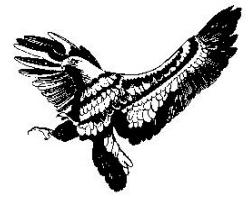


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THE FOURTH TUESDAY, NOT THE LAST

7:30 pm, Harvey Mudd College (See below)

**THIS JULY WE WILL MEET IN BECKMAN AUDITORIUM
AT THE FOOT OF THE STAIRS IN THE OLIN BUILDING.**

Historic Ecology of Los Angeles

Dr. Paula M. Schiffman, a biology professor at California State University, Northridge, got her Ph.D. at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. She is a terrestrial ecologist who uses quantitative and experimental approaches to address questions about plants and their ecologies. She is primarily interested in processes and interactions that occur at the community level. Most of her current research focuses on the ecology of California prairies ("valley grasslands"), a complicated and spectacularly beautiful vegetation type. Although her research sometimes involves greenhouse experimentation, most of her data collection is done at field sites in the Carrizo Plain National Monument, a 254,000 acre prairie preserve in eastern San Luis Obispo County. She and her students examine relationships between native and invasive alien plant species as well as interactions between these plants and various animals (e.g. giant kangaroo rats, valley pocket gophers, pronghorn antelope). They also study how disturbances (fire, animal burrowing and livestock grazing) affect vegetation composition over time.



Other interests include seed ecology (dormancy and dispersal), phytogeography, Mediterranean-type ecosystems and environmental history. Because of the relevance of her research to conservation and ecological restoration, she frequently interacts with government agencies about habitat management. She strives to educate the public about the importance and immediacy of conservation and environmental preservation issues. Lastly, and perhaps most of all, she is a natural historian and is fascinated by biodiversity. So, she spends a lot of time exploring and thinking about wildness.

The Mt Baldy Group is dark in August.

Join us at 7:30 pm, September 23, when we will hear **MELINDA HEROLD-MENZIES**, a Pitzer College Professor who is most known for her research in conflicts over natural resources, gender and the environment, nature reserves in China and Russia, natural history and California cultures and ecosystems.

Everyone is welcome at the Sierra Club, Mt Baldy Group meetings—7:30 pm, on the **FOURTH Tuesday**, (not necessarily the last), monthly (except August and December) on the Harvey Mudd College campus between 12th Street and Foothill Blvd.

Enter the parking lot from Foothill Blvd, heading east, just east of Dartmouth. Park in the right hand lot. Enter adjacent patio, enter the Olin building at the center door on the west side of the patio. Follow signs to meeting room. People with disabilities should call (909) 624-5522 in advance to arrange for elevator access.

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good food - good friends - good program*

A Blaze of Summer Color

Vaseleku

by Mark Frank Acuña

On June 21, the Gabrieleno Tongva (the indigenous people of the Los Angeles Basin) marked a solar turning point. “Awrorevet Kaho Tara.eh Che.ayesh” (Summer Solstice) this year was not only the beginning of “Awrorevay” (Summer) but also the “Twanian Keh.hee.ah” the Naming Ceremony. On this day at Irwindale Nature Center close to thirty Tongva received their tribal names in a long and elaborate ceremony lasting into the late night hours. Traditional ways still guide the “people of the land.” And along with colorful ceremony “Awrorevay” honors the Los Angeles Basin with the floral blazes of “Vaseleku.”

“Vaseleku”, or Mimulus (Monkey Flower), is currently flowering its many colors in various plant communities from dry sandy washes, rocky slopes along our foothills and mountain roads and in wet places from the falls in Eaton Canyon to side water cuts on Mt Baldy Road, from Chaparral to Yellow Pine Forest.

And in the month of “Sinticar” (June-July) Tongva women would gather together with their children and begin gathering the leaves and stalks of all species of “Vaseleku” for refreshing summer salads. Some of the leaves would also be burned and the ashes used as a salt.

The medicine people, both men and women, would gather the leaves and carefully dry and store them for later application on wounds. One species (Mimulus guttatus) would be found along such stream beds as Walnut Creek in Momwamomutngna (San Dimas) and stored for usage as a decoction in steam baths for chest and back soreness. Wise mothers would use the roots of “Vaseleku” in an infusion for diarrhea.

Most species can be found blossoming from as early as March to as late as September in yellows, oranges, reds, and an almost white. A blaze of Summer in the land of the sun.



New Global Warming Plan Lights the Way to a Greener Economy

Oil Companies Must Not Be Allowed to Block Progress

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SACRAMENTO – On Thursday, June 26, California’s Air Resources Board released its draft plan for bringing the state’s global warming pollution down to the level required by the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, AB 32.

This balanced and comprehensive draft plan starts California down the path to a greener economy. But it comes with a challenge. Big oil companies already have begun a campaign to block the clean-energy transition as they count their windfall profits and push for new drilling off our beautiful coast.

They’re in the dark. A strong majority of Californians support the major measures in this plan because they know we can save money on energy while reducing the pollutants that harm human health and warm the planet.

We urge Governor Schwarzenegger and the Legislature to reject the attempt by big polluters and Senate Republicans to roll back California’s landmark global warming law. Instead of looking backward, our government should move forward to meet not only the AB 32 requirement (returning to 1990 emission levels by 2020), but also the governor’s goal of an 80 percent reduction by 2050. We cannot afford to give in to the voices of obstruction and delay.

This draft has the potential to be the premier greenhouse gas reduction effort in the country, with a 33 percent clean-energy standard to drive innovation, energy efficiency measures to keep dollars at home, and clean-vehicle requirements to reduce toxic air pollution. Still, it can become stronger. As the Air Board fills out and finalizes the plan, we’d like to see more measures that reduce vehicle miles traveled, accelerate production of zero-emission vehicles, preserve farmland, and boost recycling rates.

The Air Boards draft plan also considers the trading of greenhouse gases. If California does join a regional carbon market, it should require all big polluters to pay for their emissions, and should enforce strict limits on any emissions offsets. Also, ARB must analyze the impacts of any market system on the air quality of our most polluted communities. Finally, emissions fees should be analyzed along with carbon markets, as the draft proposes.

With this draft plan, the Air Board demonstrates again that California is taking real actions to fight pollution that causes global warming, even while the Bush administration fails to act.

The following is taken (with thanks) from the *The Post*, the newsletter of the Claremont Wildlands Conservancy (CWC), a non-profit, grassroots organization dedicated to the preservation of open space in the foothills above Claremont, and to keeping them wild and free for all. Join them at their website: www.claremontwildlands.org. Email: Info@SaveJohnsonsPasture.org

HELP THEM SAVE THE CLAREMONT HILLSIDES.

Instead of charging annual dues, CWC relies on your continuing generosity to find their work. Please remember the Conservancy in your giving plans. Donations are welcome at any time! Wildlands Conservancy, 836 Stanislaus Circle, Claremont, CA 91711.

Help City Keep Public Access to Johnson's Pasture

by Jill Benton

The City of Claremont is currently considering a proposal to build a permanent trailhead into Johnson's Pasture on the southwestern side of the Wilderness Park. If approved, the entry will be located at the northern end of Mountain Avenue. Switchbacks for entry will be carved slightly westward around, up, and over the bedrock to an overgrown fire road that rises to the first juncture of roads that make up the gently rolling trails of the pasture itself.

If the proposal is accepted, the trailhead will be constructed by summer's end. Once it's complete, Wilderness Park parking will be permitted on the west side of the north end of Mountain Avenue southward to the entry of High Point, excluding the curbs bordering two fire hydrants. Some parking will also be permitted on the east end of Mountain above Via Santa Caterina. Craig Bradshaw, the City Engineer, estimates there will be 15 parking spaces for use.

As most know, the Wilderness Park, including Johnson's Pasture, is open daily from dawn to dusk. The city defines "dawn" as a half hour before sunrise, and "dusk" as a half hour after sunset. In the city proposal, Wilderness Park parking will be limited to these hours, and tickets will be issued to those parking during the night: i.e. between dusk and dawn.

Moreover, the proposal stipulates that no Wilderness Park daytime parking will be permitted on Via Santa Caterina in an attempt to mitigate what Chief of Police Paul Cooper characterizes as "quality of life issues," including noise, loss of privacy, and perceived loss of security.

A special meeting of the Traffic and Transportation Commission (TTC) was held June 30 in City Council Chambers for a second consideration of the city engineering staff's proposal for a trailhead and restricted parking policy. The TTC's first discussion on May 22 was inconclusive. If accepted by the TTC, the policy will be forwarded for approval to the City Council. The public is invited to attend these meetings.

If approved by the TTC, the ordinance would be heard by the City Council on Tuesday, July 8 at 7 pm. At that time, if the ordinance is approved by the City Council, the public hearing phase will be closed and consideration for final approval will occur 30 days later. For certainty about the Traffic and Transportation Commission agendas, you are urged to check the CWC website, or the city website.

The CWC board supports all efforts to maintain public access to Johnson's Pasture, by which we mean sufficient parking and posted trailheads at the southwestern edge of the Wilderness Park.

Be Safe in the Wilderness Park

by Karen Chapman

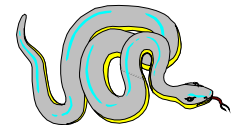
Johnson's Pasture lovers, you can help keep the Pasture safe and wild by reporting any illegal or dangerous actions you observe.

Please call Claremont Police at (909) 626-1296, or use 911 in an emergency. The Police will page Park Rangers, if they are on duty. We hope many of you carry your cell phone both for your own safety and for others. Check for reception where you ordinarily hike so you will know the locations where the signal is good and where it is not.

The Wilderness Park is open dawn to dusk. Some groups are given advance permission to hike in the dark. Our neighboring Group, The Los Serranos Group of the San Gorgonio Chapter, features Sierra Club Moonlight Hikes led by Patty Thome (909) 949-8046.

Please be thoughtful as you park along a non-red curb and avoid blocking a mailbox, trash cans or driveways. As temperatures climb there will be more active wildlife.

Please respect rattlesnakes by quietly withdrawing yourself from their area. My belief has always been that they do not want to be close to me, even more than I don't want to be close to them. It has worked so far.



Sierra Club Endorses Obama for President Joins United Steelworkers, Senator Brown in Call for Clean Energy Future

Cleveland OH: With a giant wind turbine representing America's clean energy future as a backdrop, the Sierra Club and United Steelworkers today (June 20) jointly endorsed Barack Obama as the change America needs. Carl Pope, the Executive Director of the Sierra Club, America's largest grassroots environmental organization, Leo Gerard, the leader of America's largest industrial union, and, Ohio Senator Sherrod Brown highlighted the stakes in this year's election.

“We believe Senator Obama is the change our nation needs — he is the change we need, the leader who will put America on the path to a clean energy economy that will create and keep millions of jobs, spur innovation and opportunity, make us a more secure nation, and help us solve global warming,” said Pope. “The Sierra Club and the United Steelworkers are standing together in support of Barack Obama because we all share the common goal of putting America back to work by building a clean energy economy,” said Leo Gerard, International President of the United Steelworkers.

“Our endorsement today marks the beginning of a massive mobilization of thousands of members around the country for the campaign—on the phone, on the ground, on the airwaves and online, spreading the message that as President, Barack Obama will lead America into the clean energy future and that we support his plan to solve both our economic challenges and the challenge of global warming at the same time,” said Allison Chin, President of the Sierra Club. Senator Obama's plan will help heal America's economy and environment.

Senator Obama has presented a bold and comprehensive plan for addressing climate change that relies on what the world's scientists have told us needs to be done. His plan includes:

- Cap and auction system that would cut our carbon dioxide emissions 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050.
- Requires the polluters to pay for the global warming pollution they emit, invests the money generated from the credits polluters would have to buy into clean energy, green jobs and aid for the lowest-income Americans affected by higher energy costs.
- 25 percent of US electricity to come from renewable sources by 2025, and for improving energy efficiency in the US 50 per cent by 2030 would create tens of thousands of jobs in growing industries while at the same time saving the amount Americans would have to spend on energy bills.

Barack Obama has said, 'Change is an energy policy that puts a price on pollution and makes the oil companies invest their record profits in clean, renewable sources of energy that will create millions of new jobs and leave our children a safer planet.' We really could not have said it better ourselves. And that is why he is our candidate and we will do everything in our power to help elect him the next president of the United States,” said Pope.

A sample of other high points of Senator Obama's environmental platform:

- Opposes destructive oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and on fragile coasts.
- Opposes the storage of nuclear waste at the Yucca Mountain repository being built in southern Nevada.
- Promises to restore environmental protections that the Bush administration rolled back by executive order.
- Calls for tougher pollution regulations on factory farms or concentrated animal-feeding operations (CAFOs).
- Primary cosponsor of the Lead Poisoning Reduction Act, which aims to protect children from toxic lead poisoning.

Sierra Club was also an early backer of State Senator Barack Obama in the Democratic Primary for his run to the US Senate, basing our endorsement on “his strong record of support for clean air, wetlands protection, and clean energy.

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At the suggestion of a number of Sierra Club volunteer leaders, and in agreement with the Club's overall value of using resources efficiently and avoiding waste, bottled water should no longer be offered at any Sierra Club event or be sold from any Sierra Club office vending machine. For additional information on the down side of using bottled water, please visit the following Sierra Club web site:

http://www.sierraclub.org/committees/cac/water/bottled_water/bottled_water.pdf

HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE, SUMMER!

Eastern Sierra Wilderness and Rivers

Wild rivers in the San Gabriel Mountains and Eastern Sierra took a huge step toward preservation May 22. The bipartisan Eastern Sierra and Northern San Gabriel Wild Heritage Act was introduced as companion House and Senate bills sponsored by Rep. Buck McKeon (R-CA) and Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA).

The legislation proposes to protect more than 52 miles of Wild & Scenic Rivers and nearly 476,000 acres of Wilderness, including some of the most spectacular scenery in the West.

The Amargosa River south of Death Valley, the Owens River Headwaters in the Eastern Sierra, and Piru Creek north of Los Angeles would gain Wild & Scenic protection. The Owens River Headwaters flows into one of the most popular wild trout streams in the West. Piru Creek is one of only three year-round coldwater trout streams in Southern California. The Amargosa is a rare free-flowing desert river that supports many rare and endangered wildlife species.

According to Steve Evans, Conservation Director of the statewide organization Friends of the River, the legislation would significantly diversify rivers protected in the federal systems. “This legislation protects three distinct streams in the Eastern Sierra, Mojave Desert, and San Gabriel Mountains. Those are such important ecological regions that were—up to now—unrepresented in the system,” he said.

Approximately 19 miles of Glass Creek, Deadman Creek and Big Springs would be protected as a Wild and Scenic River in the Eastern Sierra. These water sources come together to form the Owens River, a favored destination of wild trout anglers from across the nation.

A 28-mile segment of the Amargosa River near the Mojave Desert communities of Shoshone and Tecopa would be protected, not only for its important habitat, but also as a unique desert recreation area for tourists.

A 7-mile segment of Piru Creek with easy access off of Interstate 5 would also be protected north of Los Angeles. The segment is a popular destination not only for anglers, but also families who visit the creek to escape the summer heat.

The legislation also proposes protection for more than 476,000 acres of Wilderness on the eastside of the Sierra Nevada, in the White Mountains on the Nevada border, and the northern slope of the San Gabriel Mountains near Los Angeles. The existing Hoover, Emigrant, Ansel Adams, and John Muir Wilderness would all gain significant additions, while entirely new areas would be protected in the White Mountains, on Granite Mountain, and in the San Gabriel Mountains. The areas include some of the most spectacular scenery in the west and are popular destinations for hikers, backpackers, anglers, hunters, equestrians, and all those seeking unconfined and primitive forms recreation.

A partial list of areas included:

White Mountains Wilderness 223,517 acres Mono County, Inyo National Forest

The White Mountains are America’s largest and highest desert mountain range. They contain the largest expanse of alpine tundra in western North America, the highest peak in the Great Basin, and the second largest unprotected roadless area in the lower 48 states. The Whites are home to the world’s oldest living trees, the ancient bristlecone pines, which live to almost 5,000 years. With its large size and tremendous diversity of unique and beautiful habitats, the Whites are world-renowned for scientific research and are home to desert bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, and other mountain and desert wildlife and plants.

Hoover Wilderness Additions 76,982 acres Mono County, Humboldt, Toiyabe and Inyo National Forests

The Hoover Wilderness additions represent a classic High Sierra landscape of deeply carved glacial valleys dotted with tranquil alpine lakes and forests of lodgepole pine. The northern Hoover additions (“west” and “east”), which includes 12 miles of the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail and the headwaters of the West Walker River, is a popular recreation destination for hikers, anglers, hunters and equestrians. The southern portion, consisting mostly of a high plateau rising above the west shore of Mono Lake, is home to a reintroduced population of the endangered Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep.

Pleasant View Ridge Wilderness 28,424 acres Los Angeles County, Angeles National Forest

This spectacular area is located south of the desert communities of Palmdale/Lancaster on the north slope of the San Gabriel Mountains. The area features 8,200-foot Mt. Williamson and other dramatic peaks, the headwaters of Little Rock Creek, and some of the most magnificent and remote ridge and canyon country in southern California. The Pacific Crest Trail and other popular trails access the area, which offers opportunities for fishing, rock climbing, class IV kayaking, and snowshoeing. It is home to bighorn sheep and the mountain yellow-legged frog, old-growth pines, and Joshua trees.

Magic Mountain Wilderness 13,709 acres Los Angeles County, Angeles National Forest

A scenic backdrop to the Santa Clarita Valley, Magic Mountain’s chaparral covered hillsides and live oak canyons drain into the Santa Clara River. Visitors enjoy the spectacular view from the summit of Magic Mountain, and hikers and equestrians can journey from the mountain’s summit down to the river. An important habitat link with mountain ranges to the north and west, Magic Mountain is frequently visited by California condors and also provides habitat for black bear, mountain lion, bobcat and deer.

Outings

The general public is welcome on most outings. Sierra Club membership is not required but certainly is encouraged! Consult the Angeles Chapter website (<http://www.angeles.sierraclub.org/outingsDB/index.aspx>) or the Angeles Chapter *Schedule of Activities* for more activities in LA or Orange Counties. The Sierra Club encourages ridesharing. Participants make their own arrangements and should reimburse the driver. Call leader for information. *All participants on Sierra Club outings are required to sign a standard liability waiver. If you would like to read the Liability Waiver before you choose to participate on an outing, please go to: <http://www.sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms/>, or contact the Outings Department at (415) 977-5528 for a printed version. CST 2087766-40. Registration as a seller of travel does not constitute approval by the State of California*

Mt Baldy RP (Rideshare Point): PFF Bank's rear parking lot at NE corner, Indian Hill and Foothill Blvd, Claremont

Azusa RP (Rideshare Point): On street next to market, 9th St and Azusa Ave north of Foothill Blvd.

La Canada RP (Rideshare Point): Angeles Crest Hwy (Hwy 2), just north of Foothill Fwy (I-210). Park on Hwy 2 only.

Sat Jul 12 Waterman Mtn (8038') from Buckhorn: Easy-paced hike to lovely Mt Waterman for some great views into the San Gabriel Wilderness. 6 mi rt, 1200' gain. Meet 9 am at La Canada RP. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, clothing to suit the weather at 8000'. Leaders: Joel Goldberg (310) 479-5570, Dean Wallraff (818) 679-3141

Sun Jul 13 Cooper Cyn to Buckhorn: Moderate, 5 mi loop hike. 1000' loss down Cooper Cyn to waterfall from north side San Gabriel Mtns, 900' gain up Buckhorn Creek. We will see and learn about midsummer wildflowers, including a rare lemon lily that seeps along trail. Dip in pool beneath waterfall. Short car shuttle. Adventurous newcomers welcome. Meet 8 am at La Canada RP. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, swim suit. Leaders: Bill Joyce (323) 256-0772, Denise Sims.

Fri Jul 18 Moonlight Hike to Mt Lowe from Eaton Saddle: Enjoy nice views from high above the LA basin on moderate, 3 mi, 500' gain hike to historic peak in the front range. Meet 7 pm at La Canada RP with water, snack, hiking boots, flashlight. Leaders: Norm Stabeck (818) 248-3807, Pam Allen (626) 296-6911, Denise Sims.

Sat Jul 19 West Fork to Bear Creek: 6 mi rt, 500' gain, where the sky is blue and the air is clear. Explore Bear Creek in the San Gabriel Wilderness. Potluck lunch or bring your own. Meet 9 am at Azusa RP. Leaders: John DePoy (714) 826-4007, Al Moggia (323) 661-1530.

Sun Jul 20 Cloudburst Summit to Buckhorn Campground — Hike and Protect: Hike into an amazing area that deserves wilderness protection. On this hike in the upper San Gabriels, you will experience remote nature, giant trees, picturesque streams and learn more about how you can easily help the protection effort. 8 mi, 1300' loss/gain. Meet 9 am at La Canada RP. Bring lugsoles, sun protection, lunch, a food item to share. Heavy rain cancels. Leaders: Eric Counsellor (626) 830-5033, Juana Torres (213) 387-6528 x226.

Sat Jul 26 Mt Williamson (8244') Peak: Wonderful views from this high peak north of the Angeles Crest Hwy. 4 mi rt, 1600' gain on the PCT and on a steep use trail. The pace will be slow, and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 am La Canada RP. Bring water, lugsoles, snack, sense of humor. Rain cancels. Leaders: Karen and Wolf Leverich (661) 242-3334, Winnette Butler (818) 549-9686, Lily Fukui (626) 300-5812.

Sat Jul 26 Mt Islip (8250') and Islip Saddle: Moderately paced 7 mi, 1600' gain hike with great views. Meet 8 am, La Canada RP with water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing layers. Leaders: Norm Stabeck (818) 249-3807, Gary Kinsley (626) 457-1197.

Sat Aug 9 East Fork San Gabriel River — Hike and Protect : Join us on a summer hike along the east fork of the San Gabriel River as we follow it north into the Sheep Mtn Wilderness. On the hike you will see first hand the shortage of resources that thousands of visitors experience, and you will have the opportunity to take a small action to help improve the health of the river. 6 mi rt, 700' gain. There will be stream crossings and boulder hopping so you are likely to get wet. Meet 8:30 am at the Azusa RP. Bring sturdy shoes, sun protection, water, lunch. Leaders: Rick Farber (323) 935-8990, Juana Torres. (213) 387-6528 x226.

Sat Aug 16 Moonlight hike to Mt Lowe from Eaton Saddle: Enjoy nice views from high above the LA basin on moderate, 3 mi, 500' gain hike to historic peak in front range. Meet 7 pm at La Canada RP with water, snack, hiking boots, flashlight. Leaders: Norm Stabeck (818) 249-3807, Don Bremner (626) 794-2603, Bill Joyce (323) 256-0772.

Sun Aug 24 Mt Hillyer (6200'): 6 mi rt, 900' gain to this interesting peak near Chilao Flats in the San Gabriel Mtns. Pace will be slow and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 am La Canada RP. Bring water, lugsoles, snack, sense of humor. Rain cancels. Karen & Wolf Leverich (661) 242-3334, Lily Fukui (626) 300-5812, Jim Fleming (805) 578-9408.

Sat Sep 13 Icehouse Saddle, Proposed Cucamonga Wilderness Addition — Hike and Protect: This 8 mi, 2600' gain hike in the Cucamonga Wilderness area will provide you with great views of the proposed addition to the wilderness area which is supported by the Sierra Club. You will have the opportunity to take a small action to protect this land. Meet 9 am at the Mt Baldy RP. Bring water, lunch, sun protection, lugsoles. Leaders: Juana Torres (213) 387-6528 x226, Eric Counsellor (626) 830-5033.

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Angeles Chapter Sierra Club Offers Outdoor Leadership Training October 4

Interested in becoming an outings leader? Mt Baldy Group needs leaders!

Angeles Chapter is home to one of the largest outings programs on the planet — thousands of trips ranging from beach barbecues to mountaineering expeditions.

You can take the first step toward becoming a leader by attending a class offered by the chapter Leadership Training Committee on Saturday, October 4.

The class covers all the basics of leadership. Experienced leaders will tell you how to plan a trip, prevent problems on the trail and make sure that everyone — including you — has a great time. They'll also explain good conservation and safety practices. And they'll give you tips for getting your "O" rating quickly and then, if you choose, pursuing more advanced ratings.

The all-day class at the Griffith Park Ranger Station costs \$25. The application is on page 69 of the Angeles Chapter Schedule #308. It's also online at angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc.

Mail the application and check, payable to Sierra Club, to Steve Botan, LTC Registrar, 18816 Thornwood Circle, Huntington Beach CA 92646. You also can reach Steve by phone (714) 963-0151 or e-mail sbotan@pacbell.net.

Applications and checks are due September 20.

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