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Editor's Notes:

The March – April Lookout Newsletter begins with a cover photo by Mars Bonfire. Then, Robert Myers, LTC Navigation Chair, contributes a Navigation Corner Article marking this his forty-seventh article, historically. The core of the newsletter is always the **Advance Schedule of Upcoming Events** entered by Mat Kelliher.

In keeping with tradition, the March - April newsletter then covers the HPS Annual Awards Banquet held in January. A four page spread shows the achievements of twenty-five winning HPS members. The Milestones Page, created by Ignacia Doggett, continues to post new Leaders guided by the legends of HPS on Provisional Hikes. The Summits Page really shows where we are on the calendar. Currently, we are snow-shoeing or desert hiking while it is timely. The hidden treasure in this issue is a historical article written by Jack Bascom. The piece was brought forth by Michael McCarty, with the photos from Joe Young. We also have the first, of what we hope will be, many articles by Aimee Shocket on her Provisional hike to Mt. Lukens, evaluated by Michael Dillenback. Dave Comerzan contributes to the Lower Peaks Corner with an article on Wild Horse Peak. The new and revised Staff Page is here to show the many people contributing to the Hundred Peaks Section of the Sierra Club. The last page is another stunning photo of a winter setting this time by Nancy Jones.

The Monrovia Restaurant, first recommended by Ted Lubeshkoff, has served us well as a central location with no-cost parking. Mat Kelliher, Programs Chair, and his wife Tonya, did an exemplary job this year of coordinating the Annual Banquet with over eighty-five members in attendance. Pamela Zoolalian was the Guest Speaker with an illustrated journey along the John Muir Trail. HPS Chair Wayne Bannister handed out awards with Mat Kelliher and 2017 Chair Coby King at his side. Special thanks to the behind-the-scenes efforts of Edith Lui and Jim Fleming providing the certificates and trophies.

At the Banquet we were honored by a wonderful group of HPS members this year including Mary Ann Vogel, Lynda and Tom Armbruster, James Carden, his wife Fari, and, last but not least, Stag Brown. The evening was made special by a cake created by Coby's daughter, Abby King.

Mark S. Allen 2/28/17

THE NAVIGATION CORNER: FREE NAVIGATION TOOLS

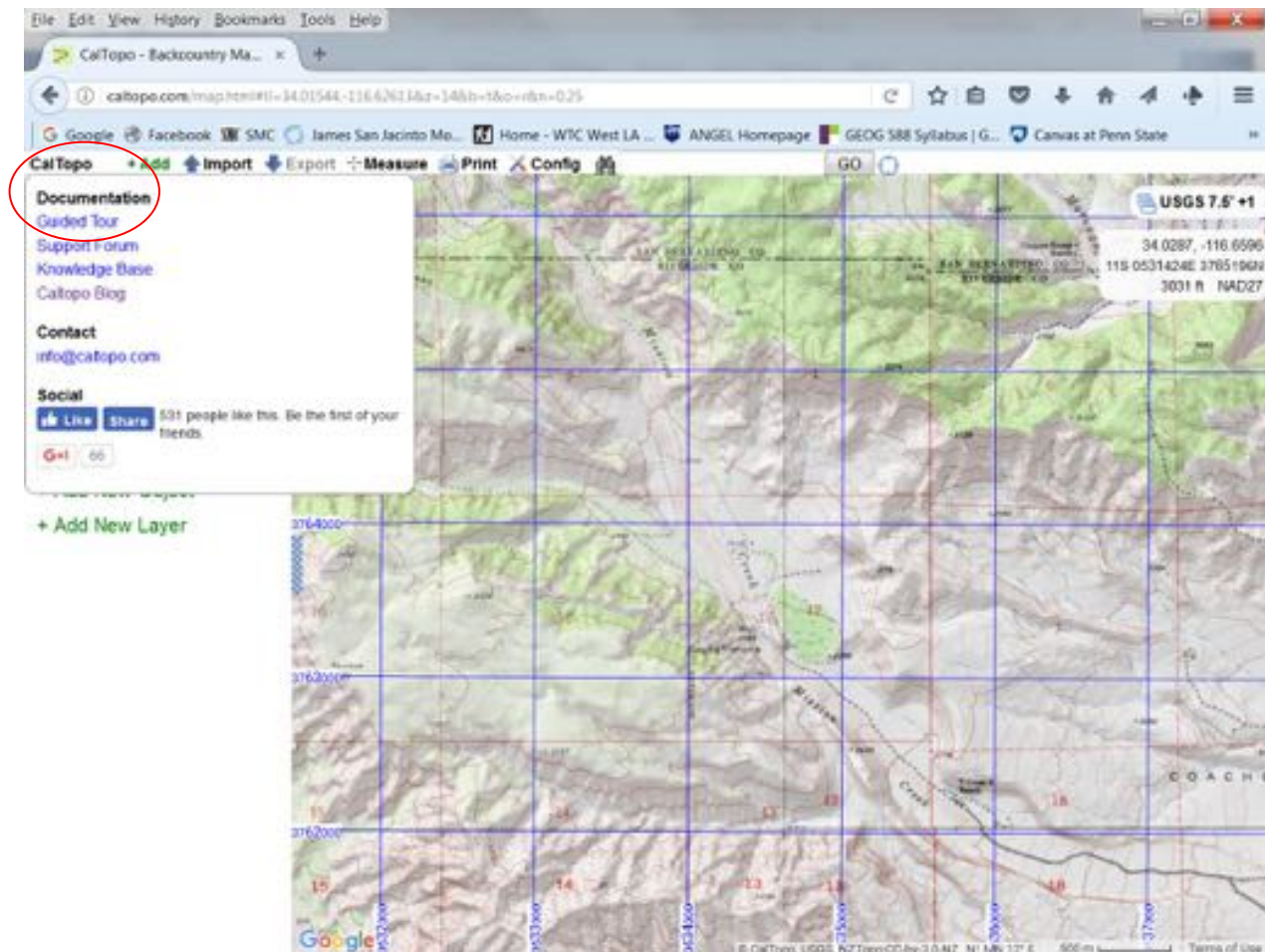
By Bob Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

Many wonderful navigation tools are available to the outdoor community without cost. Every hiker should be aware of the tools explored below and add them to their arsenal of trip planning resources.

CalTopo

<http://www.caltopo.com>

With the discontinuance of National Geographic's TOPO! software, CalTopo is the go-to resource for hikers. For those unfamiliar with this resource, go to CalTopo's website and take a guided tour found under CalTopo on the menu bar (circled on the illustration). Unlike many web-based mapping programs, Cal Topo provides the option to select either the NAD27 or WGS84 datums. In addition, user-selected printing options enable printing at various map scales including the 7.5 minute scale. It also has a variety of layers to enrich the map such as UTM grid overlay (shown on the illustration), contour overlay, slope shading, and prior fire history.



Google Earth Pro

<http://earth.google.com>

Google Earth Pro provides satellite imagery that can be useful in route planning. This free program allows three-dimensional views. It also provides coordinate information using the WGS84/NAD 83 datum in either latitude/longitude or UTM formats. Below is an image of the mouth of Sycamore Canyon. All the ridges and gullies are readily visible. Keep in mind that satellite images are not fine enough to reveal all obstructions along the way. What may appear in the image to be a passable gully may have a Class 3 dry water fall.



A topographic map layer can be added to Google Earth so that users can switch between viewing a satellite image and the USGS topographic map. Here are the instructions on how to add a USGS topographic map layer to Google Earth:

1. Download Google Earth if don't already have it on your computer.
2. Go to the following website:
http://services.arcgisonline.com/arcgis/rest/services/NGS_Topo_US_2D/MapServer
3. At the top of the page, find the line "View In" and select the Google Earth link

4. Depending on your computer's settings, the file "NGS_Topo_US_2D.kmz" will either be downloaded automatically or you will be prompted to download the file.
5. Open Google Earth.
6. Under the File tab, select open and find the "NGS_Topo_US_2D.kmz" file on your computer to open it.
7. After doing so, the overlay (labeled NGS_Topo_US_2D) will be listed beneath Temporary Places. Drag it to "My Place" to permanently add it to Google Earth.
8. Depending on your computer's speed, it may take a while for the topographic map to render. Do not zoom in too quickly. You might need to double click the layer name.

If you have followed these steps correctly, your Google Earth screen should have the NGS_Topo_US_2D layer on the layer menu. If you uncheck the layer, you will have the satellite image. You can look at both in either overhead view or 3D view using the standard controls in Google Earth.

Interior Geospatial Emergency Management System (IGEMS)

<https://igems.doi.gov/>

This webmap provides an overview of natural hazard events, including wildfires, occurring throughout the United States. Being aware of emergency events can be crucial in avoiding trips in areas with active emergencies.



**National Centers for Environmental Information (formerly National Geophysical Data Center)
– Current Declination**

<https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag-web/#declination>

It is important to remember that the declination information on USGS maps is not current. This website allows you to update the declination information. Declination is the difference between true north and magnetic north and must be accounted for when using a compass.

Upcoming Navigation Event

On April 22-23, 2017, our Mission Creek Preserve Navigation Noodle will be exploring a new area. We have reserved the Wildlands Conservancy's Stone House and adjacent camping area for a fun weekend of navigation in the Mission Creek area east of Whitewater and Catclaw Flat. The Mission Creek area is shown on the CalTopo map illustrated above.

On June 3-4, 2017, we will be in the Mt. Pinos area. We have reserved a group campground and can accommodate a large group of participants.

At all of our navigation events, we can work with beginners. No prior navigation experience is required. All are welcome!!!

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

**SAVE THE DATE MAY 7th
FOR THE
ANNUAL SIERRA CLUB CHAPTER
AWARDS BANQUET**

Mark your calendar to celebrate Angeles Chapter awardees, leaders and volunteers at the beautiful Brookside Country Club.

This is our most exciting event of the year!

Join us as we honor all of our entities and leader achievements, meet old friends, make new friends and cheer on the awardees. Speakers, presentations, awards and Silent Auction Treasures. All profits bene-fit the Angeles Chapter.

Reservations are \$40 per person or \$400 for a table of ten.

Event Coordinator: Donna Specht: donnaspecht@juno.com.

Reservation Form: angsc.org/banquet

Contact Stephanie Gross (madelinesmother@gmail.com) if you have items to donate for the silent auction.

Event Location:

Brookside Country Club
1133 N. Rosemont
Avenue, Pasadena 91103.
Near the Rose Bowl.



HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT

January-February 2017 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair

New Subscribers

Ignacio Feller

Wendy Bernier

New Member

James Chou

DONATIONS:

Leo Rosario - \$5

John Gustafson - \$20

Ilwoo Suh - \$200 - honoring Peter
& Ignacia's hike leads

Jinoak Chung - \$200 - - honoring
Peter & Ignacia's hike leads

Robert Emerick - \$26

228 Members

32 Household

14 Subscribers

274 Total Members

100 Peaks Emblem

#1182 - Colonel Butler ☐ - Rock Point - 11/22/2016

#1183 - Larry Edmonds - Bertha Peak - 7/11/2015

Rideshare Points

There are no Rideshare Points mentioned in the Outings in this issue of The Lookout.

Note that new HPS outings are added to the online schedule of activities (OARS) all the time, often only a few days prior to when the trip is scheduled to occur. Rideshare Points that may be mentioned in those Outings posted on OARS, as well as most of the Angeles Chapter rideshare points (complete with directions and maps), can be found here:

http://angeles2.sierraclub.org/ltc_ridesharing

Several roads that we frequently use to travel to the trailheads have warnings that headlights must be turned on for daylight use. Penalties for failure to observe this requirement are very expensive. Be Safe!! Don't get a ticket! Turn on your headlights where required!

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Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities
March - July 2017
Mat Kelliher, HPS Outings Chair

The following is a listing of all HPS Outings submitted and posted to the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities (OARS) as of February 27, 2017. These outings cover the period ranging from March 1 through July 29, 2017. Note that **new HPS outings are added to the online schedule of activities (OARS) all the time**, often only a few days prior to when a trip is scheduled, so if you haven't found what you're looking for in this edition of The Lookout, be sure to check for newly added outings on the HPS online Schedule of Activities (OARS) frequently for last minute additions. Follow this link to the HPS OARS site:

<http://www.hundredpeaks.org/outings.htm>

And if you're still looking for something other than what's being offered on any given day on HPS OARS, check out the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities (OARS) for a staggering selection of outings options offered by all of the various Groups, Sections, and Committees of the Angeles Chapter. The Angeles Chapter OARS site is located here:

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

HPS outings are open to everyone; you don't need to be a member of either the HPS or the Sierra Club to join us! However, to participate in an outing, you will be required to sign a liability waiver, which you can preview here:

<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/sites/angeles.sierraclub.org/files/docs/SignInWaiver.pdf>

Unless otherwise indicated, contact the leader of the outing(s) you'd like to join for trip status and details. Leader contact information is included in this edition of The Lookout, as are directions to the rideshare points (if any) referenced herein.

Mar 1 Wed Hundred Peaks

O: Condor Peak (5440'+), Fox Mountain #2 (5033'), Iron Mountain #2

(5635') - Join us for this challenging, very strenuous hike on trail, dirt road and use trails to three special peaks in the front range of the Angeles National Forest. Condor Peak was named for the endangered California Condor (*gymnogyps californianus*), whose range once included this peak. Around one hundred years ago, as many as 12 condors could be seen circling the peak. Total round-trip distance will be about 20 miles, and total elevation gain for the day will be around 6700 feet. Bring beverage, lunch, snacks, layers, hiking footwear, sunblock and hat. Contact Leader for details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: MIKE DILLENBACK, MAY TANG*

Mar 1 Wed Hundred Peaks

O: Smith Mtn (5111') - The pleasure of this outing starts shortly into the drive to the trailhead as the road gradually winds its way through the beautiful green mountains that surround our destination. It continues as we take the pleasant Upper Bear Canyon Trail to Smith Saddle, and then leave it for a use trail up a sometimes steep ridge to the summit. Wonderful views abound, among them Bear

Creek's deep canyon, Triplet Rocks, Waterman, Islip, Hawkins, Rattlesnake, Wilson and Baldy. At a pleasant pace, we will cover about 7 miles and 1900' gain. Meet at 9 AM at the public parking lot on the southeast corner of Foothill Blvd and Asuza Ave, 0.9 miles north of the 210 Fwy in Asuza. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com if you desire additional information. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Mar 4 – 5 Sat – Sun DPS, WTC, Hundred Peaks

I: Nopah Range HP (6,394'), Brown Peak (4,947') – Come join us for a strenuous but fun weekend of desert peak bagging out near Death Valley NP high above the Chicago Valley north-northeast of Shoshone, CA. Both climbs require strenuous effort, which we'll exert at a moderate pace, and will require comfort on rocky, thorny, steep, and loose class 2 desert terrain. Saturday morning we'll head out just before first light from our camp at the trailhead into the Nopah Range Wilderness Area to ascend the western flank of the Nopah Range to its high point. After thoroughly enjoying the reportedly exquisite views up there, we'll return the way we came in for a day's total of about 10 RT mi with 4,200' gain. We'll make camp where we're parked and will celebrate the weekend around a roaring campfire under waxing crescent night skies with a traditional DPS Potluck Happy Hour. Sunday we'll drive into Death Valley via Shoshone over HCV and 4WD required dirt roads to the trailhead for the west side approach to Brown Peak in the Greenwater Range. A mere 3 miles with 2,100' of gain will get us up to the summit, where we'll eat a little lunch and enjoy the views before heading back down to our cars via the same route we came up. High Clearance, 4WD vehicles required. This DPS Outing is co-sponsored by WTC and HPS. Email Mat Kelliher at mkelliher746@gmail.com with contact, vehicle type and carpool info, recent conditioning, and experience for trip status and details. *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, BILL SIMPSON*

Mar 5 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Old Man Mtn (5538'), Monte Arido (6010') – Expansive views of the magnificent Pacific Ocean, wild and remote canyons and ranges, and beautiful pine forests on steep northern slopes reward the eyes and prove that one mountain is misnamed, for arid and barren it is not. The other is aptly named. While one of the canyons is rumored to have been the hideout of Joaquin Murietta, another, Old Man Canyon, was named for Jose Ortega, a descendent of a member of the Portola expedition, 1769-1770, "the first recorded European land entry and exploration of present-day California". With a little bit of history, but a long and strenuous 25 miles and 6658' gain, this outing is only for the fit experienced hiker. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Mar 8 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: The Pinnacles (5737'), Mount Marie Louise (5507') – Join us for two separate hikes near Lake Arrowhead. The Pinnacles is about 4 miles round trip on good trail with around 1000' elevation gain. Mount Marie Louise is about 2 miles of cross-country hiking round trip with around 600' of elevation gain. Expect some Class 2 scrambling near the summits. High-clearance vehicles recommended. Bring

hiking footwear, water, food, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details.
Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, JIM HAGAR, MIKE DILLENBACK

Mar 11 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Rabbit Peak #2 (6640') and Villager Peak (5756') - Very strenuous day hike to some of SoCal's toughest, most remote peaks, at a moderate pace (approx. 20 hours). ~22 miles round-trip, with ~8600' total elevation gain, mostly cross-country. Not suitable for beginners. Plan to start & finish in the dark. Bring lug soles, water, lunch, snacks, extra layers, head lamp and extra batteries. Excessive heat or heavy rain cancels. Contact leader for details: ryan.b.lynch@gmail.com *Leader: RYAN B. LYNCH Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON*

Mar 12 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Eagle Crag (5077') - Travel trail and cross-country through beautiful and varied terrain -- wild woodland, meadows, streams, ravines and forest -- to this promontory in a remote and isolated corner of the Agua Tibia Wilderness. Totals for the day will be 18 miles rt and 4200' gain (2700' out plus 1500' on return). High clearance vehicles advised. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Mar 12 Sun Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks

I: Aqua Tibia (4779') - Join us for the day in the Cleveland National Forest, 13 miles southeast of Temecula. We will start at the Dripping Spring Campground. The first 8 miles are on trail. The last quarter mile is a use trail that takes us through the brush to the summit. 17 miles round trip, 3200' of gain, estimate 8-9 hours of hiking. There is not much of a view from the summit, but there are many nice views along the way. Some of the largest Manzanitas can be found along the Dripping Springs Trail. Above 4000' there are many Coulter Pines. Tall Red Shank Chamise grows here, typical for the San Jacinto Mountains. This is the last bump to the west side of Palomar Mountain and is in the center of the Agua Tibia Wilderness. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. This Lower Peaks outing is co-sponsored by HPS. *Contact leaders for details: DAVE COMERZAN, DAN RICHTER*

Mar 14 Tue Hundred Peaks

HPS Management Committee Meeting - All are welcome to attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming activities. All are welcome to join us and opportunities to become involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm via conference call. To receive access information to join in on the conference call, to have items added to the agenda, or to volunteer, please contact the *HPS Chair: COBY KING*

Mar 18 Sat Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks

O: Gilman Peak (1685'), San Juan Hill (1781') - Join us for a day in the Chino Hills State Park in Orange County. These two Lower Peaks are a loop hike of 10 miles round trip, 1700' of gain, estimate 5-6 hours of hiking. If we get a little rain,

this can be a beautiful hike among rolling green hills with snow capped mountains in the background. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. *Contact leaders for details: DAVE COMERZAN, RON SCHRANTZ*

Mar 19 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Sheep Mountain (5141'), Martinez Mountain (6560'+) - Experience the beauty of the Santa Rosa Wilderness desert terrain as we climb Sheep and Martinez, the second being on both the HPS and DPS lists. We'll follow the Cactus Spring Trail, past Horsethief Creek, and leave it to go cross-country, accompanied by impressive views of the surrounding mountains, pretty La Quinta Cove, Palm Desert and the expansive Coachella Valley. This strenuous 20 miles, 5300' gain hike is not for beginners. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch, hat and headlamp. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Mar 25 Sat Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks

O: Sugarloaf (3227'), Old Sugarloaf (3326') - Join us for a day to hike these two Lower Peaks. Located in the Santa Ana Mountains in the Cleveland National Forest. Hike is mostly trail with some short cross country. Estimate 10 miles round trip, 2500' gain, 6-7 hours of hiking. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. This Lower Peaks outing is co-sponsored by HPS. *Contact leaders for details: DAVE COMERZAN, RON SCHRANTZ*

Apr 8 Sat LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC, Hundred Peaks

M/E: Sierra Snow Checkoff/Practice - For M & E candidates wanting to check off leadership ratings. We welcome others who wish to practice new techniques. Restricted to SC members with some prior basic training with the ice axe. Send SC#, climbing resume, email, H&W phones to *Leader: NILE SORENSON Co-leader: NEAL ROBBINS*

Apr 7 Fri Hundred Peaks

I: Sheephead Mountain (5896'), Monument Peak #1 (6271'), Garnet Peak (5880'), Garnet Mountain (5680'+) - Come a day early for the HPS Spring Fling in Anza Borrego and join us for these four peaks south of Julian. Total trip distance is 9.6 miles and 2,200' of gain. The hike will be at a moderate pace. There will be driving on paved roads between the trailheads. The wildflower bloom should be spectacular due to our wet winter. Friday night lodging or camping will be on your own. The HPS Spring Fling will provide camping Saturday night, but be sure to reserve a space with the HPS Programs Committee reservationist at mkelliher746@gmail.com. Contact hike leader for trip status and details. *Leader: Dave Endres, Co-Leader: Mike Dillenback*

Apr 8 Sat Hundred Peaks

2017 HPS Spring Fling - Come join us as we celebrate the return of Spring with a weekend of peakbagging and merry-making in the Anza-Borrego Desert. Saturday night we'll be camping out and partying it up at the Borrego Palms Canyon Campground. HPS requests a fee of \$5 per person (\$10 per family) to help defray campground reservation costs. Send email to HPS Programs Reservationist at

mkelliher746@gmail.com to reserve your spot, and do so fast, because this one will fill up fast!! Check the schedule for specific hikes to be offered, and sign up for a particular hike directly with its leaders.

Apr 8 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Whale Peak (5349') - SPRING FLING!! JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF FUN!! Hike with us Saturday and/or Sunday (see separate Sunday posting for Sombrero Peak). On Saturday we will visit Whale Peak. Expect a really fun hike to this magnificent peak in the Anza Borrego Desert. It's worth the drive! Traveling mostly cross-country, we will search for petroglyphs near the trailhead before traveling across the desert floor to ascend a scenic canyon. Cutting up from there we will pass through a grassy meadow to pick our way up to the rocky peak on use trail for sweeping views. This will be a slow-paced hike, designed to accommodate hikers who need -- or want -- more time to get to an HPS peak. Total distance should be around 8 miles, and total gain should be about 2300 feet. Following the hike there will be an optional visit to Borrego Palms Canyon Campground, where one can enjoy a hearty Happy Hour and a Potluck. Socializing will be mandatory! Stay Saturday night at the campground or a nearby motel. HPS requests a fee of \$5 per person (\$10 per family) per night to help with the campground fees. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, so be sure to email the HPS Programs Committee reservationist at mkelliher746@gmail.com early to assure your spot! Bring food, water, lugsoles, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, DAVE ENDRES*

Apr 8 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Cahuilla Mountain (5,635'), Little Cahuilla Mtn (5042') - Join us on this first day of the 2017 HPS Spring Fling for two separate hikes to a couple of beautiful peaks high above Anza Valley in the San Bernardino National Forest. We'll keep a relaxed pace on each hike with a total of about 6.0 RT miles and 1,700' of gain for Cahuilla, and then about 2.5 RT miles with 700' of gain for Little Cahuilla. After our hikes you're welcome to join us on an optional visit over to Borrego Palms Canyon Campground for the 2017 HPS Spring Fling, where we'll all party it up at a sumptuous Happy Hour and Potluck feast! Stay Saturday night at the campground with us or stay at a motel in nearby Borrego Springs. If you'd like to camp out, be sure to contact the HPS Programs Committee reservationist at mkelliher746@gmail.com to reserve a campsite; note that a fee of \$5 per person (\$10 per family) is requested from those who will be camping out to help defray campground expenses. Email mkelliher@746@gmail.com for status on the hikes and other useful details. *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, MIKE DILLENBACK*

Apr 8 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: Hot Springs Mtn (6533') - Join us for the HPS Spring Fling and enjoy a hike to San Diego County's highest point and its impressive views -- San Geronio, San Jacinto, Toro, Big Rabbit, the Salton Sea, Picacho del Diablo, and the Pacific Ocean among them. Our route, at times shaded by oak and conifer, travels through the Los Coyotes Indian Reservation, the largest reservation in the county and home to some of the Cahuilla peoples. Totals for the day will be 10 miles round trip and

2500' gain. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Apr 9 Sun Hundred Peaks

O: Combs Peak (6,193) - Join us on this last day of the HPS Spring Fling for an easy paced hike to a beautiful peak on the western edge of the Anza Borrego Desert. Expect 5.0 RT miles with 1,200' of gain. Email mkelliher746@gmail.com for trip status and details. *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, MIKE DILLENBACK*

Apr 9 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: San Ysidro Mtn (6147'), Palomar Mtn (6140'), Boucher Hill (5438') - Join us for another day of Spring Fling hiking in beautiful Anza Borrego Desert State Park. We'll drive to the northern end of the park; start up a tranquil woodland trail and finish by climbing a steep, but short, sandy slope to spectacular San Ysidro summit views -- the Thimble, Indianhead, the Santa Rosa Mountains, the San Diego mountains, and the Anza Borrego Desert. Additional peaks possible (Palomar High Point drive, if the gate is open; or, a short hike to Boucher Hill). San Ysidro's totals will be 4 miles round trip with 1650' gain. High-clearance vehicles advised. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Apr 9 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Sombrero Peak (4229') - SPRING FLING!! JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF FUN!! VISIT A REALLY COOL DPS PEAK!! Hike with us Sunday and/or Saturday (see separate Saturday posting for Whale Peak). On Sunday we will visit Sombrero Peak, which at 4229' does not qualify for the HPS list. However, it is on the Desert Peak Section's list and is a fun one! Travel will be cross-country through gorgeous -- but rocky, brushy and thorny -- desert terrain. This will be a slow-paced hike, designed to accommodate hikers who need -- or want -- more time to get to a DPS peak. Total distance should be around 3 miles, and total gain should be about 2100 feet. Bring food, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, DAVE ENDRES*

Apr 22 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Mission Creek Navigation Noodle: Navigation noodle at Mission Creek Preserve to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday checkout. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Apr 22 - 23 Sat - Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Sheep Mountain (5141') and Martinez Mountain (6560+') - Join us for a fun overnight trip in the Santa Rosa Wilderness as we climb Sheep and Martinez Mountains. Sheep Mountain was named for the Peninsular Bighorn Sheep, and the habitat in the Santa Rosa Mountains is reported to support the largest herd of Bighorn Sheep in the country. The two day hike will be strenuous, but the pace will be slow to moderate to accommodate hikers who need or want more time to get to

HPS peaks. On Saturday morning, we will hike 4.5 miles (550' loss/770' gain) with backpacks on trail to the Cactus Spring area (dry) to set up camp. Participants will need to carry 10 - 12 liters of water. We will then carry day packs in the afternoon as we climb Sheep Mountain, a distance of 4.3 miles roundtrip (1,000' gain). We will return to Cactus Spring for the night. On Sunday morning, we will carry day packs to the summit of Martinez Mountain and back to Cactus Spring, a distance of 6.2 miles roundtrip (2300' gain), where we will break camp and pack out. The total for the two days will be 19.5 miles round trip with 4,620' elevation gain. Send recent conditioning and experience to the leader for trip status and details: *JERRY GREARD* (jerry.grenard@gmail.com) *Evaluating*
CoLeader: TED LUBESKOFF, Co-Leader: MIKE DILLENBACK

Apr 23 Sun LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Mission Creek Navigation Noodle: Navigation noodle at Mission Creek Preserve to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday checkout. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Apr 30 Sun Hundred Peaks

O: Josephine Peak (5558') – Come join us for a pleasant outing to a mile high peak in the front range of the San Gabriel Mountains. No peak in the Angeles National Forest west of Josephine is taller. There was a fire lookout located at the summit from 1937 until it burned down in 1976. Josephine Peak is a simple out and back trek using the remote and scenic Colby Canyon trail and finishing with a short bit of fire road. The views from the summit offer great sight-lines into the interior of the San Gabriel Mountains, the L.A. basin, south to Catalina Island, and to the east, nearby Strawberry, Lawlor, and beyond. Total trip distance is about 8 miles with an elevation gain of around 1900'. Bring 2-3 liters of water, sun hat, sun block, food, snacks, layers of clothing and hiking shoes. This moderate paced hike is geared towards those who want to increase their awareness of our San Gabriel Mountains and to add a Hundred Peaks Section (HPS) summit to their accomplishments! Please contact the Leader for details. *Leader: JEFF BUCHHOLZ, Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON*

May 9 Tue Hundred Peaks

HPS Management Committee Meeting - All are welcome to attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming activities. All are welcome to join us and opportunities to become involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm via conference call. To receive access information to join in on the conference call, to have items added to the agenda, or to volunteer, please contact the HPS Chair: *COBY KING*

May 20 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: 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 the past. 4 mi, 500' gain. Send sase, phones, rideshare info, \$25 deposit, refunded at trailhead (Sierra Club) to *Leader: DIANE DUNBAR. Co-Leader: RICHARD BOARDMAN*

May 28 – 29 Sun – Mon Hundred Peaks

I: THE BIG THREE - McKinley Mountain (6200'), San Rafael Mountain

(6593'), Santa Cruz Peak (5570'): Very strenuous, moderately paced backpack in central Santa Barbara County. This is a very remote area known for its beautiful wildflowers. This "exciting" and "fun" backpack mostly follows dirt roads and potentially overgrown use trails, but the off-trail excursions promise to be the most interesting. Following a 7.5-mile hike from the trailhead, drop overnight gear at McKinley Spring Camp, whose spring will provide water for the rest of the outing. This event satisfies WTC experience trip requirements. Two-day totals: 34 miles, 8800' gain. Participants will be provided with details within a few days of the outing. This HPS Outing is co-sponsored by WTC. Email leader with recent conditioning, experience, city, and phone. *Leader: MIKE DILLENBACK Co-leaders: BILL SIMPSON, DAVE ENDRES*

Jun 3 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Mt. Pinos Navigation Noodle: Navigation Noodle in Los Padres National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Saturday is a practice day; Sunday is for checkoff or additional practice. Send email with contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Jun 4 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Mt. Pinos Navigation Noodle: Navigation Noodle in Los Padres National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Saturday is a practice day; Sunday is for checkoff or additional practice. Send email with contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Jun 14 Wed OC/Sierra Sage, Hundred Peaks

O: Bighorn Peak (8440') - Join us for a 10 mi, 3600' gain hike in the San Gabriel Mtns along an inviting creek, past private cabins and through beautiful forests to Ice House Saddle and on up to Bighorn Peak, on the 100 peaks list. Meet 7:15 am at the Tustin Rideshare (one block South of I-5 on Redhill in the portion of the parking lot at the Stater Bros strip mall that extends behind the Union 76 gas station). Bring 2+ liters water, lunch/snacks, hiking boots/ lugsoles, poles. This Orange County/Sierra Sage outing is co-sponsored by HPS. *Leader: LINDA LEDGER. Asst Leader: AUDREY TOMOVICH*

Jul 1 – 3 Sat – Mon Hundred Peaks

I: TRAIL MAINTENANCE AND HIKE TO BIG FOUR: Samon Peak (6227'), Big Pine Mountain (6800'), West Big Pine (6490'), Madulce Peak (6536') - Three-day, two-night car-camp trip in Santa Barbara County. Big Pine Mountain is

the high point of Santa Barbara County. We will mix together two days of hiking with one day of trail maintenance with the assistance of a representative of the Los Padres Forest Association (LPFA), which for 36 years has worked to support the mission of the Los Padres National Forest. Trail maintenance will be done on the Madulce Peak Trail. This will be the fourth consecutive year that the HPS has provided trail maintenance under the LPFA's Adopt-a-Trail program. Hiking will be mostly on road and use trail, but there will be some steep cross-country as well. High-clearance 4X4 vehicles preferred. Total hike statistics: about 17 miles and around 4000' gain. Contact leader for details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK*

Jul 11 Tue Hundred Peaks

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Jul 24 – 30 Mon – Sun WAS, Hundred Peaks

O: Yosemite Nat'l Park Backpack Trip on the Pacific Crest Trail/John Muir Trail from Mosquito Flat to Tuolumne Meadows - We will begin this trip at the Mosquito Flat Trailhead (10,255'), go over Mono Pass (12,040'), hike along Mono Creek, connect with the Pacific Crest Trail/John Muir Trail, go over Silver Pass (10,748'), hike through the Ansel Adams Wilderness and Agnew Meadows, go over Donohue Pass (11,073'), enter Yosemite, hike through Lyell Canyon, and end in Tuolumne Meadows (8,600'). This trip covers PCT miles 880-942. We will stay at Red's Meadow Campground half way through the trip, take side trips to Devils Postpile Nat'l Monument and Rainbow Falls, and enjoy hot showers. Strenuous, but moderately paced, 7 days, 77 miles, one-way. Typical day has 2500'-3000' gain and loss. Group size limited; sign-up early. Participants will share in expense of wilderness permit. Car shuttle set up at beginning of the trip. Send email with cell phone, city, recent conditioning and backpack experience to jeannstar@sbcglobal.net This Wilderness Adventures Section Outing is co-sponsored by HPS. *Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF, Co-leaders: MARY FORGIONE and JEFFERY TAYLOR*

Jul 29 Sat Hundred Peaks

2017 Waterman Rendezvous - Join us for our annual rendezvous on the summit of Waterman Mountain, one of the most beautiful peaks in the San Gabriel Mountains. Check the HPS Schedule of Activities for specific hikes to be offered and sign up for the one you're interested in directly with that outing's leaders. For more information, contact *Mike Dillenback* (dillyhouse@earthlink.net) or *Aimee Shocket* (aimeehps17@gmail.com)

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HPS ANNUAL SPRING FLING

THIS YEAR THE HENDERSON PEAK SECTION WILL BE HOLDING ITS
 ANNUAL SPRING FLING AT ANZA-BORREGO STATE PARK OVER THE WEEKEND
 OF APRIL 8-9TH, 2017.

WE'VE REGISTERED TWO GROUPS CAMPOUT FOR SATURDAY NIGHT (April 8th)
 AT BORREGO PALM CAMPGROUND. THE CAMPGROUND IS A VERY NICE FACILITY
 WITH A SHOWER, WASH, FIRE RING, TRASH, RECYCLING, WATER, AND DRYER.
 FOR THOSE WHO PREFER NOT TO CAMP OUT, THERE ARE FEW RESORT LODGING
 CHOICES IN THE NEARBY COMMUNITY OF BORREGO SPRING.

AFTER ENJOYING THE DAY SAVING BEACH BY ONE OF THE SEVERAL BEACHES
 THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE, SATURDAY NIGHT WE'LL ALL MEET UP AT THE
 BORREGO PALM CAMPGROUND TO CELEBRATE WITH A BIG POPLOCK HAPPY HOUR.
 THERE WILL BE A LARGE OPPORTUNITY TO SOCIALIZE AND HAVE FUN AROUND A
 BEACHSIDE CAMPFIRE WITH OLD AND NEW FRIENDS. WANTING TO BE CAMPING
 BUT NOT CAMPING IN TENTS, EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ALL ARE ENCOURAGED
 TO ATTEND.

IF YOU'RE PLACING AN CAMPING RESERVATION, HPS REQUESTS A FEE OF \$5
 PER PERSON (\$10 PER FAMILY) WITH EACH NIGHT YOU'LL BE CAMPING OUT.
 BE SURE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS IN ADVANCE AS SPACES ARE LIMITED.

FOR QUESTIONS, CAMPING RESERVATIONS, DAY USE RESERVATIONS,
 POPLOCK SUGGESTIONS, AND CAMPGROUND INFORMATION, CONTACT THE
 HPS PROGRAM: TRAVELER SERVICE,
 MAX KILLBERRY, AT MKILLBERRY@SIERRACLUB.COM

ALTHOUGH THERE ARE ONLY A COUPLE OF HIKES SCHEDULED AT THE TIME OF
 THE FLINGING, AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE EVENT MORE ACTIVITIES WILL BE ADDED.
 SO MAKE SURE TO CHECK FOR NEWLY ADDED ACTIVITIES AT THE EVENT DATE
 APPROACHES. FIND ALL OF OUR UPDATES ON THE HPS WEBSITE AT
HPS.SIERRACLUB.COM/ACTIVITIES

ONCE YOU'VE FOUND THE IDEAL YOU'VE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING,
 PLEASE CONTACT THE RESPECTIVE OUTING LEADERS DIRECTLY FOR SPECIFIC DETAILS.

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Please make your check out to "Henderson Peak Section"

New T-Shirts are now available

Cotton t-shirts in light blue or sand color with HPS logo on front
 Size S \$18 plus \$1.00 postage
 Sizes M, L, and XL \$19

But we are offering a special "HPS Anniversary" sale price of \$14
 Please include \$1.50 each for postage

New Bandanas are now available

Polyester 22" x 22" bandanas with HPS logo
 Color: light blue, pink or silver grey \$4

But we are offering a special "HPS Anniversary" sale price of \$3
 Please include \$1.00 each for postage

HPS Achievement Patches

HPS logo patches embroidered with "100 Peaks", "200 Peaks",
 "Last Fench 40", "Last Fench 42", "Last 100", "Last 200"
 \$5.00 each, include 4" S&S envelope

HPS Metallic Pins

"Endless 100 Peaks" \$19 "200 Peak Bar" \$5.00
 "Last Completion" \$7.00 "October Fench" \$5.00
 Pins are standard size 5/16" and 1/2" and are not for sale





(LtoR) Dave Comerzan, Edith Lui, Martin Parsons.

Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet



Wayne Bannister 2016 HPS Chair, Guest Speaker Pamela Zoolalian and Mat Keliher, Programs Chair.



Jason Park, Ignacia Doggett and Greg DeHough.



Ken Snyder with Laura Newman, HPS Treasurer.

January 14, 2017
The Monrovia Restaurant
534 South Myrtle Avenue
Monrovia, California



Chris Spasik, Lillie Fukui, Virgil Popescu



Mark Chernausek with Aimee Shocket; Jimmy Quan



Mary Ann Lower and her daughter Julie Vogel with Joe Young. Mary Ann and her husband Joe Vogel were very active in HPS in the 1970's.



Jim Fleming Past HPS Chair, Ignacia Doggett Elections Chair and Sandy Burnside Past HPS Treasurer



Stag Brown, Lynda Armbruster, Tom Armbruster, Past HPS Chair



Steve Lyons at the Banquet Table with Tonya Roton and Mat Keliher, Programs Chair.

2017 Hundred Peaks Section Awards Banquet



Tonya Roton was awarded a Special Service Award for her work as Nominations Chair.



Virginia Simpson and Jimmy Quan share the moment with their individual trophies. **Virginia Simpson** was awarded the Bill T. Russel Award.

Jimmy Quan received The Jim Backus Award and 200 Peaks Leadership Emblem #28 on Mayan Peak 5/4/16.



Chris Spisak and Lillie Fukui receive Special Service Awards as Past Lookout Newsletter Editors.



Sam Fink Service Award Winners, past and present. 2017 R.S.Fink Service Award Winner Ignacia Doggett, (third from right) is accompanied by, (Right to Left) Bill Simpson, Tom Armbruster, Dave Comerzan, Pat Arredondo, Jim Fleming, Stag Brown, Bobcat Thompson, Peter Doggett and Joe Young.



Attending the Banquet: Sharon Heckler and Fari Carden

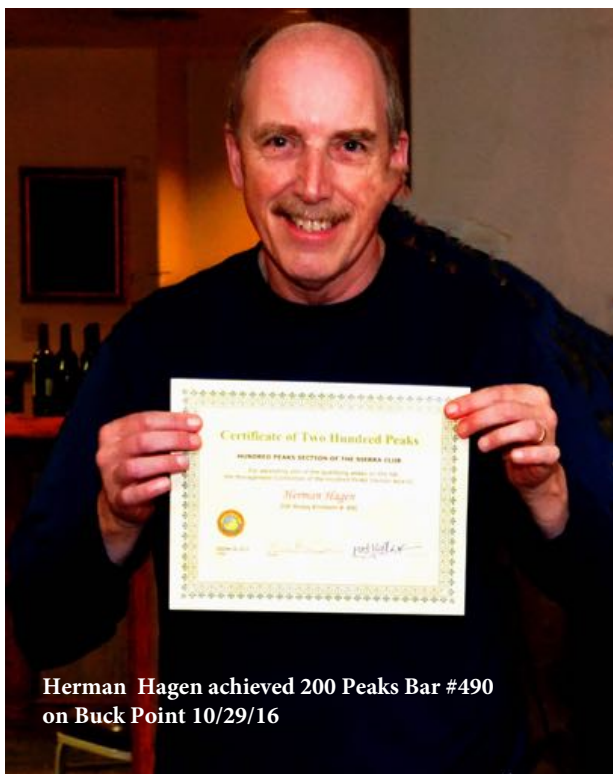


Ted Lubeshkoff, Past HPS Chair. Jerry Grenard, Brenda Grenard, Paul Maurin.



Winnette Butler and James Carden

2017 Hundred Peaks Section Awards Banquet



Herman Hagen achieved 200 Peaks Bar #490 on Buck Point 10/29/16



Jason Park Achieved 200 Peaks Bar #483 on Santa Rosa Mountain 4/30/16. He earned his First List Completion #312 on San Sevaine 4/30/16.



Above: George White, Jr. receives his 200 Peaks Bar #489 on Sorrel Peak., 10/26/16



Lawrence Lee achieves First Completion of List #308 on Malduce Peak 6/25/16. Pathfinder, 100 Peaks #58 on Bertha Peak 10/5/16



Illwoo Suh achieves First Completion of List #315 on Monrovia Peak 11/6/16

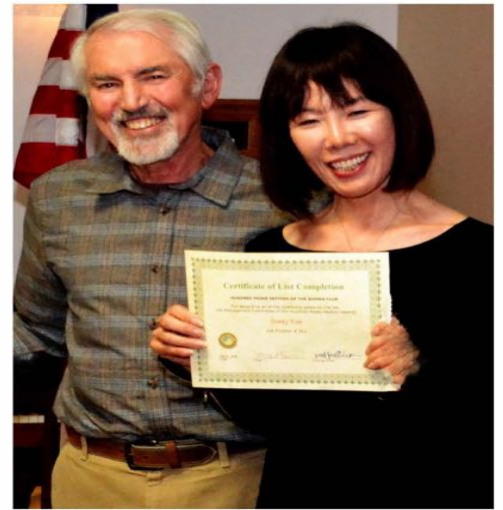
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Jjinoak Chung achieved First Completion of the List #309 on Madulce Peak 7/3/16



Jerry Grenard earned 100 Peaks Emblem on Vetter Mountain (LO) 12/3/16



Sunny Kim First List Completion #311 on San Sevaine 7/31/16. 200 Peaks Bar on Cahuilla Mountain 5/1/16



Young Lee 100 Peaks Emblem #1177 on White Mountain #1. 6/19/16.



Susan Kang First List Completion #310 on Goodykoontz Pk. 8/23/16. Erlier, she earned a 200 Peaks Bar #486 on Cuyama Pk. 3/9/16.

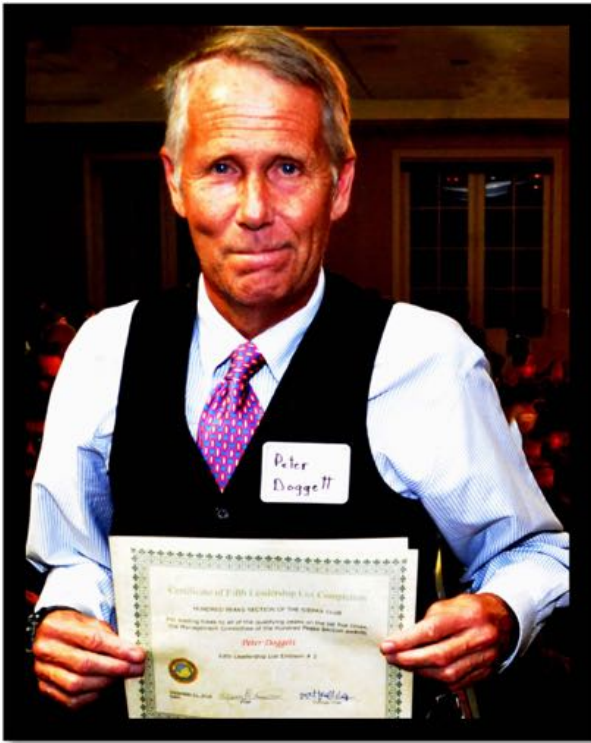


Patrick Vaughn, achieved Third List Finish#34 on Tahquitz Peak (LO) 6/10/16



Honorable Mention: Abby King, Coby's Daughter, made the cake again this year for the Banquet!

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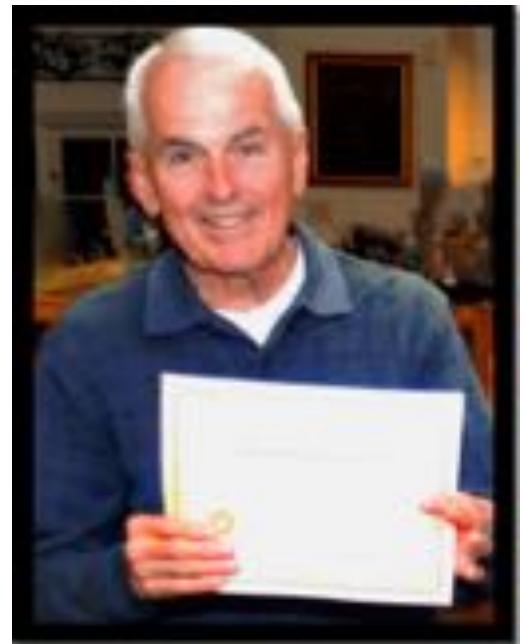
Peter Doggett achieved his Fifth Leadership Completion of the List #2 on Lost Horse Mountain, 2/11/16. He achieved his Fourth Leadership of the List Completion, #3 on San Rafael Mountain, 5/11/16. He achieved his Thirteenth List Completion #2 on White Mountain #2 on 10/23/16.



William, "Bill" Simpson achieved his Fourth Leadership List Completion on Pacifico Mtn. 10/29/16. His Eighth List Completion #7 was on Liebre Mountain 11/30/16. Bill hiked his Three Thousandth Peak #2 on Slide 10/8/16. He achieved an Explorer 200 Peaks #3 on Godykoontz Peak 7/27/16



Ignacia Doggett achieved Fourth Leadership of the List on Dawson Peak, 6/25/16. She achieved her Sixth List Completion on Mount Deception 8/10/2016 and a Pathfinder Emblem, 200 Peaks #19, on Mineral Mountain 12/12/2015



David Comerzan achieved his Fifth List Completion on Cobblestone Mountain 5/10/2016



Wild Horse Peak

2-25-17

By Dave Comerzan



This was a scheduled hike of this Lower Peak. My co-leader was Pat Arredondo. Joining us was John Radalj, Winnette Butler, Ellen Grau, Ron Grau, Jay Dolan, Tanya Roton and Kathy Rich. We did the Primary Route starting at Dripping Springs Campground just east of Temecula on Route 79. Parking in the Day Use area, which is at the start of the campground, is \$5 (free with a Golden Age pass). There is room for about 30-40 cars. There is a small area which is free, but only room for about 4-5 cars. If you want to save ½ mile of hiking, you can park in a campsite. Cost is \$15 (\$7.50 with Golden Age pass). We started at the Day Use area, walked through the campground to the start of the trail. We signed the register and began the hike.

Almost immediately, you have to cross a stream. This was my 9th time hiking from Dripping Springs and it was the first time I saw water in the stream. It wasn't very high and easy to cross. In a short distance, you come to a junction. The trail to the left (east) goes to Wild Horse and Crosley Saddle. For Aqua Tiba, go straight at this junction. We hiked for 5 miles on the trail. The trail is in excellent condition. There was one down tree but it was easy to go under. There is some gain on the trail, but it is hardly noticed.

At the 5 mile mark, we left the trail. We were following a trail that Greg Gerlock had done. There was a large rock on the right side of the trail and a duck marking the starting point of a ridge. There is a gully at this point. In the past, I have started in the gully, then immediately went up to a ridge on the left (southwest) side of the gully. Greg's route went up the right side of the gully. There was a good use trail that took us up the ridge to the base of the Triplet Rocks. We went in front of the Triplet Rocks and continued to follow a use trail through the brush. Unfortunately, we got off the use trail, to the south of Greg's trail and ended up in a bunch of brush. We managed to push our way about 2/10th of a mile to a ridge that led to the summit. On the way down, we went due east from the summit, down a ridge and over to the Triplet Rocks then down the ridge to the trail. It was much more open this way. Once back on the trail, we hiked back to the campground and our cars.

UPCOMING EVENTS

IN THE LOS PADRES FOREST

February 25-26: UTMG Coastal Sawyer Training, MPRD

March 1: Hiking Santa Barbara's Wilderness Trails, with James Wapovich

March 17-19: VWA LPFA Data Trail Project, Silver Peak Wilderness

March 18-19: LPFA Trail Project, TBA

March 25: LPFA Backpacking Basics Class

March 25-26: LPFA Hi Valley Trails Project, San Luis Obispo Backcountry

April 15-23: LPFA Lower Sierras Working Vacation

April 22: Wheeler George Open House

May 2017: LPFA Madroño Working Vacation, dates TBD

June 2017: LPFA Santa Cruz Trail Project

June 3-4: National Trails Day, Matias Potrero Trail, South Lake Tahoe



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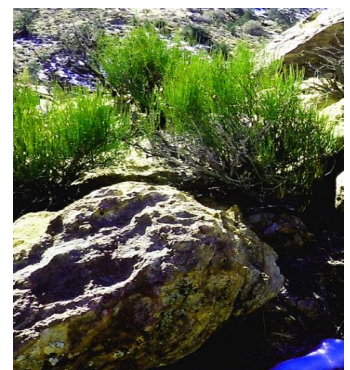


Photo: Mark.S. Allen

Milestones



Jinoak Chung led Big Cahuilla for his first Sierra Club hike on 1-8-17. Joining him were, L-R, Wayne Bannister, Youngok Lee, Nancy Jones, Susan Kang, Naresh Satyan, David Hahn, William Chen, Jackson Hsu, Peter & Ignacia Doggett, Mari Sakai, Gigi & Joe Harvey, Jerry Grenard. Photo by Jinoak Chung.



Jerry Grenard's I-Provisional Day hike to Minerva Hoyt and Quail Mtn., Sunday 2/19/2017. Standing from left to right, Coby King, Ben Grenard, Ted Lubeshkoff, Jeff Taylor, Alessandra Amadeo, Bill Simpson, (Jerry's Evaluator) and Wayne Bannister. Front row: Jin Oak Chung, Mike Manning, Jerry Grenard, Mari Sakai, Paul Maurin, Mary Varalyay; Jimmy Quan.



Naresh Satyan gained his 100th HPS peak climbing Mt Inspiration in true explorer spirit, via beautiful canyons and rugged ridges from Palm Springs. L-R: standing are Jinoak Chung, Lawrence Lee, Ignacia & Peter Doggett, Jason Park, Sunny Yi; sitting are Susan Kang, Nancy Jones, Naresh, Mary Varalyay, Jackson Hsu



Aimee Shocket's Provisional Hike, Mt. Lukens 2/25/17 Leader: Aimee Shocket, Co-leader/evaluator: Mike Dillenback. Participants: Rory Abbott, Raully Gomez, Eric Granlund, Emily Leach, Ryan Lynch, Andrew Manalo, Glenn Mathisen, Fiona McGinty, Lori Milligan, Sharon Moore, Dannelle-Mimi Phan, Mari Sakai (not pictured), Susan Stahl Charlene Gloudeman, Peter Johnston, Luke Golladay



Sunny Yi led her first Sierra Club hike on 2-4-17 to Mt Lukens via the Dunsmore Canyon Trail. Enjoying a great hike were, L-R, Susan Kang, Eric Chu, Ignacia & Peter Doggett, William Chen, Louie Hoffmann, Kimberley Christian, Sunny, Jesse Yi, Sunny's brother-in-law, Ted Lubeshkoff, Sunny's sister, Nancy Jones, Mary Varalyay, Jason Park



Photo: Andrew Manalo

Mt. Lukens

by Aimee Shocket

2-25-17

The day started out a bit chilly but once all of our participants arrived at the Deukmejian Wilderness Park Trail-head, we started to warm things up. We headed out via the beautiful Vineyard Trail. After crossing a trickling creek we hiked up through the sagebrush and yerba santa to join with the Crescenta View Trail. After a few hundred feet up, we took a rest to look back at our progress and take in the scenery, it was a beautiful clear day with views all the way around. Onwards and upwards we hiked until we arrived upon the crescent shaped rock wall at the halfway (up) point. There is a wooden box that says "the mountains are calling", fitting words for the days activity. As we hiked up a bit further we happened upon a cement block that reads "Pickens Spur". From this point we could see several other HPS peaks in the distance and decided to point them out to our various participants. Josephine, Strawberry, Lawlor, Disappointment, San Gabriel, Wilson and Baldy were some of the few prominent peaks we could identify. The Wilderness travel course students had a lot of fun with this as it helped put their newly learned skills to good use. After this we headed up the trail just a bit further to the Haines fire road junction. From this point you could see a wide unobstructed view of the Angeles Forest and back range of the San Gabriel mountains. What a beautiful day! As we made our way just a bit further up the road we could see the top of the mountain with it's various antennas on the top. Just as we were arriving we took a sharp right at the first sign of the trees and followed a small use trail back towards the east to find the summit register. There it was, a benchmark naming 'Sister Elsie Peak' and the register right in front of it. After signing the register we headed out to the western edge of the peak for lunch and beautiful views of the expan-sive San Fernando Valley and Santa Monica mountain range.



Photo: Andrew Manalo

I do have to give a big shout out to my good friend Ryan Lynch who carried up 2 boxes of frozen Capri-Sun fruit drinks and a large bag of gummy bears for our amazing participants to indulge in at lunch. Sometimes weight training pays off for others around! After a brief history lesson about the mountain and surrounding areas we gathered up for our summit photo and then packed up to start our descent. The fire road down Haines Canyon to the west is truly beautiful and a different scene from which we hiked up. There are shaded switchbacks that wind through sumac trees and lots of spanish broom waiting to bloom. There numerous small trails leading off the main path as well. Once we came to our next trail junction we took a look back at our peak and then headed down onto the Rim Of The Valley trail.

This is my favorite part of the hike. With it's green grasses and newly budding flowers from the recent rains, we wound down into Cooks canyon, down the wooden steps near a lightly trickling waterfall with ferns, crossed the flowing creek bed and headed back up over the small hill to pop out on the other side at Dunsmore canyon. We were finally back to where we all began. With my amazing and strong co-leader Mike Dillenback, we all safely conquered Mount Lukens and my O-provisional hike was completed. I couldn't have asked for a more perfect day.



Leader: Aimee Shocket (HPS/WTC WLA), Co-leader/evaluator: Mike Dillenback (HPS/WTC LB). Participants: Rory Abbott (WTC WLA group 4 Student), Raully Gomez, Eric Granlund, Emily Leach, Ryan Lynch, Andrew Manalo, Glenn Mathisen (WTC WLA group 4 Student), Fiona McGinty, Lori Milligan, Sharon Moore, Dannelle-Mimi Phan, Mari Sakai (not pictured), Susan Stahl (WTC WLA group 4 Student), Charlene Gloudeman, Peter Johnston, Luke Golladay. (V54 N2 Page 25)

Summits

Photo: Eric Chu



Little Berdoo Peak- January 11, 2017, Michael Manning, Jimmy Quan, Bill Simpson, May Tang and Jim Hagar on the summit. Joshua Tree National Park.



Josephine Peak- January 25, 2017. Jim Hagar, Bill and Virginia Simpson, Mary Varalyay, May Tang, Aimee Shocket, Ryan Lynch, Jimmy Quan and yle.



< **Meeks Mountain-**

Jimmy Quan, May Tang, Mary Varalyay, Mike Dillenback, Virginia Simpson, Sridhar Gullapalli and sitting is John Tevelein. On top of in the Bighorn Mountain Wilderness on February 1, 2017. Photo courtesy of Jimmy Quan.

Hear Bar Peak. Right> (L-R) Bob Stuard, Virginia Simpson, Melani Pipo, Edie Jaranilla, Tom Connery and Jeff Buchholz. Photo Bill Simpson. 2/4/17.



Above
Rosa Point (12 miles round trip; 5500' elevation gain) in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Leaders: Mike Dillenback, Jim Hagar, May Tang & Bill Simpson. Participants: Mary Varalyay, John Tevelein, Ryan Lynch, Andrew Manalo & Shurovi Masud. Photo credit: Shurovi Masud (Rosa Point, Wednesday, February 22)

Recollections

by Jack Bascom

In the pre-war years, I served on the Schedule Committee of the Southern California Chapter. My duty was to write up the Sunday day hikes for the Schedule. In those days there were no leadership training courses and the suitability of leaders was at my discretion. In general, leaders were required to be members of the Sierra Club, show a willingness to lead, be mentally sound, physically fit and morally straight. The last item was important as the leader had to account for all the nickels he had collected as trail fees. When a leader failed to show up for a hike, I would often substitute.

In November 1940 our committee received a letter from Weldon Heald describing a hike he had made from Buckhorn to Pleasant View Ridge. A recent extension of the Angeles Crest Highway had made this day hike possible. In his letter Weldon said "I believe it is new to the Club and is of such a high order that I am very enthusiastic about it." He followed with a detailed description of the hike including the view "from Cuyamaca Peak to Mt Whitney and from San Clemente Island to Telescope Peak, one of the finest views in Southern California." I was given the letter and was expected to follow up. I found that he was unlisted in the directory and the only address he had given was "Los Arboles, Rubio Canyon, Altadena."

I found that there were many trees in Rubio Canyon. I was about to give up looking for him when it occurred to me that since there was another Heald in the phone book, he might be a relative. I called him. He was not related but had gotten mail by mistake and was able to direct me to Weldon's home. I dropped in on him on a Sunday morning and he was surprised when I showed him his letter. In a few minutes, I was convinced that he conformed to the necessary requirements for a leader and then I began to persuade him to lead the hike. He protested saying that not only had he never led a hike, but he had never gone on a day hike. I explained to him that since he was the only one that had scouted the trip, he was better able to lead it than anyone else. He finally agreed and we settled on a date, June 29, 1941. I recall that later, I was complimenting myself on getting his assent to lead the hike, when it occurred to me that I had forgotten to ask him if he was a member of the Club!

The next time I saw him was the day of the hike. He did an excellent job of leading and the day was so clear that we did see Mt. Whitney. On the return hike to the cars, Weldon divulged to me an idea he had. He had compiled a list of 112 peaks over 5000' elevation between the Tehachapis' and the Mexican border. This list he had gotten from Topo, Forest Service and Auto Club maps. It was his intention to climb 100 of these peaks. He asked me what I thought of as his idea. It took me a few minutes to respond. At first I thought it was another labor for Hercules. If he wanted to make the Book of Records I could suggest an easier way.



Someone had just pushed a peanut with his nose up Pikes Peak. That seemed easier. However, since he had done a great job of leading I had to be careful with my reply. Suddenly, I got an idea. I wanted to go back to Iron Mountain and see what the top looked like in daylight. It was difficult to find anyone to go with. The people I had climbed it with four years earlier on a 17 hour Club hike turned pale and sick when I mentioned another hike to Iron Mountain. If I could get Weldon to go with me, and we found a better route, we could make it by daylight. How much persuasion would it take? I asked him if he wanted to include Iron Mountain on his list. He said he was eager to climb it if he could find someone to accompany him. We agreed on a date for the hike. Then, I told him his "Hundred Peaks List" was a great idea. That made him happy. After climbing Hot Springs Mountain in March 1940, he found that he had climbed 50 peaks and decided to go for 100. When we climbed Iron Mountain in November 1941, it was his 65th peak and I had collected 38.

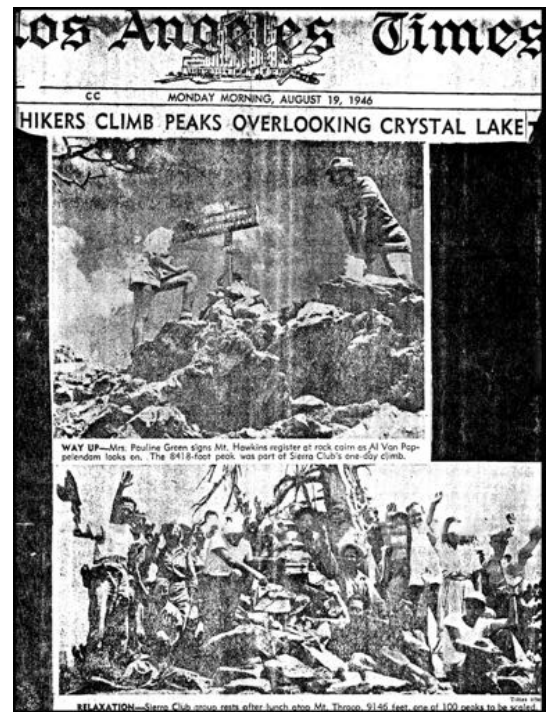
Weldon was an interesting person to hike with. He was a graduate of MIT with a degree in architecture but was more interested in writing about the outdoors. He wrote extensively for Westways and Sunset magazines and was the author of several guides including a "Guide to California". He was a Vice-President of the American Alpine Club and a Director of the Sierra Club.

I accompanied him on many of his peak bagging hikes and together we revised the lists, adding new peaks as we found them. I recall a hike previously climbed, and I went over Throop Peak to Mt. Lewis. At an agreed upon time, I flashed sunlight by a mirror to him. Weldon failed to see it, but being a prolific writer, he wrote about it in the Williamson register and for years after I heard from others about our experiment. As I crossed the saddle between Mt. Lewis and Throop Peak. I recall thinking, "What a nice secluded place to build a hideaway cabin." It was well that I didn't carry out such plans as The Angeles Crest Highway now goes through Dawson Saddle.

On another hike we went to Thomas Mountain, where I managed to bring home a wood tick. That evening while driving down Colorado Street in Pasadena, my arm became paralyzed. I drove to the Emergency Hospital where the doctor used some chloroform and removed the tick.

Worried as to whether I had enough money to pay for the operation I inquired, "How much?" The doctor replied, "No charge." Those were the days.

A war interrupted our peak bagging, but in 1946 we continued. Others had become interested and the "idea" had become a game. The first 100 Peaks scheduled hike was made on March 10, 1946 to Iron No. 3 and Rabbit Peak. I was the Leader and Parker Severson was the assistant we made it up Icehouse Canyon. I had previously climbed Ontario Peak, but Cucamonga Peak was new to me. Since Weldon had made Cucamonga but not Ontario, we parted at the saddle and went for our different goals. I noted a distinct peak east of Cucamonga Peak that was shown on the topo map as 8701'. I suggested to Weldon that we add it to the list. He said, "What shall we call it?" I said, "If Ontario Peak is north of Ontario and Cucamonga Peak is north of Cucamonga, what do you say we call 8701' 'Etiwanda Peak' as it is north of Etiwanda?" So that is how it got that name. On another hike we climbed Mt. Emma. That evening Weldon called to say that he had checked the latest topo map and that Mt. Emma was shown to be a higher point about a mile south of the one we had climbed. The mountain we had climbed was called "Emma" on older maps, so he said "What do you say we call it "Old Mt. Emma'?" When it came to giving names to peaks, we were drunk with power. No one else was interested.



Later, another 100 Peaks scheduled hike was made to Throop Peak. On this hike, a reporter and photographer came along from the Los Angeles Times and we gained much publicity. We could say, "Without a newsletter, we just put our write-ups on the front page of the Times!"

In June 1946, Weldon completed the 100 peaks and I was privileged to accompany him. We drove from Lockwood Valley on a one-way dirt road to a high point near Mt. Pines, then hiked over Mt. Pines and Sawmill Mountain to Grouse Mountain. To record my congratulations a time exposure picture was taken. The first climbing of 100 peaks had been accomplished.



Jack Bascom and Weldon F. Heald shake hands on Grouse.

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