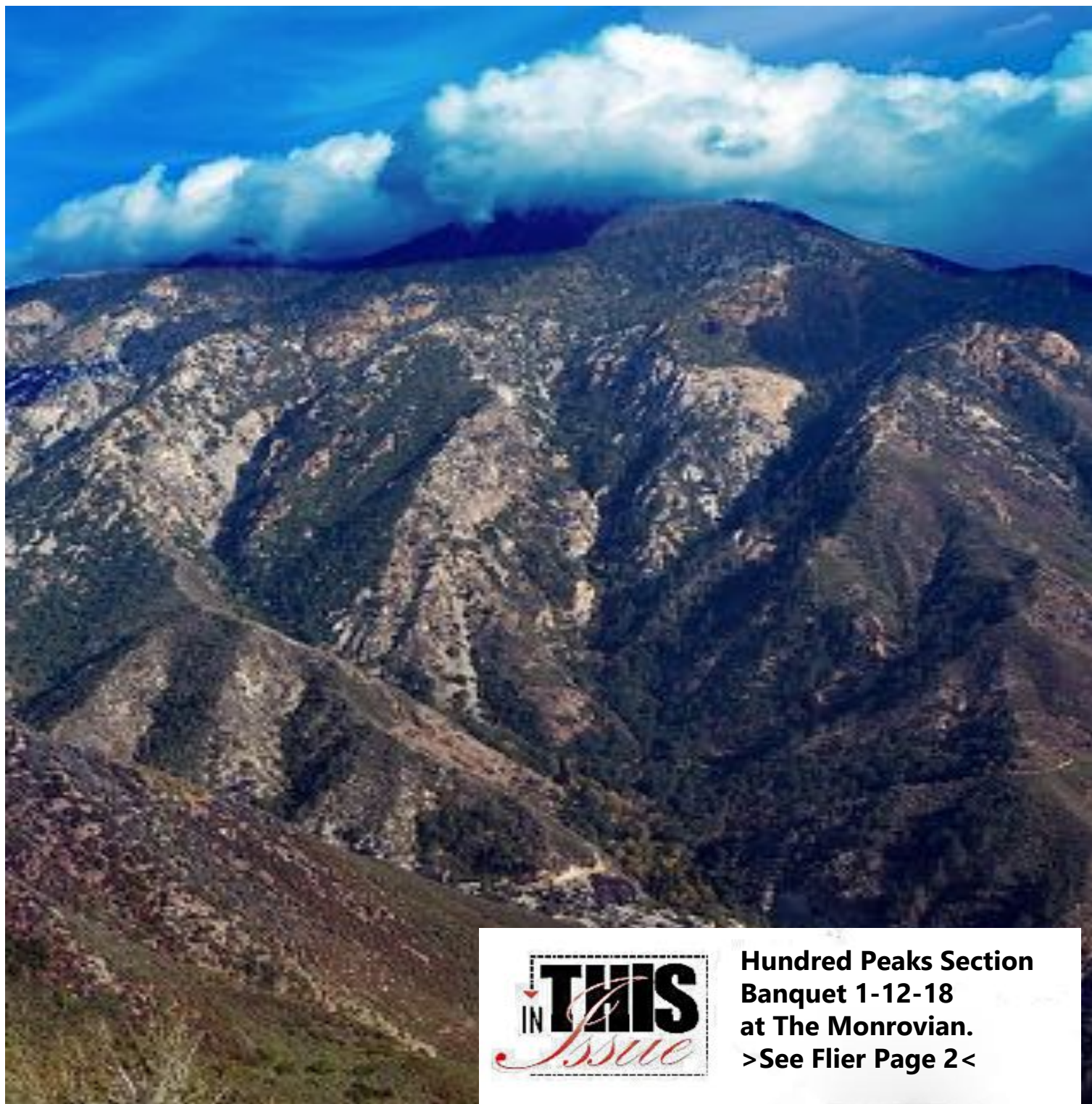


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<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-hps-annual-awards-banquet-tickets-51994156923>

Letter from the Chair – January 2019

Hello everyone, and Happy New Year!

The Hundred Peaks Section had a fabulous 2018, and your Management Committee is looking forward to building on our success in 2019. Here are a few highlights:

We saw a great number of official hikes in 2018, and some new leaders are stepping up to supplement the many dozens of hikes led by our stalwarts. As I've said numerous times, our hike leaders are the backbone of the Section. They are truly HPS's MVPs, and I salute the time and effort they put into training, planning, and leading hikes to our beautiful and often challenging mountains.

We are lucky to have a great Lookout editor in HPS MComm Secretary Mark S. Allen. The work he puts into the Lookout is evident in every issue.

Our transition to electronic voting passed its first test. While there were a couple of minor hiccups, I believe the system worked generally smoothly and I look forward to seeing it in action again in 2019. As I've pointed out previously, the transition follows the other climbing sections and is saving Section resources and allows us to become even more environmentally-friendly.

Speaking of elections, congratulations to William Chen, our newest member of MComm, who replaced Michael McCarthy who himself served for many years with distinction as our Membership Chair and introduced many innovations to the Section's Membership functions.

Reelected to MComm in the most recent election were Mike Dillenback, Aimee Shocket, and Mark S. Allen. Along with William, they join George Christiansen, Jim Hagar and myself to constitute the 7-person Management Committee for 2019. I look forward to another production year.

Speaking of Mike D. and Aimee, congratulations to them on organizing a fantastic set of Programs in 2018, including the reconstituted Oktoberfest. The amount of thought and work that goes into these programs is quite substantial, and both Mike and Aimee deserve our heart-felt congratulations for their efforts.

The 2019 Program year kicks off with the Annual Banquet, to be held again at the Monrovia Restaurant on Saturday, January 12th. In addition to the usual good cheer, good food, and seeing friends old and new, we have a fine program and another great set of Silent Auction items. Here is a link to the [Eventbrite](#) page where you can pay and register.

It's been an incredible honor to serve as MComm chair for the third year. Of course, serving with a great group of people has made my job easier and more rewarding. On to a great 2019 and I hope to see you at the Banquet!

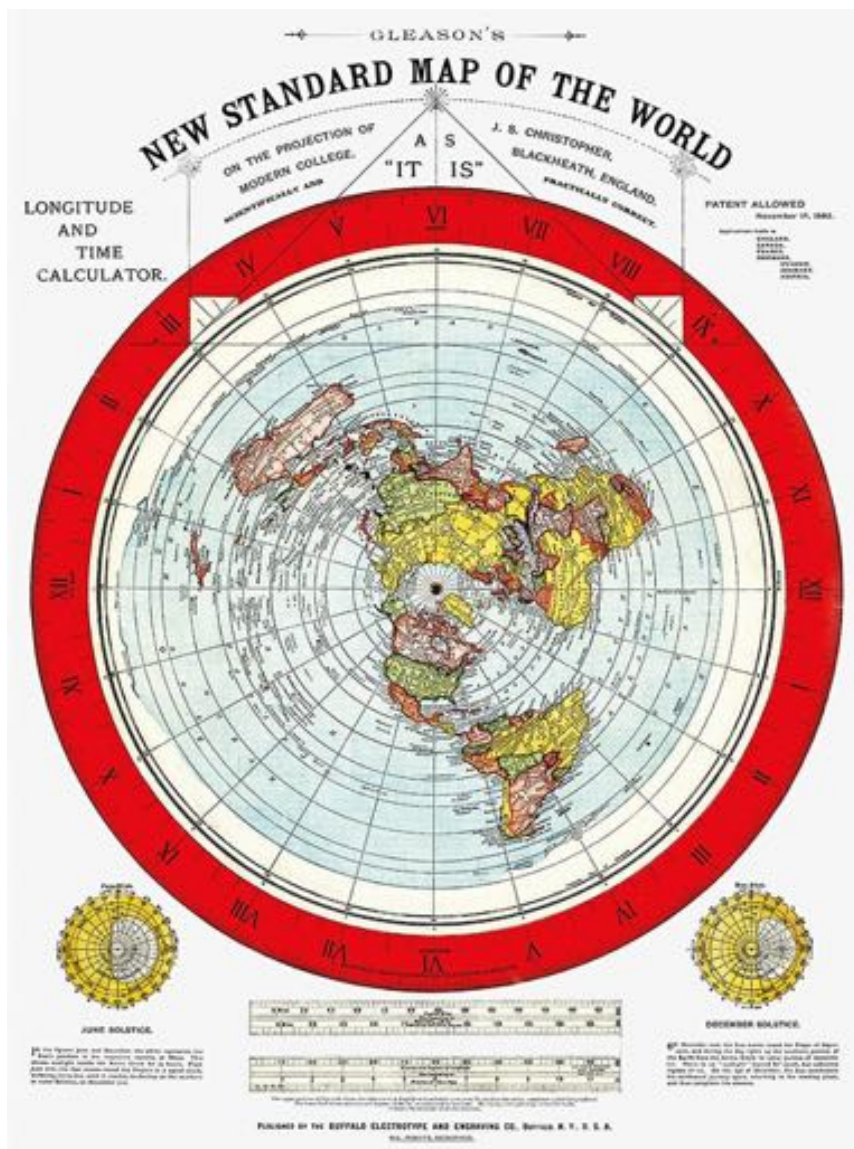
Happy Trails,

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# THE NAVIGATION CORNER: TRUTH IN MAPPING

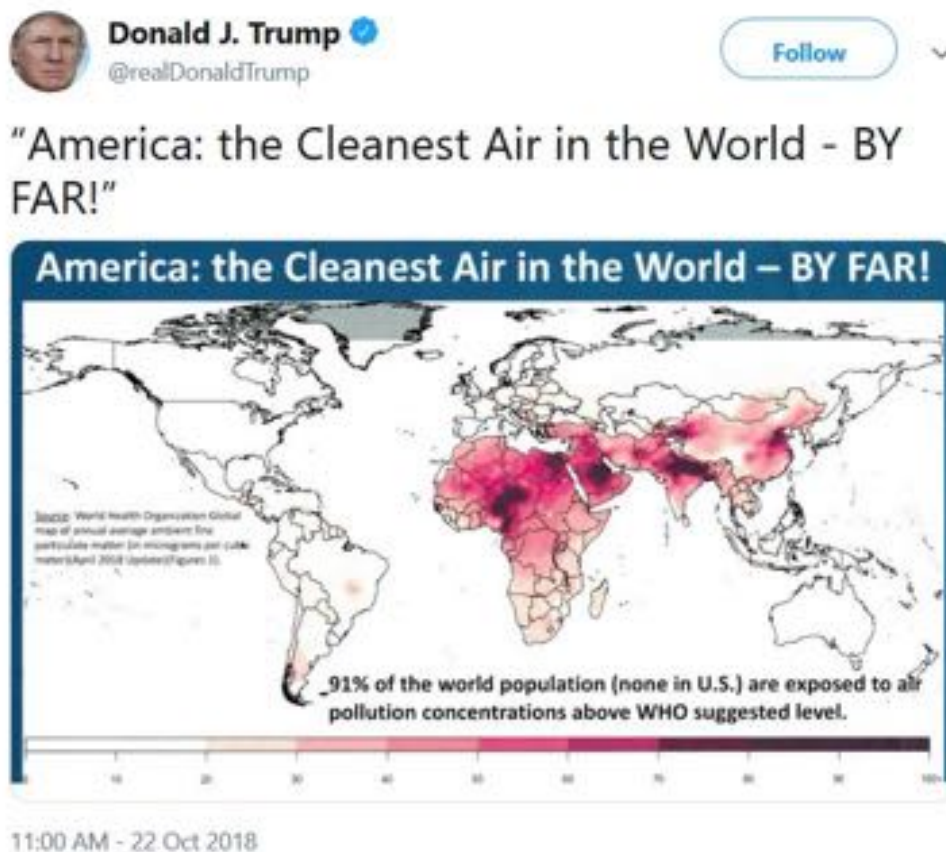
By Bob Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

During our Warren Point Navigation Noodle in December, one of our examiners gave me Gleason's New Standard Map of the World as a birthday present. This gag gift depicting the earth as flat was inspired discussion we had during a prior navigation noodle about the Flat Earth Society. I had been unaware of the existence of this society and was incredulous that anyone could seriously believe the earth was flat. Sure enough, there are those who assert that a "round earth" is that product of a vast conspiracy promoting "Globularist lies of the new age." In a year in which President Trump regularly rejected the truth in favor of "tweets, tantrums, and lies" (to quote Sierra Club Executive Director Michael Brune), I commented that the flat earth should be centered on Mar-a-Lago.

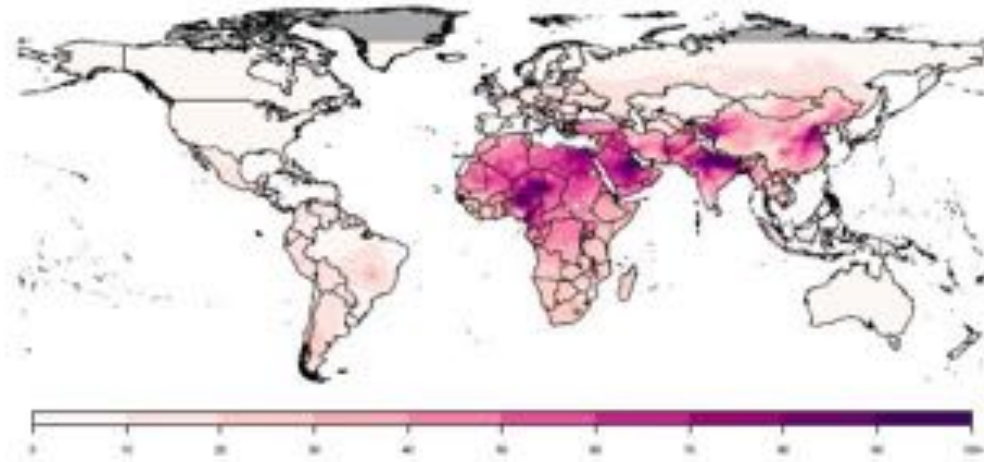


As Gleason’s New Standard Map of the World illustrates, maps do not necessarily represent the truth. Indeed, every map has some level of distortion of reality because of the process of representing the three-dimensional world on a piece of paper (or video monitor). As Mark Monmonier noted in *How to Lie with Maps* (2d ed. 1996), “to present a useful and truthful picture, an accurate map must tell white lies.” Just as a map can tell “white lies,” it can also have big lies. It is important to “appreciate the map’s power as a tool of deliberate falsification and subtle propaganda.” With modern technology and the ability to readily make and alter maps, “serious cartographic lies can appear respectable and accurate.”

An example of map deception is an October tweet by President Trump. As part of his efforts to roll back clean air rules, President Trump attempted to use a map to falsely claim that America has “the Cleanest Air in the World – BY FAR.”

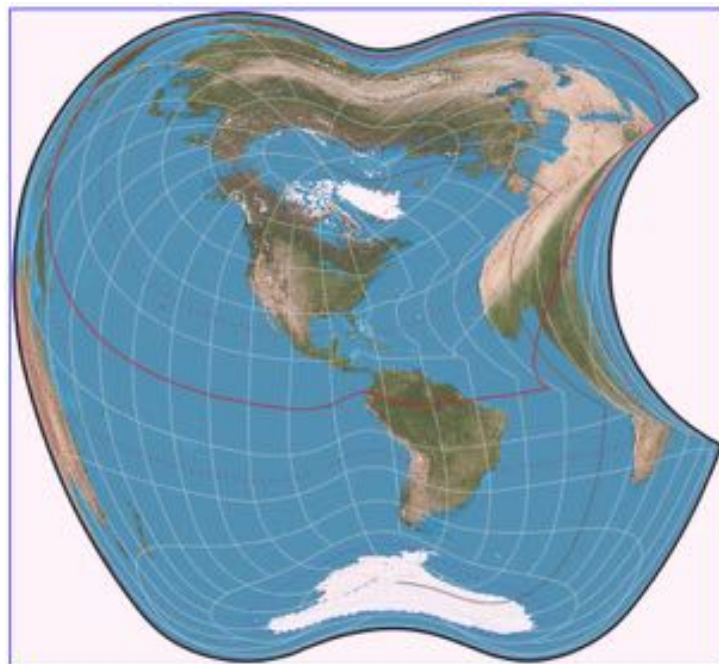


Not surprisingly, the map itself does not support Trump’s assertion that America has the cleanest air, since many countries outside the Americas have the same color shading. Actual data indicates that eight countries have cleaner air than the United States: Canada, Iceland, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, New Zealand, Australia and Brunei. Moreover, the map used by the president was altered from the original World Health Organization map shown below. The alteration made air quality in the Americas appear largely the same.



Source: [https://www.who.int/airpollution/data/AAP\\_exposure\\_Apr2018\\_final.pdf](https://www.who.int/airpollution/data/AAP_exposure_Apr2018_final.pdf)

Whether offered by the Flat Earth Society or President Trump, it is important to critically examine all maps to ensure that they represent reality. Maps are no more truthful than the individuals who create them. Moreover, even the finest cartographers make blunders. Over the year, I have found many unintentional errors on United States Geological Survey maps. Therefore, critical thinking skills are essential in using a map. If someone tells you the world is an apple, be skeptical.



Source: Map created using Geocart software.

## 2019 Navigation Events

We have a great lineup of navigation events for 2019. At all of our navigation events, we can work with beginners. No prior navigation experience is required. All are welcome!!!

January 12, 2019	Practice	Indian Cove
January 13, 2019	Practice/Checkoff	Indian Cove
February 9, 2019	Practice	Mt. Pinos Navigation on Snowshoes
April 27, 2019	Practice	Warren Point
April 28, 2019	Practice/Checkoff	Warren Point
May 18, 2019	Practice	Beginning Nav. Clinic
June 15, 2019	Practice	Mt. Pinos
June 16, 2019	Practice/Checkoff	Mt. Pinos
September 29, 2019	Practice/Checkoff	Mt. Pinos
November 2, 2019	Practice	Beginning Nav. Clinic
November 17, 2019	Practice	Mission Creek Preserve
November 18, 2019	Practice/Checkoff	Mission Creek Preserve
December 8, 2019	Practice/Checkoff	Indian Cove

If you have any questions, contact me at [rmmyers@ix.netcom.com](mailto:rmmyers@ix.netcom.com).

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For information, Michael can be reached at [lookout\\_membership@hundredpeaks.org](mailto:lookout_membership@hundredpeaks.org) or (818) 653-3305.

# Holiday Hoopla 2018



DECEMBER 14-15, 2018



# Summits

Photo by Eric Chu



Lizard Head 10-24-18



Piute Lookout 11-14-18



Old Mount Emma 12-3-18



Minerva Hoyt



Smith Mountain

# Milestones



Photo taken by Kim La

Peter Doggett LEAD List 7, Sunset Peak 11-25-18



Photo: Jeff Bugh

Mary Varalayay 2X List Finish, Granite Peaks 11-10-18



Jin Oak Chung, 200 Leads, Monument Peak, 12-9-18



Photo Jin Oak Chung

Jackson Hsu List Finish, Libre Mtn., 11-18-18

**HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT**  
**January-February 2019 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair**

**New Members**

Teresa Spohr  
Roger Lim

**DONATIONS:**

13 Life Members  
210 Members  
26 Household  
18 Subscribers  
**267 Total Members**

**New Subscribers**

Tianhe Zhang

**100 Peaks Emblem**

#1196 - Merrick Jarmulowicz - Mount Islip - 11/24/2018

**One Thousand Peaks Emblem**

#24 - Sonia Arancibia - Chuckwalla Mountain - 4/8/2018

**200 Peaks Leadership Emblem**

#30 - Jinoak Chung - Chuckwalla Mountain - 12/9/2018

<b>2018 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</b>		
(Expiration of Term)		
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## Rideshare Points

The only Rideshare Point mentioned in this current list of outings is the La Canada Rideshare.

The La Canada Rideshare is located at the intersection of Milmda Drive and Flanders Road; this intersection is found about 0.12 mile north of I-210 and about 50 feet east of Highway 2 (Angeles Crest Hwy). Cars are typically parked here either along Hwy 2 or adjacent to that along Flanders Rd.

Other Rideshare Points commonly used by the Angeles Chapter, along with directions and maps to help find them can be found here:

[http://angeles2.sierraclub.org/ltc\\_ridesharing](http://angeles2.sierraclub.org/ltc_ridesharing)

Note that these Rideshare points are useful when setting up carpools or meeting spots. They have been used for years by HPS and other Sections, and are generally safe and problem free. Be aware and safe when using them.

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## LEADER CONTACT INFO

Following is contact information for Leaders who are offering outings in this edition of The Lookout. When signing up for an outing, follow the instructions given in the trip listing to find out about meeting time and location.

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## Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities

Jan – Apr 2019

**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 as of December 31, 2018. These outings cover the period ranging from January 2 through April 28, 2019. Note that **new HPS outings are added to the online schedule of activities (aka "Campfire Events") 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 frequently for last minute additions. Follow this link to the HPS Schedule of Activities 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 with HPS, check out the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities (Campfire Events) for a staggering selection of outings options offered by all of the various Groups, Sections, and Committees of the Angeles Chapter. The Angeles Chapter Schedule of Activities 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 Sierra Club or the HPS 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.

### **Jan 2                      Wed                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Cuyamaca Peak (55612'), Middle Peak (5883')** - Come work off some of those holiday calories and join us for a fun hike up these two peaks near Julian. From Lake Cuyamaca we will climb Middle on trail then down to a saddle and up to Middle, returning on fire road with a short car shuttle. Views of Anza Borrego to the east and the coast to the west. Possible stop in Julian on the way back for pie, time permitting. Bring layers lugssoles liquids lunch hat and sunscreen. Total 9 miles, 2700' elevation gain. *Leader: JIM HAGAR, Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON*

### **Jan 5                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Mount McDill (5187 ft)** - Perfect hike to combat those New Year's blues! Join us for a moderately paced trip to a nice peak near wonderful Bouquet Canyon and not far from Palmdale. Total distance should be around 9.5 miles, and total elevation gain should be about 2100 feet. Paved-road driving to trailhead. Bring

lunch, snacks, hiking footwear, layers, sunblock, hat and water. Contact Leader for details.  
*Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: VIRGINIA SIMPSON*

**Jan 8                      Tue                      Hundred Peaks**

**HPS Management Committee Meeting** - telephone conference starting at 6:30 pm. Contact HPS Chair, *COBY KING*, for call in details.

**Jan 8                      Tue                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Stonewall Peak (5730 ft) and Oakzanita Peak (5054 ft)** - Hike two nice peaks in San Diego on trail. Stonewall Peak was named for a gold mine located on its northeast slope, originally the "Stonewall Jackson Mine" founded in 1870 by William Skidmore. It produced more than \$2 million in gold before it closed in 1892. Total distance for both peaks is approximately 10 miles; total gain of about 2000 feet. Paved road driving. Please bring water, lunch, hiking footwear, sun block, layers & hat. Contact the leader for details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, JIM HAGAR*

**Jan 12                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**2019 HPS Annual Awards Banquet** - Featured Speaker: James Wapotich. James is a trail guide and free-lance writer for the Santa Barbara News-Press hiking column, "*Trail Quest*". Check out his website at: [www.songsofthewilderness.com](http://www.songsofthewilderness.com) James will share images and stories from his treks along the San Rafael Mountains from the westernmost point to the headwaters of the Sisquoc River. Banquet will be held at The Monrovia Restaurant - 534 Myrtle Ave. Monrovia, CA 91016 (626) 359-8364. Social Hour starts at 5:00 pm, Dinner begins at 6:15 pm. Tickets cost \$49 prior to Jan 2, \$54 thereafter. Advanced reservations recommended; you can buy tickets online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-hps-annual-awards-banquet-tickets-51994156923> or contact program chair *MIKE DILLENBACK* at [dillyhouse@earthlink.net](mailto:dillyhouse@earthlink.net) for information about how to mail in your check.

**Jan 12                      Sat                      LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**

**M-R: Navigation Workshop on 3rd Class Terrain** - This navigation workshop is limited to individuals participating in the Indian Cove Navigation Noodle and is intended to explore special navigation issues that arise on 3rd class terrain. Class 3 rock travel experience required. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Helmets and medical forms required/group size limited. Send email/sase, SC#, class 3 experience, conditioning, contact info to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leader: JACK KIEFFER*.

**Jan 12                      Sat                      LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Navigation: Indian Cove Navigation Noodle** - Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park 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*

**Jan 12                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Josephine Peak (5558')** - Join us for a conditioning hike with views of the interior of the San Gabriel Mountains and the Mojave. We'll hike up the fire road from Clear Creek Junction. The hike will be moderately strenuous and about 8 miles round trip with 1900' gain. Bring 2 liters of water and the 10 Essentials. Meet at 7:00 am at La Canada carpool point, 4738 Angeles Crest Hwy., La Canada Flintridge, 2 blks. north of 210 Fwy. Contact [errin.vasquez@gmail.com](mailto:errin.vasquez@gmail.com) for trip information. *Leader: ERRIN VASQUEZ (Provisional); Co-leader: STEPHEN MCDONNELL*

**Jan 12                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Strawberry Peak (6164 ft) and Mount Lawlor (5957 ft)** - Join us for a really nice hike with great views all along the way. All hiking will be on trail or use trail. Total distance will be about 7 miles, and total gain will be around 2600 feet. Bring water, food, layers, hiking footwear, sunblock and hat. Contact Leader for details. *Leader: DAVE TAYLOR Co-Leaders: BILL & VIRGINIA SIMPSON*

**Jan 13                      Sun                      LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Navigation: Indian Cove Navigation Noodle** - Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park 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*

**Jan 19 – 20              Sat – Sun              Desert Peaks Section, Hundred Peaks I:**

**Avawatz Mountain (6154ft)** - RESCHEDULED FROM 12/22/18 - Let's take a trip to the Desert Canyon!! Join us for a hike to Avawatz Mountain, located in San Bernardino County in the Mojave Desert near the town of Baker. We'll head south along the wash 2.5mi/1120ft gain and setup tent for stay overnight. On Sunday, hike up to the summit 5.3mi/3400ft gain, then return to break down camp and back to the trailhead. We will also navigate to find a section corner. The total hike over two days will be about 16 miles round trip with 4600ft gain. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers and overnight backpacking gear. This DPS outing is co-sponsored by HPS. Contact [sunnyyi1125@gmail.com](mailto:sunnyyi1125@gmail.com) for trip details. *Leader: SUNNY YI; Co-leader: MAT KELLIHER*

**Jan 20                      Sun                      LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**

**M: Alabama Hills M Level Rock Checkoff** - M level rock checkoff for LTC leadership candidates wishing to pursue a rating or practice skills. Also open to Advanced Mountaineering Program students wanting to solidify what they learned in the course. Restricted to active Sierra Club members with previous rock climbing experience. Climbing helmets and harnesses required. Saturday will be a private climbing event please contact leaders for details. Camping can be arranged privately at Tuttle Creek Campground. Email climbing resume to leader to apply. Space is limited by available staff. Priority will be given to people who are reattempting a checkoff followed by those who are trying to checkoff for the first time. We'll then confirm people wanting to practice. *Leader: MATT HENGST, Co-Leader: JACK KIEFFER*

**Jan 26 Sat Hundred Peaks**  
**I: Ken Point (6423 feet, prominence 503 feet, isolation 1.71 miles)** - Join us for a hike to this peak in the Desert Divide with views of Toro, Palomar, Sheep, and Martinez. Following Route 1, we will hike north along the Pacific Crest Trail as it climbs from the Pines to Palms Highway 74 up into the southern end of the San Jacinto Mountains. We will leave the PCT for a short, southeast hike to the peak. The totals for the day will be 16 miles round trip with 2600 feet of gain (2200 out plus 400 on return). Please Contact Jerry at [jerry.grenard@gmail.com](mailto:jerry.grenard@gmail.com) for trip details. *Leaders: JERRY GRENARD, BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, REDDY YETUR, MIKE DILLENBACK*

**Jan 26 Sat Hundred Peaks**  
**M/E: Local Baldy Snow Practice** - Come review snow climbing, rope travel, ice axe, and snow anchors. Practice your skills or brush up on new techniques. Especially for aspiring M & E leader candidates. Restricted to SC mbrs with prior experience with the ice axe. Lack of snow may cancel. Email SC#, climbing resume, email address, phone # to *Leader: NILE SORENSON* *Co-leaders: NEAL ROBBINS, PHIL BATES, JACK KIEFFER.*

**Feb 2 – 3 Sat – Sun Desert Peaks, WTC, Hundred Peaks**  
**I: Corkscrew Peak (5,804') & Tucki Mountain (6,726')** - Moderately strenuous hike at moderate pace. Saturday: about 7.0 RT miles and 3,200' of gain for Corkscrew, Sunday: 8.8 RT miles and 2,700' of gain for Tucki. Dry and primitive car camp & Festive Happy Hour-Pot Luck Saturday night under nearly moonless night skies!!! This DPS outing is co-sponsored by WTC and HPS. Email Mat Kelliher at [mkelliher746@gmail.com](mailto:mkelliher746@gmail.com) with contact, vehicle type and carpool info, recent conditioning, and experience for trip status and details. High Clearance, 4WD vehicles are required to reach the trailhead for Tucki Mtn. *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, NEAL ROBBINS*

**Feb 9 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**  
**I: Navigation: Mt. Pinos Navigation Practice on Snowshoes** - Ever wonder what it is like to navigate in snow? Find out on this navigation practice as we take a cross-country route to Mount Pinos (8831'). Four miles round trip, 700 feet gain. Snowshoes required. Send email with contact info (mailing address and telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

**Feb 9 Sat Hundred Peaks**  
**I: RABBIT RAMP-UP HIKE #1: Whale Peak (5349 ft)** - Join us for the first in a series of five hikes on five consecutive Saturdays. The Rabbit Ramp-up hike series will culminate with a hike to Rabbit Peak in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. With 23 miles and 8300 feet of elevation gain round trip, Rabbit Peak is the toughest day hike among the Hundred Peaks Section's 281 peaks. The Rabbit Ramp-up series is designed to provide the desert hiking experience and conditioning necessary to handle the "BIG Bunny." Magnificent Whale Peak is in the Anza Borrego Desert State Park. We will encounter and enjoy ancient petroglyphs before hiking cross-

country along the desert floor to ascend a scenic canyon. We pass through a grassy meadow on a use trail and then pick our way up to the rocky peak for sweeping views. This will be a moderately paced hike with some Class 2 scrambling on the way to the peak. Total distance should be around 8 miles, and total gain should be about 2300 feet. Bring food, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK, LARRY POND, RYAN LYNCH, REDDY YETUR, DAVE TAYLOR*

**Feb 16 Sat Hundred Peaks**

**I: RABBIT RAMP-UP HIKE #2: Granite Mountain #2 (5633 ft)** - Join us for the second in a series of five hikes on five consecutive Saturdays. The Rabbit Ramp-up hike series will culminate with a hike to Rabbit Peak in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. With 23 miles and 8300 feet of elevation gain round trip, Rabbit Peak is the toughest day hike among the Hundred Peaks Section's 281 peaks. The Rabbit Ramp-up series is designed to provide the desert hiking experience and conditioning necessary to handle the "BIG Bunny." Granite Mountain involves a strenuous hike mostly off trail for about 6.5 miles round trip with around 3200 feet of elevation gain. The peak is in the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park near Julian. The Peak was known to the Serrano Indians as Astrkutava't. We will hike at a moderate pace on desert terrain. High-clearance vehicles advised. Bring food, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: RYAN LYNCH Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, JERRY GREARD, REDDY YETUR*

**Feb 23 Sat Hundred Peaks**

**I: RABBIT RAMP-UP HIKE #3: Rosa Point (5083 ft)** - Join us for the third in a series of five hikes on five consecutive Saturdays. The Rabbit Ramp-up hike series will culminate with a hike to Rabbit Peak in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. With 23 miles and 8300 feet of elevation gain round trip, Rabbit Peak is the toughest day hike among the Hundred Peaks Section's 281 peaks. The Rabbit Ramp-up series is designed to provide the desert hiking experience and conditioning necessary to handle the "BIG Bunny." Exciting Rosa Point is within Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and among the stunning Santa Rosa Mountains. The views of the Salton Sea and surrounding areas are excellent. We will hike at a moderate pace cross-country on desert terrain. Some sections of the route may be steep and infested with cholla (a pesky form of cactus). The hike will be around 12 miles round trip with about 5500 feet of gain. Not intended for new hikers. Bring food, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: JERRY GREARD Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK, LARRY POND, REDDY YETUR, DAVE TAYLOR*

**Mar 2 Sat Hundred Peaks**

**I: RABBIT RAMP-UP HIKE #4: Martinez Mountain (6560 ft+) and Sheep Mountain (5141 ft)** - Join us for the fourth in a series of five hikes on five consecutive Saturdays. The Rabbit Ramp-up hike series will culminate with a hike to Rabbit Peak in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. With 23 miles and 8300 feet of elevation gain round trip, Rabbit Peak is the toughest day hike among the Hundred

Peaks Section's 281 peaks. The Rabbit Ramp-up series is designed to provide the desert hiking experience and conditioning necessary to handle the "BIG Bunny." This is a very strenuous hike in the Santa Rosa Wilderness desert terrain. The Santa Rosa Wilderness is a 72,259-acre wilderness area in Southern California, in the Santa Rosa Mountains of Riverside and San Diego counties. Enjoy views of the surrounding mountains, Palm Desert and the Coachella Valley. Expect around 21 total miles with about 5000 feet of elevation gain. Enjoy views of the surrounding mountains, Palm Desert and the Coachella Valley. Not intended for new hikers. Bring hiking footwear, water, lunch, snacks, layers, hat, sunblock and headlamp (with extra batteries!). Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, LARRY POND, RYAN LYNCH, REDDY YETUR*

**Mar 9 Sat Hundred Peaks**

**I: RABBIT RAMP-UP HIKE #5: Rabbit Peak #2 (6640 ft) and Villager Peak (5756 ft) -** Join us for the fifth (and final) in a series of five hikes on five consecutive Saturdays. The Rabbit Ramp-up hike series culminates with this hike to Rabbit Peak #2 in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. With 23 miles and 8300 feet of elevation gain round trip, Rabbit Peak is the toughest day hike among the Hundred Peaks Section's 281 peaks. The Rabbit Ramp-up series was designed to provide the desert hiking experience and conditioning necessary to handle the "BIG Bunny." Spend a special day in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park while hiking the BIG Bunny at a moderate pace. We will also summit Villager Peak during this hike. Very strenuous. Not intended for beginners. Hike will start in the dark and will probably end in the dark, and it will be paced moderately to take around 15.5 hours. The hike will be about 23 miles round trip with around 8300 feet of elevation gain (6950 ft on the way to Rabbit; 1350 ft on the return to the trailhead). Not suitable for beginning hikers. Bring hiking footwear, water, lunch, snacks, layers, hat, head lamp (and extra batteries!). Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: RYAN LYNCH Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK, LARRY POND, REDDY YETUR, DAVE TAYLOR*

**Mar 12 Tue Hundred Peaks**

**HPS Management Committee Meeting** telephone conference starting at 6:30 pm. Contact HPS Chair, *Coby King*, for call in details.

**Apr 6 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, 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 mbrs with some prior basic training with the ice axe. Send SC#, climbing resume, email, H&W phones to *Leader: NILE SORENSON. Co-leaders: NEAL ROBBINS, PHIL BATES, JACK KIEFFER.*

**Apr 27 – 28 Sat – Sun Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Mount Palmer (7,958'), Grapevine Peak (8,738')** - Join us for a nice spring weekend in Death Valley National Park to climb these classic DPS peaks near Beatty, Nevada. Saturday we'll head out at first light from our dry, primitive campsite in Nevada and travel cross country to the south along rugged desert

ridgelines and ascend Mt Palmer, passing into California as we do so. We'll do this very strenuous hike at a moderate pace; expect about 11.0 miles and 3,100' of gain for the round trip. Sunday we'll head out from that same dry, primitive campsite and travel west; traveling cross country at a moderate pace we'll ascend along ridgelines to the summit of Grapevine; expect about 6 miles and 2,500' of gain for the round trip. Festive Happy Hour-Pot Luck Saturday night under barely lit, last quarter-moon night skies!!! High Clearance, 4WD vehicles are required to reach our campsite/trailhead. This DPS outing is co-sponsored by WTC and HPS. Email Mat Kelliher at [mkelliher746@gmail.com](mailto:mkelliher746@gmail.com) with contact, vehicle type and carpool info, recent conditioning, and experience for trip status and details. *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, STEPHEN McDONNELL*

**Apr 27 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Navigation: Warren Point Navigation Noodle** - Navigation noodle at Warren Point to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday checkoff or additional practice. Send email with contact info (mailing address, telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

**Apr 28 Sun LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Navigation: Warren Point Navigation Noodle** - Navigation noodle at Warren Point to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday checkoff or additional practice. Send email with contact info (mailing address, telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS.*

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More Hiking and Summits:



Burnt Peak



Sawtooth



**Wednesday Hikers Luncheon, 12-13-18**

Photo by Nick Shah at Mijares Mexican Restaurant, Pasadena, CA. (Submitted by Bruce Craig).



## SAN YSIDRO MTN HIKE

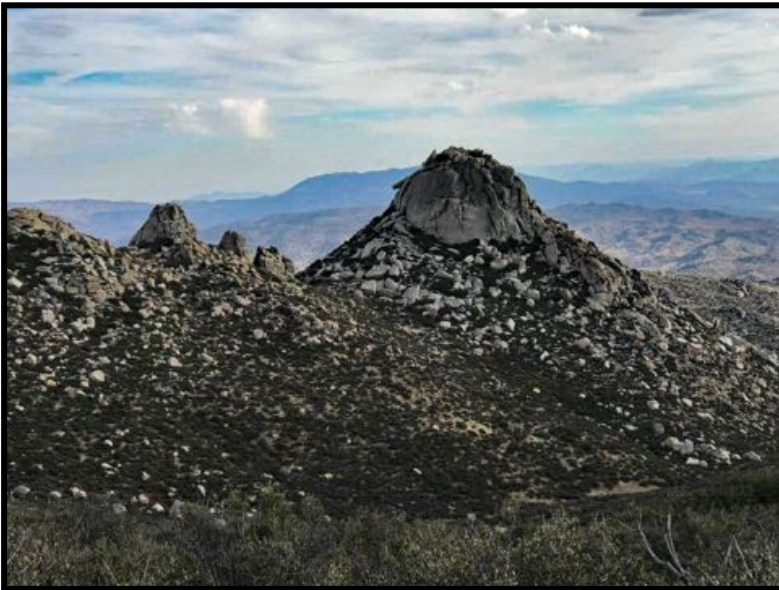
by Lilly Fukui



Approach to San Ysidro up from the gully

Chris Spisak and I took George White to get San Ysidro after several unsuccessful attempts. There are two routes to this peak and we opted for the four mile Route 2 rather than the 10 mile Route 1. We started out fine but had to do a constant cross-country and bushwhacking. After awhile we saw the peak and ascended the gully to the saddle and up more bushy slopes to the summit. We saw the peak register but the big rock was kind of steep to retrieve it so we just took George's photos of him bagging the peak. Job well done!

### Photos by Lilly Fukui



The Thimble, a landmark in the area of San Ysidro Mountains.



George and Chris *high five* at summit





### Jackson Hsu's 1<sup>st</sup> HPS List Completion Hike

#### Liebre Mountain (5760')

( Liebre = Rabbit )

Date: Nov 18, 2018 09:47 ~ 14:31 (4h 44m)  
RT 6 Miles, 1850' Gain



by Nancy Jones



Course: Trailhead (09:47; 3960'; N2 mile-marker 13.6 area) ~Trail Sign/Bench (10:38)  
Summit (11:47; 5760'; Stay until 12:55) ~ Trailhead (14:31);

With: Sierra Club HPS Team & Jackson's Friends (32 Persons & 1 Dog)

I first met Jackson about four years ago on a "Doggetts' Hike" with the HPS. He was seeking to branch out to hikes further from the range of his Chinese hiking club. From those earliest days of when he wasn't counting peaks, to finishing on Liebre Mountain this past Sunday 11/18/18, he has become one of my favorite hiking friends. For all those who know him, Jackson is one of the most thoughtful, funny, positive, determined and yet unassuming hikers around. And now, he's a list finisher!

In the beginning, as with most people, he wasn't even counting the peaks. But as we know, they start adding up and along with his peak bagging, he began collecting more hiking buddies and as circles grew they also began to intersect and overlap. He quietly reached 100 peaks without even letting any of his HPS buddies know, not to make a fuss. When he neared 200 peaks, I managed to drag him out on a private hike with my hiking friends to assure he would commemorate. And by the time he reached list finish, 32 people from his various hiking groups came together to drink Cuba Libres atop Liebre and celebrate his momentous achievement. --GPS Jones (*Stats & photos by Jin Oak Chung, Jason Park*)

# Summits

Photo by Eric Chu



Mt. Disappointment



Mt. Deception 12-01-18



Mount Markham 12-01-18



San Gabriel Peak



Mt. Lowe 12-01-18

Photos by Jeff Buch



Queen Mtn. Summit Group Photo.



Virginia Simpson atop the Queen BM (5677) looking west to Queen Mountain with skies so clear that the snow-topped San Gorgonio looking like it's only a couple miles away.

# Liebre Mountain

By William Chen

On November 18, 2018, the section witnessed Jackson Hsu's list finish. A large group of over 30 participants and leaders sought out a wonderful hike to Liebre Mountain.

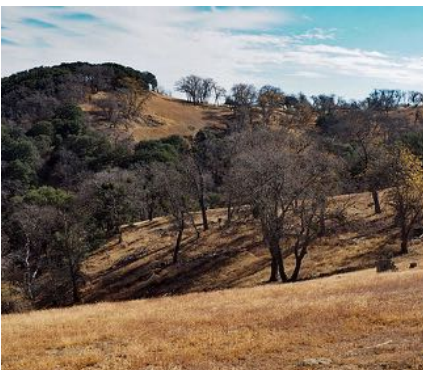
Liebre Mountain is the second highest major peak in the Sierra Pelona Mountains, sometimes called the Liebre Range. "Liebre", meaning "hare" in Spanish, is a common name for geographical features in the area, and also gives its name to a now-delisted HPS peak, Liebre Twins. Perhaps the most direct etymology for these places comes from the Rancho La Liebre, which was the Mexican land grant in the area in the years preceding California's annexation to the United States. The rancho is the progenitor property of the now massive Tejon Ranch, currently one of the most extensive private properties in California.

The day started in earnest as we waited for the group to convene. After greetings, we set out on the Pacific Crest Trail towards the top of Liebre Mountain. The well-graded trail, no doubt maintained on a regular basis, was a breeze to climb, and it wasn't long before we reached a picnic table at a trail campground called "Horse Trail Camp". After a lengthy break at the picnic table, the group continued along, losing a bit of elevation before embarking on a sustained but gentle climb towards the summit plateau. The plateau has a series of short, rolling hills on top, with oaks interspersed among windswept grassy fields. The summit is a little off the trail.

To celebrate Jackson's great achievement, people brought all kinds of treats. Nancy Jones made "Cuba Libre" cocktails for everyone, the drink mix consisting of rum and

Coca-Cola. Among the various foodstuffs found on top of Liebre Mountain that day were chocolates, cheeses, crackers, pastries, and sandwiches.

After the celebration, the group descended back down the trail. At the cars, everyone congratulated Jackson once again. It was so great to see another HPS hiker reach his goals. As we go into the New Year, let's fulfill our aspirations to hike, climb, and generally visit more peaks. There is no better way, I think, to experience nature and learn about the history and context of the places we all enjoy so much.



## Sheep & Martinez Mountain

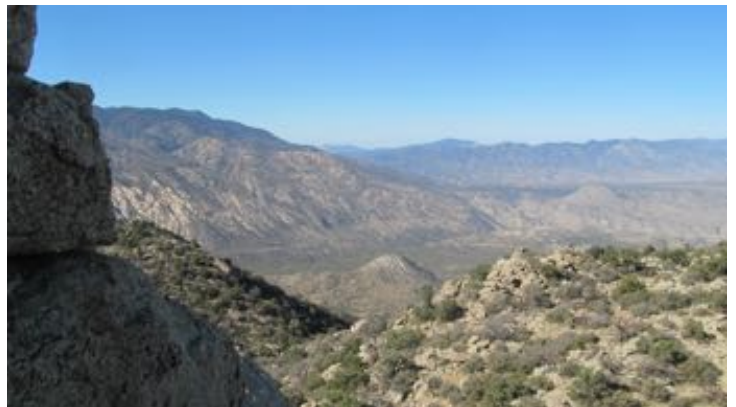
Nov 9 & 10, 2018

By Larry Edmonds

On November 9<sup>th</sup> Jim Wick and I headed out on the Cactus Spring trail with plans to ascend Sheep Mountain and Martinez Mountain. We took the Cactus Spring Trail with plans to fill up on water at the crossing of Horsethief Creek. We actually filled up in the canyon crossing just before Horsethief not realizing we had not yet reached Horsethief Creek. Oh well, so we had to carry heavy packs for an additional mile. There was plenty of water flowing at both crossings. The trail was easy to follow all the way to Cactus Spring where we dropped our heavy packs and dawned light summit packs. We then headed for Sheep Mountain. The cross country travel to Sheep was relatively easy as the terrain is fairly open although steep and a little loose. Nice views of San Geronio, San Jacinto, Little San Bernardinos, Martinez and Toro from the peak and we could clearly see the gully we would be ascending to get up on Martinez the following day. After returning to Cactus Spring we set up camp for the night. Temps for the day were in the mid 60s and overnight it dropped into the mid 30s. We headed off to climb Martinez just after sunrise partly because we planned on getting going early but mainly to get warmed up. The Cactus spring trail is not as easy to follow after Cactus Spring but still possible if you pay attention. Once it turns and heads up the wash it is not so obvious but at that point all that is needed is to follow the wash up to the steep rocky gully up Martinez. Just before reaching the bottom of the rocky gully we stopped and had our breakfast as we were now warm enough. The Martinez summit block is very impressive. I managed to get up to where the DPS register is but did not get up the last step to the very top. A little too risky for me. The view from Martinez is simply awesome. From here we headed back down the way we came up, packed up our camp and hiked back out. I really enjoyed this trip as we did not have to rush to get both peaks in. We had the pleasure of a garter snake sighting on our hike in and a tarantula on the way up Sheep. I enjoyed the journey as much as getting on the peak.



Jim on Sheep with Martinez in background



View from Martinez Summit

# Hiking Photography

By Jin Oak Chung



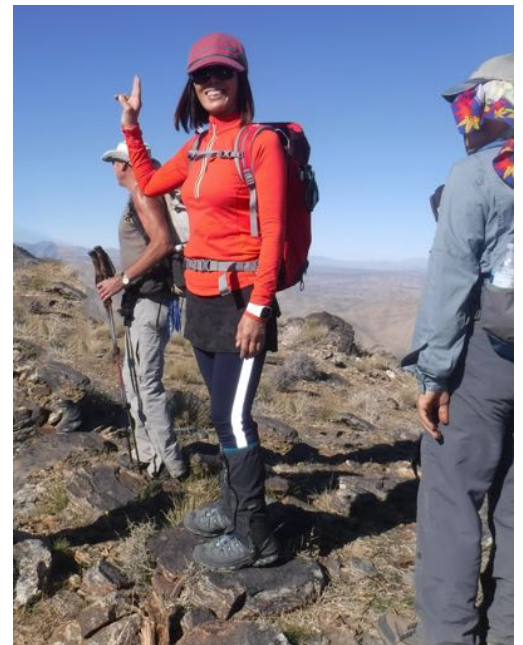
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Sheep, Martinez Backpack



Old Man, Monte Arido 11-4-18



# San Antonio Ridge Traverse

( Baldy to Iron )

Jin Oak Chung

- Part One -

On Monday morning, May 11th, Jason, the passionate hiker, phoned to me asking if I wanted to take the "San Antonio Ridge Traverse" as a private hike on this next Sunday. "Iron to Baldy" hike! I admit to some apprehension over this hiking route.

Some time ago a group of us had turned around on this course. Now, eight years later, young Jason, who is 19 years younger than me at 66 years old, suggests this hike. What to do? To go or not to go? Jason, Sunny, Susan, Ilwoo, and me are the five Sierra Club members who can go on a hike, but none of us have made it on this course before. Also Susan and I were colleagues of this hike that failed eight years ago. In my case, I have a tremendous respect for Gunsight Notch!

Before I get older, I want to hike this course. Jason and Sunny finished the HPS Peak List of 281 peaks, and some 40 SPS peaks. They have also taken the Sierra Club WTC course. After some hesitation, I finally agree, 'Yes, let's do it!' I have to considered my age, if not now, there will not be a chance again. We agree to the condition is that if anyone says he or she does not want continue to the middle of it, we will give up on the hike without any objection. Jason joyfully agrees with that "the best thing I do is turn around in the middle."

After accepting, I informed to Ilwoo and Susan of the plan of hiking and asks if they want to participate. Ilwoo has a bad knee, but Susan is willing to accompany us. Consequently, four people become a team.

The route we had in mind in the beginning was 'Iron to Baldy'. We will meet at 02:30 am in front of my resident in LA Korea Town to go to Heaton Flats and start hiking. In Manker Flats, which finishes the hike, it is a proposal to ask someone for transportation beforehand. However, this plan is changed to "Baldy to Iron" according to Ignacia's recommendation. "It is not a good idea to go through dangerous notches in a situation where you have exhausted the energy to climb the Iron, and it is never a good idea to reach the east of San Antonio Ridge and climb the 2500 feet altitude steeply towards West Baldy." We are willing to accept it because it is a very rational and realistic view. Later I find out how lucky this Ignacia's idea was.

After eating, at 0230 hrs, three people gather in front of my house. All four of us are riding in Sunny's car, reaching the parking lot of Manker Flats in the darkness. There is no vehicle other than us. As soon as get out of car we pose for a picture of the group in front of the trail sign at 0350 hours.

I have been up Baldy more than 70 times so far but not with a heavy backpack. I notice the difference. I feel weary and my shoulder is sore. Is it because of age? Is it because I did not sleep well? I request for my team members understanding on my slow pace. I worry that I might have the energy to cope with the hike today. I think I never climbed Baldy harder and slower than today. Even though today was the slowest pace in my Baldy hiking history, but today is the day attained Baldy summit at its earliest time of the day. In the vicinity of the summit, two bighorn sheep are lingering through the land to find something. One of them looks small, so I guess probably a baby and a mother. Seeing this sheep, we share the word that today's our hiking might be very lucky. From this point, my body and mental condition are improving.

To Be Continued.....



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