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Newsletter of The Wilderness Training Committee

Newsletter

Please... be responsible!

You are entering the John Muir Wilderness. Enjoy these lands while protecting natural conditions and processes.

Please use **LEAVE NO TRACE** practices along with good stewardship, and these places will remain wild for future generations.

Who needs roads?

Trail Trip!

SCHOOL'S OUT!
Time to Book Your
Experience Trips
Look Inside...



PHOTO BY NEAL ROBBINS

Second Step

Congratulations. You've completed the Course. You're physically equipped and mentally prepared for anything Mother Nature can throw at you. Survivorman? Amateur. Bear Grylls? Wannabe. You're the real deal. You're Sam dragging Frodo and that stupid ring up **Mordor**. You're **Stallone** hanging from a cliff in... well, Cliffhanger. You're the Tin Man braving flying



monkeys and bushwacking through poppy fields, recalling Steve Schuster explaining in his First Aid lecture how, "Poppies will make you sleep."

No? Okay, I lied. Truth is you'll never complete the Course. Sure, your classes are done and your four outings are over. Soon enough, you'll go home with a WTC patch and a certificate of completion. But before you can wrap your paws around those prized possessions, there's the mat-

ter of Experience Trips – the only qualifier standing between you and said patch.

Scan the Experience Trips in this Newsletter, find one whose description appeals to your abilities, contact the leader and await a reply. Mark your calendar, then prepare your body and gear the way you were taught by your dedicated instructors, then take off on an adventure that may well be the first in a lifetime of discovery.

My students are used to me waxing on about how WTC changed

my life. I went from playing golf four to five times a week to only three times in the past 12 years. I discovered the Sierra Nevada and the deserts through WTC. I've never known greater physical challenges nor deeper peace than I've experienced out there (a great deal of that peace comes from just knowing those places will always be there).

Hopefully WTC is only the beginning for you as it was for me. Sign up for the Experience Trips and don't limit yourself to just two. Contact your classmates and plan your own trips (you can even count one as an Experience Trip). Check out the individual Sierra Club outings sections -- the Sierra Peaks Section, Hundred Peaks Section, Desert Peaks Section and many, many others. Sign up



for advanced instruction in snow and rock travel. Lead your family and friends into the great outdoors now that you've demystified the wilderness. Or lead more than family and friends and become an official Sierra Club leader (see the blurb on LTC, the Leadership Training Committee).

Our job is done – the spoon feeding is over. We've provided the introduction, the first step. The second one is yours...

You still here?

— Edd Ruskowitz, WTC Editor

Tell Me a Story

Just got back from a great experience trip and can't wait to tell everyone about it in 1200 words or less? Well, who doesn't?

If you have a trip report you'd like to submit for publication in the WTC Newsletter, please send it via **email only** with the subject line, "**WTC Trip Report**" to hikinedd@yahoo.com

Your trip report must be 1200 words (good) or less (better) and submitted either in the body of the email or attached as a Word document; no other formats accepted (yeah, I'm lookin' at you, PDF). We (I) reserve the right to edit trip reports for spelling and length. All photos included with trip reports must be submitted as separate attachments (photos inserted into a Word document will not be used). All photos must conform to the same requirements detailed below.

We'd (I'd) also love to publish photos directly related to WTC instructors, students and activities. Photos for consideration must:

1. be of significant resolution and clarity;
2. include and identify name(s) and WTC group affiliation(s) of those in the photo;
3. include name and group affiliation of the photographer;
4. include photo location and any other pertinent information regarding the people, event, etc. for use in a caption.

Send photo and photo information (above items 1 through 4) via email only with the subject line, "**WTC Photo Submission**" to hikinedd@yahoo.com (using a different subject line only confuses the editor).



ALMOST THERE

Dominic, Dave,
Francesca and Group
Leader Beth Epstein of
San Gabriel Valley Group
5 doing Snow Camp 2012
above Rock Creek Lake.
Photo by Brett Smith

HEADLINE DEADLINES

For publication in the Summer 2013 WTC Newsletter: **May 17**

For publication in the Fall 2013 WTC Newsletter: **August 23**

These are the last days for outings to be submitted to the WTC Outings Chair. Provisional trips and leaders should already have an LTC review. Restricted trips should prepare a Mountaineering Application.

OUTINGS

Liability Waiver Notice To participate in a Sierra Club outing, you will need to sign a liability waiver. To see a copy of this waiver prior to attending the outing, please see www.sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms, or contact the outings department at (415) 977-5528 for a printed version.

Transportation Notice In the interests 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 associated with this travel.

California Sellers of Travel Disclaimer: CST 2087766-40. Registration as a seller of travel does not constitute approval by the State of California.

The WTC newsletter is published quarterly for students and staff of the Wilderness Training Committee and is distributed at class sites. It is also available at WildernessTravelCourse.org as a download in PDF format. All questions, copy and photo submissions should be directed to Edd Ruskowitz, WTC Newsletter Editor, at hikinedd@yahoo.com

WTC Info Line: (310) 967-2029

On the Cover After an 8,000' descent from Cardinal Mountain (13,396') Jen Blackie is all smiles. Photo by Neal Robbins.

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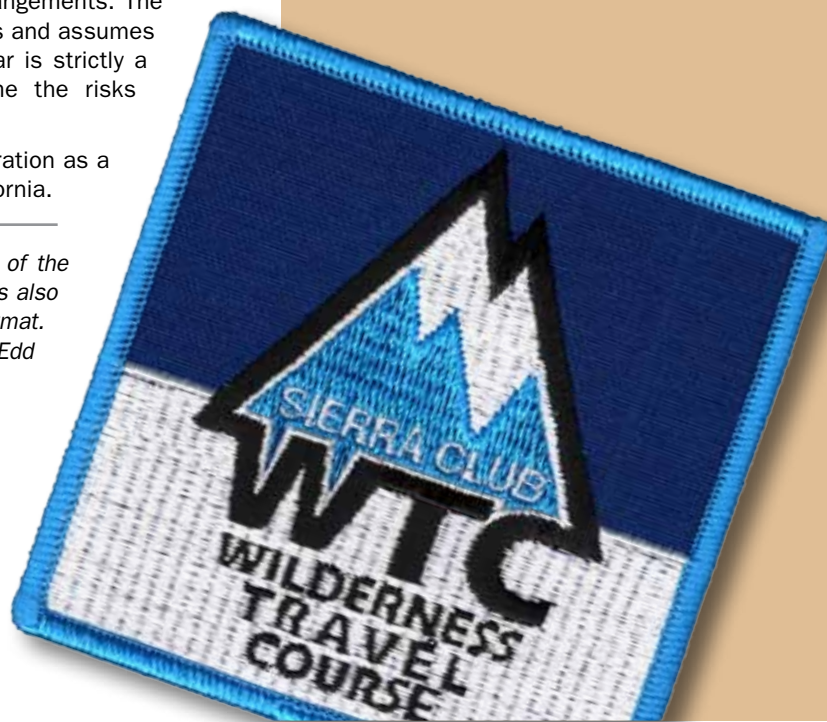
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WTC Orange County's 2013 Kaweah Group spells it out for you during Snow Camp at Rock Creek.
Photo by Matt Hengst



ROCKIN' THE CREEK

OC Kaweah frontman Matt Hengst shreds while sidemen Jeff Atijera and Steve Kotzbauer lay down the rhythm. Photo from Matt Hengst



THE NOTORIOUS B.D.B. Bus

Driver (and 2012 WTC/OC student) Bill releases his inner rocker. Photo by Matt Hengst

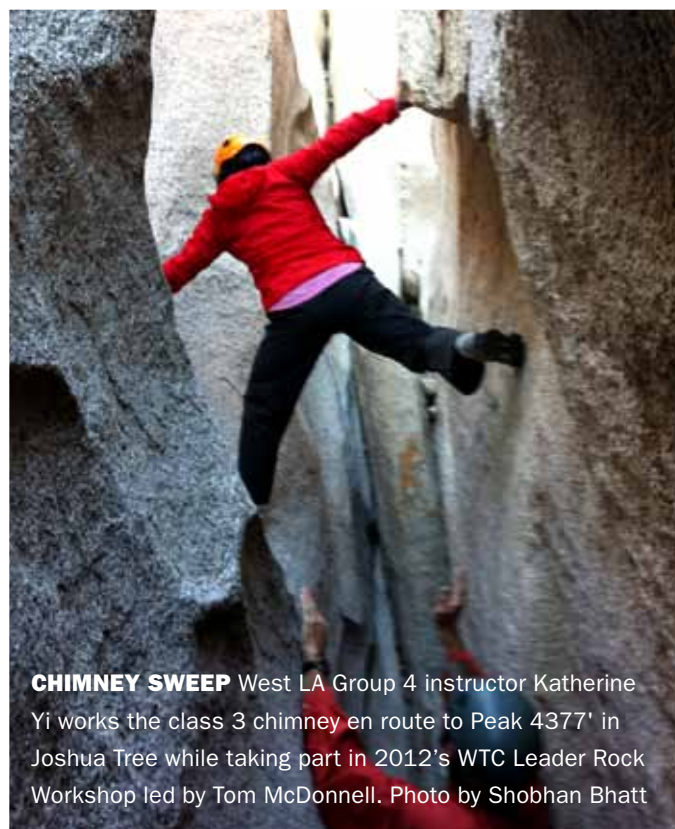


CAVE IN OC Whitney Group student Rachel Lamonica hiding in her snow cave at Snow Camp. Photo by Edd Ruskowitz



OFFICIALLY OVER WTC San Gabriel Valley Groups 3, 4 and 5 watch the flames dance at their 2012 WTC Graduation at Indian Cove in Joshua Tree. Photo by Brett Smith





CHIMNEY SWEEP West LA Group 4 instructor Katherine Yi works the class 3 chimney en route to Peak 4377' in Joshua Tree while taking part in 2012's WTC Leader Rock Workshop led by Tom McDonnell. Photo by Shobhan Bhatt



ET TU, NEAL? Experience trippers atop Mt. Julius Caesar include (front row) Zheng Liu, Rose McCotter, Rick Miller, Jim Dunn, Tami Abdollah and Mei Kwan; (back row) Semira Chardorchi, Neal Robbins and KC Reid. Photo from Neal Robbins



THE CRUX OC Kawareh Group student Steve Kotzbauer nears the top of 4377'. Photo from Matt Hengst



Outings

The outings published in this newsletter are sponsored by a variety of Sierra Club groups and sections. As a WTC student, your training places you in good standing with other groups and sections of the Angeles Chapter of the Sierra Club who welcome your participation in their outings. For a full listing see the Chapter's Schedule of Activities or go to angeles.sierraclub.org

ET WTC Experience Trip Trips that qualify as WTC experience trips.

TI Trip of Interest Outings of interest do not qualify as WTC experience trips, but can be... well, very interesting.

TR Training Opportunity WTC students should find many of these trips within their abilities.

MT Mountaineering Technically challenging, typically not suited to WTC students. Strong students with prior mountaineering experience may qualify.

March 7 | Thu

WTC

TI O Never Ending Stair Hike Series – Hike 1 of 4: 3.5 mi, 1.5 hrs

See the sights of Echo Park and get in condition for outdoor adventures. Get legs and lungs in shape as we explore meandering staircases of the neighborhood. Kudos given for carrying a heavy pack. Meet 6:30PM at Delilah Bakery, 1665 Echo Park Avenue (90026). Bring water, adventurous spirit, strong legs and appreciation for Charles Fleming's Secret Stairs book. Ldr: HOMER TOM, Co-Ldr: SARAH SCHUH

March 21 | Thu

WTC

TI O Never Ending Stair Hike Series - Hike 2 of 4: 4.5 miles, 2 hrs.

Explore Silver Lake on an urban hike that will see plenty of ups and downs as we hit over 1000 steps on the staircases around the neighborhood. A great way to work on conditioning; bring a weighted backpack to prepare for backpack trips. Meet at 6:30 pm outside the Red Lion, 2366 Glendale Boulevard 90039. Bring 1 qt water, good walking shoes, a light if you aren't comfortable walking stairs in the dark, and your sense of adventure. Ldr: NIELS QUIST, nquist31@hotmail.com, Asst: HOMER TOM.

March 23 | Sat

WTC

TI I Jean Pk (10,670') and Newton Drury Peak (10,160')

Strenuous and visually stunning snowshoe hike up to two peaks in the San Jacinto wilderness via a cross-country route from the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway. Approx 12 miles and 2500' elevation gain. Bring water, lunch, waterproof lugsole boots, winter clothing, SNOWSHOES, trekking poles w/ snow baskets, 10 essentials and \$ for tram and optional dinner after. Send email with recent conditioning and snowshoe experience to Ldr: SHOBAN BHATT Asst: ANN PEDRESCHI SHIELDS

March 24 | Sun

WTC, DPS

MT MR Moapa Peak (6,741')

A desert classic! Climb DPS favorite Moapa Peak in Southern Nevada. Spectacular views from the airy, knife-edge summit ridge. 7 miles rt, 3,400 ft gain. Participants must be comfortable on exposed, third class rock. Helmet required. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Email SC # and contact info, completed Participant Medical Form and climbing resume with relevant experience to Ldr: JOSEPH BELL, josephhikes@gmail.com. Asst Ldr: REGGE BULMAN.

WAS Wilderness Adventures Section | **PVSB** Palos Verdes South Bay Group | **LB** Long Beach Group | **OCSS** Orange County Sierra Singles | **SPS** Sierra Peaks Section | **HPS** Hundred Peaks Section | **LPC** Lower Peaks Committee | **WTC** Wilderness Travel Committee | **LTC** Leadership Training Committee | **DC** Desert Committee | **NS** Natural Science | **PG** Pasadena Group | **VH** Verdugo Hills | **BC** Backpacking Committee | **MP** Mule Pack

TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE ON AN OUTING, follow the instructions listed in the trip description and provide all the information requested by the leader, typically your name, address, home & work phone numbers, WTC leader's name, the name and date of the outing you wish to join, and your experience and physical conditioning. If a SASE is requested, send a 9.5 x 4 inch self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) along with your information. You may also sign up for an outing through the Chapter's new OARS application (see article in this Newsletter).

You may be placed on a waiting list if a trip is full. If your plans change and you need to cancel your reservation, it's very important that you contact the leaders to let them know your revised plans, even if you are on the waiting list.

March 30 | Sat**LTC****TR Deadline for Leadership Training Seminar**

Last day for receipt of application and payment by LTC Registrar for April 13 seminar to be held at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, Pasadena. See LTC website (<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/>) for registration information. Next seminar: October 5, 2013.

March 30-31 | Sat-Sun**WTC****ET | Carey's Castle Backpack**

Help solve the mystery of the miner dubbed Carey on an Easter weekend outing. This moderately paced XC hike will take you into the home of the long gone miner who built his home directly into the rocks. Must be comfortable with rock scrambling on this 9 mile, 1700 foot gain overnight backpack. Bring your ten essentials, min 5 liters of water due to dry camp, food, and a shared item for happy hour. Spring brings the blooming of the desert flowers, so bring your camera as you won't want to miss out on the great photo opportunities. Rideshare is strongly encouraged. Contact leader via email (scubaairpig@yahoo.com) with conditioning /experience. This is a great opportunity for WTC students to try out their new skills. Ldr: BRIAN DECKER. Assistant: DAVE MELTZER

April 4 | Thu**WTC****ET | O Never Ending Stair Hike Series; Hike 3 of 4: 5.0 mi, 2 hrs.**

Come and get in condition for summer backpacks by hiking the steep streets and plentiful stairs of Silver Lake. We'll explore historic stairs, including the famous Music Box Stairs, and enjoy the views from the top as we climb the streets of the neighborhood. Meet at 6:30 p.m. outside Cafe Tropical on Sunset Blvd and Parkman (90026). Bring water, strong legs and good walking shoes. Ldr: ALEX PRIETO (alex.prieto9@gmail.com), Asst: SARAH SCHUH

April 6-7 | Sat-Sun**WTC, DPS****MT MR Clark Mountain (7,900), New York Mountain High Point (7,330)**

Mountaineering outing for Sierra Club members only. Climb two dominant desert peaks in the Mojave National Preserve in the Clark Mountains and the New York Mountains. Saturday climb Clark Mountain, 2.5 miles round trip, 1900' and then have happy hour back at car camp. Saturday night crazy hat contest with prize. Sunday climb to New York Mtn HP, and adjacent New York Peak, 4 miles round trip, 1900'. Helmets, harness and recent 3rd class rock climbing experience required. Send an e-mail with completed medical form, recent experience, conditioning, home & work phone to Leader: PHILIP BATES, Assistant: MIKE ADAMS.

April 13-14 | Sat-Sun**WTC****MT MR: Charlton Peak (10,806')**

Snow climb via the north couloir to the summit of this beautiful peak in the San Gorgonio Wilderness. 12 miles round trip, 4000' elevation gain. Restricted to Sierra Club members with ice axe and crampon experience. Helmet, ice axe, and crampons required along with other snow gear. Medical information forms also required. Send contact information, climbing resume, recent conditioning, and altitude experience to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Co-Ldr: VIRGIL SHIELDS.

April 13-14 | Sat-Sun**WTC, DPS****ET | Pinto Mtn (3,983')**

Come join us on an early spring backpacking trip where we'll enjoy panoramic views out across the Mojave Desert as we hike among rocks and wildflowers in quest of this fine peak near Twenty-nine Palms, CA. Saturday we'll get a late morning start and backpack 3 miles to our dry campsite and get settled in for a rousing Happy Hour under a nearly moonless night sky. Sunday we'll climb up a wash to the cone-shaped summit that towers above Pinto Basin and then descend via ridgelines back to camp and then the cars. Our route will be all cross-country with some steep, loose, and rocky sections along the way. Totals for the weekend will be 13 miles with 2,400' of gain, which we'll do at a relaxed, but steady pace. Email Mat Kelliher with recent conditioning and experience for trip status and details. Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, DAVE SCOBIE

April 13-14 | Sat-Sun**WTC****ET | Quail Mountain (5814')**

This moderately paced 13.5 mile XC trip with 1800' of gain is a great first trip for WTC students and will give you an early start to your experience trips, although the trip is open to all with appropriate experience. We will backpack in to our campsite on the first day, make camp and set out for the peak of Quail Mountain. Quail is the highest point in Joshua Tree and is the home of a long ago wrecked airplane. On our return to camp we will enjoy happy hour and dinner. Joshua Tree provides some of the best views of the sky on the west coast, so we will definitely do some star gazing. Sunday, we will break camp and pack out. April is the perfect time of year for a Quail Mtn. hike. Bring your ten essentials, hiking poles, plenty of water, and a share item for happy hour. Ride share strongly encouraged. Details on rideshare opportunities, meeting times, locations, and other trip specific details provided when you sign up. Contact leader via email (scubaairpig@yahoo.com) with rsvp and conditioning /experience. Ldr: BRIAN DECKER, Asst: GARY NOVOTNY.

April 14 | Sat**LTC****TR Leadership Training Seminar**

Become a qualified Sierra Club leader. Seminar at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, Pasadena. For information, see the LTC website (<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/>). Deadline for receipt of application is March 30. No registration after this date or at the door. Next seminar: October 5, 2013.

April 18 | Thu**WTC****ET | O Never Ending Stair Hike Series; Hike 4 of 4: 4.0 mi, 1.5 hrs**

Come and enjoy the stairs of Echo Park and Silver Lake while conditioning for summer backpacks. Get those legs climbing and lungs pumping as we explore meandering staircases of the neighborhood. Meet 6:30 PM at the corner of Allesandro St and Oak Glen Pl (90039). Bring water, adventurous spirit, and strong legs. Ldr: DAVE SCOBIE, Co-Ldr: ANNE MULLINS

April 20-21 | Sat-Sun**LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS****TR | Warren Point Navigation**

Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Sat for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, camp fire. Sun checkout. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Asst: PHIL WHEELER.

April 24 | Wed

LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC

TR M/E-R AMP (Advanced Mountaineering Program)

Basic Safety System: First of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. Today's indoor evening workshop of four hours reviewing ropes, harnesses, helmets and basic climbing gear will take place in Pasadena. As space is limited, priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send email or sase, phones, Sierra Club number, resume to Ldr: DAN RICHTER. Asst: PATRICK MCKUSKY

April 26-28 | Fri-Sun

LTC, Harwood Lodge, WTC

TR C Wilderness First Aid Course

Runs from 7:30 am Fri to 5 pm Sun. Fee includes lodging, meals and practice first aid kit. Proof of CPR within previous 4 yrs required to enroll. Fee \$210 (full refund through 3/22/13). For application send email or sase, to Ldr: STEVE SCHUSTER

April 27 | Sat

LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC

TR M/E-R AMP (Advanced Mountaineering Program)

Belaying: Second of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. Today, at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, focus is on belaying and principles of anchor building. As space is limited, priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send email or sase, phones, resume to Ldr: DAN RICHTER. Asst: PATRICK MCKUSKY

April 27-28 | Sat-Sun

WTC

ET I Quail Mtn (5,813') and Mt Minerva Hoyt (5,405'):

Easy paced strenuous cross-country scramble to the highest peak in Joshua tree (Quail Mtn) and the only peak in Joshua tree named after a woman (Mt Minerva Hoyt). You will have beautiful panoramic views of the desert. Approx. 12 miles and 2500' elevation gain. This is a dry camp so be sure to bring at least 6 liters of water and something to share for happy hour on Saturday. Trip size is limited. Please send an email including name, address, phone number, and recent experience and conditioning to Ldr: SHOBAN BHATT Asst: CHI CHOI

May 4 | Sat

LTC, WTC, HPS

TR I Beginning Navigation Clinic

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

May 4 | Sat

LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC

TR M/E-R AMP (Advanced Mountaineering Program)

Rappelling: Third of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. Today, at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, the focus is on rappelling. As space is limited priority will be given to participants who commit to

all four workshops. Send email or sase, phones, Sierra Club number, resume to Ldr: DAN RICHTER. Asst: PATRICK MCKUSKY

May 4-5 | Sat-Sun

LTC, SPS, DPS

TR M/E-R Snow: Sierra Snow Checkoff / Practice

For M & E candidates wanting to check off leadership ratings or others who wish to practice new techniques. Restricted to SC members with some prior basic training with the ice axe. Send SC#, climbing resume, email, H&W phones to Ldr: NILE SORENSON Co-Ldr: DOUG MANTLE

May 4-5 | Sat-Sun

WTC

ET I Quail Mountain (5814')

This is an "Early Chance" to get your WTC Experience Trip in. Preference given to 2013 WTC students. Enjoy an easy paced, moderately strenuous 13 mi RT 1800' gain backpack to Quail Mountain. Hike to campsite (4 miles, 630 gain), set up camp, bag the peak and back to camp for Happy Hour all on Saturday. Sleep late and eat big Sunday morning, then break camp and hike out to cars. Bring 10 essentials, minimum 6 liters water (dry camp), and layered clothing. Send email with contact info and recent conditioning. Leader: PAUL WARREN. Co-Leader: FRAN PENN.

May 11-12 | Sat-Sun

WTC

ET I Grinnell Mtn (10284'), Lake Pk (10161'), 10,000 Ft. Ridge (10094')

13.5 mi. rt, 3350' gain overnight backpack. Climb three local peaks one named for Joseph Grinnell a University of California Zoologist. We'll hike 4.5 mi and set up camp at Fish Creek Saddle. Then climb Grinnell Mtn via xc route and return to camp for a gourmet happy hour. Sunday, take xc route to Lake Pk and 10,000 Ft. Ridge. We will return to the saddle, gather our gear and return to the trailhead. Send email with telephone, recent experience, ride share info to Ldr: MICHAEL KANNE (mkanne04@hotmail.com). Asst: PETER LARA

May 11-12 | Sat-Sun

LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC

TR M/E-R AMP (Advanced Mountaineering Program)

Rock climbing techniques and anchors: Fourth of four climbing workshops open to Sierra Club members with prior roped climbing experience. This weekend completes the series of AMP workshops at Joshua Tree National Park and focuses on climbing and anchors. As space is limited, priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send email or sase, phones, Sierra Club number, resume to Ldr: DAN RICHTER. Asst: PATRICK MCKUSKY

May 18-19 | Sat-Sun

LTC, SPS, DPS

TR M/E R Snow: Sierra Snow Checkoff / Practice

For M & E candidates wanting to check off leadership ratings or others who wish to practice new techniques. Restricted to SC members with some prior basic training with the ice axe. Send SC#, climbing resume, email, H&W and Cell phones to Ldr: TINA BOWMAN. Co-Ldr: TOM MCDONNELL

ET WTC Experience Trip

TI Trip of Interest

TR Training Opportunity

MT Mountaineering

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May 18-19 | Sat-Sun**WTC****ET | Mt Waterman area "Son of a Nav Pack"**

Looking for an opportunity to improve your navigation skills? Join us on this cross-country romp to the areas around Mt. Waterman. We'll pack in about 3 miles and about 1300' to a dry camp on Saturday. We'll spend Saturday and Sunday exploring the area, practicing navigation, looking for wildflowers and taking in a peak. Sunday we will pack out. Bring enough water for two days. Send email with contact information and recent experience to Ann Shields. Ldrs: ANN PEDRESCHI SHIELDS and ADRIENNE BENEDICT.

May 25-27 | Sat-Mon**WTC, SPS****MT MR Mt Dade (13,600')**

13mi, 3700' on snow. Sat afternoon backpack 4.5mi, 1200' on snow from Rock Creek Lake to Treasure Lakes. Sun snow climb Mt Dade via hourglass couloir, 4mi rt, 2500' from camp. Mon backpack out. Sat and Sun happy hours. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Must be comfortable on snow. Helmet, ice axe, crampons, climbing harness, and medical form required. Snow and weather conditions will be monitored and trip postponed if warranted. Email Sierra Club number, climbing resume, snow experience, experience with class 3 or higher rock, current conditioning, altitude tolerance, and contact information to Ldr: SANDY LARA ssperling1@verizon.net. Assistant: ANNE MARIE RICHARDSON.

June 1 | Sat**LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS****TR | Heart Bar Peak (8332')**

Practice navigation for Sunday's checkoff on this 7 mile rt, 1400' gain hike. We will take a cross-country route to Heart Bar Pk and practice micro-navigation skills along the way. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Co-Ldrs: JANE SIMPSON, ADRIENNE BENEDICT, ANN PEDRESCHI SHIELDS

June 2 | Sun**LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS****TR | Grinnell Ridge Navigation**

Navigation Noodle in San Bernardino National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Asst: PHIL WHEELER

June 8-9 | Sat-Sun**WTC****ET | Tahquitz Peak, (8,828'), Red Tahquitz, (8,720'), South Peak (7,851')**

Experience trip for leaders and WTC students. Sat backpack from Devil's Slide trailhead to camp at Tahquitz Meadow, set up camp and then climb Red Tahquitz and South Peak (9 miles and 4,200'). Sun climb Tahquitz peak then pack out, (6 miles and 941'). Send e-mail, recent experience and conditioning, H&W phones, and rideshare info to Ldr: STEPHANIE SMITH. Co-Ldr: MIKE DILLENBACK.

On Edge Semira Chardorchi
with a birds eye view of
the John Muir wilderness
from University Peak.
Photo by Neal Robbins



June 22-23 | Sat-Sun **LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS**
TR M/E-R Rock: Alabama Hills Checkout, Lone Pine
M and E level rock practice and checkout for LTC leadership candidates. Practice Saturday, checkout Sunday. Restricted to Sierra Club members with technical rock climbing experience. Climbing helmets and harnesses required. Email climbing resume to Ldr: PATRICK MCKUSKY. Asst: DAN RICHTER

June 29-30 | Sat-Sun **WTC**
ET | Marion Mtn, (10,382'), Jean Peak, (10,670'), San Jacinto (10,842')
Experience trip for leaders and WTC students. Sat backpack from top of Palm Springs Tram to camp at Round Valley (2 miles and 680'), set up camp and then hike to San Jacinto via trail (3.5 miles and 1,742') traverse xc to Jean Peak (1 mile and 200'), traverse xc to Marion Mtn (1 miles and 270'), hike xc back to camp (2 miles). Sun pack out, (2 miles and 680' loss). If accepted on trip will be req'd to send \$28.25 (for tram ticket and permit). Send e-mail, recent experience and conditioning, H&W phones, and rideshare info to Ldr: STEPHANIE SMITH. Co-Ldr: LINDA CAMPBELL.

July 3-7 | Wed-Sun **Backpacking Committee**
ET | YOSEMITE ADVENTURES Backpacking bus trip- Vogelsang Pk (11516') & Fletcher Pk (11408')
Join us for a 4 day fun-filled adventure in Yosemite high country splendor on this bus backpacking trip for the 4th of July holiday 2013. We will leave LA area on the 3rd of July on our luxury bus and return on the 7th. On the bus, we provide snacks and beverages. We plan to backpack July 4th-7th setting up camp by Fletcher Lake near Vogelsang High Sierra Camp. Legendary happy hours. Day hikes of Vogelsang and (possibly) Fletcher Peaks by trail and x-country. Trip total over the 4 days is about 20 miles & 3300' gain at a WTC moderate pace. This trip is especially suitable for fit WTC students, and will count as an experience trip. No beginners. Group size limited due to permit. Make check payable to "Backpacking Committee" for \$250 if you are a current Sierra Club member (include your SC number) or \$275 for non-members; please include recent conditioning and hiking info, e-mail & cell number along with the city you live in, to leader SRIDHAR GULLAPALLI (gnsridhar@hotmail.com). Co-Ldr SHERRY ROSS

July 4-7 | Thu-Sun **WTC**
ET | Soldier Lake Loop
Strenuous 32 mile backpack, including significant x-country travel in High Sierras. From Cottonwood Pass hike 12 miles on trail to Soldier Lake (10,400'). We'll make camp here for two days. On Friday climb nearby Mt Pickering (13,474') and Joe Devel (13,327) (9mi. Rt 3800'). Saturday break camp and travel 6.5 miles via New Army Pass to Long Lake. Sunday pack out 5.3 miles. Send email with contact info and recent conditioning, experience to Ldr: SARAH SCHUH sarahschuh@gmail.com, Asst: HOMER TOM.

July 12-14 | Fri-Sun **SPS, WTC**
MT MR Matterhorn Pk (12,279'), Whorl Mtn (12,033'), Twin Pks (12,323')
Friday backpack 5.5 miles, 3700' gain to camp near Horse Creek Pass. Friday afternoon climb Matterhorn Pk, 2 mile & 1600'. Saturday climb 3rd class Whorl Mtn via southeast chute, 4.5 miles & 3100' gain. Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning climb Twin Pk, 2 mile, 1400' gain. Sunday pack out and head to Whoa Nellie Deli to celebrate. Totals for the outing are 19 miles & 6700' gain. Comfort and experience on 3rd class alpine rock and loose talus is required. Send e-mail with climbing resume, Medical Forms and recent experience to Ldr: DAVID CHAPMAN. Climberdave11@gmail.com Co-Ldr: NEAL ROBBINS Neal.Robbins@l-3com.com

July 13-15 | Sat-Mon **WTC**
ET | Silver Peak (11,878)
Experience trip for strong WTC students. Sat backpack from Lake Thomas Edison to the Devils Bathtub (5 mi, 1600'). Enjoy two nights of lakeside campfire and happy hour. Sunday, travel cross country to climb Silver Peak, (9 mi r/t, 2700' gain). Easy pack out on Monday. Email leader with recent conditioning and experience, H&W phones, SC#, and carpool. Bring \$5 permit fee at trailhead. Ldr: JEFF ATIJERA. Asst: MATT HENGST

July 19-21 | Fri-Sun **WTC**
ET | Moose Lake (10,550+'), Alta Peak (11,204')
Friday backpack from Wolverton trailhead in Sequoia National Park to camp at Alta Meadow (7.2 miles, 2200' gain), wildflowers and eye-popping scenery. Saturday we go cross-country to Moose Lake and surroundings (7 mi rt, 2,150' gain) to enjoy some spectacular views of the Great Western Divide. We'll return to our camp at Alta Meadow in the afternoon for some lively conversation, relaxation, and happy hour. Sunday morning we'll sidetrack to Alta Peak (5.2 mi rt, 2,000' gain) on our way out to the cars. Send experience and conditioning, phone number info to leader. Ldr CHUCK CURRIER, Asst. Ldr JANE SIMPSON

July 20-21 | Sat-Sun **WTC**
ET | Mt Agassiz (13,893')
Enjoy spectacular views of the Palisades and Palisade Glacier. Saturday start at South Lake up Bishop Pass trail to camp Bishop Lake (4mi and 1600' gain) Sat evening happy hour. Sunday we go to Bishop Pass then climb Mt Agassiz via the 2nd class route on the west side (3 mi 2600 gain). Then return to camp and pack out the way we came in. Send e-mail with recent experience and conditioning as well as WTC info to Ldr: DAVID CHAPMAN (climberdave11@gmail.com), Co-Ldr: STEPHANIE SMITH (rbstephs@gmail.com).

July 20-21 | Sat-Sun **WTC**
ET | Iron Mountain (11,153)
Strenuous backpack in the Ansel Adams Wilderness. Trailhead is located in Devil's Postpile NM. Saturday morning hike to camp (about 5 miles and 1,800 ft gain). Early start on Sunday morning to hike cross-country to Iron Mountain (about 6 miles

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RT and 2,700 ft gain) and hike out (about 5 miles and 500 ft gain). Email leader with recent conditioning, experience and phone number. Ldr: LAURENT HOFFMAN. Asst: MATT HENGST.

July 26-28 | Fri-Sun

WTC

ET | Upper Yosemite Photography & Wine Adventure: Tuolumne Meadows-Vogelsang-Lyell Canyon

3-day backpacking trip leaves Fri from Tuolumne Meadows to Vogelsang - 7 miles & 1400' gain. Keeping a steady pace, we will take "photo ops" along the way. Happy Hour will include wine-tasting and great appetizers. Sat explore the area via cross-country route including Bernice Lake. Early start on Sun AM for a return via Lyell Canyon - 13.3 miles - 950' gain & 2,200' loss. This is a permit-restricted trip. Please send email with hiking/conditioning resume to: tonycebates@yahoo.com or Linda Robb - kingfisherfan1@cox.net. Leaders: LINDA ROBB, TONYCE & PHIL BATES

July 26-28 | Fri-Sun

SPS, WTC

MT | MR Split Mtn (14,042'), Mt Prater (13,471'), Mt Bolton Brown (13,491'), Mt Tinemaha (12,520')

Come join us in climbing a classic Emblem peak and one of California's 14'ers. Friday backpack to Red Lake, 5 miles & 4100' gain. Saturday climb a semi-loop of Split Mtn, Mt Prater and Mt Bolton Brown, 7.5 miles & 5700'. Sunday climb Tinemaha, 2.5 miles & 1900' and then pack out 5 miles. Totals for the outing are 20 miles & 11.7K' gain. Participants must be in excellent condition and be comfortable on 3rd class alpine rock and loose talus. High-clearance vehicle and possibly 4x4 needed to access trailhead. Send e-mail or SASE with climbing resume and recent experience to Ldr: NEAL ROBBINS, Co Ldr: MATT HENGST

August 2-4 | Fri-Sun

Long Beach, WTC

ET | M Mt. San Gorgonio (11,499'), Jepson Pk (11,205'), Charlton Pk (10,806'), Little Charlton Pk (10,696')

Especially planned for WTC students who enjoyed climbing the rock at J-Tree and want to gain more experience on class 3 rock. We will climb Charlton Peak by the mountaineers route. Fri, comfortably paced trail hike from South Fork to base camp, 6.5 mi, 2600' gain while enjoying our local San Gorgonio Wilderness. Sat, ascend 1600' on Charlton's north side, half of it class 3. Then go on to summit a bonus peak and the two highest peaks in Southern California by 3 miles of cross-country and some trail, 2700' total gain for the day. Hike back to camp, 5 miles on trail. Sun morning return to cars. WTC/equiv. reqd. Send 2 sase, phone & carpool info, \$1 for materials, and name of Sierra Club leader as reference to Ldr: JOHN H. Asst: MIKE ADAMS.

August 3-5 | Sat-Mon

WTC

ET | Big Pine Lakes

Backpack to explore the upper reaches of Big Pine Creek Basin with great views of some of the Sierra Nevada's high peaks and Palisade Glacier (12,200'). Lakeside camping along the North Fork of Big Pine Creek. From our camp, we can touch the seven numbered lakes plus two other lakes. Substantial cross-country travel over Class 2 terrain, including the climb of a nearby unnamed peak and a glacier overlook. 22 mi rt, 4200' gain for the weekend. Send email with contact info and recent conditioning and experience to Ldrs: HOMER TOM, DAVE SCOBIE

August 4 | Sun

LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS

TR | Mt. Pinos Navigation

Navigation noodle in Los Padres National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Asst: KIM HOMAN

August 9-11 | Fri-Sun

WTC

ET | Koip Peak (12,962'), Kuna Peak (13,002')

Friday backpack 6 miles, 1,500' to Parker Pass Lake where we will camp and enjoy a traditional SC happy hour. After a night of rest at 11,000', we will rise early Saturday for a day hike of 9 miles, gaining 2,700' to ascend Koip Peak and Kuna Peak before returning to camp. We should enjoy views of Mono Lake as well as Mt. Ritter and Mt. Banner along the way to our two peaks. Wake up Sunday for a relaxed hike out to our trailhead. Plan a possible stop at the gourmet gas station on our way out or extend your stay and visit Tuolumne Meadows in Yosemite NP. Total distance for the weekend is 21 miles with 4,200' of gain. Send email with contact info and recent conditioning to Leaders WAYNE VOLLAIRE and/or LISA BUCKLEY.

August 9-11 | Fri-Sun

WTC

ET | Matterhorn Peak (12,279')

Friday meet at Mono Village trailhead. Backpack up Horse Creek at moderate pace with some talus and 3500 feet of gain to camp. Saturday morning we will climb Matterhorn Peak, (1600) feet of gain from camp. Steep scree and rock scramble will lead us to the summit. Sunday morning we will return to cars. Permit limits group size. Parking fee of \$5.00 per night for parking at Mono Village. Send e-mail or sase, phone, experience and condition to Leader: CHUCK CURRIER (Agr8skier@verizon.net). Asst: BOB DRYDEN

August 10-11 | Sat-Sun

WTC

ET | Cloudripper (13,525')

Strenuous but moderately paced trip in the South Lake area. Early Sat backpack from South Lake 3 mi, 1750' gain to base camp at Green Lake. Set up camp and chill before heading out to climb Cloudripper, 7 mi rt, 2500' gain. Return to camp for happy hour. Sun morning, pack out to trailhead. WTC or equivalent required. Email recent backpack experience, conditioning, phone number, and ride share information to Ldr: VICTORIA OVERBEY (overbeyvr@rocketmail.com). Asst Ldrs: TONYCE BATES (tonycebates@yahoo.com), ROD KIEFFER, PHIL BATES.

Another Way To Find Sierra Club Events

OARS lets you look for events and outings as a listing, on a map or on a calendar. Search tools allow you to look for things to do within a certain geographic area, on selected dates, by the type of activity, by the leaders and Sierra Club groups involved. Go to <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/outing/OARS.asp>. Events are added continuously.

OARS can also be found at the Hundred Peaks Section site (angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/outing.asp) and the WTC site (<http://www.wildernesstravelcourse.org/outing>)

To have your Sierra Club group's events listed on OARS please contact Melody Anderson at melodygrace1@gmail.com or Susan Heitman at susan.heitman@ca.rr.com.

August 16-18 | Fri-Sun**WTC****ET | Blue Lake and Sunset Lake Trek**

Sat enjoy a moderate backpack from the Sabrina Lake trailhead to camp at scenic Blue Lake, 4.5 miles, 1300' gain. Explore and practice navigation, happy hour after. Sun cross-country trek to Sunset Lake (11,464') via Baboon Lakes, 6 mi rt, 1200' gain. Great fishing opportunities. Mon pack out. \$5 per person permit fee. Send WTC group, conditioning and experience, contact information to Ldr: KAY NOVOTNY. Co-Ldr: JANE SIMPSON.

August 16-18 Fri-Sun**WTC, SPS****ET | Mt. Rixford (12,887'), Mt. Gould (13,005')**

Spectacular Eastern Sierra views plus picturesque lakeside camping on this no-rush rendezvous with destiny. Friday we'll pack in over Kearsarge Pass to camp and happy hour at Kearsarge Lakes (5 mi, 2600'). Saturday we go 4.5 mi., 2500' gain cross country in a loop to our peaks and back to camp. Sunday pack out. \$6 permit fee. Send experience – including WTC affiliation if you're a student –, conditioning, phones, email and rideshare info via email to Ldr: EDD RUSKOWITZ. Asst: JOHN CYRAN.

August 17-18 | Sat-Sun**WTC****ET | Mt. Stanford (N) (12,383')**

Join us for a two-day jaunt out of Rock Creek offering breathtaking views and a lofty peak. Saturday we'll hike to Hilton Creek Lakes (5 mi, 1200') and set up camp, swim, fish, and share a happy hour. Sunday we'll set off early and

climb nearby Mt Stanford (6 mi, 2500'), said to be "one of the shyest major peaks" because it is visible from only a few spots. We'll return to camp, pack up and pack out to the cars (5 mi, 400'). Priority given to WTC students. Ldr: CHRIS COBB. ChrisLCobb@gmail.com, Asst: SARAH SCHUH sarahschuh@gmail.com

August 17-19 | Sat-Mon**WTC****ET | Thousand Island Lake/Mt. Davis (12,303')**

Sat relaxed pace backpack 10 mi, 2000' gain via incredibly scenic portion of PCT (High Trail) from Agnew Meadows to camp at Thousand Island Lake (9,840') in Ansel Adams Wilderness. Sun class 2 xc route to Mt. Davis via North Glacier Pass, 6 mi rt, 2,500' gain. This will be a long, strenuous day, but the views will be well worth it! Mon pack out via River Trail. WTC or equivalent required; priority given to 2013 WTC students. Shuttle bus fee (currently \$7) from Mammoth Mtn ski area to trailhead required; \$5 for wilderness permit. Send e-mail with contact info, experience, recent conditioning and WTC year & group leader info to Ldrs: MELODY ANDERSON & PAUL WARREN.

August 23-25 | Fri-Sun**WTC****ET | Thousand Island Lake, Peak 10344**

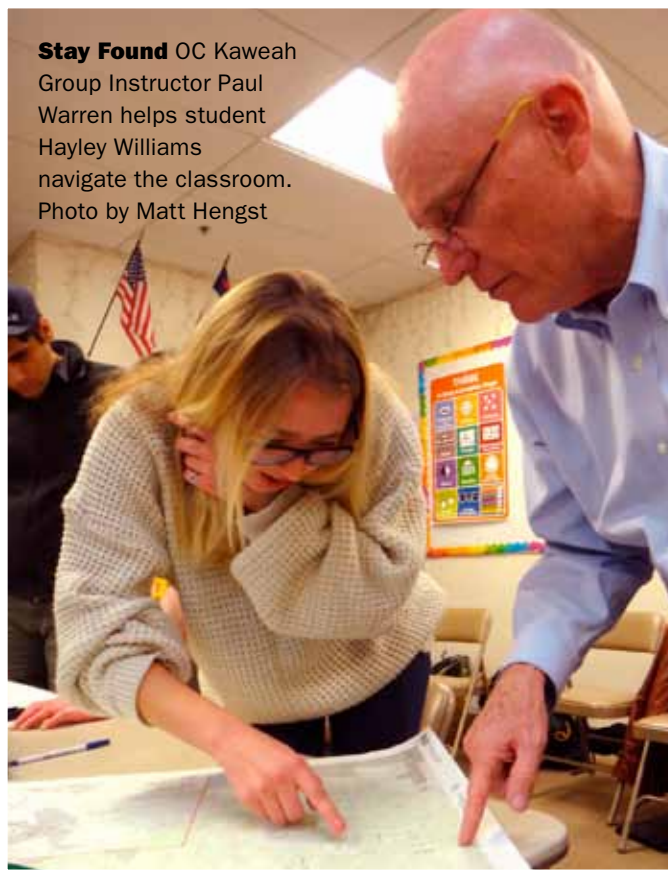
Friday backpack 8 miles, 2000' gain to camp at picturesque Thousand Island Lake in Ansel Adams Wilderness near Mammoth. Saturday climb cross-country, class 2 route to Peak 10344, 6 mi rt, 800' gain. Sunday pack out. Shuttle fee of \$7 from Mammoth Mountain to Agnew Meadows trailhead required. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Co-Ldrs: SARAH MYERS REBENDSOF, ANN SHIELDS.

August 31-Sep 3 | Sat-Tue**WTC****ET | Seven Gables (13,060), Gemini (12,866)**

Join us for a long haul and 4 spectacular days deep inside Sierra National Forest. After a strenuous backpack in (12 miles, 4000') we'll set up a lakeside camp for three nights near Lake Lour Beverly. Day excursions to Seven Gables (5 miles, 3000') and Gemini (8 miles, 3000') on Sunday and Monday will give spectacular views and once back in camp enjoy lake swimming followed by an awesome happy hour. Tuesday stroll out (12 miles, 1500'). Suitable only for fit WTC students with previous backpacking experience. Ldr: MATT HENGST. Co-Leader: BILL PAYNE

September 7-8 | Sat-Sun**WTC****ET | Mt. Silliman (11,188')**

Strenuous but moderately paced backpack from Lodgepole in Sequoia National Park to Silliman Meadows (3 mile 2300" gain). Set up camp and then climb Silliman (4 miles rt, 2100'gain) Sat night happy hour. Sunday break camp and pack out 3 miles. WTC or equivalent required. Send e-mail with recent experience and conditioning, H,W, and cell phones to Ldr: ROD KIEFFER (rodkieffer@yahoo.com) Co Ldr: PHIL BATES (philipabates@gmail.com



Stay Found OC Kaweah Group Instructor Paul Warren helps student Hayley Williams navigate the classroom. Photo by Matt Hengst

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September 15-16 | Sat-Sun WTC, HPS**ET | Lake Peak (10,161), 10K Ridge (10,094')**

Two lovely peaks in the nearby San Geronio Wilderness. Saturday we'll pack to camp and happy hour at Fish Creek Camp (5 mi, 1800'). Sunday we'll climb 7 mi., 2500' gain cross country in a loop to our peaks, then pack out. Send experience, conditioning, phones, email, rideshare info via email or sase to Ldr: EDD RUSKOWITZ. Asst: MELISSA KANE.

September 21-22 | Sat-Sun SPS, WTC**ET | M Moses Mtn (9,331'), N Maggie Mtn (10,234')**

Join us for an M rated trip into the west side of the Golden Trout Wilderness, Southern Sierra. Perfect M-level WTC experience trip for students wanting to get back out on the rocks. Sat we'll hike in (3 miles, 1000') to set up camp & head for North Maggie Mountain (5 miles, 3000'). Sun we'll do a 3rd class scramble up Moses Mtn (5 mi, 2000') before returning to camp to pack up. Helmets and comfort on 3rd class rock required. Send recent experience, conditioning, and contact & carpool info to Ldr: NEAL ROBBINS, Co-Ldr: STEPHANIE SMITH

September 21 | Sat LTC**TR | Deadline for Leadership Training Seminar**

Last day for receipt of application and payment by LTC Registrar for April 13 seminar to be held at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, Pasadena. See LTC website (<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/>) for registration information. Next seminar: Spring 2014.

September 22 | Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS**TR | Grinnell Ridge Navigation**

Navigation Noodle in San Bernardino National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Asst: PHIL WHEELER

October 5 | Sat LTC**TR | Leadership Training Seminar**

Become a qualified Sierra Club leader. Seminar at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, Pasadena. For information, see the LTC website (<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/>). Deadline for receipt of application is September 21st. No registration after this date or at the door. Next seminar: Spring 2014.

October 5-6 | Sat-Sun WTC**ET | Lake Peak (10,161) - Pushing The Limit**

Are you pushing the limit? Do you need to get one more backpack trip before graduation? Join us for late-season backpack with a gourmet food demo and sunset on Lake Peak. Sat hike 6 miles and 2,100' gain, via the South Fork Trail to Dry Lake (9,065). Set-up camp and then hike XC to Lake Peak. Return to camp for gourmet happy hour demo. Sun a.m., gourmet breakfast demo, pack up and hike 6 miles back to TH. Send hiking resume to tonycebates@yahoo.com. Leaders TONYCE BATES AND VICTORIA OVERBEY.

October 12-13 | Sat-Sun WTC**ET | "Really Last Chance" Graduation Trip**

Easy paced backpacking trip in scenic California desert. We will take exploratory cross-country routes in the Queen Valley area, taking in a peak along the way. Satisfy WTC requirements on this "really last chance" graduation trip. 9 mile rt, 1000'

gain. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Co-Ldr: ANN PEDRESCHI SHIELDS.

November 16 | Sat LTC, WTC**TR | MR 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 Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Co-Ldr: JACK KIEFFER

November 16-17 | Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS**TR | Indian Cove Navigation**

Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Sat for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sun checkout. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Asst: PHIL WHEELER

December 8 | Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS**TR | Warren Pt Navigation**

Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To participate, send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Ldr: ROBERT MYERS. Asst: PHIL WHEELER

Interested in becoming a Sierra Club outings leader?

The Angeles Chapter is home to one of the largest outings programs on the planet – thousands of trips ranging from beach

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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, April 13 at Eaton Canyon Nature Center in Pasadena.

The seminar 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 application is online at angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc. The all-day class costs \$25. Mail the application and check, payable to Sierra Club, to Steve Botan, LTC Registrar, 18816 Thornwood Circle, Huntington Beach 92646. You also can reach Botan by phone (714-321-1296) or e-mail (ltcregistrar@hundredpeaks.org). **Applications and checks are due March 30, 2013**

Scholarships are available for those with financial need. Apply to LTC Chair Tina Bowman (tina@bowmandesigngroup.com)



GETTIN' SCHOOLED Semira Chardorchi and Kathy Rich
pass under the 3rd class chockstone en route to the
summit of University Peak (13,589')

Photo from Neal Robbins

Outings Leader Directory

To reserve your place on an outing, contact the leader as specified in the trip description. Include your name, address, home & work phone numbers, your WTC leader's name, the outing you wish to join, your experience, your physical conditioning routine and whether you need or can offer a ride to the outing.

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San Gabriel Valley Group 3 approaches the Pacific Crest Trail at Blue Ridge in the San Gabriel Mountains.

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