map. The margins of the map will indicate Township boundaries (left and/or right margins) and Range boundaries (top and/or bottom margins). All are indicated using the color red. Townships are numbered based on whether they are north or south of the baseline (e.g., T.1N signifies that it is the first township north of the base line); ranges are numbered based on whether they are west or east of the meridian (e.g., R.1E signifies that it is a township in the first range east of the meridian).

- 2. What street in Southern California was named because of its connection to this primary coordinate system for land ownership? For those who regularly travel the 210 Freeway in the Claremont area, Base Line Road should be familiar to you. On November 7, 1852, Colonel Henry Washington surveyed the San Bernardino Base Line and Meridian from a point just west of San Bernardino Peak. Many of you have passed by Washington Monument on your way to San Bernardino Peak, which marks the intersection of the two lines. The Base and Meridian lines serve as the initial surveying point (known as the point of beginning) for all of Southern California. Base Line Road follows the base line. Base Line Road intersects with Meridian Avenue in Rialto; however, the actual meridian is much farther east in Banning.
- 3. What is a Single Edition USGS Quadrangle? Single Edition maps are jointly produced by the USGS and the U.S. Forest Service. They use the standard 7.5 minute map and incorporate additional features such as international symbols for recreational features. More information on Single Edition maps can be found at:

### http://egsc.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/factsheets/fs09498.html

- 4. Which is bigger in area covered, a small scale map or a large scale map? A small scale map covers a bigger area than a large scale map. "Large scale" refers to maps on which objects are relatively large and "small scale" refers to maps on which objects are relatively small. As the scale of a map changes from a smaller number (e.g, 1:24,000) to a larger number (e.g, 1:100,000), the area of the Earth's surface which can be shown increases while the amount of detail which can be shown decreases. So why is it called a large scale map when it has a smaller number? The scale of a map is expressed as a ratio. For example, the ratio 1:24,000 means that the size of objects on the map is 1/24,000 of their size on the ground. The ratio 1:100,000 means that the size of objects on the map is 1/100,000 of their size on the ground. 1/24,000 is a larger fraction than 1/100,000, so 1:24,000 is the large scale map in the same way that 1/4 of a pizza is larger than 1/10 of a pizza.
  - 5. What number do you add to your compass bearing to get a back bearing? A "back bearing" is the

opposite direction of any bearing. Back bearings are very useful, since they can help you get back to your starting point. Back bearings can also be useful in helping you determine whether you are staying on the right course. If you start out following a certain bearing, you can take a back bearing to your starting location to determine if you are still on the right course. The math to determine a back bearing is simple. If your original bearing is less than 180°, add 180° to find your back bearing. (Example if your bearing is 32°: 32° + 180° = 212° back bearing.) If your bearing is more than 180°, subtract 180° from the original bearing to get your back bearing. (Example if your bearing is 212°: 212° - 180° = 32° back bearing.) Back bearings are also easy to determine with your compass. Your bearing is determined by the index line of your compass. The back bearing is determined by looking at the number on the compass dial opposite the original bearing.

- 6. What is the default datum of a GPS receiver? Most GPS devices default to a datum called the World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS84). As the name implies, this datum was developed to have worldwide application and was an essential component in developing the global positioning satellite system. Older map datums were limited because they only covered certain geographic areas. Most USGS maps were produced before WGS84 was launched and use the North American Datum of 1927 (NAD27).
- 7. What does WAAS stand for? Wide Area Augmentation System. It is a system of ground stations and satellites that are designed to improve the accuracy of the GPS and is available only in the North America. It improves the accuracy of the GPS to within three meters 95% of the time.
  - 8. What is the most common map datum used on USGS 7.5 minute maps? NAD27
- 9. What map datum is being used on newly issued USGS 7.5 minute maps? North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83), which is for all practical purposes identical to WGS84.
- 10. What are the three standard position formats for Latitude and Longitude? Degree Minutes Seconds (34° 10' 35"); Degree and Decimal Minutes (34° 10.578'); Decimal Degrees (34.17630°).
- 11. What is an isogonic line? A line showing places where the angle of declination is the same. By contrast, an agonic line is a line where the angle of declination is zero there is no difference between true North and magnetic North.
- 12. What is the western most UTM zone in the contiguous United States? Zone 10. There are 60 UTM zones, each six degrees of longitude wide. The first zone begins at the International Date Line (180°). The zones are numbered from west to east, so zone 2 begins at 174°W and extends to 168°W. The last zone (zone 60) begins at 174°E and extends to the International Date Line. Zone 10 covers the area between 126°W and 120°W.
  - 13. What is the eastern most UTM zone in the contiguous United States? Zone 19.
- 14. How many locations in the world share the UTM coordinate <sup>5</sup>00<sup>000m</sup>E <sup>20</sup>00<sup>000m</sup>N ? This UTM coordinate is shared by 60 locations in the world. For a precise location, you must specify the UTM zone.
- 15. Where is the Prime Meridian? The Prime Meridian is ultimately arbitrary and various conventions have been used or advocated throughout history. The modern Greenwich Meridian, based at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, was established by Sir George Airy in 1851. In 1884, 41 delegates from 25 nations met in Washington, D.C., at the International Meridian Conference. This conference selected the Greenwich Meridian as the official Prime Meridian due to its popularity.

#### **Upcoming Navigation Events**

We have a number of upcoming navigation events for people of all abilities.

On January 9 and 10, 2010 we have our first navigation events of the New Year. On Saturday we practice navigation on the way to bagging Warren Point. Sunday is for either practice of checkoff.

Our two-day Indian Cove Navigation Noodle on April 17 and 18, 2010, is a great place to learn new navigation skills. Saturday is spent with instruction and field practice. Sunday is for checkoff for those who are ready and an additional practice day for others. We will be car camping starting on Friday afternoon.

I welcome your navigation questions. Contact me at rmmyers@ix.netcom.com.

## Hundred Peaks Section Angeles Chapter Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 08, 2009

Location: Denny's, 5603 Rosemead Blvd., Temple City,

CA 91780

Mcom Members Present: Wayne Bannister, Dave Comerzan, Jim Fleming, Karen Isaacson Leverich, Wolf Leverich, Wayne Vollaire

Mcom Members Absent: Greg Daly

Guests Present: Winnette Butler, Ignacia Doggett, Peter Doggett, Mathew Kelliher, Tanya Roton, Zobeida Arauz Meeting called to order: Jim Fleming called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.

Accept: July 14, 2009 Meeting minutes. MSP.

Committee Reports:

TREASURER: Accept: July and August 2009 treasury

report. MSP

MEMBERSHIP: Accept: Membership report dated August 2009. MSP. A copy of the Membership Report will be attached to the archived minutes.

**NEWS:** 

Karen presented Station Fire peaks perimeter and reported Mt. Baldy and Icehouse Canyon open. PROGRAMS: Dave Comerzan: Commented Spring Fling 2009, was well attended.

Fall Festival – Fort Tejon campground looking for someone to be the contact –

he will ask Patrick Vaughn to be the contact person. Banquet 2010 – Speaker Bob Cates will speak about "The Great Hiking Era".

Dave will get reservation form going for Nov/Dec

Lookout.

Schedule:

5:00pm Social hour

6:00pm Dinner

7:30pm Speaker

8:30 Awards

9:30 End

Dave will research the cork fee.

Spring Fling 2010 Possible dates are April 17/18, or April 24/25. The location will possibly be Hurkey Creek, Black Mountain by Fuller Ridge doesn't look like a good option. Hurkey Creek reservation can be made on Oct 1, 2009 (6 months in advance).

Merchandise: No update reported.

Outings and Safety: Karen reported David Eisenburg is working on an ICON to indicate scheduled hikes as cancelled if they are in the burn area.

Karen presented the list of I leaders – no changes.

Accept list as is. MSP

Mountain Records: No update reported. Conservation: No update reported.

New Business:

Joe Young discussed the following items:

Provided points from the Angeles Chapter report.

Suggested nominations for awards as individuals or as a group.

Joe said we could e-mail L. Ives for awards descriptions. Recommended scholarships for WFA class.

Joe promoted a hike for Tejon Ranch Conservancy for Saturday, September 19, 2009.

For Merchandising, Joe recommended we green (bamboo fabric) T-shirts with the HPS logo.

We should have an awards committee to nominate members for Chapter Awards and HPS awards. Please make

suggestions to Jim Fleming.

Next meeting to be a teleconference on November 10, 2009.

December meeting will be a face-to-face meeting to appoint new MCOMM positions on December 8, 2009. Suggested location to be Denny's.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:29. MSP

Respectfully Submitted: Wayne Vollaire

#### **Annual Business Meeting:**

Jim Fleming called annual business meeting to order at 7:32pm.

Nominations Committee: Ignacia Doggett provided the names of 5 candidates for the MCOMM.

Mark Allen, Wayne Bannister, Greg Daly, Ted Lubeshkoff, Pamela Rowe.

Motion to accept the list of candidates. MSP

A petition was submitted to add McDill in Angeles to the HPS list. MSP Item will go to the ballot.

Karen provided petitions for Cleghorn, Cahon, Sugarpine and Monument that didn't have enough signatures. These will be put back out for more petition signatures before placing on the ballot.

Elections Committee: Between now and September 15 the following must be done:

assembly of the ballots

.inserting arguments

.this has to be done by someone that is not running

.solicit statement from candidates

.solicit pros/cons for petitions

.ask Dave Comerzan for a blurb for the banquet

Deadline is Nov 15 for mailing Deadline is Dec 1 for return ballots.

Wolf moved to thank the Nominating Committee. Moved to adjourn the Annual Business Meeting at 8:05pm. MSP

Respectfully Submitted:

Wayne Vollaire