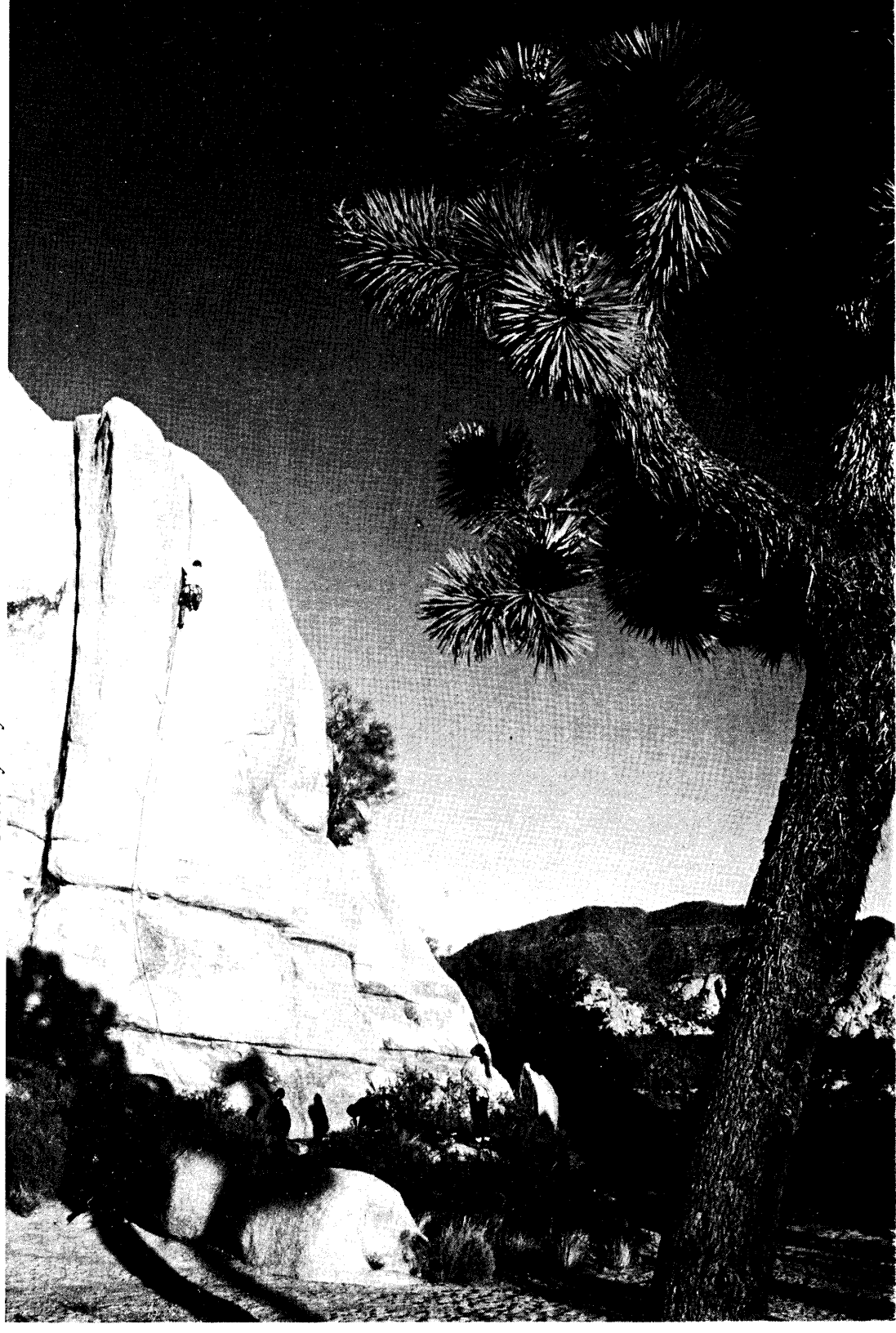


# ARIZONA MOUNTAINEER

MAY 2000

*David Larimer sews up The Pinched Rib, 10b, at Joshua Tree  
Photo by Wayne Schroeter*



# THE ARIZONA MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

**MEETINGS:** The AMC meets the 4th Mon. of each month (Nov. and Dec. meetings are usually the 3rd Mon.) at 7:00 pm at:

Los Olivos Senior Center  
2802 E. Devonshire Ave.  
Phoenix, Az.

(28th St. just north of Indian School Rd.)

**BOARD MEETINGS:** Board meetings are open to all members and are held two Mondays prior to the Club meeting at Los Olivos Center.

**DUES:** Dues cover January through December. A single membership is \$15.00 per year; \$20.00 for a family. Those joining after June 30 pay 50% of the yearly rates. Members joining after October 31 who pay for a full year will have dues credited through the end of the following year. Dues must be given to the treasurer or sent to:

Arizona Mountaineering Club  
P. O. Box. 1695  
Phoenix, Az. 85001-1695

**SCHOOLS:** The AMC conducts several rock climbing, mountaineering and other outdoor skills schools each year. Contact the Training & Safety Committee for schedules and costs.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call (623) 878-2485

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**THE AMC ACCESS COMMITTEE:** The Committee works by itself and with the national Access Fund to maintain public access to climbing areas. If you know of areas that are threatened with closures or climbing restrictions, please notify the Access Committee Chair, Wayne Schroeter, at 878-3914, or [wschroeter@sprintmail.com](mailto:wschroeter@sprintmail.com).

**THE ACCESS FUND:** This is a national, non-profit, climber's organization that works to maintain access to climbing areas nationwide. Climbers can join The Access Fund by mailing an annual, tax-deductible donation of any amount to: The Access Fund, P.O. Box 17010, Boulder, CO 80308, or giving it to the AMC Club Treasurer to be sent to The Access Fund in your name. A donation of \$15 or more is needed to receive Access Notes, The Access Fund newsletter.

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## AMC NEWSLETTER

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# NOT STUFF!!!

## OUTINGS GALORE!!!

### GET OUT AND DO IT BEFORE SUMMER SEARS YOUR GOOD INTENTIONS.

## AMC LIBRARY

You must be an AMC member, i. e., your name must be on the most current membership list.

The circulation period is 1 month. Materials are due at the next general club meeting. The overdue fine is \$2 per title per month. Please contact the librarian if you are unable to return your books and tapes.

The circulation limit is three titles per person. One of these may be a videotape, for which a \$50 deposit is required. Each guidebook requires a \$25 deposit.

**June Deadline: 16 May 2000**

## AMC MAY BIRTHDAYS

Susan Hatfield 1, James Iverson 2, David Wyant 2, Johanna Caley 5, Nicholas Morigi 5, Eric Ramsey 5, Becky Alderton 6, Rebecca Ruckman 8, Les Hanczyk 10, Theresa Ramsey 11, Richard Theobald 11, Karen Berrigan 12, Kim Huenecke 12, Seth Hennessee 15, Jeremy Oxley 18, Cammie Cantrell 20, Penny Medlock 20, Tom Matthews 21, Nancy Paonessa 22, Randy Ryan 22, Jutta Ulrich 22, Mark Zimmer 23, Sue Marget 25, Dan Bolin 28, Paula Anderson 29, James Gillette 30, Mark Lucas 30

## MINUTES OF THE AMC BOARD MEETING: 4/10/00

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sue Goins, Erik Filsinger, Lynn Alexander, Bill Stinson, Dan Langmade, Scott Hoffman, Jeff Nagel, Dan Bolin

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Wally Vegors, Wayne Schroeter  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** none

Start time- 7:05 p.m.

**ACCESS:** Wayne attended Wilderness Planning meeting for Baboquivari, said they're moving along smoothly in development of a Wilderness Management Plan. He also attended a meeting of Scottsdale Parks & Rec. They approved the Pinnacle Peak Rock-Climbing Policy w/ no changes. Should be in effect soon. Should be able to climb sometime next year.

**ADVERTISING:** NR

**CLASSIFICATION:** The Bobsey Twins (Scott H. and Jeff N.) have taken over this committee from Tim. No report so far.

**CONSERVATION:** Charlene's in the Himalayas, so NR. Sue did mention that we're considering adoption of an additional mile at Queen Creek. Charlene will see to it.

**ELECTIONS:** NR

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL:** NR

**LIBRARY:** NR

**MEMBERSHIP:** 389?

**MOUNTAINEERING:** Erik inquired as to possible AMC members' interest in a concentrated Guide Training Course w/ Southwest Adventures out of Durango. Should be info in this or an upcoming newsletter.

**OUTINGS:** May need a new chairperson for this committee, Sue says Sally's swamped (can you say that 5 times, really fast?). Sue would like to work on getting outings planned two months in advance.

**PROGRAMS:** NR

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Jason, previously of REI, wants the AMC to participate in "Zooquest," an

outdoor adventure program to be held at Phoenix Zoo. Would like us to man a portable climbing wall with 3 members per night, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 6/1 through 7/1. Any volunteers? (See page 6)

**TRAIL MAINTENANCE:** Great turnout for this last Pinnacle Peak project. Thanks to all those who came and helped.

**TRAINING AND SAFETY:** Spring classes went well. New AARS curriculum worked out great.

**TREASURER:** Bill went over Budget Report for first quarter.

**T-SHIRTS:** Yes, Jeff, sweatshirts, jackets, and hats ARE t-shirts! Everybody knows that!

**WEBSITE:** Discussed ways to improve the events/outings calendar. Jeff, Bill, Wayne, and Wally will get together on this.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Still more discussion about raising annual membership dues, how to present to members.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Board voted to recommend raising dues to \$25 for individuals, \$30 for families. Look for info in this or upcoming newsletter. Also, Sue would really like to participate in the ACCESS FUND'S "Adopt-a-Crag." They're recommending September 9<sup>th</sup> as the day to do this. Thinking about Camelback as our adopted crag - lots of exposure/great PR for the AMC.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

## DISCOUNT DIRECTORY

The following merchants currently offer a discount to AMC members.

**Arizona Climbing Center** - 1911 West Cheryl Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85021, 997-4171. Show your AMC membership card and get a 10% discount at gym and shop, special orders 20%.

**Arizona Hiking Shack** - 11645 N. Cave Creek Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85020, 944-7723  
Show your AMC membership card and get a 10% discount; special orders 15%.

**Desert Mountain Sports** - 2824 E. Indian School #4, Phoenix, AZ 955-2875  
Show your AMC membership card and get a 10% discount - ask at DMS for further details.

### AMC RENTAL EQUIPMENT:

EQUIPMENT	Lb-Oz	Qty	Cost/Wk
Tents:			
4-season 2-3 man 7-6 .....	1	1	10.00
4-season 2 man .....	6-0	1	6.00
3-season 2 man .....	5-0	3	5.00
4-season 1 man bivy .....	1-15	1	7.00
Sherpa Snowshoes .....	8	1	5.00
Ski poles (var. sizes) .....	4	1	0.50
Crampons (sizes 6-14) .....	10	1	2.00
In-step crampons .....	1	1	2.00
Gaitors (Goretex) .....	2 pr	1	2.00
Ice axes (70-90 cm) .....	12	1	2.00
Snow shovel .....	1-10	2	3.00
Snow pickets/flukes .....	10 @	1	1.00
MSR Multifuel Stove .....	1	1	3.00
Yates Big Dudes #6, #7 .....		1	5.00
Haul bag .....	1	1	10.00
PortalEdge .....	1	1	Call
Climbing shoes .....	Various sizes	1	Call

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL GUIDELINES:** Your name must be on the most current membership list. Deposit required; varies by item; generally \$20-\$50. The two-personal-checks system works best. Advance reservation suggested. If not using the reserved equipment, please call and cancel. Call Linda Locke at 602-997-4235 for shoes. For everything else, call Paul Norberg at 602-808-9244.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Statement of Operations  
01/01/00 Through 3/31/00  
Category Description

Amount

<b>INCOME</b>	
Advertising .....	20.00
Book Sale & fines .....	0.00
Equipment Rental .....	160.00
Interest .....	37.33
Membership Dues .....	3,641.50
Program Income .....	65.00
Tee Shirts .....	80.00
Training & Safety .....	9,975.00

**TOTAL INCOME** 13,998.83

<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Access .....	0.00
Administration .....	557.82
Bouldering Contest .....	250.00
Conservation .....	0.00
Equipment Maintenance .....	0.00
Equipment Purchase .....	1,909.75
Library .....	85.52
Newsletter .....	873.81
Out ngs .....	110.00
Programs .....	1,497.00
Bank Charge .....	20.16
T-sjorts .....	0.00
Training & Safety .....	8,280.62

**TOTAL EXPENSES** 13,584.68

**OVERALL FOR PERIOD** -414.15

<b>ACCOUNT BALANCES</b>	
Savings .....	4,470.13
Checking .....	2,287.68

**TOTAL ASSETS\*** \$6,757.81

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# Dave Ganci

—Sacred Temples—

## Climbing in the Grand Canyon

**Join Dave Ganci for his presentation on climbing and the Grand Canyon. He will present some history, humor and various climbing escapades in the Big Ditch. The presentation will include Indian American ascents, Harvey Butchart and early explorers, some of his own 'pioneering' rock climbs, and images of current climbs.**

**Dave is gathering information for his book SACRED TEMPLES, CLIMBING IN THE GRAND CANYON. Anyone that has information, climbing stories, or photos of routes you have done in the Grand Canyon, and would like to share them with Dave with the possibility that they will be included in the book, please bring them to the meeting or call him in Prescott at 520-778-2567.**

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The meeting will be held on Monday, May 22, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Los Olivos Senior Center, 2802 East Devonshire Avenue, one block north of Indian School on the east side of 28th Street.

## ACCESS

### PINNACLE PEAK

The Parks & Recreation Board has unanimously approved the Pinnacle Peak Rock Climbing Policy. I published the first draft in the AMC newsletter for comment a few months ago. Tom Matthews, Paul Dief and I recommended changes to the policy, all of which were incorporated verbatim.

Scottsdale's Planning Commission has approved the Site Plan for the Pinnacle Peak Trailhead on a 6-0 vote. Public comment was limited, and there were only a few questions/concerns raised by the Commissioners. The site plan will now be forwarded to the City Council for their review and approval on May 2. Also in May, the City Council will be asked to approve the contract with the consultant who will take the conceptual site plan to a more detailed level and refine the plan for the west-side Jomax Road trail connection. These refined plans will then be taken through the City's Development Review Board approval process. The DRB meeting date is unknown at this point, but will be publicized as soon as it is known.

### MCDOWELL SONORAN PRESERVE

I intend to start work on getting the Rock Climbing Policy discussions going for the Preserve. We already know of at least one difference. Individuals wishing to explore new territory, or looking for a new route, can apply for a permit to go off-trail, as opposed to the "No new bolted route" policy at Pinnacle Peak.

There is a run-off election in Scottsdale next month. Mary Manross, a current Council member, and Ross Dean, a former Council member, are running. Some of you may have received an email through AMC channels that discussed the pros and cons of each candidate; this email was received by the AMC and forwarded in error – but with good intentions – to our email list. As a non-profit corporation in the State of Arizona, the AMC is not allowed to lobby for candidates. I need to make it clear that the AMC does not endorse any particular candidate. We do, however, encourage all members to vote, as a general rule of civic responsibility. Scottsdale's runoff election will be held May 16. Mail-in ballots are available by calling the City Clerk's office at 480-312-7844 through May 5. Early voting – counter or walk-in – can be done at 3939 Civic Center Blvd, the Main City Hall, from April 17-May 12, M-F, 8-5, and on Saturdays, April 29 & May 6, 9-5. (Park in the 75<sup>th</sup>

St parking lot, walk in the back door, and the voting office is the first one. She tells me she has jelly beans for voters.) You can also vote at Via Linda Senior Center, 10440 E Via Linda, M-F through May 12, 9-4, and on Friday, May 12 until 5. They are also open on Saturdays, April 29 & May 6, 9-5.

If you live in Scottsdale, you should vote.

### OAK CREEK OVERLOOK

I attended the NACC meeting in Flagstaff on May 12. About 100 Flagstaff climbers attended, as did Ken Anderson, Chief Ranger of the Sedona Coconino Forest District. He explained why half of the Overlook was closed back in 1993. He also stated five conditions for re-opening it.

1. No use from the top – this may mean using lower-off anchors or making other accommodations. His concern is that he does not want to encourage visitors – sightseers – to go over the fence and get near the edge when they see other people – climbers – on the edge.

2. Enter/exit from the bottom – this may require building a new trail on the west side (Three Bears) that starts farther up the drainage and doesn't interfere with the sightseers.

3. He wants more signage – No rock throwing, etc.

4. He is reluctant to open the Three Bears due to lack of visitor protection at the top.

5. Parking – he is not averse to establishing parking on the other side of 89A, but is aware that ADOT may have liability concerns.

The NACC is scheduling a meeting with Ken Anderson in May. The bottom line is – but I don't guarantee anything – I believe that we can come to a compromise that will allow the rest of the Overlook to reopen.

*Be good to yourself  
Wayne*

## SOME DIFFERENT CLIMBS

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They describe it as "beautiful granite climbing" up to 110 feet in a newly developed area. Some routes need to have some lichen 'cleaned'...please bring a wire brush if you have one. Recent snow storm has snapped over 10-20% of the trees in the Bradshaws and we may have to move some trees off the road to get to the climbing area. Anyone have a chainsaw? We have a fantastic, secret primitive campsite that will fit up to about 20 people. Info Jeff N. at (602) 721-1968 or rugartist@aol.com.

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## Now that Basic School is over . . . Where to keep your locking biners.

During Basic we had you keep one large "D" locking biner in the front of your harness, next to the Belay Loop. Your 5' web sling was girth-hitched into the waist and leg components at the front of your harness. Your parabiner (also pearabiner or "pear") was in the end of the web sling, forming what Mick calls a "Gun." I call it a "Personal Anchor sling." The second large "D" locker was in your Belay Loop. At times the Pear and the second large D traded places.

We had to set you up this way to allow for safe anchorage, and to expose you to a variety of Belay and Rappel configurations (slot-device, Muenster hitch, with or without the belay loop, etc. ). Now it's time to 'dial-in' your rig for routine use.

Your slot-type Belay device (Jaws, for example) is your primary Belay tool. The Muenster hitch is your back-up method, so the Pear is your backup device. It is for problem solving, like your Prusiks. In order to be there for problem solving, it must not be in the front of your harness doing the work of a "D." It must not be in the anchor, it must be handy, but not already in use.

I suggest you keep your Pear on a gear loop, with your prusiks hanging (chained) from it. We call your 6' Prusik your "Problem Resolution Prusik." Think of your Pear as your "Problem Resolution Biner." By keeping your Prusiks on this biner you keep it at hand, available... when you have your Prusiks (ALWAYS!), you know you have your Pear.

Keep this little survival kit on the opposite side from your brake hand. Then you can keep your brake hand on the rope while your free hand unchains, unclips, and applies the Prusik you need. This also keeps the Prusiks from getting sucked into your rappel device.

Keep both large "D" locking biners in the front of your harness, next to your belay loop, if you have one. For your Personal Anchor sling, get yourself another, smaller locking "D." Get a few, they're handy.

As for your non-lockers, when you go shopping, first get a few good ovals, or nearly oval ones, like the R.E.I. Gold series ovals; S.M.C. also makes a good one. These can be as strong as "D"s, with just a little added weight. They handle better, hold more pro, and can be used for a "Carabiner Brake" rappel. This is a way to rap without the kinking the Muenster hitch causes, and is a fast alternative if you just lent out your Jaws. I will not tell you how to do it here. If you want to learn it come see me.

Please remember that carabiners are not foolproof. With each new 'improvement' or advantage comes a complication or 'downside' somewhere. Pay special attention to the gate-open strength on biners as you shop. The higher the better, just in case. Buy specialized biners later, when you know what you want them for.

On your harness or gear sling, if you want a biner easy to remove and use, clip it in the "up and in" orientation. If you are using it to hold gear and want to be able to remove the gear from the biner itself, rig the

biner "down and out" This is how to hang the Prusiks from your Pear.

Be careful. Gumby Loves you.

## AND DAISY CHAINS

Daisy chains are handy tools which can simplify some personal anchoring situations. They provide rapid adjustability and are also used in Direct

Aid climbing and in some Ascending rigs. Like any other piece of climbing gear THEY HAVE LIMITATIONS. Knowledge is Power. Please keep reading.

Daisy chains are NOT for use as components in Belay or Protection systems. One model has a single pocket failure strength of LESS THAN 700 POUNDS force. This force is easy to achieve with just a little bit of inattention, even without a lead fall.

Here is the really scary part... If you clip a biner into two neighboring pockets at once and the bar tack separating them fails THE BINER COMES OUT COMPLETELY! I suggest you begin by clipping the top of the chain to the anchor, then add the 1 pocket you want to hang from to the same 'biner. If you blow that pocket, or even several, you are still in the overall sling loop, which is much stronger. For convenience, the biner at the anchor should be oriented "down and out." Ideally, this will be a locking biner.

Keep in mind that if you fail ANY pockets you will get "Extension," an anchor No-No. Back these puppies up!

Don't make one Daisy Chain your only anchor to the wall. The Climbing Rope is always your most reliable link. I seldom carry a daisy chain. I'm a fan of Clove Hitches, as some of you know. There is nothing wrong with using BOTH for a fast anchor that will still give you that 'warm, fuzzy feeling.'

Remember Gumby's Climbing Rule #1: "Never crash into the ground with even one piece of pro still in the wall."

I have a sense of urgency about this now because more and more Basic and Anchors students come to us with previous experience and some personal gear. I saw several daisy chains on students in the most recent and "Most Excellent" Basic school. I don't know what, if any, warnings you may have already had.

Please come to me with any questions, any time.

Cap'n Gumby sez, "Aarrt, I be takin' no chances, Matey!"

### **AMC Dues Increase Recommendation:**

The AMC Board of Directors is recommending an increase in dues which would take effect for current members when renewing dues for 2001 and would take effect the month following approval from the general membership for new members. The new dues being recommended are: \$25.00 per year for a single membership and \$30.00 per year for a family membership.

It has been quite a few years since there was an increase. In the meantime our costs continue to rise and even the newsletter costs are not entirely covered by dues now. We have made a number of capital expenditures including replacing club ropes used for outings, acquiring static ropes for the Grand Canyon Cleanup and providing new and better helmets, harnesses and equipment for classes. We continue to bring the membership top quality monthly programs. We are addressing the need for insurance to cover liability issues AMC and the directors could potentially face as the club continues to grow and we continue to expand programs for members. Insurance will be costly, but is deemed necessary going forward. Ongoing leadership and safety training for outing leaders is another program we are in the process of initiating.

In the past 3 years we have deliberately drawn down our funds by running the budget at a deficit as we acquired new equipment for member use and for classes. However it is time to plan to cover our expenses from our income in the coming years. We cannot continue to draw down our funds and operate successfully.

We are interested in your input on the dues increase. Please contact any of the board members with your comments before the next board meeting, which is May 8 at 7pm at Los Olivos. You are also welcome to attend that meeting with your input. There will be a short discussion at the May membership meeting a vote on the proposal (hopefully).

Sue Goins, President

### **The Access Fund "Adopt-A-Crag" day: September 9, 2000**

The Access Fund is celebrating its 10th anniversary of keeping climbing areas open and conserving the climbing environment nationwide with the Kicking Access Since 1990 campaign. The campaign will generate awareness and direct action by the climbing community to ensure climbing access for this and future generations. By the end of 2000, the Access Fund plans to have worked with climbers to successfully complete 100,000 actions on behalf of their sport.

*Kicking Access* features three components:

1) Generating 100,000 Actions through the Climber Tick List. These actions include political and conservation initiatives ranging from writing letters to Congress about climbing related issues to committing to Leave No Trace practices and cleaning up local climbing areas. Climbers will be encouraged to complete their lists and send them to the Access Fund to be eligible for outdoor related prizes.

\* Pick up your "tick list" at the member meeting in April or May, fill it out and send to the AF!

2) Creating nationwide awareness and stewardship through Adopt-A-Crag day, slated for Saturday, September 9, 2000. Around the country, the Access Fund will lead trail restoration and clean-ups at climbing areas in the broadest, largest volunteer effort by the climbing community ever.

\* I have committed AMC to adopt-a-crag. Now we just have to figure out where. Give your suggestions to Jeff Nagel or Scott Hoffman.

\* Mark your calendars now to participate in this fun club day!

3) Celebrating the work and dedication of the Access Fund and the national climbing community, which will inspire responsible climbing and political action around the country.

## FOUR PEAKS OUTING PLANNED

Saturday June 3rd: a one day blast up to Four Peaks in the Mazatzal Mountains for a climb up The Ladybug Route (5.6), or possibly even a repeat of the Gumby-made classic "The Far Side" (5.8 R). This is a 3-pitch (runout) climb with a 1-pitch traverse to get off the top on quartzite slabs and chimneys in a backcountry setting. Elevation is about 6500 feet to 7100 ft.

Requirements for this Outing: participants must be in shape to do a long uphill approach (over an hour with GORGEOUS scenery!) with moderate loads in packs... Basic School Graduation required. Anchors School graduation preferred. HELMETS REQUIRED, but not provided. PLEASE - Do not show up without a suitable helmet! Steep, exposed, loose, spooky walkoff down a couloir to get off the climb. Bring at least 1 gallon of water and have the means to carry it! Also pack a lunch and snacks... it will be a long day. Headlamps recommended in case Gumby joins us. ;) Due to possible high heat and even monsoonal activity this will require an early start! (Ugh!)

5:30 AM meeting at the McDonalds on Shea two blocks East of the Beeline Hwy (SR 87). As always on a "Jeff Outing"... there will be unique opportunities for the participants to add to their climbing repertoire. Note: This will be an EXCELLENT outing for new Anchors School & Lead School graduates, as Four Peaks presents interesting challenges for placing protection and setting anchors.

Limit: 2 participants per Outing Leader... meaning the more Outing Leaders I can get to go (up to 4) the more participants can go... any other outing leaders interested in joining me? Also: If response is heavy to sign up for this outing I will take all names submitted to participate and draw names by lottery two weeks before the outing. For more info contact Jeff Nagel at (602) 721-1968 or PREFERABLY by e-mail: azcragrat@aol.com

## May 26th-29th, Indian Creek, Utah, Richard Horst.

Can you say "crack" boys and girls?

Don't be intimidated by rumors of hard routes; Richard has found some new walls with moderate routes and the climbing is

OUTSTANDING!

Call Richard to sign up, you don't want to miss this outing. 602-971-5738.

*Sally*

## NEW AMC MEMBERS

Nathan Bernacet	David Pelaia
Karin Callan	Daphne Rovin
Lynne Carnicelli	Hunter Rovin
Jim Cashen	Matt Salamone
Jason Cooper	Pat Sigler
JR Dominy	Ronald Sigler
Kathryn McKibben	Hunter Wood
Nicholas Morigi	Rob Yee
Sandy Myers	

## PINNACLE PEAK TRAILWORK

On April 1, fifty three volunteers, including, a score of AMC members reshaped tread, building steps and installing drainage control on one quarter-mile of the main trail in Pinnacle Peak Park.

City of Scottsdale staff present (Scott Hamilton, Trails Coordinator for the City of Scottsdale, John Loleit, Pinnacle Peak Park Coordinator, and Clair Miller, McDowell Preserve Manager) were very positively impressed by the level of AMC participation. WE even got a nearby hike group involved. Special thanks to Sally Borg Larimer and Jutta Ulrich for helping me promote this event and to Wayne Schroeter for photography. They all did trail work along with AMCs Michael Archuleta, Ross Asortia, Debby Brown, Steve Helms Tillery, Scott Hoffman, Sheri Kenly, Tim Lange, David (the louse) Larimer, David Palaia, Bruce Robbins, and Sir Richard Theobald.

Michael Baker  
Project Director, Volunteers for Outdoor Arizona

### **Pinnacle Peak Trail Work**

On April 1, volunteers from all over the valley came out to help with service projects sponsored by the "Make a Difference Foundation." The Volunteers for Outdoors Arizona (VOA) under the leadership of Michael Baker had organized one of those events: repairs to the main trail on Pinnacle Peak.

We worked half a day and it was no joke. We hauled rocks (what else?), but we also cut shrubbery, leveled steep sections of the trail and moved some mighty big boulders. Thanks to all the volunteers, including a goodly bunch of AMCs: Ross Astoria, Michael Baker, Sally Borg, Debby Brown, Jenn Davies, Scott Hoffmann, Tim Lange, Dave Larimer, David Pelia, Bruce Robbins, Wayne Schroeter, Richard Theobald, Steve Helms Tillery. (I hope I didn't forget anyone.)

A special thanks to Michael Baker and Wayne Schroeter for their guidance and their involvement with the Pinnacle Peak trail, access, and good relations with the city of Scottsdale. We also thank Scott Hamilton, Trails

Coordinator for the City of Scottsdale, for his work with all the volunteer groups, trying to get the Pinnacle Peak area open to hikers and climbers.

There is still lots of work to do. Please contact me (Jutta) or Wayne Schroeter if you can and want to work on the PP trail. We will form small groups of 4-6 and schedule projects either directly with the City of Scottsdale and/or through VOA and Paul Dief. Please call or send e-mail.

Jutta Ulrich (602 / 234-3579)  
ulrichj@t-bird.edu

### **Pinnacle Peak Trailwork continues:**

Saturday, April 29 at 9am. Bring a pack to haul water, concrete and rocks.

I will be working most Friday mornings at 9am. If you plan to attend please email me [dief@phoenixrockgym.com](mailto:dief@phoenixrockgym.com)) or call me at 480-488-1235. (Every so often I don't show up til later if no one has told me they will be helping.)

*Paul Dief* - Access Fund - Friends of Pinnacle Peak (A working board member who also hosted two shows at his gym to benefit Access — Ed)

## BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL REVIEW

In the air there was excitement and wonder if one would get a good seat for the Film Festival. There were quite a few AMC members there. Tom and Tui Conner are officially back in town and were at the Film Festival. **WE MISSED YOU GUYS!** The Phoenix Zoo had a table and displayed some interesting creatures that anyone could touch. There were three local book authors who were selling and signing their books. The AMC also had a table there and I had fun talking to interested people about climbing. The free food was a big hit! Here is a run down of the movies-

1) **Mockumentary** – Animated film that offers a glimpse into the day-to-day lives of a herd of wild sheep and the perils they must face. It was very funny.

2) **Free Base-The Depth of Air** – Wild film! A group of BASE jumpers travel to Norway's fjords and the French Alps in search of free-fall excitement. This was an exciting film and these guys are crazy (like people do not think we are crazy)!

3) **Wild Climbs: Colorado** – This film was about Steve Haston and his adventures in ice climbing in Colorado. He is a very outspoken climber and is incredible on the ice. The film also looks into the life of a professional climber who succeeds on dangerous routes that are way beyond the ability of all but an elite group of climbers.

4) **Vision Man – Grand Prize – 1999 Banff Mountain Film Festival** – (I was not able to see the entire movie because I needed to set up the table before intermission.) This was an interesting movie about an Inuit hunter that looks back at his life. He talks about how his community has advanced 4,000 years, but he also understands and tells the inevitable story of profound loss – the loss of connectedness and balance between man and nature in this remote region of northern Greenland. This was an emotional movie. One could feel his loss and isolation from everyone. This is also a hard life to lead and it takes someone who can handle the isolation and being able to be patient while hurting for your food. This man also carved animals out of bone while he being interviewed and the animals were beautiful.

5) **Soul Pilot** – Dominique Perret teams up with his Vertical Zoo Crew and launches an all out assault on some of Alaska's nastiest mountains. This was a "cool" (no pun intended)

film. The skier sat on the plane's runner and when the plane got to the top of the mountain the skier let go and started skiing! Perret did some amazing skiing and the scenery was beautiful. He was skiing on untouched snow and it was neat to see him outrace avalanches. Toward the end of the movie, he must meet the plane to leave the area and it is a race to meet the plane. Well, the plane got very low to the snow and he just skied up to it and grabbed a hold of the plane. No problem, piece of cake. This was definitely an adrenaline-pumping movie.

6) **Ocean of Fear – Best Film on Mountain Climbing**. In 1984, Andy De Klerk and Greg Lacey aid-climbed a route up the center of an overhanging expanse of rock in the Klien Winterhoek Mountains of the Western Cape of South Africa. Andy returned to free climb *Oceans of Fear* several years later and vowed to complete the experience by coming back to free climb it and BASE jump off the summit. This was a documentary of that climb. This was an interesting film.

7) **From Nowhere to the Middle of Nowhere – Special Jury Award**. The film captured the raw adventure of the first crossing of Western Nepal by paraglider. The pilot was John Silvester and the cameraman (used a solitary camera) was Alun Hughes in May of 1999. This film was interesting because the villagers would gather to watch these "bird men" in the skies. The reactions to the guys was interesting and they did not make it all the way.

8) **Darwin's Evolutionary Stakes** – It's a hot and sticky Saturday at the beginning of the world. From the slime of prehistory through the perils of the ice age, plague and technology, it's a neck and neck struggle to see who will be the first to cross the finish line to the Third Millennium. This was an animated short and was very funny.

9) **New World Disorder** – A short film about mountain biking at its most extreme. This was an adrenaline rush.

These films were very good and we need to thank REI for bringing back the Banff Film Festival. If you were not able to go, you should really try to go next year. Thank you to all the AMC members that showed up to support the Festival.

— Kim Huenecke

## GUIDE FOR FUN & PROFIT . . . OR JUST FOR YOUR FRIENDS

Did you ever want the opportunity to learn how guides train to lead clients or groups up mountains? This is a unique opportunity to learn the techniques and strategies that guides employ — a 3-day guide school offered in southern Colorado by Southwest Adventures.

We will tailor its Guide Training Class to teach AMC'ers the skills of guiding. Topics to be covered and applied to technical mountaineering terrain will include:

- Client/group orientation and preparation
- Equipment selection
- Time and pace management
- Proper anchor station management
- Short roping and short pitching
- Fixed ropes
- Descending with clients/groups
- Self-rescue
- Safety and hazard evaluation

After a day of instruction, you will “guide” a party of three, one of whom is an instructor, up an alpine climb in the Durango area of Colorado. During this field training session the instructor will critique your skills as you employ them. The climb will be a technical Class 4 or lower 5<sup>th</sup> class with the emphasis on the skills needed to lead groups safely in that terrain.

To qualify for this course you should have taken the AMC Lead School and the AMC Glacier Travel and Crevasse Rescue course or their equivalents. You should have at least 2 years of leading. Knowledge of self-rescue rope work, e.g., belay escapes, raising and lowering, etc., is preferred. You will also need to bring your own gear, camping, and food.

The cost for the school will be \$360.00. There are size limits due to the client-to-guide ratios that Southwest Adventures requires. If you are interested, contact Erik Filsinger at 480-443-2621 or email [smorefil@aol.com](mailto:smorefil@aol.com) by April 26. We would like to offer this class in May or early June.

## AMC's EASTERN SECTION

*This is from Don and Carol Rubin who became members and participated in a lot of stuff this winter. They are great people.— Sue Goins*

Hi Sue,

I am home and catching up on things. I want to write an extensive e-mail about my month in AZ but want to wait until I can e-mail all the folks I met at once.

I will say now that your club contains some of the finest companions an outdoor adventurer could hope to associate with. I was immediately enfolded within your group and had the time of my life. Look forward again to next winter and a longer stay. By the way I did get to Queen Creek. What a beautiful place!

Now for a request. I need e-mail addresses for John Keedy. Also Ron's and Mick's and Tim Lange, who lent me his down vest on the cold day in Prescott and partnered with a man older than his father and Sue and Rogil and Val who nagged me through the ridgeline hike and got me off before dark — and countless others that befriended me in such a brief time...

...I did connect with many more people, but it is hard to filter everyone out in the flurry of activities I was able to participate in. I also worked with Dave Larimer and Sally mostly the second day at Prescott and had a great day with those who climbed near me-- My other partner Stoli, And the groups near mine- Jesus, Mellissa, and the little blond girl with the dog named Barkley.

Isn't it awful that I remembered the dog's name and not hers! I have been in touch with John Keedy, and it looks as if we may connect at the Gunks this summer. Next year we will be in AZ for a month longer, so Carol and I may be able to participate in some cleanup and maintenance work, too.

We are going on an 11-day moderate hiking trip through Provence in May, which will include the Sentier Martel (the French Grand Canyon) and Mont Ventoux (6000'). If it is interesting enough, I will write a small report and send it to Wally. Thanks again to all for the open arms.

—Don Rubin



## AARS DOES IT AGAIN

Eventually we will run out of superlatives to describe the ease and thoroughness which the latest class of AARS students grasped and executed the lessons shown them by the AMC volunteer instructors. But not yet. Described as the "best ever" by the course organizers, another group of climbers has increased their competence and safety by knowing how to anticipate forces and set Anchor and belay points to withstand them.

### Instructors for 4/00

#### Anchor class:

Ross Astoria  
Eric Ball  
Richard Balland  
Dan Bolin  
Debby Brown  
Tom Conner  
Jennifer Davies  
Bill Fallon  
Donna Forst  
Daniel Gonzales  
Jeff Hatfield  
Scott Hoffman  
Sherrie Holbrook  
John Keedy  
George Krall  
Tim Lange  
David Larimer  
Sally Larimer  
Penny Medlock  
Tim Medlock  
Jeffry Nagel  
Chris Query  
Bruce Robbins  
Rogil Schroeter  
Wayne Schroeter  
Kathy Sharp  
Jef Sloat  
Mick Strole  
Tim Ward  
Gary Youngblood

### Students for 4/00

#### Anchor class:

Greg Archer  
Troy Axelrod  
Tina Bickel  
Karin Callan  
Sean Colonello  
Donna Garoutte  
Gary Hendrickson  
Kevin Keller  
Thomas Kieffer  
Eileen Kim  
James Kistler  
Kirra Kurvink  
Dawn Langston  
Rachel Mayorga  
Bruce McHenry  
Lynn Readicker  
Lance Roth  
Gail Rowell  
Mary Sauve  
Sam Scheurich  
David Stone  
Brian Stratton  
Ted Stratton  
Kate Tillery  
Bill Waybill  
Rachel Woodburn  
Cody Young

## AMC'S AMAZING VOLUNTEERS

The 17th Phoenix Bouldering Contest and 1st Superior Desert Dare are history. And, as usual, AMC came through in a big way. I want to thank all of the volunteers who made this event so successful. It would not have happened without YOU! Please forgive me if I miss someone. You are all so awesome! *Sue*

Allen Alderton  
Kay Alderton  
Chelsa Alexander  
Lynn Alexander  
Paula Anderson  
Ross Astoria  
Michael Baker  
Eric Ball  
Richard Balland  
Greg Bellamy  
Karen Berrigan  
Brett Bigelow  
Greg Bodi  
Dean Bothwell  
Isabel Brady  
Jim Brown  
Jeff Bryant  
Vicki Bryant  
Patty Bucher  
Alex Cameron  
Kathi Caudle  
Jesus Cecena  
Chuck Clover  
Rebecca Cluck  
Amy Day  
Gale Dominy  
Bruce Donaldson  
Judy Donaldson  
Sage Dunham  
Twana Fox  
Johnny Garippa  
Joseph Garippa  
Wendy Gaynor  
Danny Gonzales  
Ralph Harvey  
Jeff Hatfield  
John Henderson  
Scott Hoffman  
Mark Hubble  
Kim Huenecke  
Darrell James  
Marty Karabin

Perry Kearney  
John Keedy  
Sheri Kenly  
George Krall  
Janet Krisinski  
Dawn Langston  
Michael Lehnhardt  
Ron Logan  
Heather Markert  
Andres Meglioli  
Patrick Moody  
Jeff Nagel  
Scott Nowacki  
Fred Padgett  
Susan Peplow  
Pete Petersen  
Tu Pham  
Wim Phillipson  
Erik Postma  
Chris Query  
Gerry Rattley  
Sharon Regen  
Rod Richards  
Elissa Rinestone  
Alvin Rodrigues  
Gail Rowell  
Becky Ruckman  
Phillip Runyan  
Brad Sanders  
Mary Sauve  
Yvonna Schillaci  
Gretchen Schlicht  
Kathleen Shepler  
Jef Sloat  
Bill Stinson  
Dave Tanton  
Wally Vegors  
Tim Ward  
Ron Whitt  
Bob Zimering

## SCREE — *By Wally Vegors*

With 30 AMCers picking cans and papers out of the roadside weeds, the recent Queen Creek highway cleanup took only minutes. So, in order to prevent scuffles over who gets a particularly beautiful discarded diaper or a plastic grocery bag firmly entwined in a catclaw branch, the thought is to take on responsibility for an additional mile. That will still leave ample time for everybody to properly shred his fingertips on Queen Creek Granite after his civic duty spasm. OK by you?

A delicate subject, but one that must be addressed — a possible dues increase.

Back when AMC started a single's dues were \$3; \$5 for a family and, believe me, for most people that amount was a lot harder to break loose than \$30 or \$50 would be today. A "respectable" beginning salary then was \$4800 per year. Only experienced engineer-types made a stratospheric \$1,000 per month. Our present \$15 per single, \$20 per family has been in effect since 1986 when it was jumped from \$12 and \$17.

A number of reasons support a boost. From my perspective on the newsletter, the cost of postage has increased a half-dozen times since 1986 and printing costs have risen somewhat. The bulk of each person's dues now go for the newsletter alone. That leaves nothing for programs, etc.

Some state clubs charge from \$50 to \$85 per year in dues and then tack on an additional \$5 to \$15 to go on each outing. True, AMC is not the Colorado Mountain Club nor the Mazamas. We do not maintain an office or publish as extensively as they do. But administrative costs, such as printing and sending out instructograms and our guest speaker programs, have increased.

More important, many land management agencies define an "organized group" as 15 people or more and demand a routine \$1,000,000 insurance coverage before approving an event permit. This will be a heavy and inescapable drain on club resources when it comes.

The recent "deficit spending" has been intentional — AMC did not need \$10,000 in CDs and we did need new equipment for the basic classes — better helmets, better harnesses, and more ropes. With recent cost adjustments, T&S income should again be about in balance with costs of current programs.

However, there is a strong interest in increasing the qualifications of AMC leaders in medical know-

how, leadership skills, and different varieties of climbing, including high-altitude mountains and really, really big walls. Club member interest is definitely there.

Think about it. Members will vote on the subject (though the bylaws do not provide for a member vote) when it is brought before a general meeting. Let the board members know how you feel about it.

The June regular meeting will be a swap meet at South Mountain Park in Phoenix. Bring your surplus climbing and camping gear and prepare to pick up some great bargains in used equipment. Don't forget your liquid refreshment ('twill be warm even in the shade) plus something to char and chew on. More info and directions next newsletter.

AMC's members' photo contest and slide show will be held at the August meeting this year. That means fast work to get your masterpieces processed, selected and entered. Rules will likely be similar to last year's — will print them next time.

Fussing with gear and deciding its best possible arrangement is one of the joys of climbing. It is also serious business since not having what you need, or having it rigged wrong, can be bad, perhaps fatal, when a climb comes seriously unstuck.

Gumby (Gary Youngblood) offers his thinking on why he arranges his lockers, pearabiner, prusiks, etc., as he does elsewhere in this issue.

### **WILDERNESS FIRST RESPONDER CLASS**

The UofA Outdoor Adventures Program will host a Wilderness First Responder certification course July 15 through 23 on the UA campus in Tucson.

Cost is \$440 for the 72-hour course. Lodging on campus is \$175. For information call Outdoor Adventures at (520) 621-8233.

- Jun 3 **Four Peaks** A strenuous, one-day, multi-pitch climb (5.6 or 5.8). Jeff Nagel 602-721-1968. Details elsewhere in newsletter.
- Jun 10 **Mount Elden.** Climb and camp (Sat. night) in cool Flagstaff, 5.6-5.10. Meet behind the Denny's at I-17 and Bell at 6:30 a.m. No Limit. Tom Conner (480) 897-7623.
- Jun 11 **Humphreys Peak.** Hike to the top of Arizona's highest peak. Meet in the lower parking lot of the Snow Bowl (just north of Flagstaff off of Hwy 180) at 8:30 a.m. No Limit. Tom Conner (480) 897-7623.
- Jun 26 **Swap Meet** Regular meeting.
- July 24 **Richard Horst** meeting program.
- Aug 28 **Photo Contest** at regular meeting
- Sep 25 **Rebecca Rusch** program at regular meeting

\*Group outings: The campsite, where possible, is reserved by the AMC. There is no designated leader, although there may be a leader to work with non-leaders (call to find out). Call to find car-poolers. Parking is first-come, first-served in some cases. To request outings: Call Outings Chairperson Sally Borg, 602-788-3552. To cancel: Please call the outing leader to cancel as soon as possible: there may be a waiting list. Also, the leader will know not to wait for you on outing day.

**COMMERCIALLY PROVIDED TRAINING AND SERVICES  
ESPECIALLY FOR AMC MEMBERS\*\***

- May 4-Jun 2 **Annapurna Circuit** (essentially) plus attempts on two 6,200m. peaks at bargain rates. Jim Sumrall, 480-966-4525.
- May or June **Guide School** near Durango, Colorado. Erik Filsinger, (480) 314-1089

**BILLBOARD — Other Scheduled Events \*\***

- Tuesdays **North Mountain Hikes** Evening. Rogil Schroeter, (623) 878-3914
- Wednesdays **Arizona Climbing Center** - 6:00 p.m., Rogil Schroeter, (623) 878-3914
- Thursdays **South Mountain Park** Teddy Bear Wall after work, Chris Query, (480) 394-9780H, (602) 258-6471W.

\*\* Outings listed in these sections are not AMC sanctioned outings. Any AMC member can list an event he or she is planning and which is open to other AMC members. The member does not have to be an approved AMC Outing Leader. If you wish to participate you should be physically and mentally prepared and equipped with the appropriate gear and should contact the member planning the outing. You are responsible for your own safety, not the person leading the outing. You should always be aware of the risks involved in outdoor activities and conduct yourself accordingly.

## AMC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Participation in AMC outings requires club membership. Outings vary in degree of danger. When you participate in an outing you should be both physically and mentally prepared and equipped with the appropriate gear. You should always be aware of the risks involved in outdoor activities and conduct yourselves accordingly. The outing leader is not responsible for your safety, you are. Please contact the outing leader before going on an outing, discussing your capabilities with the outing leader. You must be over 18 years of age to participate, or must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult, and obtain prior consent from the outing leader. Those accompanying minors are responsible for the minor's safety.*

### WHEN WHERE & WHAT & WHO

- Apr 29-30 **Crown of Thorns** New granite climbs in Bradshaws. Limit 8. Jeff Nagel 602-721-1968 or rugartist@aol.com. See note elsewhere in this issue.
- Apr 29 **Pinnacle Peak Trailwork** Meet at 9am at Pinnacle Peak Patio. Bring a pack to haul water, concrete and rocks.
- Apr 30 **Promised Land** Fun sport climbing. 5.7-5.10. Meet at Denny's, I-17 & Bell, 7:00 am. No limit. Good for Basic School grads and Anchor School grads. Wayne Schroeter 623-878-3914.
- May 6 **Pancake House, Queen Creek** No Limit. Fun routes for new basic school grads — and old timers, too. 5.7-5.11. Meet at Mesa Community College at 8:00 am (Dobson and US 60) Sally Larimer 480-425-9689.
- May 7 **Jacuzzi Spire** A 3-pitch, 5.6 granite gem, fun climbing. A great opportunity for basic school grads to do a multipitch climb. Limit 6. Meet at 8:00 am at the Denny's lot at Bell Rd. and I-17. Jef Sloat, 602-843-2490.
- May 13 **Paradise Forks** Mick Strole, No Limit. Awesome crack climbing near Williams. Great preparation for Indian Creek! Meet at Bell Rd. Denny's at 7:00. Call Mick for details 602-788-4031.
- May 14 **Overlook** Scott Hoffman, No Limit. More great crack climbing, 5.7-5.10, something for everyone on this outing. Call Scott Hoffman for details 623-580-8909.
- May 20-21 **Seneca Falls** Salt River Canyon on Rez. Evil, vertical, diabase sport climbs up to 25 bolts long. Begin with two-rope rappels to get to base of climbs. Limit 10. Meet at Nagel's Apt near University and River Drive in Tempe at 7:30 a.m. Sat. Jeff Nagel, 602-721-1968 or rugartist@aol.com.
- May 22 **Big Ditch Escapades** program at regular meeting, Dave Ganci
- May 26-29 **Indian Creek, Utah.** A good range of difficulty in crack climbing including some fairly easy. Richard Horst 602-971-5738. (Continued on page 15)

### AMC OUTING LEADERS

Requirements for becoming a leader: take the basic, AARS and Lead classes (or equivalents), be a member for at least one year, complete a basic first aid and CPR class (8 hours or more), and be approved for leadership by at least five current leaders through formal application process. Contact Tim Medlock at (480) 807-4920.

Bill Berkley .....	480-945-4346
Sally Borg Larimer .....	480-425-9689
Tom Conner .....	480-897-7263
Mark Donahue .....	602-866-0133
John Ficker .....	602-867-1487
Sue Goins .....	480-821-0535
Scott Hoffman .....	623-580-8909
Richard Horst .....	602-971-5738
Kevin Kozup .....	480-460-5940

David Larimer .....	602-604-0532
Tim Medlock .....	480-807-4920
Jeff Nagel .....	480-968-2020
Paul Norberg .....	602-808-9244
Paul Paonessa .....	602-493-7356
Chris Query .....	480-394-9780
Brad Sanders .....	480-961-3674
Tim Schneider .....	480-497-8377
Rogil Schroeter .....	623-878-3914

Wayne Schroeter ..	623-878-3914
Jef Sloat .....	602-843-2490
Bill Stinson .....	602-547-2560
Mick Strole .....	602-788-4031
Frank Vers .....	480-947-9435
Allan Watts .....	602-866-0557
Gary Youngblood ..	602-508-9696

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## AMC Calendar of Events

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	1	2 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">CAMRA</div>	3 Sunrise 5:38 Sunset 7:13	4 New Moon	5	6 <b>Queen Creek</b>																																																																																																		
7 <b>Jacuzzi Spire</b>	8 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</div>	9	10 First Quarter Sunrise 5:31 Sunset 7:18	11	12	13 <b>Paradise Forks</b>																																																																																																		
14 <b>The Overlook</b>	15	16	17 Sunrise 5:25 Sunset 7:23	18 Full Moon	19	20 <b>Seneca Falls on Salt River</b>																																																																																																		
21 <b>Seneca Falls on Salt River</b>	22 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Regular Meeting/Ganci Program</div>	23	24 Sunrise 5:22 Sunset 7:28	25	26 Last Quarter <b>Indian Creek, Utah</b>	27 <b>Indian Creek, Utah</b>																																																																																																		
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