



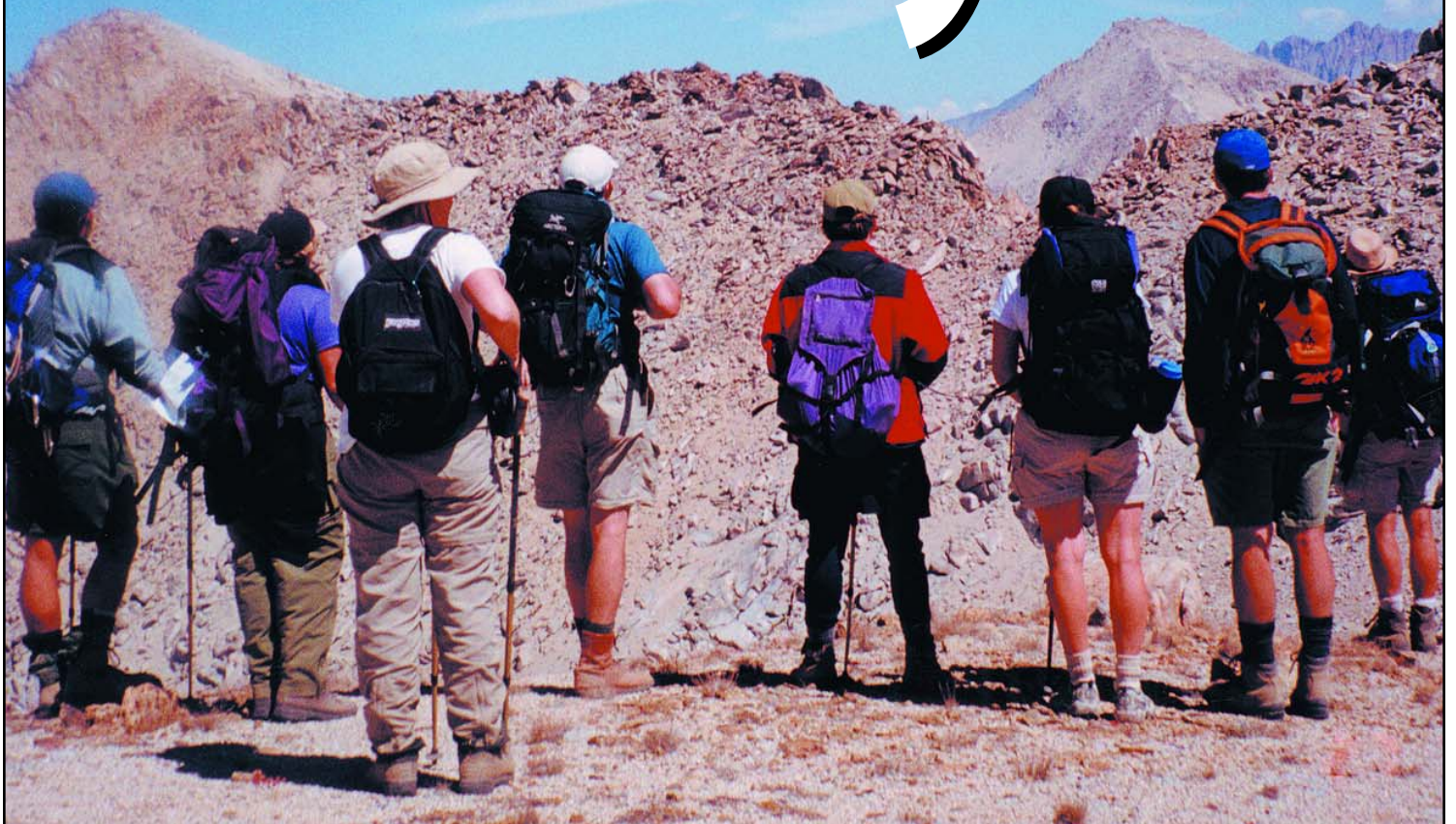
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Newsletter

Newsletter of the Wilderness Training Committee

Got your two experience outings completed? Booked? No? Well, what are you waiting for? Go to page 3 *now!*

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The Rise in Fall of WFAC (openings)



This Fall the Wilderness First Aid Class will be 25 years old. The three-day course – featuring classroom lectures, demonstrations, great food and the very humbling hands-on accident scenarios – is always in high demand, traditionally filling up more than six months in advance.

Well, due apparently to the realignment of Jupiter and Saturn in conjunction with the moon residing in the seventh house on the seventh day of the seventh month, **the Fall class is currently only half full**, creating an unprecedented opportunity to take part in this very popular course.

The class will be held at Harwood Lodge, October 25th through the 27th. Proof of CPR training within 2 years of the course date is required with the application. The course fee is \$145 for Sierra Club members, \$155 for non-members. Scholarships are available through LTC (Tina Bowman) for those who need help with the course fee.

Should your significant other want to spend that weekend with you and is willing to help out in the kitchen, we can probably accommodate them. For more information go to <http://home.mindspring.com/~sks.wfac/> or contact Steve Schuster at sks.wfac@mindspring.com



Far left: Wilderness First Aid students take part in a staged accident scenario. Victims are generally left unhurt. Their clothes, however...

Near left: WFAC instructors Steve Schuster and George Brimmer demonstrate: (a) how to subdue an unruly trip participant; (b) the correct way to assist an escape artist; (c) the WFAC tickle technique; (d) how to create a litter from sitpads and rope.

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On the cover: A Marnie O'Toole-led experience outing to Florence Peak takes a contemplative turn as the participants weigh the pros and cons of a talus glissade.

*Below:
Mt. Whitney meets urbanization.*



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Headline Deadlines

Absolute deadlines for submitting outings

For publication in the Fall, 2002 WTC Newsletter:

July 29 Last day to submit restricted outings to the Outings Chair.

August 12 Last day to submit non-restricted outings to Area Outings Coordinators.

August 19 Last day for Outings Coordinators to submit write-ups to the Outings Chair.

August 26 Last day for all WTC Newsletter submissions.

Requirements for Graduation

Have you completed your two experience outings?
Check out pages 4 through 7 for a list of qualified outings.

1. Two experience outings must be completed to fulfill course requirements for graduation. At least one of the two outings must be a scheduled Sierra Club outing. The second may be a Sierra Club outing or a private outing. Both outings must be overnight backpacking trips that include substantial cross-country travel. At least one of the two outings must include a peak climb.
2. A peak-climb outing that does not succeed in reaching the summit, due to weather or other safety-related reasons, may count as an experience outing provided that most of the climb was completed and substantial off-trail terrain was encountered.
3. There is no requirement to obtain prior approval for a private outing. As long as the outing meets the requirements simply go on the outing, complete the non-scheduled experience outing record form and send it, along with your Student Record Card (after all other requirements are completed), to the registrar for your area. Be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope (sase) if you wish to be notified that your card was received.
4. WTC graduation is scheduled for late October, 2002. Information will be mailed to students and staff approximately two weeks in advance.

To Reserve Your Place On an Outing

To reserve your place on an outing, send the leader two 9.5 x 4 inch self-addressed stamped envelopes (sases) or email as specified in the trip description. Include an information sheet with the following information: your name, address, home & work phone numbers, your WTC leader's name, the outing you wish to join, your experience, your physical conditioning program and whether you need or can offer a ride.

As the outing approaches, the leader will send you an itinerary and a list of participants so that you can arrange your own carpool. The leader will state whether there are any permit fees you must share. If permit fees are required, please send a check payable to the leader for your portion. These fees are not refundable if you cancel and your place cannot be filled.

These outings fill up early! Plan ahead and reserve a place. If you must cancel, please notify the leader as soon as possible so another student who wants to graduate can take your spot. Remember to take your Student Record Card with you on the outing so the leader can sign it for you.

Participation in WTC outings may be denied by leaders for legitimate reasons. The leaders are responsible for the safe and enjoyable conduct of these outings, and will use their best judgement in selecting participants.

Beth Epstein
WTC Outings Chair

Student Experience Outings

WARNING: THESE OUTINGS FILL UP FAST! Trips designated as **NEW** have been added since the last issue of the Newsletter **See you at graduation!**

July

July 4-7 / Thur-Sun **CNRCC Desert Committee, Toiyabe Chapter**
I / Twin Rivers Loop, Arc Dome (11,800')

About 20 miles of backpacking in the Toiyabe range in Central Nevada, mostly along rivers. Elevation gain about 3500'. Hike up N Twin and down the S Twin. Climb Arc Dome. Aspen forests at their best. Enjoy the unique Central Nevada range and cool air. Highest camp at 9300'. Wading shoes required with many crossings of river, otherwise mostly good trail. Send \$20 refundable deposit & sase to Ldr: David Hardy. Asst: Sandra Finley.

July 13-14 / Sat-Sun **NEW** **Hundred Peaks**
I / Cornell Pk (9750'), Marion Mtn (10,320'), Drury Pk (10,160'), Folly Pk (10,480'), San Jacinto Pk (10,804'), Jean Pk (10,670')

Come with us as we bag all the high peaks in the San Jacinto Area. Start and end at the Palm Springs Tram (\$21 rt). 2 days/1 night moderately paced backpack in the San Jacinto Wilderness. Camp at Round Valley. Day 1: 4 mi, 1400' gain. Day 2: 10* mi, 3200' gain. Space limited by state park permit, so reserve early. Send sase or email, recent backpack/conditioning experience, H&W phones to Ldr: Kent Schwitkis. Co-Ldr: George Wysup

July 13-14 / Sat-Sun **WTC, Palos Verde/South Bay**
I / Mt Wallace (13,377')

Sat backpack 6.5 mi, 1900' gain from Lake Sabrina to Moonlight Lake. Sun climb N face, 4 mi rt, 2300' gain and pack out. WTC or equiv exper reqd. Email recent cond/exper, H&W phones & rideshare info to Ldr: Dave Heenan. Co-Ldr: Bob Beach.

July 13-14 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks

I / Lone Pine Peak (12,943)

Sat moderate 4 mi, 3600' gain backpack to Meysan Lakes. Sat afternoon lounge or explore. Sun early xc 2 mi, 1900' gain to peak, return to camp and pack out. Send 2 sase with H&W phones, E-mail, conditioning/experience and rideshare info to Ldr: Dan Bovee. Co-Ldr: Will McWhinney

July 13-15 / Sat-Mon

Sierra Peaks, WTC

I / Four Gables (12,720')

SPS Introductory trip in eastern Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC students. Relaxed and enjoyable pace. Sat backpack from North Lake over Piute Pass to Lower Desolation Lake, 8 mi, 2000' gain. Sun do Four Gables in 8 mi rt, 1500' of gain with use trail and x-country, some class 2 on pk. Legendary community happy hours Sat and Sun evenings. Send 2 sase, \$5 permit fee per person, recent conditioning, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: Patty Kline. Asst: Joe Wankum.

July 19-21 / Fri-Sun

Hundred Peaks

I / Galena Pk (9324'), Dragon's Head (10,866'), Bighorn Mtn (10,997')

Moderately paced, strenuous 20 mi rt, 5900' gain (3400' gain with backpacks), 1700' gain on return backpack in the San Gorgonio Wilderness. Visit Galena's summit without having to climb the infamous headwall, plus bag 2 other difficult HPS peaks. Much of the trip will be off trail, some of it on steep, rocky, brushy terrain. Space limited by permit. Send sase or esase, H&W phones, recent conditioning/backpacking experience to Ldr: Karen Isaacson Leverich. Co-Ldr: Mars Bonfire

July continued

July 20-21 / Sat-Sun

WTC

I / Chocolate Peak (11,682')

Sat backpack 3 mi, 1900' gain from South Lake above Bishop to Ruwau Lake. Sun climb peak, 900' gain, pack out. WTC or equivalent required. Send 2 sase, H&W phones, \$6 permit fee, hiking resume, rideshare info to Leader: Susan Richmond. Asst: Bill Jackson.

July 20-22 / Sat-Mon

Sierra Peaks

I / Mt. Julius Caesar (13,200')

SPS introductory trip in eastern Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC students. Moderate and enjoyable pace. Sat backpack above Honeymoon Lake, camping at 10,600' with 7 mi and 3200' gain. Sun climb class 2 Julius Caesar in 9 mi rt, 2600' gain with xc. Legendary community happy hours Sat and Sun eves. Send 2 sase, \$5 permit fee per person, recent conditioning, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: Patty Kline. Asst: Bob Michael.

July 27-28 / Sat-Sun

Wilderness Adventures, WTC

I / Mt Goethe (13,264')

Backpack 6 mi, 2000' gain from North Lake over Piute Pass to camp at Muriel Lk at 11,300'. Sun strenuous, 7 mi, 2600' rt, over Alpine Col to bag peak from the easier south side, then pack out to trailhead. No Faustian bargain expected, but previous high altitude and class 2 xc experience required. Send \$6 permit fee, 2 sase, email, H&W phones, recent climbing & backpack experience, rideshare info to Ldr: Norm Stabeck. Co-Ldr: Jason Lynch.

July 27-28 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks

I / Vogelsang Pk (9880')

Sat backpack 7 mi 1200' gain from the Tuolomne Meadows trailhead up the Rafferty Creek drainage to Vogelsang High Sierra Camp. Explore the lakes around Tuolomne Pass. Sun hike 4 mi rt, 1600' gain to summit and back to camp, then backpack 7 mi down to cars, long day 11 mi total. Send sase with email and outline of recent conditioning and outings to Ldr: Sarah Anderson. Co-Ldr: Patrick McKusky.

July 27-28 / Sat-Sun

WTC

I / Mt Silliman (11,188')

Sequoia National Park backpack. Sat pack in from Lodgepole, 3.5 mi 2000' gain with almost half cross-country. Sun climb pk, 4 mi rt, 2400' gain and pack out. Send 2 sase or email, H&W phones, climbing resume, rideshare info to Ldr: Sheryl O'Rourke. Asst: Mike Adams.

August

August 2-4 / Fri-Sun NEW

WTC

I / Four Gables (12,720+')

Fri backpack 4 mi, 2000' gain to camp at Upper Horton Lake above Bishop. Sat climb Four Gables via 2nd class south ridge, 6 mi rt, 2700' gain. Sun pack out. WTC or equiv required. Send sase, H&W phones, experience, rideshare info to Ldr: Gerard Lewis. Asst: Virgil Shields

August 3-5 / Sat-Mon

Sierra Peaks

I / Mt Stanford North (12,838')

SPS introductory trip near Rock Creek in eastern Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC students. Relaxed and enjoyable pace. Sat backpack 6 mi and 1400' gain to westernmost Hilton lake at 10,353'. Sun climb class 2 Stanford in 5 mi rt and 2500' gain, all xc. Legendary community happy hours Sat and Sun eves. Send 2 sase, \$5 permit fee per person, recent conditioning, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: Patty Kline. Asst: Keith Martin.

August 3-4 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks

I / Basin Mountain (13,240')

Gourmet Peak Bag! Join us for a 'tasty' trip into the Sierra above Bishop, and help the leaders produce a memorable dinner Sat night and breakfast Sun morning. We'll cap-off breakfast with a climb of Basin Mountain for fantastic views of the Sierra Crest. Cost will be maximum of \$20 per person including permit fees. Send 2 sase, email, resume of recent conditioning and diet limitations to Ldr: Ron Campbell. Co-Ldr: Georgette Rieck.

August 3-4 / Sat-Sun

WTC, PVS

I / Mt Johnson (12,871')

Sat bkp in to Treasure lakes above Bishop, 3.5 miles, 1430' gain. Sun climb peak 1.25 mi xc, 1400' gain and pack out. WTC or equiv reqd. Send 2 sase, experience and conditioning, phone, email & carpool info to Ldr: Christy Grimsley. Asst: Richard Boardman.

August 3-4 / Sat-Sun

Wilderness Adventures, WTC

I / Mt Wallace (13,377')

Sat moderately strenuous 6 mi, 1800' gain trail backpack to camp at Topsy Turvey Lake. Sunday, strenuous xc 6.5 mi, 2600' climb to Mt Wallace & back to camp, hike out to cars. Send \$6 permit fee, 2 sase, H&W phones, email, recent conditioning, experience, rideshare to Ldr: Mark Mitchell. Asst: Jason Lynch.

August 9-11 / Fri-Sun NEW

WTC, Wilderness Adventures

I / Banner Peak (12,936')

Fri backpack 7 mi, 1500' gain to camp via River Trail at picturesque Thousand Island Lake in Ansel Adams Wilderness near Mammoth. Sat climb Banner Pk via North Glacier Pass, 6 mi, 3100' gain. Sun pack out via High Trail (PCT). WTC or equivalent required. Send sase, H&W phones, experience, rideshare info to Ldr: Gerard Lewis. Asst: George Denny

August 9-11 / Fri-Sun

WTC, Wilderness Adventures

I / Mt. Silliman (11,177') Sequoia NP

Get a peak and get happy on a moderate-paced 6.5 mi, 2600' gain backpack to beautiful Twin Lakes with possible side trips. Sat xc climb Mt Silliman, 6 mi, 1800' gain rt. Return to camp for shared treats and gourmet quesadillas. (Yum!) Sun backpack out and head home. Comfort on class 2 climbing required. No tigers please. Send check for \$5 permit fee, 2 sase (or email), contact & rideshare info, recent backpacking & conditioning experience to Ldr: Jane Simpson. Asst: Will McWhinney.

August 9-11 / Fri-Sun

Wilderness Adventures, WTC

I / Pear Lake Loop Backpack

Moderately strenuous, but easy paced trip through spectacular Sequoia NP. Fri backpack 6 mi, 2300' gain to camp near Alta Meadow (9400'). Sat xc backpack 6 mi, 2000' gain/loss via remote Moose Lake to camp at Pear Lake. Sunday pack out 6 mi to trailhead via Watchtower Trail with views of Kaweah River and Tokopah Valley. WTC or equivalent reqd, and must be comfortable on rock & talus wearing a pack. \$7 for share of permit. Send email or sase with H&W phones, rideshare info, experience/conditioning to Ldr: Adrienne Benedict. Co-Ldr: Gary Embrey.

August 10-12 / Sat-Mon**Sierra Peaks****I / Mt Morgan North (13,002')**

SPS introductory trip near Rock Creek in eastern Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC students. Relaxed and enjoyable pace. Sat backpack 6 mi and 1000' gain to Davis Lake. Sun climb class 2 Morgan in 3.5 mi rt and 3200' gain. Legendary community happy hours Sat and Sun eves. Mon backpack out 6 mi. Send 2 sase, \$5 permit fee per person, recent conditioning, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: Patty Kline. Asst: Rick Jali.

August 10-11 / Sat-Sun**WTC****I / 3rd Laking Expedition**

Backpack 7 mi, 2400' gain from Convict Lake near Mammoth to camp near Lake Dorothy. But 10 more lakes in the area beckon our bottoms. We plan to wet ourselves in as many as possible during the weekend. Send \$6 permit fee, 2 sase, email, H&W phones, recent experience, rideshare info to Ldr: Garen Yegparian. Co-Ldr: Richard Boardman.

Aug 16-18 / Fri-Mon NEW**WTC, Wilderness Adventures****I / Mt. Gilbert (13,106')**

Fri backpack from trailhead at South lake above Bishop to camp at Treasure Lakes, 4 mi, 1500' gain. Sat climb Mt. Gilbert via southeast, 4 mi, 2500' gain. Return to camp for relaxing evening. Sun morning pack out. WTC or equivalent required plus comfort climbing talus. Send sase, H&W phones, experience, rideshare info to Ldr: Gerard Lewis. Co-Ldr: George Denny.

August 16-18 / Fri-Mon**Wilderness Adventures, WTC****I / Yosemite NP/Rafferty (11,110') & Johnson (11,064') Pks**

Start Fri morning for moderately fast-paced 3-day backpack & climb in Yosemite's High Country. While not on any "List" these 2 peaks offer an excellent xc experience. Just enough of everything to keep you challenged, but not so much as to become a "death-march." While not for beginners, this trip is suitable for WTC students who already have some other xc trips under their boots. Fri hike 8 mi, 1200' gain to camp at quiet Boothe Lake. Sun climb 8 mi, 1700', all xc to the (class 2) summits of Rafferty & Johnson Pks for fantastic 180 degree views of the surrounding high country! Sun backpack down to Tuolumne Mdw, return home. Send check for \$10, (payable to Wilderness Adventures, non refundable permit fee), two 4x9 sase (or 1 sase & email), complete contact info, recent backpacking & climbing resume and rideshare info to Ldr: Jason Lynch. Asst: Cheryl Gill.

August 17-18 / Sat-Sun**Hundred Peaks Section****I / Shields (10,680'), Anderson(10,840'), Charlton(10,806'), Jepson (11,205'), Dobbs (10,459'), San Gorgonio (11,499'), Dragon's Head (10,866), Bighorn (10,997')**

Join us as we backpack in the San Gorgonio Wilderness and bag as many of these peaks that time and energy allow. Be prepared to carry a backpack in (and out) 7 miles, 3000' gain. The total trip could be about 30 miles, 9000' gain/loss. Send esase or sase to leader. Please include your backpacking experiences and any other appropriate hiking credentials. Space limited by permit. Ldr: Sandy Burnside. Assts: George Wysup, Sandy Sperling

August 22-25 / Thu-Sun**WTC****I / Mt Goddard (13,568'), Mt Lamarck (13,417')**

Climb deep interior SPS emblem peak via east slope. Pack in over Lamarck Col (32 mi rt, 10,500' total gain), climb Lamarck. Suitable for strong WTC students or equiv. Send 2 sase, home & work phones, email, address, experience and conditioning to Ldr: Max Brummett. Asst: Mike Adams.

August 23-25 / Fri-Sun NEW**WTC, Sierra Peaks****I / Joe Devel Pk (3,327')**

Moderate paced backpack for hikers with good attitudes at high altitude. Fri backpack 9 mi, 1500' gain from Cottonwood Lakes above Lone Pine to camp at Rock Creek. Sat dayhike 5 mi rt, 2600' gain to climb peak, then enjoy happy hour in the evening. Sun 9 mi pack out with some gain. WTC students, please mention if you are signing up for course completion. Send 2 sase, email, H&W phones, recent experience, rideshare info to Ldr: Peggy Kinney. Co-Ldr: John Cheslick

August 24-25 / Sat-Sun**WTC, Sierra Peaks****I / Mount Goode (13085')**

Sat easy paced backpack to camp near Bishop Lake, 4 mi 1400' gain. Sun climb Goode via south ridge, 1 mi 2000' gain, and pack out. Send sase or e-mail with experience, conditioning, H&W phones \$5 permit fee and carpool info to Ldr: Helen Qian. Co-Ldr: Tracy Sulkin.

August 24-25 / Sat-Sun**WTC****I / Maggie Mountain (10,042') and Sheep Mountain (10,060')**

Sat bkpk in from Shake Camp in Mountain Home State Park through redwood forest, 5.5 miles and 2000' gain to camp at one of the Maggie Lakes. Climb xc 2 mi and 1200' gain to Maggie. Return to camp for happy hour by the campfire. Sun hike xc route to Sheep Mountain, 2 miles rt and 1200'. Back to camp and pack out. Mail or e-mail experience to Ldr: Ldr: Marnie O'Toole. Asst. Ldr: Brad Hinkle

August 23-25 / Fri-Sun**WTC****I / Mt. Agassiz (13,893')**

Fri backpack 3 mi, 1900' gain from South Lake in E Sierra to Saddlerock Lake. Shared happy hour Fri and Sat eves. Sat climb peak, 5 mi rt, 2500' gain over class 2 terrain, and return to camp. Pack up and return to cars Sun morn. No early check-outs. Send 2 sase or esase with recent conditioning & experience, H&W phones, and email to Ldr: KC Reid. Asst: Cheryl Gill.

August 28-30 / Wed-Fri NEW**Sierra Peaks****I / Kennedy Mtn (11,433'), Mt Harrington (11,009')**

Steep backpack from King's Canyon to camp, then dayhike peaks from camp (8 mi, 3000' gain each). Some class 3 on summit of Harrington. Time to explore Monarch Divide area. Send sase or email with experience and qualifications to Ldr: Ron Hudson. Co-Ldr: Patty Rambert.

Aug 31-Sept 2 / Sat-Mon REVISED – NEW DATE**Sierra Peaks, WTC****I / Mt. Henry (12,196')**

SPS introductory trip in western Sierra geared to prospective SPSers and WTC students. Moderate and enjoyable pace. Sat backpack 12 mi and 2000' of gain to Goddard Canyon. Sun climb Henry in 6 mi rt, 3600' of gain, all x-country, some class 2 on pk. Legendary community happy hours Sat and Sun evenings. Mon backpack out 12 mi. Send 2 sase, \$5 permit fee per person, recent conditioning, H&W phones, ride share info to Ldr: Patty Kline. Asst: Joe Wankum.

August 31 – September 2 / Sat-Mon**WTC, Sierra Peaks Section****I / Needham (12,467'), Sawtooth (12,343')**

Sat backpack approx 6 mi to Lower Monarch Lakes (10,380') and set up camp. Rise early Sun and bag Needham followed by Sawtooth, 8 mi, 2600' gain, class 2. Bring secret ingredient for garbage-bag salad and/or happy hour. Most creative wins God Bless America T-Shirt. Mon pack out. Send 2 sase, email, resume of recent conditioning to Ldr: Georgette Rieck. Co-Ldr: Ron Campbell.

September

September 7-8 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks

I / Cirque Pk (12,900')

Sat backpack to Long Lake, 5 mi, 1200' gain from Horseshoe Mdw above Lone Pine. Sun climb peak, 5 mi rt, 1800' on class 2 ridgeline, return to cars. Send 2 sase or esase with recent conditioning, experience, H&W phones and email to Ldr: Tom McDonnell. Asst: Cheryl Gill.

Sept. 7-8 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks, Gay & Lesbian Sierrans

I / Sawtooth Pk #2 (12,343') and Needham Mountain (12,520')

A leisurely backpack, but a tough peak climb. Sat leave Mineral King and pack up to Lower Monarch Lake, 6 mi, 2600' gain, then relax and enjoy a potluck dinner. Sun start early and climb Sawtooth and Needham, strenuous 8 mi rt, 2600' gain all xc, then pack down to the trailhead. WTC or equivalent required. Send email or sase, H&W phones, recent experience, references to Ldr: Will McWhinney. Asst: Teresa Nick.

September 13-15 / Fri-Sun NEW

WTC/Wilderness Adventures

I / San Joaquin Mtn (11,600'), Carson Peak (10,909'), Clark Lakes (9800')

Moderately paced, moderately strenuous backpack to lakes and peaks overlooking the June Lake Basin and the San Joaquin River watershed, with plenty of downtime for relaxing. 1st day, 7 mi, 3000' gain to campsite; 2nd day, 7 mi, 2000' gain for peak climbs; 3rd day, relax and pack out. Number of participants limited by permit; WTC students given first preference. Send sase, resume of recent backpacking experience, H&W phones to Leader: David Coplen. Asst: Bill Jackson.

September 14-15 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Orange County Sierra Singles

I / Mt Stanford #2 (12,838')

Sat backpack 5 mi 1500' gain from Rock Creek to camp at Hilton Lakes. Share happy hour. Sun xc climb of Mt Stanford 2500' gain and pack out. Permit fee of \$5.00 per person. Send 2 sase or E-mail, H&W phones, experience and ride info to Ldr: Markey Neighbors. Co-Ldr: Ken Wagner.

September 20-22 / Fri-Mon

Wilderness Adventures, WTC

I / Yosemite NP, Mt Conness (12,590')

Start Fri morning for moderately fast-paced 3-day backpack & climb in Yosemite's High Country. Fri backpack 8 mi, 1200' gain to upper Young Lake. Sat 'bag' Mt Conness, 6 mi xc, 2500' gain/loss with fabulous views on both sides of the Sierra Crest. Sun backpack out to Tuolumne Mdws, then return to LA. While not for beginners, this trip is suitable for WTC students who already have some other xc trips under their boots. Send check for \$10, (payable to Wilderness Adventures, non refundable permit fee), two 4x9 sase (or 1 sase & email), complete contact info, recent backpacking & climbing resume and rideshare info to Ldr: Jason Lynch. Asst: Patty Rambert.

September 21-22 / Sat-Sun

WTC

I / Chocolate Peak (11,682')

Sat backpack 3 mi, 1900' gain from South Lake in E Sierra to Saddlerock Lake. Climb peak Sat afternoon, 900' gain, return to shared happy hour. Sun, exploratory hike to Dusy Basin, lunch, pack up, and return to cars. Send 2 sase or esase with recent conditioning & experience, H&W phones, email to Ldr: Cheryl Gill. Asst: KC Reid.

September 21-22 / Sat Sun

WTC

I / Hengst Peak (11,146')

Starting in Mineral King backpack 3.5 mi, 2200' gain to Eagle Lk and spend Sat afternoon swimming/exploring. Sun hike 5 mi xc, 1800' gain to peak, then pack out. Send 2 sase, email, recent backpack & conditioning info, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: Howard Kolodny. Asst: Georgette Rieck.

September 27-29 / Fri-Sun NEW

Sierra Peaks

M / Tower Peak (11,755'), Ehrnbeck Peak (11,249)

Loop trip in northern Sierra with car shuttle through lands being considered for Wilderness designation. Trip to start at Buckeye Pass from Twin Lakes and complete trip by hiking through Levitt Meadow. Class 3 on Tower. Passably good fishing though saw only small ones two years ago. Send sase and qualifications to Ldr: Barbee Tidball. Co-Ldr: Scot Jamison

September 28 - 29 / Sat - Sun NEW

WTC / Long Beach

I / Quail Mtn (5,813')

Backpack in beautiful Joshua Tree National Park. Sat hike 5 miles with easy gain to Juniper Flats and group happy hour. Dry camp - you must carry all the water you need. Sun xc 2 mi hike with 1000' gain takes us to the highest peak in the park with stunning views all around and even a chance to see big horn sheep. Send 2 sase or email (preferred), H&W phones, recent conditioning/hiking experience to Ldr: Kristen Mahaffey. Asst: Janet Yee

September 28-29 / Sat-Sun

Sierra Peaks Section, WTC

M / Mt Bolton-Brown (13538'), Mt Prater (13329')

Sat backpack 6 mi, 3900' to Red Lake. Sun climb Bolton-Brown (SW slope) and Prater (SE slope), 7 mi rt, 6000' and backpack out. Send 2 sase or email with experience and conditioning, email address, phone & carpool info to Ldr: Dave Endres. Co-Ldr: Mike Adams.

September 28-29 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks

I / Cloudripper (13525')

Sat backpack from South Lake to camp at Green Lake, 4 mi 1000' gain. Sun climb Cloudripper via north slope, 3 mi 2500' net gain, and pack out. Send sase or e-mail with experience, conditioning, H&W phones and carpool info to Ldr: Helen Qian. Co-Ldr: Maria Roa.

October

October 5-6 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Wilderness Adventures

I / 4th Annual Last Minute Backpack to Tahquitz Peak (8846')

This is your last minute chance to graduate WTC! Sat backpack, 3.5 mi 1600' gain, from Humber Park in Idyllwild to Tahquitz Valley and set up camp. Then dayhike to the summit of Tahquitz Peak Sat afternoon & return to camp. Sun hike to Skunk Cabbage Meadows and Red Tahquitz Peak, return to camp and pack out. Must carry all the water you need for the weekend. (Sorry!) WTC or equivalent required. Send resume of conditioning & experience, H&W phones, email, rideshare info to Ldr: Georgette Rieck. Co-Ldr: Jason Lynch.

Oct 5-6 / Sat-Sun

WTC, Sierra Peaks

I / Florence Pk.(12,432'), Vandever Mtn.(11,947')

Southern Sequoia fall backpack. Sat 5 mi, 2500' gain to camp at Florence Lake and 6 mi, 2200' gain to Florence. Prizes for best happy hour contribution. Sun pack up, climb Vandever on way out, 11 mi, 2600' gain. Send 2 sase with SC#, H&W phones, conditioning/experience, and rideshare info to Ldr: Dan Bovee. Co-Ldr: Beth Epstein.

Outings for Leaders

These trips do not qualify for WTC graduation.

Jun 28-Jul 1 / Fri-Mon **WTC, Sierra Peaks**
M / Mt. Brewer (13,570'), North Guard (13,327'), South Guard (13,232')

Climb of SPS emblem peak and her sentinels restricted to Sierra Club members with ice ax and crampon experience. Sat hike over Kearsarge Pass to camp at East Lake, 13.5 mi, 3600' gain. Sun climb Brewer then N. Guard, steep snow and exposed class 3 summit on N. Guard, 6.5 mi, 4725' gain. Mon climb S. Guard, 8.5 mi, 3780' gain. Hike out Tues, 3400' gain on return. Send sase or email with resume of class 3 rock and snow experience and conditioning, SC#, h&w phones and carpool info to Ldr: Beth Epstein. Co-Ldr: Kim Gimenez

July 13-14 / Sat-Sun **Sierra Peaks, WTC**
M / Mt Sill (14,153')

Restricted trip limited to SC members with strong physical conditioning and 3rd class rock and snow (ice axe and crampons) experience. Sat backpack from Glacier Lodge trailhead to camp near Palisade Glacier. Sun ascend Mt. Sill via the North Couloir. Send 2 sase or email describing experience, qualifications, conditioning, references, phones, SC#, to Ldr: Maria Roa. Asst: Beth Epstein.

August 9-11 / Fri-Sun **WTC, Sierra Peaks Section**
M / Mount LeConte (13,960'), Mount Corcoran (13,760')

Fri 7 mi 6000' hike from Tuttle Creek trailhead to camp. Sat 3200' climb up 3rd class ledge system to LeConte summit. Traverse to Corcoran and descend north notch back to camp. Sun walk out. Climb restricted to very experienced SC members. Helmet required and rope may be used. Send 2 sase, \$5 permit fee, SC#, H&W phone, email & climbing resume to Ldr: John Paterson. Co-Ldr: Mike Adams.

August 18-25 / Sun-Sun **Sierra Club National Outing**
M/E / Gnarly Adventuring Above Yosemite Valley

First we spend four days among the pinnacles and domes of Tuolumne Meadows. Then we backpack from the Valley to Little Yosemite Valley for a three-day finale. Ascents will include Cathedral Peak, Eichorn Pinnacle, Mt. Starr King, and Half Dome (cables). Rock climbing experience required only for optional summit blocks. Non-climbers welcome for non-technical segments. Price: \$615; Dep: \$100. Leaders: Bill Oliver & Will McWhinney.

Reserve through National Outings department:
<http://www.sierraclub.org/outings/national/brochure/02170A.asp>

October 12-13 / Sat-Sun **Sierra Peaks, WTC**
M / Dragon Peak (12,927') & Mt. Gould (13,005')

Restricted trip limited to SC members with appropriate physical conditioning and 3rd class rock experience. Sat start from Onion Valley above Independence, backpack to unnamed lakes beyond Golden Trout and climb Gould. Sun, climb Dragon and pack out. Send 2 sase or email describing experience, qualifications, conditioning, references, phones, SC# to Ldr: Maria Roa. Asst: Nile Sorenson.

Outings of Interest

These trips do not qualify for WTC graduation. They're just . . . interesting.

September 14 / Sat NEW **Verdugo Hills, WTC, Hundred Peaks**
I / Telegraph Peak (8985')

Strenuous 5 mi rt, 2900' gain cross-country on steep terrain from Harwood Lodge to the peak. Meet 6:30 am at Harwood Lodge. Wear lug soles, bring minimum 2L of water and 10 essentials. Co-Leaders Garen Yegparian, Jason Lynch.

September 14-15 / Sat-Sun **Wilderness Adventures, WTC**
O / High Sierra Artists Backpack

Exercise your creativity on this easy paced but high-altitude backpack in the Inyo Nat'l Forest. Sat backpack 2 mi, 1000' gain from South Lake above Bishop to camp at Long Lake (10,800'). Capture the beauty of the High Sierra in fall with paint, pencil or camera. Both artists and non-artists who have at least one previous trip under their boots are welcome. \$6 for share of permit. Send email or sase with backpacking experience, creative desire, H&W phones, rideshare info to Ldr: Adrienne Benedict. Co-Ldr: Jane Simpson.

October 6 / Sun NEW **Verdugo Hills, S.F. Valley, WTC, Pasadena**
O / Places We've Saved Hike-Towsley Canyon:

5 mi, 1400' gain loop of what we've saved and views of the horrible alternative. Meet 8:30 am at the park entrance. Wear lug soles. Bring minimum 1L of water and 10 essentials. Travel North on I-5, exit Calgrove, turn left, go under I-5, then left again and a quick right into the park. Co-Leaders Garen Yegparian, Virgil Shields, Henry Schultz.

October 12 / Sat NEW **Verdugo Hills, WTC, Hundred Peaks**
I / Peak Baggers' Grand Tour:

Car hop hike with total 6.5 mi RT and 2000' gain among Barley Flats, Mt. Sally, Vetter Mtn, Mt. Mooney, Winston Peak, & Mt. Lewis. Meet 6:30 am at La Canada carpool point. Wear lug soles. Bring minimum 2L of water and 10 essentials. Co-Leaders Garen Yegparian, Will McWhinney

November 2-3 / Sat-Sun **WTC**
O / Joshua Tree NP

Join us for this trans-desert car shuttle backpack! Sat we'll begin at the West Entrance and camp along the way. We'll exit at Indian Cove Sun am where we'll drive to 49 Palms Oasis for a hike (3 mi rt) to view this true oasis. Time permitting, we'll head over to Barker Dam to view the many bird species that drink from this rain-fed reservoir built at the turn of the century! Hiking will be a light 5-7 miles per day on trail with minimal elevation gain. All water must be carried. Send 2 sase, email, resume of recent conditioning to Ldr: Georgette Rieck. Co-Ldr: Rona Amichai.

Outings Leader Directory

Please see Outings Leader Directory on page 8 of the WTC Newsletter print version for SASE and contact information

Training Opportunities

These trips do not qualify for WTC graduation. Go to <http://angeleschapter.org/ltc/schedule.html> and the Angeles Chapter Schedule for more information.

June 22 / Sat **NEW** HPS, Palos Verdes Group, Natural Science I: Galena Peak (9330')

Day hike this steep one in the San Bernardino Mountains. 8 mi, 3200' gain rt. Moderately paced, very strenuous hike over very slippery, very steep, rocky cross-country terrain. LTC natural history credit available for leaders. Terrain limits size of group. Esase (preferred) or sase with recent conditioning, phone & rideshare information to Provisional Ldr: Kent Schwitkis. Assistant: Barry Holchin. Naturalist: Sherry Ross.

October 5 / Sat **LTC** Leadership Training Seminar, Griffith Park DEADLINE TO REGISTER: SEPTEMBER 21.

Required seminar to become a Sierra Club leader in the Angeles Chapter. Leader candidates may obtain an application either by sending a large (#10) self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) to the Registrar or by forwarding a hard copy of the application below to the Registrar. The fee for the LTP is \$20 including the Leadership Reference Book. The Registrar must receive the completed application at least two weeks prior to the seminar. The seminar is held twice a year on a Saturday in the spring and fall. LRB, pre-seminar exam, and other information will be mailed at least 10 days prior to the seminar. Mail to: Don Creighton, LTC Registrar, 2235 W 25th St., #128, San Pedro, CA 90732-4130. Phone: 310-519-0364. *No registration after Sept 21 nor at the door. Next seminar: Spring 2003.*

October 20 / Sun **NEW** **LTC, WTC** I / Sheep Pass Navigation

Navigation Noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic I/M level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send sase with navigation experience/training, rideshare info, H&W phones to Ldr: Harry Freimanis. Asst: Bob Bradshaw

October 25-27 / Fri-Sun **LTC, WTC** Wilderness First Aid Course at Harwood Lodge

CPR training within two years prior to the course date is a prerequisite. The WFAC gives enrollment preference to Sierra Club Angeles Chapter leadership training candidates and to rated Angeles Chapter leaders who have not taken a wilderness first aid course. The fee for the WFAC is \$145 for Sierra Club members and \$155 for non-members. A complete application includes: A check for the full amount (payable to WFAC) Proof of CPR training within two years prior to the course date; Name, address, and phone number for each person applying SC membership # if the lower fee is paid For application or more info: Wilderness First Aid Course, PO Box 3414, Fullerton, CA 92834 Contact Steve Schuster at 714-526-6108 or sk.s.wfac@mindspring.com

November 16-17 / Sat-Sun **NEW** **LTC, WTC** I / Indian Cove Navigation

Navigation noodles to satisfy basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Sat for practice, skills refresh, altimeter, campfire. Sun for checkout. To receive homework assignment send navigation experience/training, rideshare info, H&W phones, email address and sase to Ldr: Harry Freimanis. Asst: Bob Bradshaw

December 8 / Sun **NEW** **LTC, WTC** Warren Point Navigation

Navigation Noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send sase with navigation experience/training, rideshare info, H&W phones to Ldr: Harry Freimanis. Asst: Bob Bradshaw

Hiking Buddies: How to Grow Your Own

So you're finished with the classroom sessions and class outings, and now you're getting ready to take the next step: completing your two experience outings before graduating in October. Well, if you're like us, you can't wait to tell friends, relatives and co-workers about the incredible value and experience WTC offers – navigation skills, mountain safety, snow travel skills, equipment expertise, trip planning, desert travel, rock scrambling, conditioning, nutrition and meal planning, and much more. Be sure to have them visit www.angeles.sierraclub.org/wtc for all the details and registration info. Then tell 'em to take a hike.

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WTC Garage Sale

This is where gear-heavy WTCers can advertise tents, packs, boots, jackets — any WTC related outdoor item a fellow student or leader might need. And the best part is it's *free*, so long as you're WTC staff, a student or graduate. The next issue — Fall 2002 — will be mailed to all current students, leaders and staff, giving students the opportunity to maximize their gear budget (at least for those who have one).

The deadline for ad submission in the Fall WTC Newsletter is Monday, September 9th. All ads should be emailed to hikinedd@yahoo.com Questions? Call Edd Ruskowitz, WTC Newsletter editor, at (714) 771-6710. We reserve the right to refuse publication of any ad we deem offensive, inappropriate or falls outside the guidelines previously mentioned. *Now go buy something!*

- Marmot Down Vest, men's small, purple and red, stuff sack included, perfect condition, retail \$135, asking \$65, Steve Schuster, 714-526-6108 or sk.s.wfac@mindspring.com
- Free to loving home: Nearly complete set of Climbing Magazine back issues 1991-1997 plus miscellaneous others. Call Beth Epstein, 562-439-0646.
- Marmot Women's Fleece (200) Jacket with full pit zips & wind block layer over shoulder and arms. Red with black. Size: M \$ 20. or best. Georgette Rieck 310-396-6397
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- Trekking Poles- Leki "Super Makalu" 3 section aluminum with shock absorbing springs inside. Adjusts from 72-140 cm. Used, but in good cond. Reg. 140. Sell \$60 contact Scott Nelson 626-403-7177, NlsScott@aol.com
- Dana Design Terraplane backpack (lightly USED) -- Size Medium, Red, Approx. 5600 cu. in. Retail \$439, Sale \$250. David Coplen, 213-892-2502 or coplend@howrey.com
- Marmot Eco Fleece Sweater (NEW) -- Women's Large, Marigold (w/ pit zips, zippered handwarmer pockets, lycra hem and armholes). Retail \$119.00, Sale \$60.00. David Coplen, 213-892-2502 or coplend@howrey.com
- Marmot Eco Fleece Sweater (NEW) - Men's Small, Marigold (w/ pit zips, zippered handwarmer pockets, lycra hem and armholes). Retail \$119.00, Sale \$60.00. David Coplen, 213-892-2502 or coplend@howrey.com
- Moonstone Cirrus Pullover (NEW) -- Men's Small, Steel Grey ("Synthetic Down" consisting of Thermolite Micro Insulation will keep you warm even if it gets damp). Retail \$135.00, Sale \$75.00. David Coplen, 213-892-2502 or coplend@howrey.com
- Black Diamond Verglas Shell Gloves (NEW) -- Men's Small, Red (Versatile shell for spring snow travel in moderate temperatures, excellent dexterity). Retail \$35.00, Sale \$15.00. David Coplen, 213-892-2502 or coplend@howrey.com
- Marmot Pile Liner Gloves (NEW) -- Men's Small, grey (Fits inside shell gloves, or has gripper palm and thumb for use alone in non-wet conditions). Retail \$20.00, Sale \$8.00. David Coplen, 213-892-2502 or coplend@howrey.com
- "Coleman QuickBed and Quick Pump 11"- queen size, flocked, battery operated quick pump fills air mattress in less than 3 minutes. Used only once indoors, never been outside. \$40 for both o.b.o. Call Brad Jensen (626-791-7013) or email jenzog@earthlink.net.
- Asolo hiking boots – Womens size 8 – terrific shape – like new - wrong size for me. nubuck leather. \$45 Melissa, 714-731-7477.



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