**Conditioning Hikes & Local Hikes**

**Hike for Conservation – Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve~~,~~ Trail Maintenance**

**203040s Events & Family Events, Backpacking**

**Travel Adventures: Ecuador & Galapagos**

**Introducing our Winter Getaways to Mammoth Mountain**

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**Trudy and Deb on Black Beach Iceland Photo by Donna**

**COMING SOON!**

**ORANGE COUNTY SIERRANS**

**2017 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ELECTIONS**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2016**

Be a part of the decision making process for one of the most successful sections in the Angeles Chapter. Join the large number of dedicated leaders and volunteers who perform the many vital functions necessary to keep this dynamic Section running. Call anyone on the Management Committee 2016 to volunteer as a Management Committee nominee for the year 2017. If our Nominating Chair or a committee member calls, please don't hang up! They have given careful consideration to many qualified members who could make a difference.

**CALL TODAY! YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

**WATCH FOR YOUR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER *ORANGE PEAL* & MAIL IN YOUR BALLOT**

**OR VOTE AT THE GENERAL MEETING MONDAY NIGHT NOVEMBER 14, 2016!**

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DARE TO LEAD! LEADERSHIP TRAINING SEMINAR

**Saturday, October 1, 2016**

Become a Qualified Sierra Club Leader

Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr,

Pasadena, 91107

If you're a Sierra Club member interested in the future of our local outings Program, want to lead your own outings, keep the program healthy, strong, and ensure that participants are safe, happy and inspired, please sign up for leadership training. If you are already a leader, please encourage and mentor a candidate.

The requirements for becoming a leader at the basic “O” level are: Current Sierra Club membership, participation on five Sierra club trips/hikes, passing an open book pre-seminar exam from the Leader Reference Book, attendance at an all day Leadership Training seminar, completion of first aid and CPR training and satisfactory completion of a provisional outing.

Piece of cake! Start now on your list of five Sierra Club trips/hikes!

Call the OCSS Outings Chair, Donna Specht (donnaspecht@juno.com) for assistance.

To Register: Send name, address, phone number, e mail and $25 (Ck payable Sierra Club) to:

Steve Botan, LTC Registrar

18816 Thornwood Circle, Huntington Beach, CA 92646

714-321-1296 Email: ltcregistrar@hundredpeaks.org

LTC Website: https://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc\_leadership\_seminar

**Registration Deadline with Fee: SEPTEMBER 17, 2016**

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 - 16, 2017 ANGELES CHAPTER, ORANGE COUNTY SIERRANS

**C/O: Ecuador Eco-Tour III: Five night/6 day pre Galapagos Islands Tour (June 16-20).** We will spend our days exploring, trekking to sacred waterfalls on pre-Incan trails, learning about local culture, volcanology, anthropology, see incredible birds, wildlife, plants and flowers. We will be based just 20 miles from Quito staying in an 18th century Spanish Hacienda at 10,000'. A few nights will be spent at a private Reserve Eco-Lodge and Hummingbird Sanctuary high in the Cloud Forest. We will tour Old Colonial Quito, an Indian Market and, of course, a stop at the Middle of the World Equator Monument in Cala Cali.

Sierra Club Member cost $1595, Non member cost $1695 (payable Sierra Club) includes lodges (double occupancy), ground transport, guides, all delicious Ecuadorean meals except day of arrival. Group international airfare extra. For itinerary, application, cancellation policy contact Leader: Donna Specht (714-963-6345, [donnaspecht@juno.com](mailto:donnaspecht@juno.com)), Co Leader: Ana Cadez (ana@bt-store.com)

FRIDAY, JUNE 16- 20, 2017 ANGELES CHAPTER, ORANGE COUNTY SIERRANS

**C/O: Galapagos Islands Cruise Exploration II:** Five night/6 day cruise tour on a Superior Tourist Class Expedition Yacht following the Ecuador Eco-Tour III (June 11-16). The Galapagos are an exciting year-around destination, right on the equator. We fly from Quito, Ecuador to Galapagos Baltra Island Airport, the starting point of an unforgettable once-in-a-lifetime experience that will inspire you to think differently about the world. After landing on Baltra Island we explore part of the nearby Santa Crus Island before boarding our 20 person Yacht for a 4 night/5 day cruise. We visit five (5) islands: Baltra, Santa Cruz, Floreana, Espanola and San Cristobal accompanied by two bi-lingual top naturalist guides trained on Galapagos. Our days will be divided between land and water activities. At night we’ll be cruising from island to island. During the day we will enjoy panga rides, walking, hiking (easy to moderate), taking photos of amazing landscape, bird watching, swimming, snorkeling and exploring this truly unique wildlife sanctuary. We will see most of the wildlife the Galapagos are famous for: Giant tortoises, iguanas, blue-footed boobies, frigate birds, and more. On San Cristobal Island we also visit the “Interpretation Center & Environment Education Project” to learn about conservation efforts. We fly back to Quito from San Cristobal Island Airport for a one night stay at a hotel in Quito Center before flying home next day.

Sierra Club member cost $ 3,395, Non-member cost $ 3,495 (payable Sierra Club), includes airfare Quito to Galapagos Islands (value $500), 2 bilingual NP Guides, airport & ground transfers, 5 day/4 night cruise, delicious food & beverages on board, panga rides, accommodation in twin cabins, all with private bathrooms, A/C and ocean views, Galapagos NP entrance fee ($100 per person), 1 night hotel in Quito with breakfast. Not included: int’l airfare USA – Ecuador, non-alcoholic beverages, tips to Galapagos NP tour guides, cruise crew and bus/taxi drivers. Early booking highly recommended! We hold a limited number of cabins. **For itinerary, application, cancellation policy contact Leader: Donna Specht (714-963-6345),** [**donnaspecht@juno.com**](mailto:donnaspecht@juno.com)**,**

**Co-Leader: Ana Cadez (626-372-5866), ana@bt-store.com.**

WED, SEPtEMBER 7 7-9:30 pm MGMNT COMMITTEE MTG

Open to all members. Meeting starts at 7PM. Guests must request to be on the agenda if they wish to make a presentation. Guest Agenda items must be submitted one week in advance to Vice Chair Charles Geller . eduright@aol.com **Contact Donna Specht for location and directions to the meeting.**

WED, OCTOBER 19 7-9:30 pm MGMNT COMMITTEE MTG

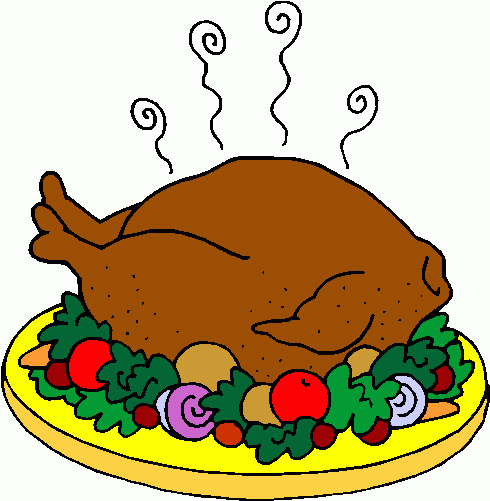
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**PROGRAMS**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 6:30 PM TO 8:45 PM**

**Program: Morocco-Where Three Cultures Come Together:** Morocco is known as El Maghreb, the far Western edge of the Muslim world. Morocco stands at a crossroads between the Middle East, Europe, and Africa. It’s a mix of cultures: indigenous Berbers, sub-Saharan Africans, and Europeans. Its geography is diverse, featuring mountains, deserts, and beaches. Morocco has a rich culture, with its food and musical traditions going back centuries. Want to learn about Morocco from a native? Join us for an exciting program by Sierra Club member, leader and Moroccan native, Houria Hall. Pick up your Schedule of Activities for 2016 and plan your next adventure. Bring a friend and come and join us at REI Tustin, 2962 El Camino Real, Tustin, CA 92782. Hike on over to the Community Room.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 6:30 PM ANGELES CHAPTER, OCSS

**[](http://www.clipartpanda.com/clipart_images/christmas-turkey-clipart-5900901)Newcomer/Member Meet Greet Eat, Thanksgiving Night:** We invite you to an activity packed evening: Introduction of our new leaders, Free Drawing, find out all about our events with 20s/30s/40s, our award winning Weekly Conditioning Hikes, Social activities, conservation outings and Adventure Destinations and Winter Sports Program. Chance to purchase Sierra Club logo daypacks and other cool gifts. Newcomers welcome! Meet 6:30 pm, Costa Mesa Neighborhood Community Center, 1845 Park Avenue, Costa Mesa. $5 Donation. Optional, bring a Thanksgiving side dish, potluck item and we will provide the turkey, fixins and drinks. Join Sierra Club @ special introductory offer $15 and receive a free gift! Bring A Friend! Contact: Donna Specht (donnaspecht@juno.com)

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TUE & THU 6:30-8:00 PM IRVINE CONDITIONING HIKES

**MC900157205[1]O: Easy/Moderate/Tiger paced hikes,** 4-7 mi rt on hilly trails. Bring water, light hiking boots. 405 Fwy, exit S at University/Jeffrey, L on Ridgeline, L on Turtle Rock, pass Sunnyhill, L into parking lot of Turtle Rock Community Park. Ldrs: John La Rue, Phil Weinreich, Joel Kenyon, Fran Penn, Fred Lamb, Jim Palmer, Donna Specht, Maura Van Strien, Karim Khoshab, Norman Montgomery, Shaune Hand, Michael Mavrovouniotis, and Christine Dickey.

**TUE 6:30 PM OCSS, RIO HONDO**

**O: Fullerton Beginners Hike:** Hike with our social group on this regular weekly beginner's hike of 4-5 miles in the gentle hills of Fullerton. Slow to medium pace is great for beginners. Each week we rotate through numerous trails in the area to provide new experiences. Optional dinner afterwards. Last Tue. of each month we have a potluck dinner. **Hike scheduled during daylight savings time, i.e. March through Oct.** Meet at the east end of Laguna Lake in Fullerton (from Harbor Blvd, W on Hermosa Dr, L on Lakeside Dr for ½ block and park on the street). Look for hikers on east side of Lakeside Dr. Wear sturdy boots, bring water, flashlight. Leaders: Martin Kluck, Joel Ortmann, Margee Hills, Houria Hall, Alan Daniels, Ed Khatch. Host: Sanford Opperman

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 8:00 PM**

**Irvine Conditioning Hikes BBQ:** Irvine Conditioning Hikes BBQ Potluck: Newcomers welcome. Join us for potluck and BBQ immediately following the hikes. $4 donation to support OCSS, drinks, burgers, Veggie burgers, hot dogs, charcoal. Meet 8 pm at the picnic area of Turtle Rock Community Park. (405 Fwy, exit South at University/Jeffrey, Left on Ridgeline, Left on Turtle Rock, pass Sunnyhill, Left into parking lot). Bring a potluck dish for six to share, a beverage and your own place setting. Hosted by Turtle Rock Leaders, OCSS Management Committee, Donna Specht, Joel Kenyon

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 7:15 AM OCG, SAGE, OCSS**

**Icehouse Canyon:** Join us for an 8 mi, 2600' gain hike in the San Gabriel Mtns along an inviting creek, past private cabins and through beautiful forests. We'll have a snack at Columbine Spring, lunch at the saddle and return the way we came. 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, lugsoles, poles, rain jacket, non-cotton layers. Rain cancels. Ldrs: Rich Maxey, Linda Ledger, linda.ledger@cox.net

SAT 8:00 AM PETERS CANYON CONDITIONING HIKES

**O:** Fast paced conditioning hike, 6 mi RT, 700' gain. No beginners or Tigers! From 5 Fwy, N on Jamboree, or from 55 Fwy E on Chapman. Take Canyon View into parking area. Bring water, lugholes, $3 for parking or have permit. Rain cancels. (Important Note: If park is closed, meet in Taco Bell parking lot, corner Chapman/Jamboree). Leaders: Sharry Puraty, Fran Penn, Norman Montgomery, and Shilo Bartlett.

**Before you go, be prepared: Some General Information**

**Liability Waivers**

In order to participate in a Sierra Club outing, you must sign a liability waiver. If you would like to read a copy of the waiver before attending the outing, please see http://www.sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms/

**California Seller of Travel**

CST #2087766-40. Registration as a seller of travel does not constitute approval by the State of California.

**Trip Reservation And Refund Policy**

When two costs are shown for a trip, the lower cost is for Sierra Club members who must include their SC membership number (SC#) with the reservation. Make checks payable to Orange County Sierrans Section (OCSS) unless otherwise indicated. On OCSS events, if cancellation is received 35 days prior to event (some exceptions), there is no charge. Thereafter, refunds (less 10%) will be made if trip is full and space is resold to suitable replacement. Some trips have unique cancellation policies, please refer to trip write-up. Other groups may have a different policy.

**Rideshare Meeting Points:**

**Orange County, North:** Park-N-Ride, E side of Tustin Ave just S of Lincoln Av, Orange off SR55.

**Orange County, South:** Ortega Business Center parking lot, 1/4 mi E of 5 Fwy on SE corner of Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo in San Juan Capistrano.

Go to the chapter website for additional rideshare points:

http://angeles2.sierraclub.org/get\_outdoors/know\_you\_go/rideshare\_meeting\_places

In the interest of facilitating the logistics of some outings, it is customary that participants make voluntary carpooling arrangements. The Sierra Club does not have insurance for carpooling arrangements and assumes no liability for them. Carpooling, ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among participants. Participants assume the risks of this travel. Please share the cost of gas.

**Get Involved, Get Outdoors:**

**The Angeles Chapter Schedule of Activities Now Online**

**Whether you're looking for an outdoor adventure, an opportunity to meet people, a chance to influence elected officials or just something to do on a Saturday afternoon, the Online Schedule of Activities is your guide to hundreds of events sponsored by Regional Groups, Activity Sections, Committees and Conservation Task Forces throughout** **the Angeles Chapter. Check it out at:**

**https://angeles2.sierraclub.org/activities**

**For events in South Orange County check out the website for**

**Sierra Sage Group http://sierrasage.org**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 9:00 AM OCG, SAGE, OCSS

**Salt Creek Bagel hike:** 7.5 mi, 200' gain, moderate. Scenic walk from Chapparosa Park to the beach, then up over the Headlands to Dana Point Harbor. Return by bus after lunch (optional) at the Bagel Place. Meet 9:00 am at Chapparosa Park. From I-5 go W on Crown Valley, L on Golden Lantern, R on Chapparosa and through park to the very end. Those arriving by 8:45 may wish to take the first R after turning onto Chapparosa and parking there. Bring water, walking shoes, bus fare ($0.75 seniors, $2 others). Newcomers welcome. Ldrs: Helen Maurer, Linda Ledger

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 7:00 AM SIERRA SAGE, OCSS**

**O: San Juan Trail Loop Hike:** Starting at the Blue Jay Campground trailhead we follow the Old San Juan Trail through some Oak trees and Chaparral then along a ridge generally downhill to a Oak tree rimmed meadow informally called Chiquito Basin then it's uphill for 300 yards to the base of Sugarloaf Peak. From there we pick up the New San Juan Trail and follow its winding path back to where it meets the Old San Juan trail and back to the trailhead. Total distance is about 8.5 miles with elevation gain of about 1100 feet. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, hat, sunscreen. Meet 7:00 AM at Ortega Plaza parking lot SE corner Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo, San Juan Capistrano. Leaders: John Tevelein 949-854-0657 [jctevelein@cox.net](mailto:jctevelein@cox.net), Rich Maxey 949-310-5134 richmaxey@yahoo.com

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 6:30 PM PALOS VERDES SOUTH BAY**

**Did you know some of our Orange County Sierrans are also members of Regional Group PVSB?**

**O: San Pedro/RPV Conditioning Hike:** Strenuous 2 hr, 5-8 mi conditioning hikes on flat/hilly streets/trails to explore fauna/terrain in San Pedro & RPV. Not for beginners. Arrive early. Leaves 6:30 pm every Tue from 8th and Averill, San Pedro. Wear lug sole boots and bring red lens flashlight. If you anticipate rain, wear rain gear. Well behaved dogs on leash are welcome on the slow hike. Dorothy Chadwick 310-544-0600 [xcskiers@earthlink.net](mailto:xcskiers@earthlink.net) & Brooks Chadwick 310-544-0600 xcskiers@earthlink.net

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 9:00 AM OCG, SAGE, OCSS

**Crystal Cove Beach Walk:** 6 mi, 200' gain. An early summer stroll along the beach & bluff top in this beautiful State Park in Newport Beach. Optional stop at Ruby's Date Shack. Meet 9:00 am at the SW corner of PCH and Cameo Shores. Park on Cameo Shores or Cameo Highlands. Bring water, walking shoes. Ldr: Pete Height, Asst: Sylvia Stevenson, sjstevenson2828@yahoo.com

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 6:00 PM OCG

**Spaghetti Feed and Get Together:** Join us at 6 pm at Cook's Corners for a spaghetti/salad dinner and a good time get-together. Spaghetti plate with salad $4 per person. Bring friends & family! (From I-5, E on El Toro several miles, which changes to Santiago Cyn Rd, R on Live Oak Cyn Rd and Cook's Corners.) Contact Sherri Sisson for details. 949-786-7681 sksisson@gmail.com

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 8:30 AM OCSS

**O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike:** Easy paced, reasonably flat, 5 mile hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers Welcome. Enjoy the natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 8:30 am. From Warner Avenue in Huntington Beach turn south on Bolsa Chica Street to the end of the street and trailhead (Brightwater). Park on the street. Bring camera, water, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots, rain does not cancel. Ldrs: Houria Hall, Julie Garner, Steve Bradford

**Saturday, September 24- October 1 OCSS**

**O: 203040's COLORADO ROCKY MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE, VAIL, CO:** Fall colors of the Colorado Rockies await your gaze on easy-moderate 3-6 mile hikes. Each evening, we'll cook healthy food at our Vantage Point Condominium, enjoy the hot tub, and watch movies. You must have hiked with one of the leaders before the event to assess skill level. We will be sharing a 2 bedroom unit, so plan to camp on floor. Bring your sleeping bag and sleeping pad. Couples or those willing to share get first dibs on the beds. Pre-pay $400 by check to OCSS, c/o Scott Closson, 19 Night Bloom, Irvine, CA 92602 for full amount. Refunds only if someone takes your spot. Meet at Denver International Airport (DIA) at 1pm. Limit: 8. David Kuhn 714-883-9893 [mtndave@cox.net](mailto:mtndave@cox.net), Scott Closson 714-457-6820 closs100@mail.chapman.edu.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 7:15 AM OCG, SAGE, OCSS**

**Icehouse Canyon:** Join us for an 8 mi, 2600' gain hike in the San Gabriel Mtns along an inviting creek, past private cabins and through beautiful forests. We'll have a snack at Columbine Spring, lunch at the saddle and return the way we came. 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, lugsoles, poles, rain jacket, non-cotton layers. Rain cancels. Ldrs: Rich Maxey, Linda Ledger, linda.ledger@cox.net

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 2, WILDERNESS ADVENTURES, OCSS**

**I: Mt Stanford (12,838) and Mt Huntington (12,394):** Bag these two peaks from Pioneer Basin. Fri, start in lovely Little Lakes Valley for moderately strenuous 9 mile, 2,800 feet gain, 2,000 feet loss backpack over Mono Pass to camp by a lake in Pioneer Basin. Saturday, strenuous 7 mi, 3,000 gain/loss off-trail ascent of SPS-listed Stanford, with descent back to Pioneer Basin and off-trail hike to reach and then climb Mt Huntington before return to camp. Sunday, return to cars. Must be in strong physical condition and comfortable with steep, off-trail hiking. Snow cancels trip. Send $5 permit fee, 2 SASE or email, H/W/cell phones, recent conditioning, experience, rideshare to Leader: Mark Alan Mitchell [markamitchell@att.net](mailto:markamitchell@att.net), Daniel Kinzek

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 8:00 AM SIERRA SAGE, OCSS

**O: Trail Maintenance in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness**: The Santa Ana Mountain Task Force maintains trails in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness. Volunteers, male and female, keep the trails open and safe. The location of each month's activity depends on the current trail conditions. To receive monthly email notices with details for that month, contact John. The work will involve cutting back or removing plants to provide a proper corridor and correcting drainage and erosion problems. Tools are provided. Bring work gloves, sturdy boots, water, lunch. Meeting location is usually at the south Orange County ride share at either 7:30 or 8:00 am depending on the location of the work. Rain or critical fire danger will cancel. Leader: John Kaiser (jkai39@gmail.com). Assistant: Rich Maxey

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**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 10:00 AM OCSS**

**Keller Hut Overseer Training:** Reserve for the first Keller Hut Overseer Training this decade! Snow Valley is high in the San Bernardino Mountains. Overseers are responsible to host a weekend once every 2 years and then may privately reserve the cabin (for paid use) twice a year. Prerequisites: Sierra Club membership with SC#, staying at the hut 1 night in the past, then completing the all day overseer training plus 2 work party days (for ex: that Fri & Sun) and finally, Keller Hut Committee approval. Bring potluck lunch item, drinking water, hat & sunscreen. Call Martin Kluck to RSVP at 562-677-4740.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 9:00 AM OCG, OCSS

**O: Aliso/Wood Canyon:** Join us for a 8-10 mi, 600' gain loop from Canyon View Park to Top-of-the-World Park, then down into Aliso Wood Cyn Wilderness park and ending back at Canyon View Park. If time allows, we will take a lovely nature trail that is only used by hikers and back to our cars. Meet 9:00 am at Canyon View Park with hiking boots, water, snacks, hat & sunscreen. From El Toro Rd in Laguna Woods, turn S on Moulton about 1 mi, then R on Glenwood and up the hill, over the toll road, R on Canyon Vista Dr. Park at bottom of hill on street. Canyon View Park is on the Left. Rain, 3 days after rain, cancels. Ldr: Audrey Tomovich [ourmeandog@yahoo.com](mailto:ourmeandog@yahoo.com), Jan Nemmert

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 8:00 AM SIERRA SAGE, OCSS**

**O: Morgan Trail:** Join us as we hike from the San Juan Loop parking area to the south Main Divide for lunch in a scenic grove of oaks at upper Morrell Canyon. Return same way. The distance is 10 miles round trip and the elevation gain outbound is 1000'. Meet at 8:00 am at South OC ride share or 8:30 am at the FS San Juan Loop parking area across from the Candy Store. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles. Rain or critical fire level will cancel. Leaders: Rich Maxey, richmaxey@yahoo.com John Tevelein, jctevelein@cox.net

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 8:30 AM OCG, SAGE, OCSS

**O: Whiting Ranch/Billy Goat Loop Hike:** Join us for a strenuous, moderately-paced 7 mi rt 1400' gain/loss hike up Serrano Canyon and Dreaded Hill to Four Corners and the Billy Goat Trail, returning through Sleepy Hollow with possible deer sighting. Bring 2 liters water, snacks, hiking boots, sun protection, $3 for parking or annual pass. Meet 8:30 am at the Glenn Ranch Rd entrance in Lake Forest. Exit I-5/405 at Bake Pkwy, go E 5 mi, R on Portola, L at Glenn Ranch Rd ½ mi and L into parking lot. Rain cancels. Ldr: Sharon Kirk Asst: Sylvia Stevenson

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 7:30 PM RIO HONDO**

**Rio Hondo Group Monthly Meeting: Program:** TBD. Join us for conversation and dinner or snack at 7:00 followed by meeting around 7:30. Meeting location: CoCo's, 1250 East Imperial Highway, Brea, CA, southeast corner of State College and Imperial Hwy in Brea near Imperial Hwy and the 57 freeway. Margee K Hills margeehills@gmail.com

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 - 16, OCSS**

**02: Ice House Canyon trailhead to Cedar Glen Backpack:** Moderately strenuous, overnight backpack trip to Cedar Glen into the Cucamonga Wilderness to see the beautiful changing colors of fall foliage. We will backpack to Cedar Glen campground (2,2 miles and 1,460' gain). After setting up camp, we will continue on Chapman trail to Icehouse Saddle (7,580') to enjoy our lunch and then we will return to camp. (additional 6.4 miles) Bring 4-5 liters of water depending on personal needs, backpack, tent, sleeping bag, bear

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canister, food for breakfast, lunch and dinner, layered clothing, 10 essentials, hiking boots and trekking poles. Rain cancels. Permits are limited to 12 hikers and must have prior approval by leaders. Need Adventure Pass. Meet at Ice House Canyon trailhead (210 E, exit 52 towards Baseline Road, turn left onto Baseline Road and drive 0.2 mile. Turn right onto Padua Ave, Drive for 1.8 miles. Turn right onto Mt Baldy Road and drive for 8.9 miles. Turn right onto Icehouse Canyon Road. Drive for 0.1 mile and park in lot. Provisional leader: Karen Belville 310-486-8583 [karen.belville@gmail.com](mailto:karen.belville@gmail.com), Frances Penn 714-747-1019 oldhikergirl@yahoo.com

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 8:30 AM OCSS

**O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike:** Easy paced, reasonably flat, 5 mile hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers Welcome. Enjoy the natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 8:30 am. From Warner Avenue in Huntington Beach turn south on Bolsa Chica Street to the end of the street and trailhead (Brightwater). Park on the street. Bring camera, water, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots, rain does not cancel. Ldrs: Houria Hall, Dorothy Gutierrez, Karen Belville, Donna Specht

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 8:30 AM CG, OCSS

**O: O'Neill Park:** 7 mi, 700' gain. Our route begins on the Live Oak Trail past the nursery and traversing a long ridge overlooking O'Neill Park proper. We hike along the main ridge before descending into one of the park's several oak-shaded canyons and the park HDQTs, then loop around the canyon bottom and return to the ridge via another canyon. Meet 8:30 am at the end of Meadow Ridge Dr. Take El Toro Rd E to the next light past Glenn Ranch Rd, turn R on Valley Vista Way, R on Meadow Ridge to the end. Rain within 3 days cancels. Bring 2 qts water, lunch/snack, hiking shoes/boots. Ldr: Rich Maxey, [richmaxey@yahoo.com](mailto:richmaxey@yahoo.com), Michael Sappingfield mikesapp@cox.net

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 8:00 AM SIERRA SAGE, OCSS**

**O:South Tenaja to Fisherman Camp:** Moderate 7 mile round trip, 950’ gain. Join us for a scenic hike down the South Tenaja trail to Fisherman Camp. We will have lunch at Fisherman Camp before returning uphill along the same trail. The hike has several crossings of Tenaja Creek which is a factor only if recent rain. Meet 8:00 am at the South OC rideshare pt (Ortega Business Center, Rancho Viejo & Ortega Hwy, San Juan Capistrano) or 9:30 am at South Tenaja trailhead (call leader). Bring 2 qts water, lunch, hiking boots. Rain or critical fire danger cancels. Leaders: Rich Maxey & Linda Ledger

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 4:00 PM TO 10:00 PM OCSS**

**O: Beach Walk, Potluck and Beerfest:** O: Burn calories and work up an appetite on an easy to moderately paced walk along the 'boardwalk' in Surf City. Enjoy cool breezes and ocean views. Stay and socialize afterward with an optional potluck. We will head for the Huntington Beach pier, or 2 hours round trip whichever comes first. Bring sunscreen, sunglasses, and a potluck item and drink to share Wear comfortable walking shoes. Meet corner of Watch Harbor and Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach. Park on the street. Leaders: Jan Nemmert, Donna Specht, Houria Hall, Joel Kenyon, Jerry Golding,

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 7:00 AM SIERRA SAGE, OCSS**

**O: Smith Mountain (5111'):** Hike: Easy paced hike to Smith Mountain (5111') off Azuza Ave (HWY 39) in San Gabriel Mountains. Hike begins at signed trailhead in large parking area and follows scenic trail for 3.0 miles to Saddle just north of Smith Mtn. We then follow a use trail for 1/2 mi. up to the peak and have lunch. Returning on the same route back to the parking area. Total distance is 7.0 miles round trip with 1800 feet of elevation gain. Bring water, lug soles, sunscreen, lunch and hat. Meet 7:00 AM in Tustin on Redhill Ave on N side (frwy side) of Stater Bros Mkt just SW of Redhill Ave exit from Santa Ana Fwy. Leaders: John Tevelein [jctevelein@cox.net](mailto:jctevelein@cox.net), Linda Ledger

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 7:30 AM OCSS**

**O: Bedford Peak Hike:** Moderately paced 6.6 miles, Elevation gain 2,200', hike in the Cleveland National Forest. See cool rock formations and great views from the ocean to the Santa Ana Mountains and the Peninsular Ranges. Bring 2 quarts water, snack, hiking boots, 10 essentials and sun protection. Meet at 7:30 AM at North Orange County Park N Ride, East side of Tustin Avenue, just South of Lincoln Ave, Orange. Off SR55. Or 8:30 AM at Maple Spring visitor center-5.6 miles up Silverado Canyon from Santiago Canyon Road. Parking limited, Adventure Pass Required. Carpooling suggested. Heavy rain cancels. For directions/hike info, call Leader: Joel Kenyon, 949-285-5909. Co-Leaders: Fran Penn, Mike Winfield

**ADVANCE ACTIVITIES**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 6:30 PM ANGELES CHAPTER, OCSS

**Newcomer/Member Meet Greet Eat, Thanksgiving Night:** We invite you to an activity packed evening: Introduction of our new leaders, Free Drawing, find out all about our events with 20s/30s/40s, our award winning Weekly Conditioning Hikes, Social activities, conservation outings and Adventure Destinations and Winter Sports Program. Chance to purchase Sierra Club logo daypacks and other cool gifts. Newcomers welcome! Meet 6:30 pm, Costa Mesa Neighborhood Community Center, 1845 Park Avenue, Costa Mesa. $5 Donation. Optional, bring a Thanksgiving side dish, potluck item and we will provide the turkey, fixins and drinks. Join Sierra Club @ special introductory offer $15 and receive a free gift! Bring A Friend! Contact: Donna Specht (donnaspecht@juno.com)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 8:00 AM OCSS, NATURAL SCIENCE**

**O: Hike and Geology Tour - Santiago Oaks Regional Park:** Join us on a 3.5 mile round trip, 700' gain to historic Robbers Peak. Moderate terrain at an easy pace. California Professional Geologist Jay Schneider will lead us through the regional park and maybe teach us about Orange County geology along the way. Bring water and hiking boots. Meet 8:00 am outside the Taco Bell at 8548 E Chapman Ave, in Orange, located in the southeast corner of the shopping center at the corner of Chapman Ave and Jamboree Road. We'lll carpool from there. Or, meet at 8:15 at the Park, located at 2145 Windes Drive in Orange. Parking is $5 per vehicle so carpooling is recommended. Newcomers welcome. Rain cancels. Leader: Jay Schneider (626) 841-2667 rtnttnj@aol.com. Asst Leader: Donna Specht. Rain date November 19.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 8:30 AM OCSS

**O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike**: Easy paced, reasonably flat, 5 mile hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers Welcome. Enjoy the natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 8:30 am. From Warner Avenue in Huntington Beach turn south on Bolsa Chica Street to the end of the street and trailhead (Brightwater). Park on the street. Bring camera, water, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots, rain does not cancel. Ldrs: Houria Hall, Dorothy Gutierrez,Donna Specht, Steve Bradford

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 8:30 AM OCSS

**O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike**: Easy paced, reasonably flat, 5 mile hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers Welcome. Enjoy the natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 8:30 am. From Warner Avenue in Huntington Beach turn south on Bolsa Chica Street to the end of the street and trailhead (Brightwater). Park on the street. Bring camera, water, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots, rain does not cancel. Ldrs: Houria Hall, Dorothy Gutierrez,Donna Specht, Julie Garner, Karen Belville

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 27 - 29, 2017 OCSS, SIERRA SAGE**

**I: Winter Combo Getaway Bus Trip to Mammoth Lakes:** Join us for an awesome weekend adventure!. This trip has it all: Learn to cross-country ski in the backcountry with experienced instructors; enjoy backcountry ski touring and snowshoe touring with leaders; XC ski on your own at Tamarack Nordic Ski Center; Downhill ski or snowboard on Mammoth Mtn. Newcomers and Non skiers Welcome, tons of stuff to do in Mammoth! Stay at Quality Inn (2 per room, 2 beds, private bath, microwave, fridge, indoor spa) close to shopping, night life, free shuttles. Leave O.C. 2 PM with pickup in San Fernando Valley. Return O.C. Sunday 10PM. Includes. bus, lodging, full breakfasts, happy hour, Sunday dinner & bus refreshments and driver gratuity. Send email address (or 1 SASE), phone#, $310 with Sierra Club number or $325 non-members (check payable OCSS). To Reservationist/Asst Leader: Donna Specht, 22221 Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646. Just need a ride or a room? Ask about Transportation or Lodging only cost. Leader: Mark Fleming, Ski Leaders: Homer Tom. Backcountry Ski Instructors: Julie Smith-Meek & Scott Meek. Snowshoe Leaders: Todd Clark and Sylvie Cote. Snowboard Host: Fran Penn

**FRIDAY, MARCH 10 -12, 2017 OCSS, WILDERNESS ADVENTURES**

**I: Winter Combo Getaway Bus Trip to Mammoth Lakes:** Ski Downhill or Snowboard on Mammoth Mtn. Daily backcountry ski tours and snowshoe tours with the leaders. XC Ski or Snowshoe on your own at Tamarack Nordic Center. Newcomers & Non skiers Welcome. Tons of stuff to do in Mammoth in Winter. Quality Inn lodging, two per room, 2 beds/private bath, microwave, fridge, indoor spa. Close to shopping, night life, casual and fine dining, free shuttles. Leave Orange County 2:00 pm, Sylmar pick-up later. Return Orange County Sunday approx 10pm. Includes bus, lodging, full breakfast, happy hour, bus refreshments, Sunday dinner. Send 1 large sase, OR E mail address, phone, cell phone, pick up location (Orange County or San Fernando Valley), $310 with Sierra Club #or $325 for non members (check payable to OCSS) to Asst/Reserv: Donna Specht, 22221 Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646 (donnaspecht@juno.com) Ask about Transportation or Lodging only cost. Leader: Mark Mitchell. Asst Leaders: Dave Black, George & Fran Denny

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