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Federal 'takings' debate comes to Arizona

Sierra Club inspires 'No MEANS No' rally; draws 350 to Congressional hearing

by Richard Isetts

Private property has become a rallying cry for the anti-environmental movement. But a rally of a different sort took place at Washington High School June 3 in conjunction with a controversial congressional hearing arranged by Rep. John Shadegg (R-AZ).

The hearing was polarized between members of the Coalition for Private Property Rights Protection and supporters of the Arizona Community Protection Alliance, the group led by the Sierra Club and responsible for overturning Arizona's "takings" legislation through a successful referendum drive. Proposition 300 was defeated by a 60-40 percent margin in last November's election.

Both groups held breakfast rallies outside the auditorium amidst heavy security. Later inside, Shadegg admonished the audience to behave in a manner befitting a congressional hearing when shouts and clapping interrupted opening remarks.

"Takings" opponents made up three-fourths of a 500 person audience and occupied most of the auditorium. It was a sea of blue visors, many sporting the statement "No Means No" on the brim in reference to the defeat of Prop. 300. Proponents of takings legislation kept to the

left, many showing red banners stating "Danger: Do Not Enter" as a suggestion to "keep off my property."

Shadegg was accompanied by Rep. Richard Pombo (R-CA) and Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY) both members of the Private Property Rights Task Force. Pombo is a vehement critic of the ESA and represents California's Central Valley district, an area with numerous endangered species conflicts.

Cubin stated that "The answers are not

within the beltway in Washington, the answers are here in the states," but stumbled when a reporter asked her about Arizona's "takings" legislation and Prop. 300. "I'm sorry I don't know more about Prop. 300," said Cubin.

More than one person wondered how Cubin — also a member of the Endangered Species Task Force — could be part of the Private Property Rights Task Force and not be aware of last year's "takings" referendum in Arizona. It was the most publicized takings issue in the nation.

Many questioned the suitability of a "takings" hearing in Phoenix. The House passed H.R. 925, the Private Property Rights Protection Act, March 3, by a vote of 277 to 148. The Act says that if an environmental regulation restricts the use of private property and diminishes its value by 20 percent or more, Washington must compensate the owner. A representative from the League of Women Voters asked

why the congressional hearing wasn't held before passage of the bill. Political analysts speculate that Shadegg is working to garner support for Senate con-

siderations of this bill. Several speakers accused Shadegg of ignoring Arizona's stance on takings.

"It is ironic that this, the only scheduled field hearing on federal takings, is being held in the only state where there has been a

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"Despite two and a half years of broad public debate on takings in Arizona, the House of Representatives created a piece of legislation with the same fundamental flaws of being a budget buster, a perversion of the Constitution, and a lawyers full employment act."

- Joni Bosh, Sierra Club

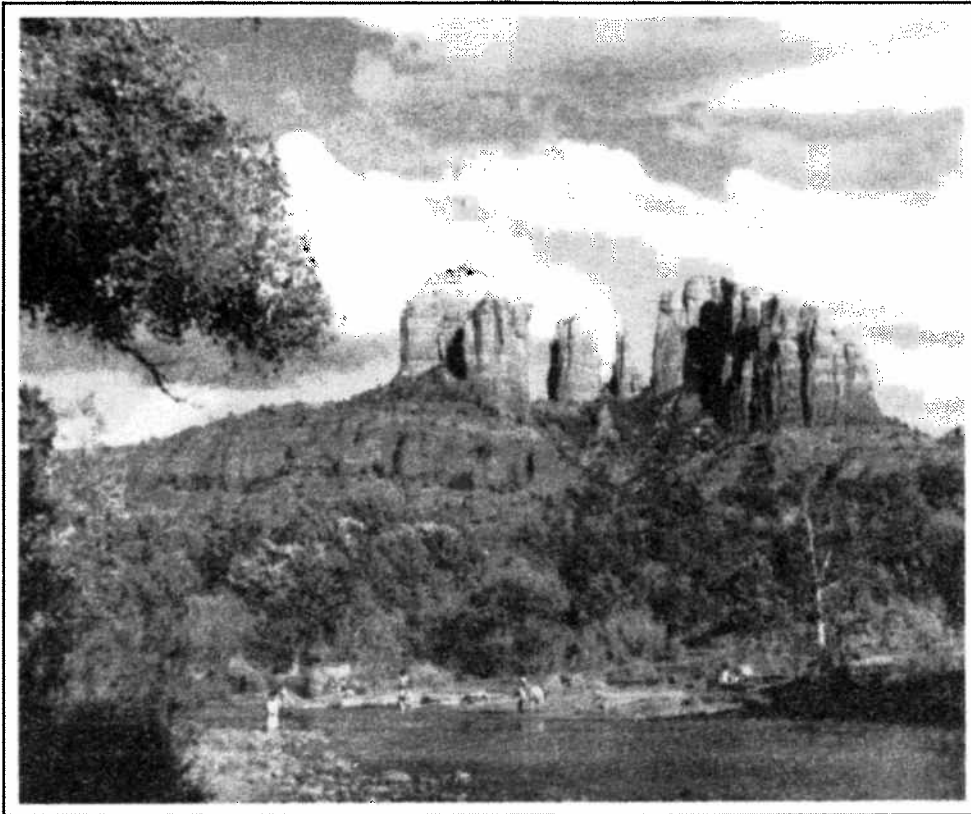


photo by Tom Slaback

Red Rock Crossing

Crossing in Peril Sedona Residents Riled

Country Board votes to continue with bridge plan

by Richard Isetts

It's the most photographed site in Arizona, yet the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to move ahead with plans that could result in construction of a bridge at Red Rock Crossing near Sedona.

Sierra Club's Bennie Blake says, "Professional photographer Bob Bradshaw has been photographing the Crossing for fifty years. He believes that a large bridge, constructed to withstand major flooding, would be an eyesore, a traffic nuisance, and a photographer's nightmare."

But there's more at stake than a good photograph.

A mounting controversy escalated as the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors met in Cottonwood on May 22 and voted to continue with plans to build a bridge at Red Rock Crossing in the heart of Sedona's Red Rock Country.

The County hired Dibble & Associates to provide a two-phase study to determine purpose, need, and location of a route connecting State Highways 179 and 89A. It was reported that while public opinion was requested by the engineering firm, the 70% majority they received opposing their preferred route through Red Rock Crossing was never disclosed in their second phase report.

Tom Slaback of the Prescott Sierra Club contends that Red Rock Crossing is the least desirable of more than 10 alternatives outlined in the Dibble study. (Prescott Courier, May 22, 1995.) "Every one of the others would be better than Red Rock Crossing," said Slaback.

Slaback and Blake speculate that the motivation for the county's action is based on a long-term plan that includes "large-scale" development in the area.

Public Works Director Richard Straub has notified the Forest Service that the Board

has "directed staff to proceed with Phase III, EIS/Preliminary Engineering.... The Board of Supervisors has selected a preferred route, Verde Valley School Road-Upper Red Rock Loop and has directed staff to negotiate a contract with a qualified consultant to perform the EIS/Preliminary engineering work."

The three County supervisors, Carlton Camp, Gheral Brownlow, and Bill Feldmeier, after listening to over one hour of public testimony voted to allocate \$450,000 for the environmental analysis.

Controversy has mushroomed on this issue because the bridge would have to be built on public land under the stewardship of the U.S. Forest Service. It requires working through guidelines of the National Environment Policy Act (NEPA), and opening up the process for comment from all citizens of the United States.

Blake has spoken with experts on the NEPA process. "They say that this study should be done by an environmental firm, not an engineering firm, which is what the county has suggested. They also say that the County should not be paying for the study,

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"Takings" opponents carried dozens of placards. "60-40 means NO, Get over it"; "Rep Shadegg, whose property are you protecting"; "The Contract's out on us, are you next?"; "Takings equals budget busters;" and "takings - welfare for polluters," were often stated remarks. photo by Karen Amacker

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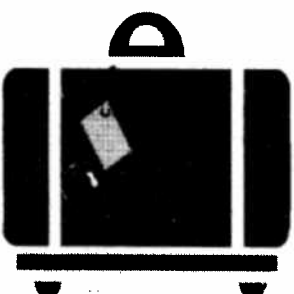
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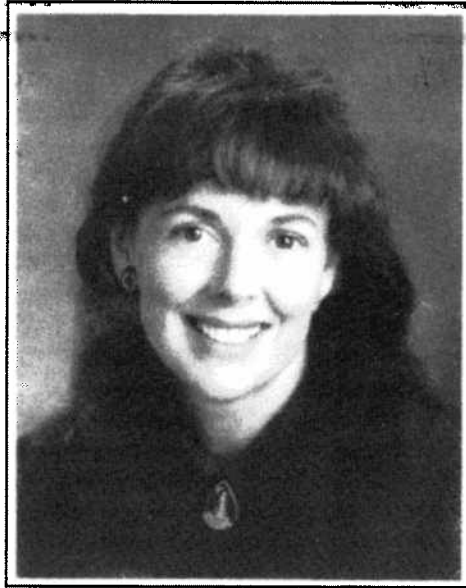
In this issue, we're going to rate your legislators and reminisce about John Fife Symington, III. I've been waiting a long time to say something good about our Governor, so I'm just tickled to have the chance to finally praise him.

Just for a moment, set aside the fact that he calls us names, threatens to have the Constitutional Defense Council sue citizens who exercise their rights when the government doesn't follow its own rules, and refuses to meet with any of our thousands of members since the passage of the defeated Prop 300 in 1992.

No matter how you feel about those things, let's all thank Fife Symington for his veto of the environmental audit; privilege, (polluters' protections and secrecy) bill. It was a wise decision. I don't care that his staff bragged to a TV reporter about a supposed deal connecting this with another bill leading to potential embarrassment, or that Ed Fox (ADEQ director) may or may not have threatened to quit. The fact is Governor Symington saved us doing a referendum on it. That means a lot to me because I have a hundred other things to do around the office this summer and, despite what people think, I have a life which consists of studying for my prelim exams this fall. Thank you Governor Symington! We all thank you.

It gets better. Days later, he vetoed SB 1107 that would have given all authority for the fate of native threatened species to, gasp, the legislature. Check out our ratings at the end of this column and see what a swell deal that would be. We objected to the bill because it would have removed any decision making by people with actual knowledge and experience in the conservation of plants and wildlife, in addition to giving the legislature power it never had before. So the 1107 veto was neat for a week, until his office announced they were going to issue an executive order and give all the power to Mr. Symington himself who, I believe, has an art history degree.

Next, a reporter asked me what I thought about that and I told him. Now the Governor's staff is miffed because I would actually criticize something they did. Tough cookies. It's too bad really. I was so impressed with Mr. Symington during his first campaign and the staff people he chose when he took office. Something happened a year or so afterwards. One by one, the top notch folks on the 9th floor were leaving. Their replacements appear to be ideologues. I've seen three of the current staff members in action, they have the same hobby in common: making snide poisonous comments delivered with a superior sneer. They are mean spirited bullies and proud of it. Now, in my opinion, they can do that on their own time and on their own dime. When the taxpayer is footing the bill, I expect courteous acknowledgment of opposing



views.

Fife Symington used to be a moderate before that word was replaced on the 9th floor by intolerant sarcasm. The Fife Symington I remember would be civil even if surrounded by sycophants and snarlers. That Symington wasn't chewing the scenery about "radical" and "extremist" environmental groups. That Fife Symington wouldn't align himself with people who engage in neo-McCarthyism to avoid a real discussion, dismissing opponents as unworthy, un-American and un-Mom-and-apple pie. I'm delighted for the vetoes, but to quote the gals of Dogpatch USA when their weenie boyfriends were transformed into uncaring Lil Abners, "put em back the way they wuz".

Now here's your state legislature in action on environmental issues last session. The rankings are based upon a top score of 17 points reflecting votes on: the environmental audit bill, private right of action, endangered species, protecting the Heritage Fund, protecting the ability of the Attorney General to go after polluters, the CFC bill, environmental education, environmental license plates, veggie hate crimes and the gubernatorial appointment bill. I didn't count the final vote on many of these bills, because it was the third reading vote that required some guts. I also didn't give points when a member changed their vote, like voting to preserve the Heritage Fund, after it was safe to do so. The way this works is: when you see that there are enough votes to kill or pass a measure, you quickly change vote before the tote board is shut down in order to look like you voted that way all along. We don't count weasel votes.

They are listed by district so you can get right to work thanking your members or instructing them in the finer points of being accountable to future generations.

In Memorium: My friend and guide Ned Muller passed away June 3rd. He was a warm, brilliant and kind man. Ned's enthusiasm for his work, family and life made even the treacherous pitfalls of academia seem easy. Despite being at the top of his profession, Ned was real, unpretentious. I miss him and the warm smile and confidence he gave me. To me, his life seemed to be blessed and he blessed us without measure. □

Grading:

16 & 17 = A+ 12 - 15 = B
9 - 11 = C 5 - 8 = D
less than 5 = F

Dist	Member	Score
1	Sen. Springer	0
	Rep. Aldridge	0
	Rep. Lynch	10*
2	Sen. Wettaw	9*
	Rep. Verkamp	12*
	Rep. Hart	0
3	Sen. Henderson	8
	Rep. Jackson	15
	Rep. Hanley	12
4	Sen. Hardt	2
	Rep. Brown	5
	Rep. Farnsworth	0
5	Sen. Buster	2
	Rep. Conner	0
	Rep. McLendon	15*
6	Sen. Huppenthal	6
	Rep. Daniels	3
	Rep. Brock	1
7	Sen. Chastain	8
	Rep. Rios	17
	Rep. Clark	17
8	Sen. Arzberger	5
	Rep. Ortega	15*
	Rep. Newman	17*
9	Sen. Bee	6
	Rep. McGibbon	0
	Rep. Preble	12
10	Sen. Soltero	17
	Rep. Cajero	17
	Rep. Hubbard	17
11	Sen. Goudinoff	17*
	Rep. Richardson	17*
	Rep. Garcia	17
12	Sen. Day	10*
	Rep. Hershberger	1
	Rep. Schottel	0
13	Sen. Noland	8
	Rep. Cunningham	17*
	Rep. Nichols	17*
14	Sen. Solomon	17*
	Rep. Horton	17*
	Rep. Pickens	17
15	Sen. Turner	0
	Rep. Overton	0
	Rep. King	0
16	Sen. Kaites	3
	Rep. Weiers	0
	Rep. Jordan	4*
17	Sen. Burns	0
	Rep. McGrath	0
	Rep. Burns	0
18	Sen. Spitzer	2
	Rep. Wong	0
	Rep. Gerard	11*
19	Sen. Brewer	0
	Rep. Eberhart	0
	Rep. Bundgaard	3
20	Sen. Hartley	17*
	Rep. Blendu	0
	Rep. Foster	17*
21	Sen. Barnes	0
	Rep. Bowers	0
	Rep. Jarrett	0
22	Sen. Pena	16
	Rep. Lopez	17
	Rep. Hamilton	17*
23	Sen. Kennedy	17
	Rep. Armstead	16
	Rep. Aguirre	10*
24	Sen. Greene	0
	Rep. Grace	14*
	Rep. Baird	0
25	Sen. Cumiskey	17*
	Rep. Updike	8
	Rep. Chevront	17
26	Sen. Patterson	0
	Rep. Shaw	0
	Rep. Smith	5
27	Sen. Richardson	0
	Rep. Knaperek	0
	Rep. Gardner	1
28	Sen. Gnant	0
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	Rep. Anderson	1
	Rep. Mortenson	0
30	Sen. Chesley	0
	Rep. Groscost	0
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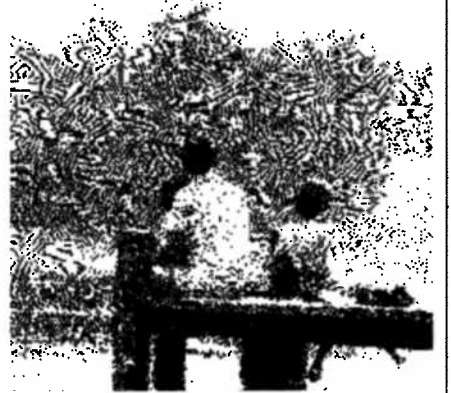
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Put Your Mouth Where Your (Membership) Money is!

by Lynn DeMuth

The nominating committee for the Grand Canyon Chapter is looking for qualified, able, and willing candidates to run for positions on the 1996 Chapter Executive Committee.

The Chapter Executive Committee is the policy-making/review and fiscal management body for the Sierra Club in Arizona. Members of the "Ex-Com" come from all over the state and represent a diverse set of conservation interests. The Ex-Com meets four times a year in northern, central, and southern Arizona.

Being a member of the Ex-Com allows you to voice opinions on Arizona politics, conservation issues state-wide, and the philosophy and direction of the Grand Canyon Chapter of Sierra Club in Arizona. You'll also meet some very nice people who are dedicated to preserving and protecting this place we call home.

If you think you are interested in being a candidate, please contact Lynn DeMuth, Nominating Committee Chair, at 602-966-2154 for information and details. □

ACERP Rankings Surprise Environmentalists; Enrage Ranchers

by Bobbie Holaday

On May 15, 1995, members of the Arizona Comparative Environmental Risk Project (ACERP) Public Advisory Council (PAC) made their final rankings for the fourteen broad issue categories during the year-long meetings conducted by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.

Over two years ago, Governor Symington asked ADEQ to set up the ACERP process in order to establish priorities for Arizona's environmental issues. Three technical committees were formed on Ecosystems, Human Health, and Quality of Life, consisting of top academicians in each of the three areas. In addition, a Public Values Assessment group was asked to conduct an attitude survey on how the general public viewed environmental concerns.

The process allowed the three technical committees, who began research over a year prior to formation of the PAC, to study their area's environmental issues and produce detailed reports on their findings. In addition, each of the technical committees would provide the PAC with their rankings of the issues for consideration.

The reports were evaluated by the PAC which consisted of a broad cross section of about 50 members of the general public selected either through their own applications or through solicitation from staff at ADEQ. About 350 people applied. The final members selected were officially appointed by Governor Symington.

Long suspected by some environmentalist as a "sham" or a "setup" favoring wise use interests and right-wing extremists, the final results were nevertheless surprising. I was solicited by ADEQ to join the PAC and agreed to participate with some reluctance. I was afraid the process would be an exercise in futility and that the results were pre-ordained.

PAC meetings have been held each month for over one year. The PAC was facilitated originally by Dr. Pat Mariella of ADEQ and later by Dr. Diane Pert of ASU. PAC members were given detailed presentations from experts from the three technical committees and were provided mounds of documents for study and evaluation. The final reports from the three technical committees stacked up to nearly three inches! Participating as a PAC member involved many long hours of volunteer study.

May 15, 1995 was "ranking's day." But members of the Farm Bureau, cognizant of the fact that the Ecosystems Committee report revealed statewide degradation from grazing, pleaded with us to hold off ranking until they could produce reports proving the benefits of grazing to ecosystems. They believed that the Ecosystem report produced by such experts as Dr. Duncan Patton, Dr. Ward Brady, and Dr. Bob Ohmart were biased. The request was denied by a consensus of the PAC because all members of the public had been given equal opportunity during the year-long process to provide PAC members with full reports.

To provide background on the fourteen broad issue categories, I'll include a shortened version of the issues as presented in the workbook provided to PAC members.

Accidental Releases: Includes contaminants accidentally released during transport, production, storage, and use of materials; accidental releases from underground and above-ground storage tanks; contamination from industrial fires, explosions, and train derailments. Pollutants include

industrial chemicals such as PCB's, acids, ammonia, pesticides, and various petroleum products.

Outdoor Air Pollution: Air pollution produced by automobiles, trucks, trains, airplanes industry, manufacturing, agricultural activities, timber processing, mining, and urban activities such as residential fireplace smoke. Air pollutants include fuels, solvents, airborne pesticides, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, fine particulate matter, ground-level ozone, and airborne metals such as arsenic and lead. Pollutants also include airborne allergens and infectious agents such as pollen, mold, bacteria, and viruses.

Indoor Air Pollution: Air pollution in the work place, in public buildings, and in the home. Activities that produce indoor air pollution include cooking, heating, household chemicals, painting, applying pesticides, living in a confined space, demolition and renovation of buildings. Pollutants include asbestos, radon, pesticides, environmental (second hand) tobacco smoke, and infectious agents. Also, gasses released from building materials, space heaters, aerosol cans, stoves, fireplaces, carpets, and other household items.

Degradation of the Built and Cultural Environment: Refers to losses resulting from human activity and applies to human population. This issue includes loss of visibility and other impacts on

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view sheds and landscapes caused by air pollution and built structures. It also includes the loss of unique or significant built and cultural environments such as neighborhoods, rural and sacred areas as well as open spaces. In addition litter, noise, odor, and light pollution fall under this issue.

Physical Alteration, Fragmentation and Loss of Ecosystems: Includes activities such as grazing, agriculture, construction of highways and roads, energy production, fire suppression, mining, timber management, interbasin water transfer, surface water channelization, diversion of water courses, groundwater drawdown, subsidence, water impoundments, recreation, and urbanization. Alteration and loss includes the physical removal of soil and vegetation, the loss of riparian wildlife habitat from channelization and diversion of natural water courses. This issue does not include biological and chemical effects on ecosystems which are covered in other issues.

Biological Alteration of Ecosystems: Activities include hunting, fishing, illegal collection of sensitive species, predator control, and the introduction of insects, pests, and diseases. Biological alteration includes the introduction and perpetuation of non-native species of flora and fauna, a reduction in biodiversity, and species extinction.

Food and Drinking Water Contamination: Includes the risks posed by consuming food whether the source of food is in or outside Arizona. Also, risks posed by drinking water from public and private water systems, either from surface or ground water supplies. Water contamination may occur from the source to the tap and may occur in bottled water too. Also covers the supply and distribution of drinking water. Includes biological contaminants such as microbes, viruses, bacteria, protozoa's, and pests. Includes chemical residues

in food such as pesticides, hormones, and drugs as well as irradiation of food.

Global Climate Change and Stratospheric Ozone Depletion: Includes risks to Arizona from global climate change and from the increase of ultraviolet radiation. It also includes Arizona's contribution to the depletion of stratospheric ozone and increase in the level of carbon dioxide. Atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide are projected to increase over the next century due to an increase in fossil fuel combustion and a decrease in tropical forests. Higher levels of CO2 may raise climatic temperatures globally. The stratospheric ozone layer shields the earth's surface from ultraviolet radiation. The release of chlorofluorocarbons and nitrogen dioxide from industrial sites and solid waste facilities may reduce the ozone layer.

Land and Soil Contamination: Includes releases from municipal and industrial solid waste sites, seepage from open and closed landfills, legal and illegal disposal of household hazardous waste; disposal of medical waste, sludge, and mining waste; active, inactive, and abandoned hazardous waste sites. Contaminants may include TCE, lead, toluene, heavy metals, PCB's, other toxic chemicals, microbes (e.g. Cocci) and nutrients.

Natural Hazards: Although these are natural events, their incidence and severity may be in-

creased by human management practices. These natural events include drought, earthquakes, floods, lightning, and wild fires.

Radiation: This issue includes exposure of workers and the public to ionizing and non-ionizing radiation. Sources of non-ionizing radiation include microwave and radio frequencies used in telecommunications, radar, and microwave heating. Other sources are low-frequency electromagnetic fields produced from overhead power lines, consumer products, and solar radiation. Sources of ionizing radiation are found in the nuclear power fuel cycle, including power plant operation, mining, milling, and possession of uranium fuels, and the disposal of spent nuclear fuels. It includes medical wastes, industrial sources and low-level radioactive waste. This issue does not include radionuclides in drinking water which are covered in Food and Drinking Water Contamination.

Surface Water Contamination: This issue includes direct (non-point) source contamination such as agricultural runoff, urban stormwater runoff, energy production, construction, timber harvesting, wood processing, mining, cattle grazing, and runoff at hazardous waste sites. Pollutants from non-point sources include pesticides, nutrients, sediment, fecal material, petroleum-based chemicals, and temperature changes. This issue also includes direct (point-source) discharges from sewage treatment plants, mines, manufacturing, and industrial facilities. Pollutants from point sources include sewage, ammonia, chlorination by-products, metals, and nutrients.

Ground Water Contamination: This issue includes ground water contamination from agriculture, sludge application, sewage treatment plants, landfills, hazardous waste sites, injection wells, septic tanks, and other industrial sources.

Pollutants include pesticides, nitrates, gasoline, and various chemicals. Releases from underground and above ground storage tanks are covered in Accidental Releases.

Workplace and Consumer Exposure to Hazardous Materials: This issue includes consumer exposure to hazardous materials in the home such as lead paint dust, paint thinner, cleansers and asbestos. It also includes on-the-job exposure to toxic chemicals, both inhaled and absorbed through the skin. Risk from pesticide applications of farm workers, applicators within buildings, home users, and bystanders are included too. Pollutants include pesticides, lead and solvents. This issue does not include exposure to radioactive materials which is covered in radiation.

The PAC's final ranking was determined by using a secret electronic process whereby PAC members could indicate their rankings using a remote device much like a remote TV control.

The final ranking follows. With the exception of outdoor air pollution, priority ranking for issues within each risk category were extremely close. The rankings did not match those of any of the three technical committees.

High Risk

Outdoor air pollution
Ground water contamination
Physical alteration, fragmentation, and loss of ecosystems

Medium Risk

Surface water contamination
Food and drinking water contamination
Land and soil contamination
Biological alteration of the environment

Medium to Low Risk

Indoor air pollution
Workplace and consumer exposure to hazardous materials
Global climate change and stratospheric ozone depletion

Low Risk

Accidental release
Natural hazards
Radiation

The high ranking received by outdoor air pollution made it appear that most PAC members must have agreed that high priority must be given to measures that would decrease the severe air pollution Arizona has inflicted upon itself. While rankings did not match my priorities in every case, I was encouraged by the fact that the physical alterations and degradation of the ecosystem from both humans and livestock were given such high priority. This proved to me that other members of the PAC who are not "card carrying" environmentalists want action taken to reverse years of severe devastation that have damaged both our ecosystems and our cultural heritage.

Copies of the Ecosystems, Human Health, and Quality of Life reports were available in public libraries throughout the State through June 9, 1995 for review and written comment. Anyone interested in these reports may contact ADEQ. In September, a seven-member steering committee, headed by Richard Hayslip, an executive with the Salt River Project, will recommend and action plan to Governor Symington and the Legislature. I might mention that Dr. Joe Feller is a member of that committee. □

Action Alert

Forest Service Proposes New Planning Rules Gutting the Requirement that Grazing Suitability be Analyzed

Existing Forest Service planning regulations require that each National Forest identify lands suitable for grazing based on an analysis of the economic and environmental consequences of grazing. See 36 CFR 219.20 and 219.3. This analysis was supposed to be done during the forest planning process, but most National Forests did a grossly inadequate job of determining grazing suitability during the initial round of planning. Now, two-thirds of the nation's forests are either in the process of revising their plans or will initiate the revision process within the next two years.

There's a lot more scientific information on the adverse effects of livestock grazing on public land resources. Activists are also in a better position to demand that livestock be removed from vast areas of the public lands based on an expectation that National Forests will conduct a scientifically credible grazing suitability analysis in the upcoming round of forest planning.

Unfortunately, just as activists are about to hold the Forest Service accountable for years of neglect and finally get cows off unsuitable lands, the Forest Service has proposed to revise their forest planning regulations and totally gut the requirement that grazing suitability be analyzed at all. See 60 Federal Register 18886 (April 13, 1995). In fact, the new regulations ignore the need for proper management of livestock grazing.

What you can do

Write to the Forest Service and demand that the new planning regulations address grazing suitability for the following reasons:

- Achievement of the ultimate goal of "sustainability of ecosystems" as contemplated in the proposed regulations clearly makes necessary that livestock be removed from vast areas of the National Forest system. This can be fairly and equitably achieved through considered analysis of grazing suitability.
- The National Forest Management Act

(NFMA) explicitly requires that the planning regulations "require the identification of the suitability of lands for resource management." Analyzing only timber suitability isn't enough. Grazing suitability must be analyzed as well.

• The NFMA also requires that forest planning be based on up to date inventories of renewable resources including range and the rules must "insure consideration of the economic and environmental aspects of resource management to provide for range."

• The Final Report of the "committee of Scientists" who made recommendations on the original NFMA planning regulations recognized that the use of "rangelands of the National Forest system must be planned with the same care as forested areas... and with similar application of multiple-use and sustained-yield concepts."

Address letters to Chief Jack Ward Thomas, U.S. Forest Service, P.O. Box 96090, Washington D.C. 20090-6090. Letters must be received before July 12, 1995. □


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public vote on takings," said Joni Bosh, former chair of the Arizona Community Protection Alliance. "The voters rejected Prop. 300, Arizona's takings bill, not just 60% to 40% statewide, but in every Congressional district, 11 out of 15 counties, 28 out of 30 Legislative Districts and 914 out of 937 precincts in Maricopa County."

House Natural Resource Committee hearings were scheduled for June 21, Resources Committee mark-up for June 28, and full House consideration immediately after the July 4 recess. Pombo is poised to introduce a comprehensive bill that will essentially rescind the ESA and include a "takings" compensation provision.

The June 3 congressional hearing came on short notice as invitations were issued May



Takings opponents packed the auditorium at Washington High School June 3. Photo by Rick Isetts

Bosh said, "Despite two and a half years of broad public debate on takings in Arizona, the House of Representatives created a piece of legislation with the same fundamental flaws of being a budget buster, a perversion of the Constitution, and a lawyers full employment act."

"Arizonans know that this is not an issue between those who support private property and those who don't, or between rural and urban residents, or between Republicans and Democrats," added Bosh. "It's a camouflaged fight over money, over who pays and who benefits."

26, the Friday before the Memorial Day weekend. Friday also was the deadline for submitting requests to testify at the hearing. Local Sierra Club representatives say they were ignored when it came to planning the task force hearing. Rob Smith, Southwest Representative for the Sierra Club, said he first became aware of the hearing "the same day" he read about it in the May newsletter of a local chapter of People for the West.

Smith added that the hearing was "designed as a pep rally for the other side." Despite asking to be put on Shadegg's mailing list, Smith "never received anything" and had to



Sierra Club's Joni Bosh (center left) and Raena Honan (center right) testify at the June 3 congressional hearing in Phoenix. photo by Rick Isetts

Despite a 60 to 40 percent upset of Prop. 300 by Arizona's voters, more than a few of Arizona's state politicians are still supportive of "takings" legislation. Arizona Speaker of the House Mark Killion was present to express his concerns and to support Shadegg's agenda. It was reported that Governor Symington was prepared to testify but opted to meet with Mexican officials on Arizona-Mexico border problems.

The debate on takings is closely related to the conflict surrounding the Endangered Species Act and numerous references to the Act were made. Shadegg is a strong supporter of establishing "incentives" for compliance with the ESA. Also, the House is moving swiftly to introduce a revision of the ESA.

call Shadegg's office to request a copy of the press release.

"They're spending a lot of taxpayers' money on a hearing they are not telling the taxpayers about," said Smith.

"The accusations made in the media are bunk wrote House Resources Chair Don Young (R-AK) in a last minute press release, June 2, the day before the hearing.

But Myron Ebell, a Shadegg staff member is quoted (Phoenix Gazette, May 27, 1995) as saying, "Not enough has been done to get the word out. But as we speak, a press release is going out across the state."

"The Chairman's protestations to the contrary," said Michael Evans, Executive Director of Common Cause, "many of us here

today believe that we are present because we were forced to beg, badger, bully or embarrass the Representative to be invited."

More than 30 witnesses testified at the hearing, including representatives from the Sierra Club, Common Cause, The Arizona Farm Bureau, Arizona Mining Association, Kaibab Industries, the Arizona Wildlife Federation, the Arizona Community Protection Alliance — over 30 testified in all.

Raena Honan, Legislative Director of the Grand Canyon Chapter of the Sierra Club stated: "If people think there's too much environmental regulation, they need to remember much of the cause is too much irresponsibility, too much buck passing, blaming the other guy or looking for a taxpayer subsidy. We have a whole state agency in Arizona whose main job is seeing that toxic chemicals don't get into the groundwater. Who's paying the freight? The taxpayers, not the people who put it there."

Honan added that "It is the government's job to prevent the abuse of the health and property of all citizens. Paying people to obey the law is called, where I come from, a 'protection

racket.' "

Flagstaff City Councilmember, Rick Swanson said that "as an elected official I worry about 'takings legislation' favoring special interests over public health and laws designed for the public good. . . . I worry that the taxpayers will be the real losers on the bottom line."

Local talk show host, Pat Murphy offered this comment (*Tribune Newspapers*, May 31, 1995) on the sham "takings" hearing planned for Phoenix. "May I offer an ad hoc synonym for 'deception' — the Congressional Private Property Rights Task Force. . . . The grand deceiver is Rep. John Shadegg, one of Arizona's new super conservative Republican congressmen."

When the Congressional District 4 freshman returns to Washington D.C. and reports to the House Resource Committee on his Private Property Rights Task Force field hearing in Phoenix, he may be obliged to report that overall, the people of Arizona don't want this legislation. Shadegg also may remind the committee that 60 percent of his CD 4 constituents voted NO on Prop. 300. □

Mexican Wolf Draft EIS Delayed
Repeated delays rankle monitoring committee

by Bobbie Holaday

Despite promises that the Draft version of the Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on Mexican wolf reintroduction would be completed during 1994, we are still waiting for its release.

May 1994 was the original release date. When the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD) experienced delays in hiring a wolf biologist the date was moved to October of 1994. Then, the USFWS announced that publication would be pushed to mid-February, 1995. The February date was moved to March, then April 30. By April 30, the DEIS had suffered further delays when discussions were escalated to the highest executive levels of the AGFD and the USFWS as last minute language and policy differences were reworked. The latest promised publication date is June 16, 1995.

A lawsuit filed in 1990 by the Wolf Action Group, the Mexican Wolf Coalition of New Mexico and others against the USFWS and the U.S. Army resulted in the USFWS finally moving forward with the Mexican Wolf Recovery Plan's implementation. As part of the May 1993 settlement of the lawsuit, the USFWS was asked to prepare a timetable for Mexican wolf recovery. The timetable stated that

the DEIS would be released in May of 1994. Also, a monitoring committee made up of citizens outside the agency and Army was established. (I am a member of that committee.) We can understand the first and second delays, but since the beginning of 1995 these delays have become unacceptable. Members of the monitoring committee and the attorney for the original plaintiffs are watching the delays closely and discussing possible sanctions.

Once the DEIS is published, it is imperative that you obtain a copy of the executive summary of the DEIS for review and comment. If we cannot convince the Arizona Game and Fish Commission to approve the DEIS proposed action, our only hope lies in generating heavy citizen support comments on the DEIS. Regardless of the outcome of the Commission's vote, your comments on the DEIS are vital.

A series of public meetings are planned for several locations in Arizona and New Mexico in early Fall of 1995. Request a meeting schedule when writing for your copy of the DEIS. Contact: **David Parsons, Mexican Wolf Recovery Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, NM 87103. Phone: 505-766-2914.** □

Americans Want Greater Protection of Their Public Forests

by Mark Abernathy

A recent poll commissioned by the U.S. Forest Service found that most Americans want national forests used for recreation and wildlife protection rather than production of lumber or other commercial products. Forest Service chief Jack Ward Thomas says the results of the poll conducted last year by a consulting firm are being considered as the Agriculture Department prepares to reorganize and streamline some services. Among the findings:

- 79 percent agreed that the long-term health of public forests should not be compromised by the short-term need for natural resources.
- 65 percent agreed that the federal government should increase the regulation of commercial use of public forests. Some

38 percent said they "strongly agreed." Only 22 percent disagreed and 13 percent had no opinion.

- 61 percent of the respondents agreed that threatened and endangered species in U.S. public forests and grasslands should be protected even if it has a negative economic impact.

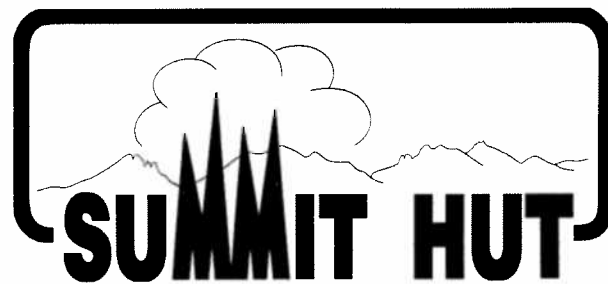
- 36 percent agreed that natural resources in public forests should be made available to produce consumer goods, but 47 percent disagreed. More than one-fourth, 26 percent, "strongly disagreed" that public resources should be used for such purposes.

Ed. note: This article is a reprint of the introduction of an article that appeared in the May/June 1995 Chesapeake, the newsletter of the Maryland Chapter of the Sierra Club. □

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End the give-aways of public assets, such as mineral, timber, grazing and fishery resources. End the subsidies for oil and energy companies. Polluters should pay to

clean up the mess they create; no one has the right to use property in a way that destroys or degrades the surrounding community. We reject the idea that good neighbors must pay bad ones not to pollute.

Conserve America's natural resources by controlling waste, increasing energy efficiency, and protecting against overuse and abuse. Encourage sustainable technologies that meet human needs without destroying the environment.

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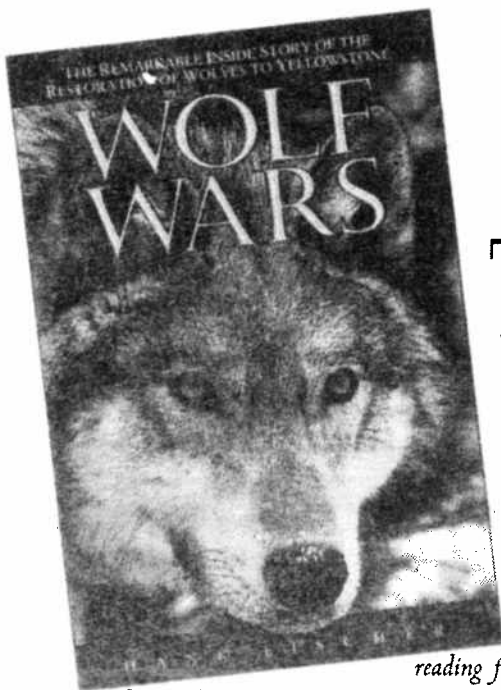
- Protect the Safe Water Drinking Act.
- Protect the Clean Air Act.
- Protect the Clean Water Act. Strengthen it to get cancer-causing pollutants out of our drinking water. Strengthen it to stop toxic discharges and runoff into our water and to better protect America's wetlands.
- Protect the Superfund law. Improve it to make polluters pay promptly for toxic waste cleanup and to make toxic waste clean-ups quicker and more effective.
- Protect the Delaney Clause. Strengthen

it to get cancer-causing pesticides out of our food.

- Curtail release of dioxin into the environment by passing a chlorine discharge ban.
- Place a moratorium on new solid and hazardous waste incinerators.
- Phase out nuclear power.
- Promote environmental justice.
- Promote sustainable, environmentally sound agriculture and strengthen Farm Bill protections for soil, water, and wildlife.
- Protect wild regions like the Northern Rockies, Colorado Plateau, and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge by designating roadless areas as wilderness.
- Protect the Endangered Species Act. Strengthen it to focus on the protection of entire ecosystems, not just individual species.
- Ban all logging in remaining old-growth forests and roadless areas.
- Ban offshore oil drilling in environmentally sensitive areas.
- Stop overfishing and rebuild depleted fish populations.
- Prevent further destruction of our public rangelands by setting environmental standards for grazing and increasing grazing fees to fair market value.
- Reform the 1872 Mining Act to end tax-

payer subsidies for mining and set protective environmental standards for mining operations.

- End taxpayer subsidies for the oil, coal, nuclear, and timber industries, and for unnecessary irrigation projects like the Auburn Dam and the Animus-LaPlata Project.
- Oppose "takings" legislation which requires taxpayers to pay for polluters' compliance with environmental laws.
- Increase fuel efficiency standards for cars to 45 miles per gallon by the year 2004. Curb global warming by cutting U.S. carbondioxide emissions by 20 percent and increasing investment in clean and renewable energy sources, such as solar power.
- Pass a national bottle bill. Require 50 percent recycled content in newspapers and increase government purchasing of recycled products.
- Require mandatory minimum penalties for the worst polluters, increase fines and expand citizens' right to sue to enforce anti-pollution laws.
- Pass the Community Right to Know More Act.
- Require that the public be informed of toxic chemicals present in our communities and workplaces. □



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Orienteering! Find your Way to Helping the Grand Canyon Chapter Fundraiser planned for Sept. 9-10

by Jerry Nelson, Chapter Outings Chair

The Sierra Club and Phoenix Orienteering Club will join efforts in September to offer an opportunity for all members to gain map and compass skills while enjoying an introduction to the very interesting and possibly addicting sport of orienteering.

The event will be held in the cool Sitgreaves National Forest at the 7,400 foot elevation level. Saturday will begin with a trip to Knolls Lake for an easy paced, off-trail hike through the pines with frequent stops to "read" the map and learn basic skills. On Sunday, groups of 10 - 15 will be led by members of the Ori-

enteering Club on a 6-mile hike to Bear Canyon Lake. Dates of the car-camp are Saturday and Sunday, September 9-10. **Prepaid registration must be made by September 1.**

Cost is \$18.00 for individuals and \$25.00 for families with a portion of the proceeds going to the Grand Canyon Chapter. Get a break from the desert heat while providing the Chapter with much needed financial help. Call Fred Padgett at 602-956-7522 for more information or send your name, address and phone number to Fred at 2232 E. Pinchot, #9, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Make checks payable to "Phoenix Orienteering Club." □

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Memorial Day Car Camp - 1995

Flagstaff event draws 200

by Richard Isetts

"The first dinner in camp is a great occasion, especially for the initiates, who receive illustrated instruction in the ethics of our primitive cafeteria. It is then you get your spoon, a sort of visa to all subsequent meals. If you lose it, you are in for diplomatic difficulties of no mean degree. The spoon is the insignia of the order; without it you are disenfranchised and helpless. It usually reposes between the sock and boot-top, but some are drilled and hang on the bearers' bosom like medals. Literally, you are born into the Sierra Club with a steel spoon in your mouth."

— Ansel Adams, Sierra Club Bulletin, 1931

"Camp fire was one of the important events of the High Trip," wrote Tom Turner in *Sierra Club: 100 Years of Protecting Nature*. Elaborate skits were written and presented, excellent concerts were performed on fiddle and recorder, eloquent speeches were delivered on conservation struggles of the day, and many voices were raised in enthusiastic harmony.

Chapter Outings Chair, Jerry Nelson, noted there were at least nine organized outings that ranged from a C rated hike for kids led by Ranger Bob to the snowy B hike to Kendrick Peak, elevation 10,000 ft. The Schulz Lake birders hike offered an opportunity to view a nesting Osprey; Tom LaZelle, (Chapter Ex-Com member) reported several rare bird sightings. And,



The Ramada at Camp Raymond. All tables have a view! photo by Rick Isetts

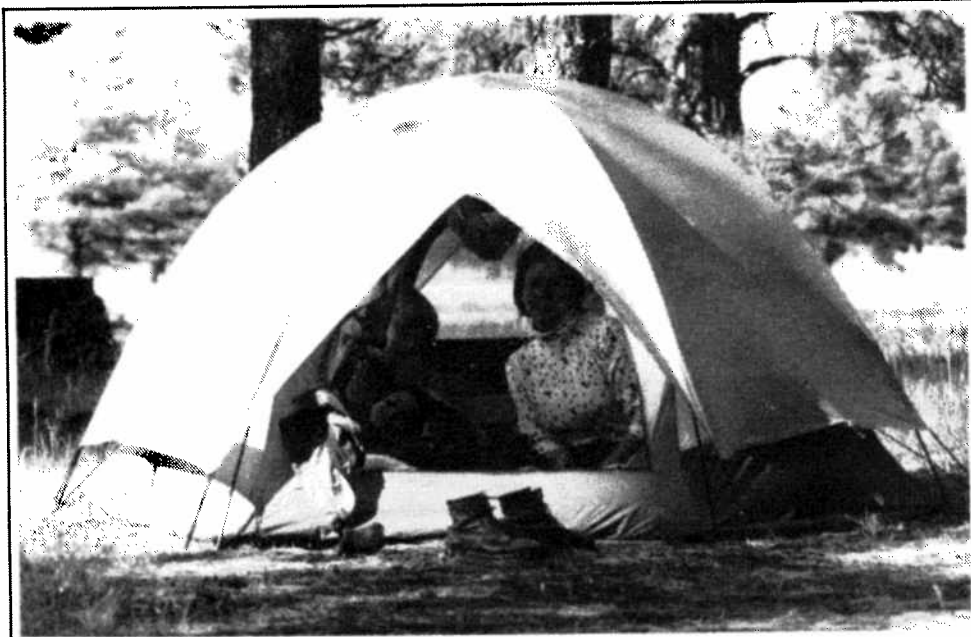
Although the Memorial Day Car Camp is far from a precise definition of a High Trip, the spirit and direction of this event is beginning to take shape. The Sierra Club and its members have changed over the years but the traditions of camping — the smell of a campfire, a hearty meal, pine scent in the air, a brief but cleansing rain shower — are still there, and are as timeless as ever.

Two hundred campers — Sierra Club members and their families and friends — gathered at the Camp Raymond over the Memorial Day weekend for the fourth annual Memorial Day Car Camp. Despite a spattering of rain and a few cool breezes, campers enjoyed a weekend of outdoor living in the Coconino National Forest.

the Lava Cave hike is always popular.

The importance of expertise in first aid procedures was shown when Betty Pelfrey broke her leg while hiking with a friend in the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Area which borders Camp Raymond. Long-time Scout leader and "founding father" of the Car Camp, Cliff DeVlieg, rounded up a stretcher for transport as Diane Webster, a registered nurse, James Simmons, (who volunteered his Pathfinder as an ambulance) and others joined in the rescue effort. The accident victim was taken to a Flagstaff hospital for treatment. I am told Betty requested her pine branch splint be saved for a memento.

Feeding two-hundred hungry campers is



Happy hour at site 14. Karen Amacker, Gabrielle Amacker, and Wynter Highsmith resting before dinner. photo by Rick Isetts

Camp Raymond (ele. 7,200 ft.) is owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America, Grand Canyon Council, and has facilities for over 200 people including a kitchen, covered ramada for meeting and eating, outhouses, running water, and other amenities that make car camping a cinch. Ranger Bob Yaussey is resident supervisor of the camp and donates personal time to act as host, hike leader, and Nature interpreter. Ranger Bob is a fixture at Camp Raymond. Frankly, it's impossible not to like Ranger Bob.

a major chore. The Chief Cook, Master Chef, and kitchen team leader, Art Binde, is perhaps the most important person in camp. The only problem with the food was that the standard-sized plates weren't big enough. Seconds were a must. And when they served up meatloaf with mashed potato's and green beans with mushrooms I went for thirds. We ate well, and all who helped with food service — the volunteer efforts of over twenty persons were needed — deserve unlimited praise.

While cloudy conditions put a cover on planned telescopic star gazing, Ron Probst, Associate Support Scientist at Kitt Peak Observatory, with help from teens Gabrielle Amacker, Wynter Highsmith, and others, used wooden stakes to layout a scale model of the solar system. A basketball taped to a post became the sun and the stakes, scattered throughout camp, identified the planets. The astronomy group stepped off the distances to Neptune, Venus, Mars — you get the idea — while Probst offered easy to understand explanations about our solar system.

Other activities included a hamburger and hot dog roast at the ramada, volleyball, an impromptu skit at the amphitheater, and a hilarious mock dating game organized by Sherry Celine. (Incidentally, ninety-five years ago, High Trip campers organized their tents with single men on one side of camp, single women on the other, and married couples in between.) At night, camp fire sing-along's reverberated through camp. After dinner, Jerry Nelson picked up a guitar and sang a moving version of a folk standard "The Cat Came Back." Frank Welsh is by no means bashful at setting the record straight on public lands grazing — while simultaneously enjoying breakfast.

Sierra Club's first "High Trip" was inspired by John Muir in 1901. Each High Tripper was permitted 40 lbs. of gear — to be carried by mule. It is reported that campers would bring precisely forty pounds; no more, no less, as a matter of pride.

Today, mules have been replaced with utility vehicles and the 40-pound rule has been waived; nor are non-members initiated into the Club with a steel spoon and Sierra cup. But the Memorial Day Car Camp shows promise of becoming every bit as fun and meaningful as the High Trips were over 90 years ago. It's a fine opportunity for Club leaders, members, and friends to socialize in an outdoor setting and an important chance to build Chapter identity and integrity.

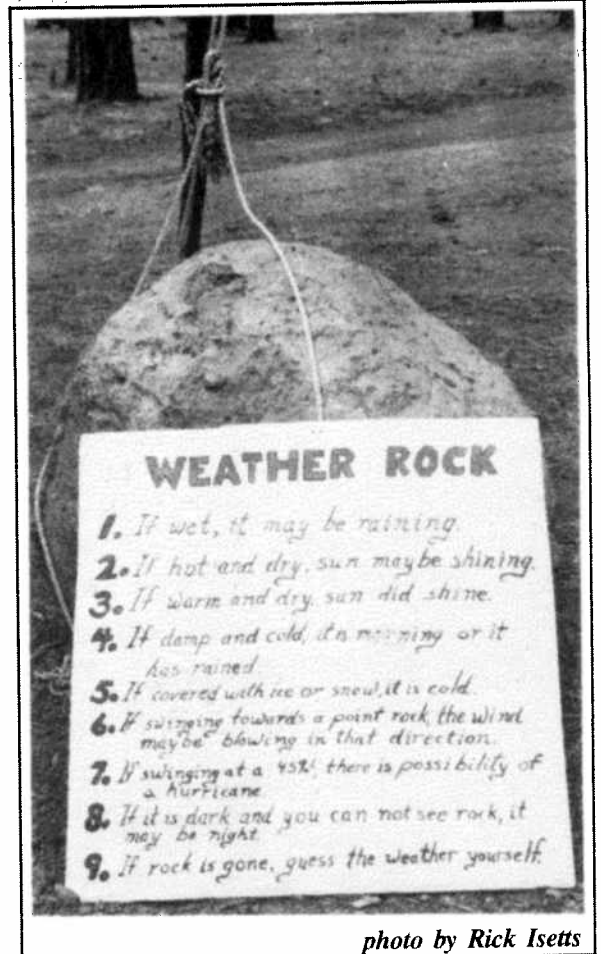


photo by Rick Isetts

Moreover, event organizers agree that this event has the potential of becoming, if it isn't already, the largest yearly gathering of Sierra Club members in the history of the Grand Canyon Chapter. Jerry Nelson reported that as a fund raiser it was a great success, as over \$2,000 were added to the Chapter's balance sheet.

Volunteer effort by many individuals are needed to organize an event of this size. This year's committee, which included Diane Webster, James Simmons, Art Binde, Cliff DeVlieg, Chuck Wood, and Jerry Nelson, did an exceptional job, and, they have already begun to critique the event while planning to improve next's years episode.

Detailed planning for next year's camp-out will begin later this year. Look for planning meeting dates in upcoming issues of the Canyon Echo. As always, your help is needed. □

Sierra Club and REI Team Up for 3rd Annual Fall Backpack Class

by Tom Cadden

The Sierra Club and Recreational Equipment Incorporated (REI) are again offering a basic backpacking course this fall. Topics will include getting started, equipment selection, trip planning and preparations, meals, map and compass, first aid, and wilderness ethics. Tentatively, the course will include four Wednesday evening sessions at the REI store in Tempe (September 6, 13, 20 and 27), plus two day-hikes (September 16 and 23) and an overnight backpack (October 7 and 8). REI will provide classroom speakers and the Sierra Club will provide leaders for the outings. Wil Passow of the Sierra Club will speak at the introductory session. Cost will be approximately \$50. Note: Because of publication deadlines, the dates and cost information for this course were indefinite at press time and are subject to change. For updated information, after August 1 call REI at 967-5494, or Tom Cadden at 971-1528. □

British Columbia Coastal Outing Invites Activists

Rare chance to link adventurous boat touring with conservation advocacy

by Vicky Hoover

There's still space on a unique national "activist" outing, August 19-27, to explore the wonders of the coastal temperate rainforest of central British Columbia. Conservation activism blends with the high spirit of adventure as we immerse ourselves for more than a week in a remote area of vast beauty and biodiversity. After our intimate experience of the grandeur of these coastal fjords and forests, we'll return home equipped to help conserve these incomparable resources.

The 50-foot boat Kum-Bah-Yah will be our week-long base as we depart from Bella Bella, B.C., toward Eilerslie Lake and Valley, Roscoe Inlet, Ocean falls, the untouched Nascali watershed, the threatened Skowquiltz River valley — and more. We'll meet with the Heiltsuk Nation and explore ancestral sites of their culture. There will be ample Zodiac and kayak excursions ashore, exploring river valleys on sometimes rough animal trails — privileged venturers into the home of the grizzly and wolf, as well as the aerie of eagles.

Activist outings go a full step beyond

"ecotourism" in conservation training. Trip leader Bill Evans will be joined in presentations by Peter McAllister, Director of the Rainforest Conservation Society, and other regional environmentalists.

Time is crucial. These obscure gems are next on the rape and ruin schedule of brazen B.C. loggers. Our landmark outing will help begin essential monitoring, lobbying and publicity. Please join us and join the fight!

Cost of this unforgettable outing, "British Columbia's Rainforests and Fjords," is \$1,275. For more details, call leader Bill Evans at (619) 259-9126. Or call Sierra Club Outing Department, (415) 923-5604 for a trip brochure and application form. The trip number is: #95-103. To apply, send completed application form with a \$200 deposit to Sierra Club Outing Department, Dept. #05618, San Francisco, CA 94139.

If you prefer, you may call (415) 923-5588 (8:30a.m. to 5:00 p.m., PDT) to place a credit card deposit. Please have your credit card information ready. Or, you may FAX your credit card deposit to (415) 923-0636. □

Canyoneering-Endless Possibilities in Arizona

by Tom Cadden

Arizona is blessed with countless scenic canyons, ranging in size from narrow slots such as Antelope to the world-famous expanse of the Grand Canyon. In between, there are endless possibilities for exploration by people of all abilities. The following article describes two non-technical trips into our rugged riparian wonderlands.

Apache Trail - Fish Creek

Located in the heart of the Superstition Mountains, Fish Creek is one of the most beautiful and fun-to-explore Sonoran Desert canyons. To get there, take the Apache Trail (AZ Highway 88) out of Apache Junction about 26 miles to Fish Creek Hill. The steep, winding descent down the narrow dirt road can be hair-raising depending on the number of people trailing their boats to and from Apache Lake.

Six of us started the hike (Fish Creek A+ Dayhike, May 13) at the bridge at the bottom of the hill. Our trip leader was "Arizona Bob" Wirth, a veteran of many rugged wilderness treks and one of the true free spirits left in the world. Arizona Bob wanted to cover a lot of ground on this day, so he had taken great pains to screen his callers for physical conditioning and experience. You can imagine how his jaw dropped when Serge Surawicz showed up with a cast around his right wrist and hand — a war wound from teaching a grade school P.E. class!

"Now I've seen everything," said Arizona Bob. "I thought I'd asked every screening question possible, but I guess I forgot one: Have you recently had any limbs mangled by a 4th-grader?"

Since most of us knew Serge and his ability, we knew he could do the hike with a minimum of assistance from us. Soon we were on our way, hiking the short but rough trail from the bridge down to the creek. It was the last thing resembling a trail we would see all day.

Rigorous Bouldering

Once we dropped into the canyon, the view upstream was awesome — sheer canyon walls hundreds of feet high plunging down into a paradise of lush streamside vegetation, large shade trees, house-sized boulders, and gently flowing water. Many tourists drop down into this part of the canyon from the bridge, but few go very far. The constant rock-hopping, pool-dodging and hand-over-hand bouldering deter most casual hikers.

About 40 minutes into the hike we made our way up a somewhat tricky boulder face by chimneying against the boulder next to it. As we congratulated ourselves on top, we heard a voice call out: "Hey guys . . . down here . . . I think I'm stuck!" It was Serge, wedged between the boulders trying desperately to grab onto a handhold with his cast. Although it was tempting to leave him there, Bob, Dan Ruppert and Randy Aafedt ended up hauling him up the rock like a marlin into a dinghy.

About 1-1/2 hours upstream we found a particularly beautiful spot with a pool and waterfall. Lisa liked the spot so much she asked Bob if she could just hang out there while the rest of us explored farther up-canyon. He agreed with the plan as long as she promised not to strike out on her own while we were gone.

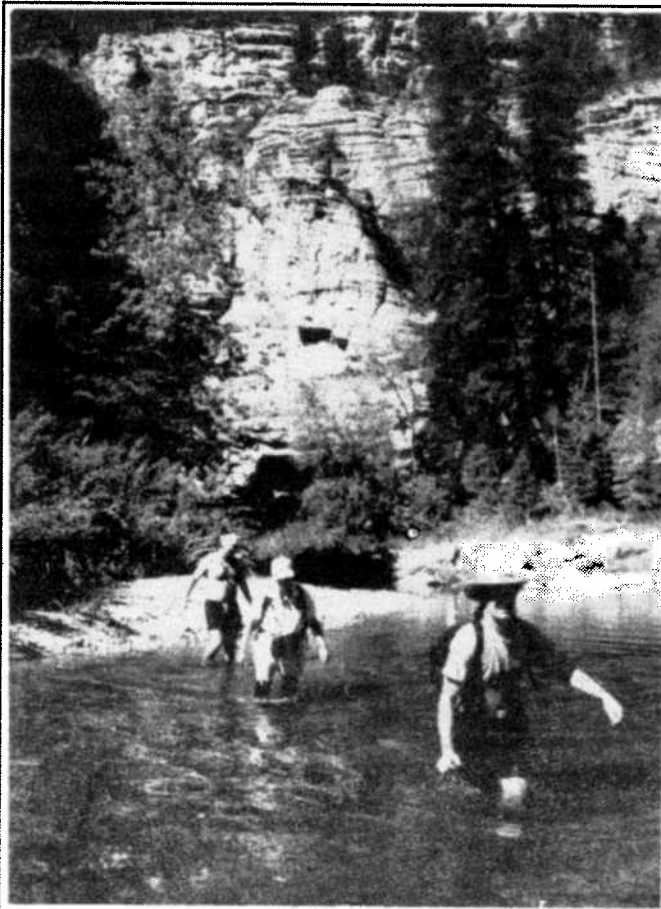
After some more bouldering and one spot that required thigh-deep wading, the canyon widened and our progress became easier. Unfortunately, we also lost most of our shade trees. Just when things started heating up, we came upon a nice alcove with a deep, but algae-laden pool.

"Looks good to me," said Dan, jumping in with little hesitation. It looked refreshing, but the rest of us were satisfied with just dipping our feet.

We continued to the junction with Lost Dutch Canyon, where a horse trail goes up and over the low ridges to the Tortilla Ranch area, making it possible for hikers to do a loop trip back to their cars by way of a jeep road and the Apache Trail. Our route, however, would take us back the way we came. The nice thing about up-and-back canyoneering trips is that even though you're covering the same ground, the scenery seems totally different.

We rejoined Lisa on our way back down the canyon. The afternoon sun dramatically changed the color and character of the canyon. It felt good to slog through water we had tap danced around earlier in the day. We exited the canyon at the bridge around 5:30, eight hours after we'd started.

This is an exhilarating trip, but it's not for everyone. Hikers undertaking it need to be in good physical condition and not averse to bouldering, detouring around countless obstacles, and hiking through water. Late spring is an ideal time to go, when the temperatures are warm and the water level isn't too high. Although we didn't see any rattlers, I've been told by other hikers that they can be thick down there. I've also heard that this is a much more difficult trip earlier in the year when the rainy season fills the canyon with higher water. But our conditions were perfect, and I had such a great time I can't wait to go back with a pack and a sleeping bag and spend a couple of days there. □



Ted Gartner leads hikers through one of the many stream crossings in beautiful West Clear Creek Canyon.

Photo by Tom Cadden

Mogollon Rim- West Clear Creek

Running 40 miles from the confluence of Willow and Clover Creeks near Clint's Well to Bullpen Ranch outside Camp Verde, West Clear Creek is the longest and one of the most scenic of the canyons on the Mogollon Rim. Until a few years ago the central, remote portions were visited by only a handful of hardy hikers and backpackers in the know. Recently, this beautiful canyon has been profiled in several hiking guides and magazine articles, and usage has increased dramatically.

Our hike (Maxwell Trail "B" Dayhike, May 20) didn't actually use the Maxwell Trail. When we convened at the meeting place, our trip leader, Ted Gartner — a West Clear Creek "specialist" who has made nearly a dozen trips there in the past year — told us we wouldn't be going down the Maxwell.

"Ah ha! The old bait and switch routine," I thought, recalling an old trip leader technique that I've used once or twice. "He's lured us here on the pretext of an easy hike and instead is going to take us on a grueling swimfest through his favorite area, the White Boxes," I theorized. However, Ted explained that he had merely found another access point on the south side of the canyon that would save us 45 minutes of driving time.

To get there, take the General Crook Highway (AZ Hwy. 260) east out of Camp Verde about 35 miles. Between milepost 248 and 249, turn onto Forest Service Road 144. Use your Coconino National Forest map to navigate FS 144, 149, 142 and 142E. The trailhead is at the end of 142E.

The trail down was very steep but easy to follow. As we emerged through the trees at the canyon floor, we entered a magical world of sheer sandstone cliffs, crystalline pools, gently flowing waterfalls, lush vegetation and mysterious grottos and side canyons. We made our way upstream about a half-mile to an intriguing box canyon shielded from the sun by sheer walls springing up on three sides.

"On my last trip, we saw a waterfall coming down from there," said Ted, pointing to a long dark streak down the wall that ended in a trickle of water dripping the last 10 feet off the overhang. Most of us stood there enjoying the cool, damp air, except for Rob Mondlak, our resident mountain goat, who scrambled high up a break in the sheer wall — a climb I wouldn't have tried even with wings and a parachute.

Farther upstream we found a neat little spring flowing into the creek. It was an ideal lunch spot. Most of us stretched out on a gravel bar, put our heads on our daypacks and took a nap. Being more energetic than the rest of us, Randy Schilling pulled out his fishing gear and tried his luck in the upstream pools. West Clear Creek has a good reputation for trout fishing and Randy did manage to catch a few.

Spectacular Scenery Downstream

"Saddle up," barked Taskmaster Ted, rudely awakening me from my lunchtime siesta. I grudgingly hoisted my daypack onto my shoulders and began heading back downstream. Only minutes past our original entry point, we were treated to even more spectacular scenery, with bigger pools, higher walls and more dramatic narrows. None of the pools required swimming, but we did a fair amount of knee-to-waist-deep wading. I lagged behind the rest of the group, clicking away with my camera and taking time out to talk to a fisherman and his son who were camping for the night.

We continued downstream for about another half-hour, turning around at the end of a fairly long pool. The sun had heated the afternoon air, inspiring Dennis Wilson to take one last dive into the now-refreshing water before heading back. The late afternoon sun cast long shadows and lit up the canyon walls in beautiful hues. We eventually arrived at our exit point and huffed and puffed our way back up the trail to the cars.

West Clear Creek is one of the premier wilderness experiences in Arizona. Trip possibilities range from relatively easy dayhikes like the one we did to rugged multi-day treks. Whatever trip you decide to take, be prepared. Much of the canyon entails strenuous, tedious boulder-hopping, wading and swimming. Some of the pools in the central part of the canyon are long and deep and should not be attempted without some type of flotation device. Try to keep track of where you are on your topo map and have a good knowledge of your exit points because the constant winding of the canyon can be disorienting. Be aware of impending weather conditions, as flash floods can be intense here. With proper planning and realistic expectations, this can be one of the most scenic and enjoyable outings you'll ever experience. □

Fifteen Attend Outing Leader Training Workshop

by Tom Cadden

Imagine the following scenario. You're leading a group in a wilderness area. At your next rest stop, your head count comes up one hiker short. You wait 10 minutes. Still no hiker. You tell the group to stay where they are while you backtrack down the trail a bit. Still no hiker. It's a two-hour hike back to the trailhead and only three hours 'til sunset. What do you do? Curse yourself for not having assigned a sweep to the hike? Tell everyone to scatter and search? Get the rest of the group out together and call the authorities for help? Which authorities?

These and other topics were discussed at the Sierra Club's workshop for outing leaders held April 23 in the Mazatzal Mountains. Fifteen people carpooled to the Mormon Grove trailhead and hiked about four scenic miles back to the Story Mine.

Jerry Nelson led the discussion, assisted by Jim Vaaler, Tom Cadden and Dan Ruppert. Jerry prepared a printed agenda and served as the moderator. Among the topics covered were trip planning, how to write up a promotional description for the Echo, screening and signing up callers, arranging meeting places and carpooling, leading the hike, and what to do after the hike (i.e., dinner, promoting membership in the Club, etc.). Much of the workshop involved give-and-take discussion, with everyone free to contribute comments, opinions and lessons from past, real-life experiences.

About half the group consisted of experienced hike leaders, while the other half were new people or people who were thinking about leading an outing. All agreed that the experience was very worthwhile and would like to see it done again next fall or spring. □



Participants in the Sierra Club's Outing Leader Training Workshop pose near Potato Patch in the Mazatzal Mountains.

photo by Tom Cadden

Sedona Group News

Climbing Kilimanjaro with Janet Reynolds

May 3 guest speaker gives account of once-in-a-lifetime trek

by Nancy Bihler

Although she had never climbed a mountain over 10,000 feet, was not in terrific shape, and did not have much money, Janet Reynolds was determined to ascend Mt. Kilimanjaro, the highest peak in Africa at an elevation of 19,340 feet.

Reynolds would need time off from her administrative position with the California school district. In April, 1981, she asked her boss if she could take the month of January off to travel to Africa. The answer was "no." This would be during the busy school year and it was just not possible.

Reynolds ignored the decision. She began to prepare herself physically for the climb by getting up at 5:00 am and running two miles each day. She also took an aerobic dance class to build up her cardiovascular system. Reynolds' supervisor's wife also ran at the track each morning. It was obvious that Reynolds was dedicated to making the climb and after several months of persistent physical training the school agreed she could have the time off. After scraping together the money for the commercial outfitters fee, Reynolds became part of a 14 person team that would attempt to climb Kilimanjaro.

Reynolds blended a captivating slide presentation with a personal, perceptive, and humorous description of the trek which started at the 7,000 foot level. Green grass and trees surrounded base camp. Then came heavy forests, giving way to high-elevation deserts, and finally glaciers at 19,340 feet.

Reynolds explained problems associated with altitude sickness, which she experienced at 14,000

ft., and how it is important to drink plenty of water and to stop if any dizziness, nausea, or strange feelings occur. It was interesting to note that the youngest people, who often displayed a macho image and ignored the signs of altitude sickness, did not make it to the top. Only 4 of 14 climbers reached the top: their ages were 38, 47, 50, and 52. The climb is extremely demanding and guides do not live long — often to only 50 years of age because their bodies are pushed to the maximum so many times during the climbing season.

Reynolds explained that the final ascent was done at midnight because thin air does not filter the sun's rays and daytime climbing can increase the possibility of dehydration. Also, the gravel-like consistency of the ground freezes at night increasing traction for the climbers. The guides carried kerosene lanterns and each hiker carried a flashlight.

"It was the most euphoric feeling I've ever had," said Reynolds when asked how she felt when she signed the record book at the very top. "I wanted to cry, laugh, and hug everyone, but I was too out-of-breath to do anything more than sign in!"

The Sierra Club's Sedona-Verde Valley Group general meeting, to which the public is always invited, takes place on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:15 pm. at the Adult Community Center of Sedona at Harmony Drive and Melody Lane. For more information contact Nancy Bihler at 520-282-6190. □



12,300 Feet and Still Climbing — Janet Reynolds (center) poses with fellow mountain climbers Bob Anderson (left) and Fred Jacobson (right) as they reach the 12,300 foot mark on their quest to climb to the top of Mt. Kilimanjaro, some 19,934 feet high. The peak in the background is Mt. Kilimanjaro. Of the 15 people attempting the climb, these three were among the party of four who eventually made it to the top.

Letters to the Editor:

After my Maricopa County Supervisor Tom Rawles voted in favor of Del Webb's development near New River, I wrote him to express my disappointment with his vote and his statement, quoted in the Arizona Republic, that he was "inclined toward property rights . . . just letting people do what they want with their property." Therefore, his vote on such a complex issue with far-reaching environmental consequences was solely in support of that narrow ideological principle.

Since he lives, as I do, on Dobson Ranch, a community with strict regulations, I asked him how he would like it if the Homeowners Association disappeared and the neighborhood deteriorated as people "did what they wanted with their property" (weeds, junk, ect.). In an earlier letter urging him to vote against the proposal, I reminded him that development in far-flung areas harmed property values in older neighborhoods, including Dobson Ranch. I also suggested that we needed a drought to wake us up, now rather than later, to the fragility of Del Webb's water deal with the Ak Chins, who might have to keep the water in case of a drought.

This is the text of a handwritten reply I received for Rawles: "Thank you for your letter about my vote in support of Del Webb's master planned community at Desert Hills. First, I can think of nothing I would enjoy more than disbanding of the Homeowners Association at Dobson Ranch. If I didn't like the result, I could move. . . That's what freedom means. I don't try to give people reasons to vote for me. I do what I believe is right and best according to my lights. If people like it, fine; if they don't, fine. I will continue to make decisions without reference to political consequences. Finally, I will try to cancel your prayer for a drought with a prayer of my own. I wouldn't wish a drought on my worst enemy. Thanks for writing, Tom Rawles."

Would you vote again for this person, now that his disregard for both the environment and the welfare of neighborhoods is known? I did last time, I am ashamed to say, believing his campaign ads in which he made his Dobson Ranch residency and concern for the area a major selling point.

Fareed Abouhaidar — Mesa

The Forest Service just doesn't get it.

They still think they can win a battle of a timber sale by prevarication and deceit without losing the larger war of credibility so crucial to their future.

If you doubt it, just look at the miserable history of the Hay Timber Sale near Greer — the Forest Service's latest pyrrhic victory in its campaign to clear-cut the public's forests.

The Southwest's ponderosa pine forests are in terrible danger as a result of a century of overgrazing, over logging and fire suppression. The stately, fireproof, ecologically diverse old growth forests that once covered millions of acres have been replaced by dense, overcrowded, sickly "managed" forests vulnerable to disastrous crown fires, insect infestations, and the soil exhaustion that afflicts Europe's used-up forests.

That's why the Forest Service and their timber industry clients insist we need to push through emergency "salvage" cuts to supposedly remove lots of little trees to protect the handful of remaining big trees.

Obviously that's just another Forest Service deception.

If you doubt it, just take a look at the Hay Sale, pushed through by the Forest Service over the objection of environmentalists based on outdated, decade-old data. Here's

a prime patch of old growth forest — full of the big, 30-inch diameter trees the Forest Service claims it wants to protect. So which trees did the loggers mark? Precisely the 24, 30, 36-inch trees the forest so desperately needs to retain its ecological balance.

Anyone who walks through the sale and watches the destruction of this precious patch of old growth will know that the Forest Service hasn't changed: it's still trashing the forest in its obsessive effort to get out the cut — no matter how many environmental laws, endangered species, or larger public interests stand in the way.

Dorothy Richardson — Phoenix

The news stories don't adequately describe what we've lost now that the chain saws have started ripping through the first of thousands of trees in the unconscionable Hay timber sale just approved by U.S. Judge Paul Rosenblatt.

But anyone who's wandered through this last, prime gallery of old-growth forest and noted how many of the big trees have been marked for destruction will keenly feel the loss of trees that won't grow back for 500 to 800 years.

The Forest Service has already sold off for a pittance almost all the old-growth stands in our Southwest's ponderosa pine forests. Almost all the surviving stands are on slopes too steep to log economically. This lovely area around Greer, here in Arizona, was one of the few exceptions — offering a magnificent scattering of 24 to 36-inch diameter monarchs on terrain flat enough for wandering.

Now they will be fed into the maw of the logging mills to rake off a short term profit at the expense of both jobs and the forest. The Hay sale won't save the timber industry — it's like a last binge before going on the wagon. The Forest Service has already given away almost all of our big trees — devastating the forest ecosystem in the process. The loggers will have to shift to the smaller trees now anyway. It's a shame they had to destroy this lovely fragment of old-growth trees in a final gesture of contempt.

Bob Voight — Tempe

U.S. Senator Slade Gorton has filed a bill (S. 768) to disable the Endangered Species Act. But over half our prescription drugs are derived from natural resources, such as taxol that is produced from the Pacific Yew and used to fight breast and ovarian cancer. Only 5% of the world's plant species have been studied for their medicinal value.

The ESA, by protecting threatened species, protects the habitats and ecosystems upon which humans depend. Only 1% of Arizona's original 1.3 million acres of riparian habitat remains. This provides habitat for Arizona's threatened native topminnows and pupfish that thrive in waters with widely varying salt content and are being studied to help human kidney dialysis patients.

Gorton does not understand Arizonans. A recent Northern Arizona University poll found 67% of Arizonans would pay more for goods and services to protect the environment. A May 15 Arizona town hall series concluded that clean air and water, and destruction by logging, grazing and mining were our top environmental concerns.

The law that has helped to save Arizona's rare desert-nesting Bald Eagle, the gray whale, and the alligator now face extinction. Gorton's ESA "reform" wouldn't fine tune the law; it would cripple it. Gorton admits his bill was drafted by lobbyists for the logging, mining, and utility interests who want the ESA repealed. The Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations; a group

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of commercial fishermen, says Gorton's bill would mean the end of the Pacific Coast salmon fishing industry.

Senator's McCain and Kyl should reject Gorton's bill. The Endangered Species Act is a law that protects us all.

Stephanie Machen — Tempe

Our lands, forests, waterways, ocean edges, air space, ect., are not our property, but on loan from future generations. We are caretakers for them.

So, if you are a responsible and caring lawmaker, and consider the well-being of those coming after you, you will give full support and not reduce the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, the National Forests Protection Act, and any other environmental protection acts or needs.

Failure to do this will be acts of a criminal nature and future generations will

forever censure you, and be unforgiving.

Kate L. and Robert J. MacMullin

We are enclosing a contribution for the work of the Chapter, as we support most of the positions of the Sierra Club, and we enjoy some of the local activities. However, I do want to record my discomfort with the excessively strident tone of many of the peices in the Canyon Echo. Neither shouting nor ad hominem attacks are useful in gaining the support of the broad general public, or even of less fanatical members. It is equally deplorable that many of the individuals and groups that make up the opposition on environmental issues use similar language and tone. In the long run the ends of the Club and the society-at-large would be better served by more rational and courteous public discourse and debate.

Wilbur Moulton, Prescott

OUTDOOR FASHION SHOW AND BACKCOUNTRY GEAR EXTRAVAGANZA



Thursday July 20 at 7:30 P.M., Los Olivos Senior Center,
2402 E. Devonshire, Phoenix
Palo Verde Group, Sierra Club — Phoenix

MEETINGS and EVENTS

GRAND CANYON CHAPTER You are invited!

The Sierra Club Grand Canyon Chapter is composed of seven groups (see page two for listing) all of which offer opportunities for participation through activities, meetings, and outings. Activity groups can be formed around interests such as photography, bird watching, canoeing, and more. Conservation, political activism, and Sierra Club administrative work are examples of opportunities that start with meeting attendance, which is the first step in getting active. We offer an extensive outings program too. All are open to members and non-members interested in learning more about the Sierra Club. We are working to make this world a better, more livable place. We need your help.

AUG 1 (TUE) Canyon Echo Publications Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. The "Clubhouse", 516 East Portland, Phoenix. Contact Rick Isetts, 945-5586.

SEPT 5 (TUE) Canyon Echo Publications Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. The "Clubhouse", 516 East Portland, Phoenix. Contact Rick Isetts, 945-5586.

Palo Verde Group - Phoenix

The Palo Verde Group is hanging out the "GONE FISHING" sign in August. There will not be a general meeting and the committees are taking a break (the Political Committee will not meet during July either). Activities will resume in September.

JUL 13 (THUR) Conservation Committee Meeting, 516 E. Portland St., Phoenix, 7:00 p.m. Here's your chance to get active working on local environmental issues. Contact Don Steuter, Group Conservation Chair, 956-5057.

JUL 20 (THUR) Palo Verde Group General Meeting. Outdoor fashion show and backcountry gear extravaganza. Come discover many interesting uses for your money. Expect the meeting to be informal and fun; bring the whole family. Los Olivos Senior Center, 2802 East Devonshire, Phoenix, 7:30 p.m. One block north of Indian School off 28th Street. Call Chris Gehlker, Group Membership Chair, 866-9024 with questions or to volunteer as a fashion model. "Activists" who do not volunteer will be drafted anyway.

JUL 27 (THUR) Palo Verde Group Executive Committee Meeting, 516 E. Portland St., Phoenix 7:00 p.m. Contact Group Chair, Lynn DeMuth for more information, 966-2154.

SEPT 21 (THUR) Palo Verde Group General Meeting. We will be back at the newly remodeled and expanded Pueblo Grande Museum. There is also a good chance that we will have a very special guest as well. Watch this space for more information. Call Chris Gehlker at 866-9024.

Palo Verde Group Sierra Singles Activities

July 2 (Sun) Singles Volleyball. Come join us for a few casual games of volleyball. Players of all levels are welcome. We go out for food and drinks after the games. Please no pets and remember to bring water. For time and location, call Linda Bahns 894-0589 or Randy Aafedt 944-3962.

July 5 (Wed) Sierra Singles Planning Meeting. Planning meeting for Sierra Singles activities. Starts at 7:30 p.m., at the Sierra Club office, 516 E. Portland (one block south of the Papago Freeway, I-10, between 5th and 7th street) in Phoenix. Anyone interested in leading or planning new activities is welcome. For more information, call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix.

July 7 (Fri) Jack's Back! Blow out your 4th of July week with dance floor fireworks at Cactus Jack's. CJ's is in Ahwatukee at the Safeway Plaza on the southwest corner of Elliot Road and 48th Street. The band "Is Not Is Too" will perform rock music favorites starting at 9:00 pm; no cover charge and no reserved seating. Call Ted Gartner 650-4772 or Suzie Fair 893-2657, Phoenix.

July 8 (Sat) Singles Potluck Party, 7:30 pm in the Chandler area. For information and directions call Donna D'Avanzo 491-8564 or Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix.

July 14 (Fri) Singles Happy Hour: Macayo's Depot Cantina. S and M night in Sin City (Salsa and Margaritas in Tempe). Meet your Amigos at 5:30 pm at 3rd St. and Ash (West on 3rd St from Mill). For information call Richard Balland 423-8167, Phoenix.

July 12 (Wed) Full Moon Mating Rituals. Checkmating rituals, that is! The rituals are habitual at the Coffee Plantation, 680 S. Mill Ave. in Tempe, at 6:30 pm. Chess players of all abilities welcome; or you can just hang out, socialize and have a good time. Live entertainment usually starts at 9:00 pm. Call Ted Gartner 650-4772 or John Kiselyk 545-1856, Phoenix.

July 16 (Sun) Singles Volleyball. Come join us for a few casual games of volleyball. Players of all levels are welcome. We go out for food and drinks after the games. Please no pets and remember to bring water. For time and location, call Linda Bahns 894-0589 or Randy Aafedt 944-3962.

July 16 (Sun) Singles Breakfast. Dine in a Pecan Grove while the song birds serenade you. Meet at 10:00 am 32nd St. and Southern. For reservation call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix.

July 21 (Fri) Singles Political Dinner Discussion Group. Topics might include: should the immigration policy change? Corporate welfare, should it continue? Should we globally mind our own business? Join us for such thought provoking topics and many more. We will meet near 35th St and Thomas. For information call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix.

July 21 (Fri) Singles Happy Hour and Karaoke: Grace Inn. Join us for fantastic fun with a Happy Hour followed by Karaoke at the Grace Inn in Ahwatukee. Happy Hour starts at 6:00 pm and Karaoke at 8:00 pm. Don't miss this one. For more information call Donna D'Avanzo 491-8564 or Ice man 661-0425.

July 23 (Sun) Singles-Sponsored Sunsplash. Wet and wild adventure! Roll with the motion of the ocean in the Thunder Bay wave pool; splash down on one of the many exhilarating water slides; lay back and tube around the winding Endless River; plus other fun water activities. Cost TBD by group size; children especially welcome! Golfland/Sunsplash is in Mesa at the Superstition Freeway and Country Club Drive. Call Ted Gartner 650-4772 or David Thompson 585-7714, Phoenix.

July 26 (Wed) Singles Movie Night. Fashion Square in Scottsdale. For details call Sonia Madrigal 874-0938, Phoenix.

July 28 (Sat) Singles Coffeehouse Dinner Extravaganza: Bamboo Club. Dine at the Bamboo Club, located upstairs at the East end of Biltmore Fashion Park, 24th and Camelback, 6:00 pm. The price range is \$6 - \$13. Blend of Pacific Rim cuisine. The Bamboo Club won the People's Choice Award at the Scottsdale Culinary Festival. Later we will go to a coffeehouse in the area for great folk music in a smoke free atmosphere. A night you are sure to enjoy. For reservation call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix.

July 30 (Sun) Singles Volleyball. Come join us for a few casual games of volleyball. Players of all levels are welcome. We go out for food and drinks after the games. Please no pets and remember to bring water. For time and location, call Linda Bahns 894-0589 or Randy Aafedt 944-3962.

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August 4 (Fri) Singles Happy Hour: Pointe In Tyme. "Get the Pointe" and have a great evening with your friends. The Pinte In Tyme is at 1111 N. 7th St. Dancing afterwards at Pointe of View Restaurant, 7677 N. 16th St. Call Richard Balland 423-8167, Phoenix.

August 5 (Sat) Singles Dinner Discussion. Dating and relationships talk show and dinner. We talk about such topics as: Dating/mating/relating, who asks who pays, dating 7 at once and you like them all, what to do. For reservations call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix. Limit of 12.

August 6 (Sun) Singles-Sponsored Tube the Salt. Go with the flow on this leisurely day of tubing down the Salt River. Please try to call by July 23rd, as we can qualify for a group discount if we have enough people signed up by then. Requires swimming ability; children welcome. Call Ted Gartner 650-4772 or Beth Baumert 844-2627, Phoenix.

August 8 (Tue) Singles Movie Night. Meet at the Harkins Center Point (NW of University Dr. and Mill Ave.) at 5:45 pm for dinner and, at the same location, at 6:45 pm for the movie. For information call Richard Balland 423-8167, Phoenix.

August 11 (Fri) Singles Happy Hour: Bobby McGees in Scottsdale. Join your friends for a buffet and dancing at Bobby McGees in Scottsdale - 7000 E. Shea Blvd (Shea and 70th St 1 block West of Scottsdale Rd.) - 5:30 pm until ????. For more information call Donna Kerwin 965-1213, Phoenix.

August 13 (Sun) Singles Volleyball. Come join us for a few casual games of volleyball. Players of all levels are welcome. We go out for food and drinks after the games. Please no pets and remember to bring water. For time and location, call Linda Bahns 894-0589 or Randy Aafedt 944-3962.

August 16 (Wed) For Those Who Would Be King. King John throws down the gauntlet at the Coffee Plantation, 680 S. Mill Ave. in Tempe, at 6:30 pm. Chess challengers of all abilities welcome; or you can just hang out, socialize and have a good time. Live entertainment usually starts at 9:00 pm. Call Ted Gartner 650-4772 or John Kiselyk 545-1856, Phoenix.

August 18 (Fri) Singles Late Night at Shannon Alexander's. Dance to rock music favorites as performed live by the band "Chubby Dog". Shannon's is in Ahwatukee at the Bashas Plaza on the southeast corner of Warner Road and 48th St. The band starts at 9:00 pm; no cover charge and no reserved seating. Call Ted Gartner 650-4772 or Cathy Verduce 404-2937, Phoenix.

August 18 (Fri) Singles Potluck/Pool Party: Mesa/Tempe Border. Let's celebrate for no particular reason! Plan on a dish to share; bring your own beverage and be ready for some friendly water volleyball and ping pong. We'll begin around 4:00 pm. A barbecue is available and if you eat too much you can walk it off around the lake at the nearby park. For information and reservations call Tina Spade 897-2675, Phoenix.

August 23 (Wed) Singles Movie Night: Details to be determined. Call Sonia Madrigal 874-0938, Phoenix.

August 25 (Fri) Singles Political Dinner Discussion Group. Provocative energized discussion about politics, social issues, current affairs. Topics might include: welfare reform, foreign policy or is our political system working. For reservations call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix. Limit of 12.

August 27 (Sun) Singles Continental Style Breakfast. Meet at 10:00 am on the north side of the Coffee Plantation in the Borgata (Scottsdale Rd. and Rose Lane). For more information call Sherry Celine 840-4611, Phoenix.

August 27 (Sun) Singles Volleyball. Come join us for a few casual games of volleyball. Players of all levels are welcome. We go out for food and drinks after the games. Please, no pets allowed and remember to bring water. For time and location, call Linda Bahns 894-0589 or Randy Aafedt 944-3962.

Rincon Group - Tucson

JUL 6 (THU) Rincon Group Executive Committee Meeting. Call 544-9039 for location and time. JUL 26 (WED) Conservation Committee Meeting. YWCA, 738 N. 5th Ave., first floor conference room. 7:00 p.m.

AUG 3 (THU) Rincon Group Executive Committee Meeting. Call 544-9039 for location and time.

AUG 30 (WED) Conservation Committee Meeting. YWCA, 738 N. 5th Ave., first floor conference room. 7:00 p.m.

Rincon Group - Sierra Singles

JUL 15 (SAT) Mexican Dinner. 6:30 p.m. at Las Margaritas, 3602 E. Grant Road. Call Donna Eells, 881-0474.

JUL 29 (SAT) Italian Potluck Dinner. Badminton, table tennis, backgammon and any games you'd like to bring to Bobbe's house. Call Bobbe for information, 886-0052.

Sedona/Verde Valley Group - Sedona

JUL 5 (WED) Sedona Group General Meeting. 7:15 pm., in the Adult Community Center of Sedona in West Sedona at Harmony Drive and Melody Lane. Guests are welcome at all meetings. For more information contact Betsy Easton, 282-6710 or Nancy Bihler, 282-6190.

JUL 10 (MON) Sedona Group Executive Committee Meeting. 4:00 p.m. at Pushmataha, on Brewer Road in uptown Sedona. Contact Bennie Blake, Sedona Group Chair, 282-6578.

AUG 2 (WED) Sedona Group General Meeting. 7:15 pm., in the Adult Community Center of Sedona in West Sedona at Harmony Drive and Melody Lane. Guests are welcome at all meetings. For more information contact Betsy Easton, 282-6710 or Nancy Bihler, 282-6190.

AUG 7 (MON) Sedona Group Executive Committee Meeting. 4:00 p.m. at Pushmataha, on Brewer Road in uptown Sedona. Contact Bennie Blake, Sedona Group Chair, 282-6578.

Yavapai Group - Prescott

JUL 19 (WED) Yavapai Group Meeting. 7:00 p.m. The biggest, juiciest hot dogs, best views and biggest conservation issues in Prescott! 381 Delano Avenue. Call Joe Wenzel, 771-0838.

AUG 16 (WED) Yavapai Group Meeting. 7:00 p.m. The biggest, juiciest hot dogs, best views and biggest conservation issues in Prescott! 381 Delano Avenue. Call Joe Wenzel, 771-0838.


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Carl W. Sharsmith Naturalist, Teacher and Friend 1903-1994

Carl W. Sharsmith served as a Ranger-Naturalist in the Toulumne Meadows of Yosemite National Park for 62 summers. He was the oldest and longest-serving ranger in the history of the National Park Service, and inspired thousands to love and care for Yosemite. Carl died peacefully at his home in San Jose, California on October 14, 1994, two months after returning from his last season in Yosemite.

A program to honor the memory of Carl will be held on September 9, 1995, at 11:00 am in the area of Parson's Lodge at Toulumne Meadows, Yosemite National Park. Please bring your knapsack lunch, and if you wish, a mat or folding chair for sitting.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by sending a postcard including the number of attendees to: Georgia Stigall, PO Box 2152, Sunnyvale, CA 94087-0152. As you share this information with others, please ask them to RSVP as well.



You have more to give than you know

Not everyone can make a large gift to protect the environment during their lifetime, but you can become a financial hero by remembering the Sierra Club in your will. You can even direct your gift to a specific Club program or to your home chapter.

For more information and confidential assistance contact John Calaway, Sierra Club Planned Giving Program, 730 Polk St., San Francisco, CA 94109, (415)923-5538.

CANYON ECHO CLASSIFIED

Canyon State Naturists. Statewide family oriented social nudist (clothing optional) organization with monthly campouts, hikes, 4-WD, canoeing, backyard pool activities. SASE to CSN, Attn: SC, POB 9751, Phoenix, AZ 85068

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CANYON ECHO: Labels and mailing. Canyon Echo mailing sessions need label stickers. Good eye-hand coordination and the ability to converse while working. Many hands make light work! Contact Jerry Nelson for meeting dates. 279-4668

Wanted: Sierra Club member to help Distribution Manager of the Canyon Echo Opportunity to meet friends of the environment and get our message out to the public Interested? Call Pat Diehl at 602-953-3114 for details

For just \$5.00 (30 words or less, each additional word is 20 cents) you can reach over 7,000 readers throughout Arizona. To place an ad, mail your copy along with your name, address, phone number and payment to: Canyon Echo, c/o Advertising Mgr, 516 E. Portland, Phoenix AZ 85004. We are not accepting personals and automobile entries. Deadline is the first of the month preceding the month of issue. (Sierra Club entries for volunteer assistance are placed without cost)

OUTINGS

JULY 1 (SAT) "B+" Kendrick Mountain Dayhike. Join us for a hike in the Kendrick Mountain Wilderness. This area is 25 miles northwest of Flagstaff. We will hike through Limber Pine and Aspen as well as Englemann Spruce. This is an eight mile hike with an elevation gain of 2,400 feet. Limit of 20. Call Serge Surawicz 996-9539 or Judy Williams 873-4845, Phoenix.

JULY 2 (SUN) "B+" Mt. Lemmon Ramble. Starting on the Box Camp Trail we'll go down to Box Spring and Sabino Creek. Then it's up to the Aspen Trail. From Marshall Saddle we'll go down the Wilderness of Rocks to the Lemmon Rock Trail and up to Mt. Lemmon. Then it's back to Marshall Saddle and return to the cars via Marshall Gulch and the Sunset trail. 14 miles RT with 2,500' EC. Call Sid Hirsh at 520-326-0583 (hm) or 520-325-3110 (ofc). Tucson.

JULY 7, 14, 21, 28 (FRI) Old Spanish Trail Bike Ride. Come join us on any Friday evening in July on an easy paced ride on the Old Spanish Trail. Call Jo Anne La Croix at 520-751-8822. Tucson.

JULY 8 (SAT) "A+" Mt. Humphrey's Dayhike and Optional Carcamp. Lets get high together as we climb lush forest and meadows to 12,670 ft. (the highest point in Arizona). Call Richard Balland 423-8167. Phoenix.

Outings are rated for degree of difficulty and risk by the leader. As a guideline, outings are classified as follows:

"A" More than 16 miles or more than 3,000-foot elevation change.

"B" 8 to 16 miles and between 1,500- to 3,000-foot elevation change.

"C" 3 to 8 miles, 500 to 1500 feet.

"D" Less than 3 miles and 500 feet.

RT means round trip; OW means one way; EC means total elevation change; Name of city after the date means city of origin of the group hiking.

1. Trip leader has absolute authority to question trip participants as to their equipment, conditioning and experience before and during the trip.

2. SIERRA CLUB RESTRICTIONS: NO FIREARMS, RADIOS OR PETS.

3. Sierra Club liability covers leaders only.

4. Each person is responsible for his or her own first aid equipment. If you are injured, notify the leader immediately.

5. If you leave the trip, with or without the leader's permission, you are consid-

ered to be on your own until you rejoin the group.

6. Hikers are encouraged to car pool and share the driver's fuel expense. Suggested compensation is 5 cents per mile.

7. Outings are by reservation; call the leader early. Group limit 20.

8. Donations are accepted from all participants at \$1.00 a day per member, and \$3.00 a day per nonmember. Money is collected by the leader and deposited with the sponsoring group treasurer.

9. For more information, call Jerry Nelson, (602) 279-4668. □

and Fish and the Forest Service on stream rehabilitation of the West Fork of Black River. We will have three weekends in this wonderful area in the White Mountain. This country is incredibly beautiful with lush forest and numerous mountain lakes and streams and abundant wildlife such as elk and wild turkey. The elevation is around 8000 ft. Saturday is a work day, usually from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM and the Trout Un-

crossing. Call John Bulno, 464-1708, Phoenix.

AUG 12 (SAT) Little Bear Trail Maintenance. We will work on the Little Bear Trail located on the north side of Little Elden. The trail is close to town, and will be an easy day trip starting at 8:00 AM at the Peaks Ranger Station. Bring daypack, food, water, gloves and sturdy shoes. Call Sharon at (520) 774-1571 or Sherrie Fox at (520) 526-0866.

AUG 13 (SUN) "C" Mt. Lemmon Kids Dayhike. This will be a hike on the Aspen Loop Trail on Mt. Lemmon with parents and small children. Bring a carrier for the little one. Hike 3 miles. Call John Tindall/Gibson at 520-323-8437. Tucson.

AUG 18-20 (FRI-SUN) Singles Carcamp: Heber Hiking, mountain biking, volleyball, horseshoes and campfire smoores. We will be in the Ponderosa Pines at 6,500' elevation (over 20% cooler than Phoenix). There is a trailer at the campsite with inside sanitary facilities and gas for cooking. Call Richard Balland 423-8167, Phoenix.

AUG 19-20 (SAT-SUN) "B" Singles West Fork of Oak Creek Backpack. For those of you who have been to West Fork and would like to spend the night in the light of half a moon- come join us on this backpack into the most beautiful canyon in Oak Creek near Sedona. Natural springs keep the water flowing year round. Backpackers in West Fork must hike at least 6 miles in to camp. Bring backpack, sleeping bag, food and water for 2 days. Natural pools for swimming. This is an easy backpack for first timers. Call Donna Kerwin 965-1213, Phoenix.

AUG 20 (SUN) "B" Madera Canyon and Josephine Saddle Dayhike. This will be a scenic hike starting at the Super Trail and looping back down on the vault Mine Trail in the lower part of Mt. Wrightson. 7 miles RT with 2,000' EC. Call David Martin at 520-795-9159. Tucson.

AUG 25-27 (FRI-SUN) "A+" Rincon Mts. Backpack. We'll backpack all the way through the Rincos, camping out 2 nights. It should be cool and green up high at this time of the summer. Call early to reserve a spot as a group size will be no more than 10. 25-26 miles with plenty of EC. Call Paul Pierce at 520-721-0885. Tucson.

AUG 26 (SAT) "B" Singles Fossil Springs Dayhike/Swim/Picnic. The hike is 6 miles RT with 1,300 ft. EC. Frolic in the stream, check out multiple gushing springs or swim in crystal clear pools west of Strawberry. Bring hiking boots, swim suit and lunch. Dinner and socializing on the way back. Call Marvin Knight 990-3946, Phoenix.

AUG. 26 (SAT) "B" Bill Williams Mountain Dayhike. Enjoy beautiful pine, oak and aspen forests, and spectacular views. 7 miles RT with 2,200' elevation change. Call Bobbie Root, 520-776-0827 or Jim Morgan, 520-778-1041. Prescott.

SEPT. 2-3 (SAT-SUN) White Mountain Stream Rehabilitation Carcamp. This is the third summer we will be assisting the Trout Unlimited, Arizona Game and Fish and the Forest Service on stream rehabilitation of the West Fork of Black River. We will have three weekends in this wonderful area in the White Mountain. This country is incredibly beautiful with lush forest and numerous mountain lakes and streams and abundant wildlife such as elk and wild turkey. The elevation is around 8000 ft. Saturday is a work day, usually from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM and the Trout Unlimited people will feed us lunch. Sunday is a play day, like hiking magnificent Mt. Baldy. The Forest Service has secured a secluded camping area for Sierra Club only. There will be a number of other organizations involved such as Boy Scouts. The three weekends will be July 22-23, September 2-3 and October 7-8. We are looking for hike leaders. Encourage your friends to come. Call Dan Cline, 602-921-9242 or Chuck Wood, 602-946-9687. Phoenix.


OUTING OF THE MONTH!
White Mountain Stream Rehabilitation Carcamp
 July 22-23
 September 2-3
 October 7-8
West fork of the Black River
 Work Saturday - Play Sunday
 See entries on this page for details


JULY 8 (SAT) "A-" Parker Creek Trail Dayhike. Hike in the Sierra Anchas Wilderness to the top of Aztec Peak, 14+ miles, 3,000' EC. The hike is through Pine forest along Parker Creek's scenic canyon vistas. The trailhead is at 5,000'. Experienced hikers only. Call Rick Lewis 423-5497 or Linda Killian 943-5799, Phoenix.

JULY 8 (SAT) "C" Maverick Ridge Dayhike. We'll visit Kendall Camp, an old mining area, and then hike to the ridge where we'll have lunch before returning. 6.5 miles RT. Call Bobbie Root, 520-776-0827. Prescott.

JULY 14-18 (FRI-TUE) "A" San Juan Mountains Backpack. We will do a semi-loop in the wilder and less traveled eastern half of the Weminuche Wilderness, using Turkey Creek and the Continental Divide trails. For experienced backpackers. Call Tom Veto at 602-870-4063. Phoenix.

JULY 15 (SAT) "B+" The White Boxes Dayhike. A challenging slice of the West Clear Creek "dream canyon". Steep trail from canyon rim to creek, then rock-hopping, wading and swimming through the White Boxes, a series of long, deep pools enclosed by sheer sandstone cliffs. Requires swimming ability, personal flotation device, extra footgear for wet and dry hiking and waterproof packaging for anything that needs to stay dry. Turnaround point will be Hanging Gardens, a spring-fed crown jewel. Total hiking distance will vary from 4 to 12 miles depending on availability of 4WD drive vehicles with high clearance. EC will vary from 1500' to 2000'. Call Ted Gartner, 650-4772. Phoenix.

JULY 16 (SUN) "C" Fossil Springs Dayhike. Come swim in the most beautiful natural swimming hole in the state! A cool blue travertine-lined pool is only 3 miles downhill - the hard part is getting out! (All uphill). 6 miles RT, 1,500 ft EC. You can stay at the pool or hike further down to the old APS turbines and another pool; Fossil Springs is located in a lush riparian area just west of Strawberry. Bring plenty of water, lunch and you swimsuit. Call Donna Kerwin 965-1213, Phoenix.

JULY 16 (SUN) "B-" Singles Catalina Dayhike. We will do a cool hike up in the Catalina Mountains. 6-8 miles RT. Call Bobbe Zimmerman at 520-886-0052.

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JULY 21-23 (FRI-SUN) "C" White Mountain Apache Reservation Carcamp. Join us for fishing and hiking at HonDah (Pinetop area). The cost is \$6 per vehicle per night, permits are required. This outing is co-led with AOTC and limited to 15 people. For permit information call Gary Shannon 838-5176, Phoenix.

JULY 22 (SAT) "C-" Santa Fe Railroad Dayhike. We'll hike the abandoned Santa Fe Railroad bed from Highland Pines to Dolce Road. An easy, cool, high morning hike. Call Joe Wenzel, 520-771-0838, Prescott.

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JULY 22-23 (SAT-SUN) "C" Singles Chiricahua Mountains Car Camp and Hikes. This is a weekend of camping and hiking in the Chiricahua Mountains. We will be doing "C" hikes in the cool depths of Echo Canyon and other places of amazing geology. Call Donna Eells at 520-881-0474. Tucson.

JULY 22-29 (SAT-SAT) Sierra Club Service Trip. Kluan National Park, Yukon Territory, CANADA. Cost \$325.00. For more details call volunteer Arizona Leader Judith Harper, 602-956-4211.

JULY 29-30 (SAT-SUN) "A" Huachuca Mountains Car Camp/Miller Peak Dayhike. This hike involves camping Saturday night at the Ramsey Vista Campground with a super early start to Miller Peak on Sunday. We'll go up Carr Peak Trail (with a short side trip to Carr Peak) to the Crest Trail and on over to Miller Peak. The car camp is only for people doing the Miller Peak hike on Sunday. 13-14 miles RT with 2,400' EC. Call Paul Pierce at 520-721-0885. Tucson.


AUG 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (FRI) Old Spanish Trail Bike Ride. Come join us on any Friday evening in August on an easy paced ride on the Old Spanish Trail. Call Jo Anne La Croix at 520-751-8822. Tucson.

AUG 5 (SAT) "C" Mogollon Rim Dayhike. Be adventurous! I'm exploring the trails northeast of Payson and will choose a moderate, picturesque, "I like it" hike. Elevation will be above 7,000'. This is a great time of year to enjoy the highlands of east central Arizona. To reserve a spot call Tina Spade 897-2675, Phoenix.


AUG 11-13 (FRI - SUN) "B" & "C" Lockett Meadow Carcamp. Join us for this carcamp at Lockett Meadow near Flagstaff. Multiple levels of hiking are available and time permitting, the lava tubes. We will be at an elevation of 8,500 feet so bring warm clothes. Windbreakers are recommended. Friday departure strongly encouraged. We would like to leave at 5:00 P.M. Limit of 15. Call Gary Shannon 838-5176 or Serge Surawicz 996-9539, Phoenix.

AUG 12 (SAT) "B+" The Red Boxes Dayhike. Challenging "canyoneering" at West Clear Creek. Steep trail from canyon rim to creek, then rock hopping, wading and swimming through the boxes, a series of deep red rock pools enclosed by Sedona-like siltstone cliffs with graceful fluted curves, spiraling walls, arches, cascades etc. Requires swimming ability, personal flotation device, extra footgear for wet and dry hiking, and waterproof packaging for anything that needs to stay dry. 12 miles RT, 2000' EC. Call Ted Gartner at 650-4772. Phoenix.

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