Group Executive Committee Ballots

Members of the Rio Grande Chapter can vote for both the chapter ExCom (see reverse side) and their group ExCom. (one group only, as indicated by code in mailing label). Note that the Gila Bioregional Group has not yet completed the application process for a new group, so that members in that region can still vote this year as members of their old group. Candidate statements are in group sections. (Southern New Mexico section includes statements and group ballot.)

Two boxes are provided so that each member of a joint membership may vote. Blank lines are for write-ins. Do not cut this page: reverse side contains mailing label for verification which will be removed before vote is tallied along with group ballot. (Any member who did not get this issue in the mail may submit a ballot with the membership written on for verification.)

CALENDAR

Nov. 11: Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance slide show Imagine Wilderness. Co-sponsored by Sierra Club, Wilderness Society, Audubon & others. 7:30 PM Santa Fe Unitarian Church, 107 W. Barcelona Rd. (See article on p. 7.)

Nov. 27: Fur-Free Saturday. For information on events in New Mexico, call Sangre de Cristo Animal Protection 281-0032.

Nov. 30: deadline for return of ExCom ballots
Dec. 4-5: Chapter Excom & Conservation Committee, Kingston.

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Tell Congress: Not This NAFTA

Congress is expected to vote on the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) on November 17. Never before has one agreement threatened so many of the values held by Sierra Club members, or so many of the laws we have worked to enact.

The North American Free Trade Agreement, as signed in December 1992 by then-President Bush, was a deeply flawed document, Two months earlier, Bill Clinton asked, “If we don’t have the power to enforce the laws that are on the books, what good is the agreement?” Many in the environmental movement, the Sierra Club among them, viewed it with concern.

The Sierra Club identified four major weaknesses in the agreement negotiated by the Bush administration. Prior to and since the release of that agreement, we have worked to ensure that NAFTA:
1) does not pose a threat to U.S. environmental laws or to international environmental agreements;
2) affords adequate opportunities for citizens to defend laws that are challenged as trade barriers in NAFTA’s dispute-settlement process;
3) provides a secure source of adequate funds to address the full scope of environmental problems on the U.S.-Mexico border; and
4) does not encourage nations to relax environmental standards in order to compete in the global marketplace, either by adopting weak laws or by failing to enforce stronger ones.

President Clinton sought to address many of our concerns about the Bush NAFTA. By agreeing to negotiate side agreements on labor and the environment, the president implicitly recognized that increased trade and investment with a less developed country has the potential to undermine environmental protection at home and abroad.

As Sierra Club’s October 6 analysis of NAFTA shows, however, there has been insufficient progress to correct this NAFTA’s fundamental problems.

No effort was made to lift the threat to U.S. environmental laws or to open up NAFTA dispute process to the public. The border clean up plan is under-funded and inadequate in scope. The North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation, or NAAEC, makes only limited progress on the issue of tax enforcement of environmental laws.

Report Highlights

1. Many U.S. environmental laws remain vulnerable to challenge from trading partners. Although NAFTA contains language that would appear to lift the threat, loopholes throughout the Agreement restore that threat. What this NAFTA gives with one hand, it takes away with the other.

Environmentalists’ concerns about the impact of trade agreements on environmental laws were triggered in 1991 when a CATT panel ruled that U.S. trade restrictions on tuna caught in the Mediterranean.

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The Politics of Ranching

As this issue goes to press, Pete Domenici, New Mexico's senior Senator, has succeeded in at least temporarily blocking the Interior Department's range reform program. Without the help of Western senators of both parties — including Jeff Bingaman, New Mexico's junior Senator — Domenici has been able to prevent the Senate from considering a compromise grazing reform package passed by the U.S. House of Representatives and supported by a majority of U.S. Senators. Bruce King, New Mexico's rancher-governor, had already stated his opposition to grazing fee increases and changes in grazing regulations. It is now clear that New Mexico's top three politicians are adamantly opposed to any sort of compromise in federal land use policies.

Senator Bingaman and Governor King are both up for re-election in 1994. The Sierra Club supported their previous campaigns. Among its other responsibilities, the Executive Committee (ExCom) of the Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra Club determines Club policy in New Mexico.

While some Sierra Club members feel that working with ranchers still offers opportunities for saving public land, others feel it is time to change the policy of compromise with ranchers and the politicians who support them. The ExCom's candidates whose statements in this issue come from a variety of occupations and interests which put them on different sides of this debate. Large members to take the time to carefully consider the alternatives.

Marc Bedner
Editor

NEWS SUMMARY

On October 6, the Sierra Club released its latest analysis of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and its parallel side agreements. Never before has one agreement threatened some of the values held by Sierra Club members, or so many of the laws we have worked to enact. Congress is expected to vote on NAFTA on November 17.

The Sierra Club announced on October 20 its formal endorsement of Daniel Cargo in the runoff election for Mayor of Albuquerque. Mr. Cargo is a former two-term Governor of New Mexico, has been a member of the Sierra Club for 30 years, and has long been active in both New Mexico and Oregon in behalf of environmental improvement.

Animal Damage Control agents may have been kicked off New Mexico state trust lands, but they are licensing private ranchers to act as their agents. ADC has licensed 120 ranchers to use M-44's on state and other public lands in New Mexico.

Western public interest activities are calling for a national boycott of Chevron gas stations. Their investigation of Chevron has revealed that the company donates thousands of dollars each year to so-called "wise-use" groups which promote privatizing and commercializing public lands.

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Editor Needed

The next executive committee meeting of the Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra Club will consider the 1994 contract for editor of the Rio Grande Sierra. Anyone interested should submit an application to:

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Sierra Club Endorses Cargo in Albuquerque, Mayoral Runoff
By Ron Grobeck

The ALBUQUERQUE Group of the Sierra Club announced on October 17, 2020, that it had endorsed David Cargo, the new mayor of Albuquerque. The endorsement followed the defeat of sponsored measure C in the citywide general election on November 3, 2020. Cargo had been the first candidate to declare his candidacy for the mayor's office, and he had run a campaign that focused on creating a better future for Albuquerque.

Cargo's endorsement was part of a larger trend in the city's political landscape. With the endorsement, Cargo was able to attract more support from the Sierra Club, which has a long history of supporting environmental candidates.

In his campaign, Cargo emphasized his commitment to protecting the environment and improving the quality of life for Albuquerque residents. He promised to prioritize sustainability and green energy, and to work with local organizations to protect the city's natural resources.

Cargo's endorsement was seen as a significant development in the city's political landscape. It marked the first time that the Sierra Club had endorsed a candidate in Albuquerque, and it was seen as a sign of the city's growing commitment to environmental issues.

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Cross-Country Ski Report
By John Turnbull

With the sporadic reports of snow around the area, the occasional frost in the northern half of New Mexico, winter is on its way. Last year we stated our modest objective: to make every Sierra Clubber a skier this winter. In the 1992-93 season we came another hundred closer to that goal, and had a lot of fun doing it.

Living New. This year, thanks to generous contributions from Volte Equipment, of Salt Lake City, Play-It-Again-Sports of Santa Fe, and Wildness Exchange of Santa Fe, and others, our indoor classes will have a whole new display of modern and vintage ski bindings, and transition Alpine (downhill) equipment from the early 1990's. Back again this year in our pair of 10 long (hand-made) touring skis from about 1880, found in a mining camp in Colorado a few years ago. Watch our group outings schedule for these classes.

Joint Outings. Last year we finally got around to running a bunch of talks about for a long time: sponsoring ski lessons and tours between the Albuquerque and Santa Fe Groups. This year we have two such outings. To catch the excitement of Alta, we are sponsoring a group outing to the Rio Grande National Forest, this is the location of "The Yurt," which we will be meeting in the workshop on the weekend, while on the other side we have a group outing to the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, sleeping six people, and equipped with a wood stove (Brewmberl), and other amenities (Sangre de Cristo Mountains, sleeping six people, and equipped with a wood stove (Brewmberl), and other amenities (Sangre de Cristo Mountains, sleeping six people, and equipped with a wood stove (Brewmberl), and other amenities (Sangre de Cristo Mountains, sleeping six people, and equipped with a wood stove (Brewmberl), and other amenities (Sangre de Cristo Mountains, sleeping six people, and equipped with a wood stove (Brewmberl), and other amenities (Sangre de Cristo Mountains, drinking from the Forest Service). These are booked up early, especially for weekends, so make reservations as early as possible. The workshop area will be open early April, and May. If reservations aren't available for mid-March, consider a ski trip in February or March. The weather is warmer, the snow is firmer under ski, and everything is easier. Singing songs and making skis is fun on the stove. Yurt trips are lots of fun.

Where to Go. Last year in this column we published an extensive list of places to ski and places to learn to ski within the Chapter area. We were not repeating that list, but we were preparing for the ski season by sending a stamped, self-addressed business-size envelope to (John Turnbull; Route 3, Box 15; Santa Fe, N.M. 87501). Last year we published a very useful and popular article on how to dress for skiing and other winter activities. We will be repeating that material in the January 1994 issue.

For skiers in Albuquerque (but not necessarily limited to them) note that the New Mexico Ski Club (now renamed the New Mexico Cross Country Ski Club) has an extensive offering of day tours, weekend trips, and grand tours, all of the Southwest, complete with bus service and accommodations. Membership is a minimum of $7.50/year, and day trips are otherwise free. Contact membership person Ron Lasston & Carolyn Bannard (576- 7772). This is a great opportunity to meet new people, see new ski country, and generally have fun. The Club will be frequenting the ski areas around Albuquerque, so downhill enthusiasts can put in some time on the slopes.

What to Buy. In February we will be publishing an article on backcountry ski equipment - what to look for, new equipment, and what to avoid. Hopefully this will get you to the retail shops of the season clearance sales.

Next Issue: Staying cozy? What to wear on the snow.

The author is a member and former chairman of the Sierra Club. He has been writing and intermittently intermediate ski classes and tours for several years for the Sierra Club, a private school, and other organizations. He is a contributing editor of southern Colorado's Sierra Club, and a member of the Professional Ski Instructors of America - Rocky Mountain Division.

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in ways that killed large numbers of dolphins were invalid under the terms of General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

Sierra Club (and five other national environmental groups that now support NAFTA) called for a moratorium on challenges to laws that regulate har- vesting methods in order to protect wildlife in the “global commons.”

Despite this common call for change, the side agreement does nothing to guarantee the right of the U.S. government to enforce such laws through trade measures.

The kinds of laws threatened by NAFTA include:

- U.S. food safety laws and other product standards
- State and local laws exceeding international standards
- Laws regulating import of products produced in ways that damage the environment, as noted above, and
- International Environmental Agreements enforced through import regulations.

In addition, NAFTA does little to lift the threat that our trading partners could be lax enforcement of their laws to attract investment.

2. The U.S. public remains shut out of the NAFTA dispute-resolution process if U.S. environmental laws are challenged as trade barriers. As even its staunchest advocates in the environ-

mental community concede, “the NAFTA dispute-resolution rules are still largely closed to public input.” Instead, panels of trade experts, with no special qualifications in environmental issues, would make these vital policy decisions in secret behind closed doors.

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3. Key elements are missing from the plan to clean up the U.S.-Mexico bor-

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As one leading environmental econo-
mist has observed and as this study documents, “Trade specialists have attempted to shift significant rules of the game to protect the goals of free trade against those of environmental protection. Understandably, these shifts have provoked environmental groups to intense opposition.”

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A recent news story confirms the point. Even before the ink was dry on the side agreement, the Clinton Administration began considering new regulations to screen environmental regulations for their effects on trade.

4. The environmental side agreement provides sanctions for countries that fail to enforce their environmental laws. However, this provision is so weak and complicated, even egregious violations would be hard to penalize. If sanctions cannot be applied readily, countries would have little incentive to actually improve enforcement. Politici-

ers could remain free to cross borders in order to take advantage of weak environmental laws and indifferent enforcement.

Stemming the Threat to Environmental Protection

The Sierra Club believes that this NAFTA must be defeated and reas-

ten to stem the rising threat to envi-

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opposition to this NAFTA, adopted unanimo-
us by its Board of Directors, is the result of a painstaking examina-

tion of the text of both the original docu-

ment and the environmental side agreement.

In short, the free-trade pact offered by the current administration remains fatally flawed. The Sierra Club’s...
The Price of Everything, the Value of Nothing

The handyman’s guide to environmental politics

The handbook has a simple but effective design: the cover is white with black text, and the title is printed in bold letters. The interior pages are a mix of black and white text, with some sections highlighted in red. The book is divided into several chapters, each with a brief introduction and a list of key points to be covered.

Chapter 1: The Basics

This chapter introduces the basic concepts of environmental politics, including the role of government, the importance of public participation, and the need for effective communication. The author provides examples of successful campaigns and policies, and discusses the challenges faced by environmental groups.

Chapter 2: The Politics of Pollution

This chapter examines the political economy of pollution, including the role of corporations, the influence of interest groups, and the impact of globalization. The author argues that pollution is a systemic problem that requires comprehensive solutions at the local, national, and international levels.

Chapter 3: The Politics of Conservation

This chapter explores the politics of conservation, including the role of environmental groups, the impact of education, and the importance of public awareness. The author provides examples of successful conservation campaigns, and discusses the challenges faced by environmentalists.

Chapter 4: The Politics of Reform

This chapter examines the politics of reform, including the role of politicians, the impact of public opinion, and the need for long-term strategies. The author provides examples of successful reforms, and discusses the challenges faced by environmental activists.

Chapter 5: The Future of Environmental Politics

This chapter looks at the future of environmental politics, including the potential for new technologies, the role of international cooperation, and the need for sustained efforts. The author provides a brief summary of the key points covered in the book, and offers some suggestions for further reading.

Letter in Silver City paper denounces “ecopornographers”

The following excerpt from a letter appeared in the October 19 Silver City Daily Press. It indicates the range of the debate over endangered species in the Gila.

"I am an author, a fisherman, woodsman and eater of beef, and I also like vegetables. To eat that is, I don’t care for just looking at them and trying to make certain somebody else doesn’t eat them. A darn on the Gila River below Cliffwood in 1982 cleared up and improve all of the above activities...."

Threatened and endangered species affected by sodium cyanide include the California condor, San Joaquin kit fox, jaguarundi, ocelot, gray wolf and grizzly bear. Non-target species reported killed by M-44’s in recent years include domestic dogs and cats, foxes, badgers, bobcats, opossums, javelina, porcupines, ring-tailed cats, raccoons, skunks and black bear.

Public land managers have full authority to approve or disapprove the use of M-44’s on lands under their jurisdiction. Write or call New Mexico State Land Commissioner Ray Powell, Jr., and urge him to ban M-44’s, phone (505) 827-8701; address: State Land Office, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Also urge President Clinton and EPA Director Carol Browner to ban the use of sodium cyanide for all federal lands.

For further information on how you can help to get these poisons off public lands, call Patricia Wolff, Rio Grande chapter wildlife chair, at 589-1630. The November issue of Sierra magazine features an article on our wildlife chair and ADC.
National Chevron Boycott Announced
Research Reveals Corporate Contributions
to "Wise Use" Groups

Changing that CHEVRON Corporation finances anti-environmental organizations and pollutes the West while presenting a "green" image. Western public interest activists are calling for a national boycott of Chevron gas stations. Their investigation of Chevron has revealed that the company donates thousands of dollars each year to so-called "wise-use" groups which promote privatizing and commercializing public lands.

"The problem with Chevron and the "wise-use" groups lies in exploitation and deceit," said Tom Ribe, Director of the Boycott Chevron Campaign. "Corporations such as Chevron target rural people facing financial uncertainty in a changing economy and then use them to further corporate political goals which often are contrary to the economic and environmental interests of working people and the country in general. While these "wise-use" groups masquerade as grassroots organizations, their boards of directors are populated with executives from mining, logging and oil companies."

"Chevron is hiding behind a green mask," said Sam Hilt, director of Forest Guardians, a New Mexico-based environmental organization. "By boycotting Chevron, consumers with an interest in protecting the environment have a way to fight back."

Hilt urges consumers with Chevron credit cards to cut them up and send them to Kenneth Don, Chairman of the Board, Chevron Corp., 225 Bush Street, San Francisco, CA 94104.

An investigation of Chevron's activities has shown that the company engages in "corporate greening," said Pat Yelz, director of New West Research, the organization that conducted the investigation. According to Yelz:

- Chevron has funneled at least $92,000 to People for the West through the Western States Public Lands Coalition, an industry front group registered with the IRS as a 501(c)(6) business organization. People for the West was organized in 1989 to generate "grassroots" opposition to 1872 Mining Law reform. Chevron consultant relations manager Thomas Walker sits on WSPLC's board of directors.

- In its 1992 Annual Report of Contributions, Chevron claimed it gave $1,335,518 to nonprofit environmental organizations, but many were actually anti-environmental organizations.

- One such group, the National Wilderness Institute, is listed in a right-wing organizational directory called The Right Guide as a group that "stresses the need for private sector stewardship which enhances the resource base without unnecessarily inhibiting economic growth."

The NWI newsletter regularly blasts legitimate environmental groups in a column called "Red Alert."

- The Committee for a Constructive Tomorrow, which received $15,000 from Chevron in 1992, conducts work called "the intentional effort underway in our schools to indoctrinate children with a dangerous Green mentality."

- The Pacifica Legal Foundation, which defends the interests of mining and logging companies, real estate developers, chemical manufacturers, oil companies, electric utilities and the nuclear power industry against public interest legal actions, received $18,000 from Chevron last year.

- The Ralph Nader-founded publication Multinational Monitor reported that Chevron pleaded guilty to 65 federal Clean Water Act violations in 1992 and was ordered to pay $6.5 million in criminal fines and $1.5 million in civil fines.

- The Council on Economic Priorities reports that the company's El Segundo refinery recently paid a fine of $1.5 million, the largest assessed by the EPA in the last decade for a single facility for illegally dumping pollutants into Santa Monica Bay.

- Franklin Research and Development Corp. of Boston provides information on high-capitalization companies for socially responsible investors. Franklin judges company performance in nine social categories and ranks them on a scale of 1 to 5. A 1990 Franklin Insight profile ranked Chevron near the bottom with a 4.

This article was adopted from a press release from the Boycott Chevron campaign. For more information, write to Boycott Chevron at P.O. box 789, Las Alamos, NM 87544, or call Forest Guardians at (505) 988-9126.

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1993

NEW MEXICO — LAND OF BLUE SKYS, FORESTS, DESERTS AND LESS AND LESS WATER!!

Our November meeting will be a panel discussion on water issues in the immediate Santa Fe County area, such as golf courses and leash fields. Ken Hughes will moderate the panel, consisting of: Maigie Moogun of Sowder Miller & Assoc., hydrologist; two representatives from the Los Campanas Development; and Joaquin Vargas, with cultural implications and perspectives from the La Camina Community near the Downs race track.

If you are concerned about WATER QUANTITY and WATER QUALITY, be at the Unitarian Church (Barcelona between Don Gaspar and Galisteo) Tuesday, November 16 at 7:30 PM. The meeting is free and open to all.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1993

The best potluck dinner in Santa Fe is at our annual Holiday party, which will be held this year on Saturday, December 18, 1993, at 6:00 PM at the Unitarian Church (on Barcelona between Don Gaspar and Galisteo). We'll sing carols and enjoy the fun of seeing who wins the hosts in our silent auction. Each attendee should bring a food dish to eat at least eight people. And, if you have a white elephant or some useful or totally frivolous item you'd like to pass on to someone else, please bring it along to be put up for bidding at the silent auction. We already know we'll have downhill skis and boots, original art, pottery, weaving, swim flippers and mask, and other neat stuff. What can you add? We'll be taking a small financial contribution at the door to help defray the cost of the party. If you can help set up before or clean up after the party, or if you need ideas about what food to bring, please call Norma McCallan at 471-0005. Hope to see you there!

MEETING SCHEDULE

The Executive Committee of the Santa Fe Group will meet at noon at the offices of Jurgens, Tallmadge & With, 322 Montezuma on Tuesday, November 2, 1993, and December 7, 1993.

PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE FOR JANUARY: Tuesday, January 4, 1994, the meeting will be held at 7:00 PM at the Santa Fe Group Office, 440 Cerrillos Road, to choose 1994 officers and committee chairs.

DOCUMENTS NEEDED FOR SERRA STATE LOBBYISTS GIG

Santa Fe is the site of an annual get together of Sierra Club lobbyists December 3, 4, and 5. Over 60 lobbyists from state capitols and all across the country will gather to swap stories (both success and horror) and strategies on how to most effectively fight for the environment at state legislatures.

Volunteers are needed on Sunday, December 5, to provide the group a chance to hike or cross-country ski the Sangre de Cristos or to get a guided tour of Santa Fe. If you can help in transporting and/or guiding, please call Ken Hughes at 474-0550.

A NOTE OF THANKS...

... to Carole Owens for allowing the Group to take over her garage for a sale in September, and to Carole, Norma McCallan, and Joaquin Vargas for their long hours of arranging, pricing, and selling. The garage sale raised almost $300 to help keep the rent paid.
SANTA FE GROUP OUTINGS

Sat Nov November

6 Arnold and Carolyn Keskulla (982-9570) Easy/Moderate Hike on Forest Road 79. Leave 8:30 AM.
7 Victor Atyas (471-7545) Easy/Moderate Hike in the Cerillos Hills. Leave 8:30 AM.
13 Lionel Sorace (983-6715) Moderate Hike to Shaggy Peak and Apache Canyon. Mostly off-trail. Wear sturdy boots. Leave 9 AM.

Fri-Sat-Sun-Mon (Nov. 12-13-14-15):

20 Norman McCollin (471-0005) Car Camp and Moderate Day Hikes in Moab area of SE Utah, including hikes up Pulpit Rock and trek to Pritchett Arch. Dogs allowed. Leave Thur (11-11) PM.
20 Steven Janus (984-4317) Strong Hike to Pecos Balady (conditions permitting). Leave 7:30 AM.
21 Bob McKee (672-3426) Moderate Hike on the Burro Trail in Bandelier. Call leader for time and meeting place.
27 Norrise Sanders (984-0386) Strong Hike to the Stone Lions from Ponderosa Campground. 15 miles roundtrip. Leave 8 AM.
28 Norbert Sperlich (903-1902) Moderate Hike on the Caja del Rio. Leave 8 AM.
28 Elizabeth Altman (471-8400) Easy Hike Kitchen Mesa at Ghost Ranch. One rock scramble. Leave 9 AM.

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4 Carolyn & Arnold Keskulla (982-9570) Moderate Hike Atalaya, 1600' elevation gain. Leave 9 AM.
5 Victor Atyas (471-7545) Easy/Moderate Hike in Cerillos Hills. Leave 9 AM.
11 Norrise Sanders (984-0386) Moderate Hike to Ancho Rapids, 6 miles roundtrip, 1000' elevation gain. Steep climb. Leave 8:30 AM.
12 Norman McCollin (471-0005) Easy/Moderate Hike on Salsar-Rin Vista Trail (near Ghost Ranch) or closer to Santa Fe if bad weather. Dogs allowed. Leave 8:30 AM.
16 John Turnbull (982-9329) Indoor Ski Class Introduction to Cross-country Skiing. A discussion of Nordic skiing, including its history, various applications, and relationships to Alpine (downhill) skiing. Nordic equipment, especially for backcountry skiing; and what to wear. Unitarian Church. 7:15 PM to approximately 9:15 PM.
18 John Turnbull (982-9329) Outdoor Ski Class Introduction to Cross-country Skiing - Basic Techniques. An introduction to fundamentals of Nordic skiing, classical style, emphasizing backcountry skills, but possibly elsewhere, depending on snow. Bring snacks, a small lunch and water. Equipment may be rented at most shops. Leave 9:00 AM from Wilderness Exchange (next to Osco Drug Store), return early afternoon.
18 Joe Whelan (984-0746) Moderate Cross-country Ski Trip if snow (otherwise, hike). Call leader for details. Leave 8:30 AM.
19 John Turnbull (982-9329) Beginner Cross-country Ski Tour Snow permitting. Vicinity to be determined. Thoughful pace, with time to look at the scenery and nature of the trail. Leave 9:00 AM and skiing various terrain. Bring snacks, at least one quart of water, and generous lunch. Leave 9:00 AM from Wilderness Exchange (next to Osco Drug Store), return about 4 PM. Carpooling.
19 Julie Montoya King (438-7197) Moderate Hike, moderate pace, to Windows Rock, 8 miles roundtrip, 1000' elevation gain. Leave 8 AM.
25 HAPPY HOLIDAYS - no hike scheduled.
26 Jeff Jones (984-2389) Easy Hike along railroad tracks near Glorieta. Kids welcome. Meet at main (second) entrance to Eldorado at 10 AM.

Outings Notes - All outings, unless otherwise specified, leave from the Pena parking lot at the corner of Pena and Old Santa Fe Trail (across the street from the State Capitol and Pete Corbett). Carpooling will be arranged at the parking lot, and each hiker should come prepared to pay 5 cents a mile to the driver of the car in which hiker rides. Hikers should bring a lunch, sturdy hiking boots or shoes, and clothing suitable for the weather leader reserves the right to turn away anyone whose equipment or appearance appears unsuitable. Leader has the right to alter destination of hike or cancel the trip due to weather, unfavorable conditions, or insufficient number of participants. Unaccompanied minors must have written permission from parents or guardians to participate. Permission forms are available at the Sierra Club office. Participants are not permitted on hikes unless noted otherwise. Telephone leader for details of the individual hikes.

SIERRA CLUB - Santa Fe Group
440 Cerillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87501
Phone: 505-983-2703
The Santa Fe Group shared in a real legislative triumph this year: thanks to the Sierra Club, the New Mexico legislature passed a good hard-rock mining regulations bill. The Group's other conservation concerns include the proposed expansion of the Santa Fe Ski Area, accessing public access to the National Forest from the east side of Santa Fe, attempts at reconciling the need for fuel wood with several badly-designed timber sales in the Carson National Forest, energy conservation, and public ownership of Santa Fe's water system. Van Perkins took over the leadership of the Group's conservation work and did a masterful job at keeping on top of things.

Helen Moser organized our general programs and came up with some truly inspired events. We started the year with an in-depth look at environmental action in the New Mexico legislature, then went on a photographic trip to New Zealand with native Kiwi Bill Drake and his wife, Janet Pescoz, and later to the Appalachians, Rockies and Himalayas with John Yvaska. The spring brought us a show on native plants from Gall Haggard of Plants of the Southwest and a visit from The Wildlife Center's raptors, including a golden eagle and a short-eared owl. After a summer break, we learned about evolutions housing from Bob Ablabue and the status of public access to the Santa Fe National Forest just east of the city. Helen has also done wonders with publicizing our meetings and outings; mere thanks cannot do her justice.

The Group's socializing outside of general meetings and outings was limited this year to our summer solstice picnic held in Gwenn Westfall's lovely yard and to our upcoming pot-luck Christmas party. There's a real need in the group for a social chair to organize some new members' parties or alfresco dinners, special events for single members, etc. Any ideas?

The Group is also in need of fundraising ideas. Much of our conservation budget comes from sales of our hiking book, and the Iking Book Committee is hard at work on the 4th edition. We've supplemented our operating funds a little this year with a garage sale at Carolle Owen's house, the silent auction at the Christmas party, and a raft trip, as well as with incidental sales of tee-shirts and other Club items. But we need to be doing much more.

Also in 1993, we staffed a booth at the Earth Day celebration at the Santa Fe Children's Museum; held an outings leaders training day; participated in rallies on mining reform, animal dance control, and grazing on public lands; used our telephone tree to alert members to urgent environmental issues (thanks to Martha Anne Freeman in environment's uncountable phone calls from residents and tourists thanks again to Sue McIntosh and Lionel Soroce); and led more than a hundred hikes, backcountry, bike trips, car camps, and cross-country ski trips. It's been a busy year, and I tender my thanks to all of you who have been a part of it.

Mark Mortier
As a long-time resident of Santa Fe and Northern New Mexico, I have seen the changes that have come about over the years, often at the expense of the environment. These changes have oftentimes threatened or destroyed the very things that many of us came here for. It is up to us to protect these things, or they will be lost forever. To this end I have been an activist in various issues that affect the environment around us such as National Forest planning and the political process. Currently, I am involved in Santa Fe National Forest issues, especially the Ski Basin Expansion and the fight to save Atalaya. I believe that in addition to dealing with issues of national importance, the Sierra Club should have a strong, visible role in supporting local causes. This can be done using our financial resources, membership, and activist membership.

George Grossman
I am a retired bridge engineer and have lived in Santa Fe since 1962 and in New Mexico since 1956. I became involved in environmental issues in 1970 and have concentrated most of my efforts on public lands issues, especially wilderness. I prepared the maps for nearly all of the conservationists' wilderness proposals, testified at many public hearings and lobbied Congress for wilderness.

I participated in the development of the Forest Plans for both the Carson and Santa Fe National Forests. In 1991 I served on the congressional delegations' Timber Task Force, which found there was very little timber available for harvest.

I joined the Sierra Club in 1978 and have served on the Group Executive Committee for several years. I continue to attend most of the meetings.

I have served as the Rio Grande Chapter Conservation Committee Chair. I have also served on the Chapter Political Committee and have supervised the Chapter lobbyist.

Martha Anne Freeman
I have been active in environmental issues for the 17 years I have lived in Santa Fe. For several years I was the director of Santa Fe Forest Watch and am currently active in the Santa Fe Forestry Council. My activities include monitoring all facets of the Forest Service -- at present I am involved in the East Fork of the Wild and Scenic Jemez River and several other interdisciplinary teams in various districts of the Forest Service. To be an effective environmentalist, I believe it is necessary to first become educated on all issues of a problem. My other community activities include serving on the executive committees of the Council on International Relations and The Friends of the Wheelerwright Museum. I am also chair of the telephone tree for the Santa Fe Group of the Sierra Club.

Vickie Gabin
I've been instructed to write no more than 150 words about myself in pursuit of an ExCon seat. No problem.

The positive: Rio Grande Chapter water issues, co-chair and novice money-raiser for the cause; water rights lawyer;-literate; responsible; commitment to water planning efforts and water resources reform in New Mexico. On the other hand: mediocre business acumen; water rights lawyer; intense dislike for politics and public speaking; knoky memory for jokes. Might be useful someday; restaurant critic experience and well cooking skills; love of fiction and film; ability to fit into small spaces.

Norma McCallan
I have been a member of the Santa Fe Group Executive for many years and held various offices, including secretary, program vice chair. I am completing my second term on the chapter Excom. Have long been involved with the outings program and am currently group and chapter outings chair. I see outings as a primary mechanism for recruitment, for increasing appreciation of wild and special areas, and for firing up activism over threatened places and species. Concerns for Santa Fe Group are: 1) ways to increase the number of activities (painfully few for all the issues); 2) more networking and cooperation with local and regional clubs and citizens in areas of mutual concern; 3) growing necessity for fundraising. I belong to many environmental organizations. Because of its grassroots activities and broad commitment to the environment, Sierra Club is the one organization I have been willing to spend a lot of time and effort in helping.

Lionel Soroce
Since assuming the duties of Treasurer two years ago, it has been my pleasure and privilege to add to that responsibility those of Executive Committee member, Secretary, Hiking Book distributor, Outings Leader, and most recently, an activist for Atalaya Mountain. I would like to continue as a member of the Executive Committee and ask for your support.

Group Ballot is on the last page.
ALBUQUERQUE GROUP

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

THE NEW RANGE WARS: LIVESTOCK OR WILDLIFE

By Susan Gorman

It’s Movie Night with the Sierra Club!

Rangeland reform is in the making. The US Congress is debating new legislation to change the way public lands are managed, particularly with respect to grazing policy. The BLM, guided by Bruce Babbit and Jim Baca, is developing new regulations to manage our public lands in a sustainable way that protects the land and the wildlife inhabitants.

The film, “The New Range Wars,” features interviews with ranchers and environmentalists and visions of western lands, pristine and ravaged. The film was made by Roger Stogsdill, a New Mexican filmmaker and was shown on public television. Roger has agreed to give us a personal showing of the film and add his own special commentary. Come learn what the “exotic herbivores” such as cattle and sheep have done to the range and what changes are being made to reform the range.

Preceding the main program, there will be slides of the Bisti and De-Na-Zin Wilderness Areas taken at the recent outings. There will be news about upcoming events and outings and opportunities to get involved in the various activities of the Albuquerque Group. Bring a cup for refreshments provided by the club.

The meeting will be held on Monday, November 15th, at 7:30 PM in Room 2401 of the UNM Law School Building on the northwest corner of Stanford and Mountain NE. PLEASE COME!

Thanksgiving Potluck - November 21st

Reviving an old Albuquerque Group tradition, we are going to have an informal ‘Potluck Supper’ on Sunday evening, November 21st beginning at 5 pm.

Jay Sorrenson, Chair of the Albuquerque Group has offered to be our host. He lives at 3800 Charleston NE, which is two blocks North of Menaul, and two blocks West of Pennsylvania.

All members are invited to come by and stay for as long as you can. There's no formality, just a chance to meet some of your fellow members in a more casual atmosphere than the general meeting. We'll plan to eat around 6 pm, so bring a dish to share and your own plate and utensils and join us.

We are hoping to make this the first of many similar gatherings. If you would like to host a future one, call Blair at 265-3231. Keep your eye on the Sierra for the date and time of the next one. See you there!

Macho Thanks
Ellen and Ron Lockman for providing your home for the parking lot party.

Thanks to the 50 or so parking lot volunteers

Nick Nickolos and Susan Van de Meur for organizing the parking lot this year.

Marsha, Susan, Irv, Rhoda, Susan, Jane for the second office clean up.

A Modest Transportation Proposal …

Orange barrels, traffic jams and street closures seem to be increasing. And the voters rejected two cents to help alleviate some of this. But I have thought of one simple thing that can be done that may have some impact. With over 7000 employees, Sandia National Laboratories is one of the largest employers in Albuquerque. Add to this many more who work for the Air Force and Phillips Laboratory and you end up with major gridlock.

Sandia National Laboratories has an official work schedule of 8 - 4:30. Anyone who works for Sandia can attest to the clogging of Gibson, Balhawk, Louisiana and Wyoming at these times. When AT&T ran Sandia they professed to be a good neighbor and serve the community. Now that Martin Marietta has taken over, it is their chance to demonstrate this by instituting a more flexible work schedule, for example, any 8 hr shift between 7am and 5pm. The benefits to our traffic and air quality certainly outweigh any reasons, whatever they may be, for keeping the rigid schedule.

Larry Compton

Holiday Party - Sunday, December 19th

As in previous years, we will be having a Holiday party in place of the December general meeting. It's a great opportunity to renew friendships, meet new people and talk about the successes of this year and the challenges of next year.

Marsha Cohen has graciously offered to hold the party at her home. She lives at 1304 Linda Court in Corrales (go West across Alameda Blvd, on Corrales Road for 1/2 mile, and left on Cobacco Road turn on Calks Linds and then onto Linda Court - her phone number is 897-1591 if you need help finding it). Please bring your favorite dish, enough to serve 6 to 8. Also bring your own non-disposable plates, cups and utensils. The Club will provide sodas, beer and wine, plus ice and condiments.

In the spirit of Club's efforts on recycling, we are going to ‘Recycle’ Giltti this year. This means that everyone should bring a wrapped gift, which should be something that you have around your house and no longer needed (examples might be an Edward Abbey novel you've already read, an Earth Day '93 T-shirt you never wear, an extra '94 picture calendar you don't need, etc.). After dinner, those who have brought gifts will draw numbers to see who gets which gift. It should be fun.

If anyone can come a little early to put up luminarias or help set up, we'd really appreciate it. Call Marsha at 897-1591 or Terri at 265-8724 to help us.

Be sure to write the date on your calendar: December 19th from 5 - 9 pm and think about which of your 'treasures' you'll bring to recycle. See you there!!

CALANDER

Unless otherwise noted, meetings take place at the Club office at 207 San Pedro NE.

Dec 4: Mexican Wolf Coalition, 7:30 pm.

Dec 8: Executive Committee Meeting, 7pm.

Dec 11: Sierra Club General Meeting, UNM Law School, Rm 2402, 7:30 PM.

Dec 12: Conservation Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm.

Dec 13: Activities & Special Planning meeting, 7pm. Call Terri - 265-8724 or Dave - 344-8693 for location.

Dec 18: 12 noon, Deadline for articles for January group newsletter. Macintosh preferred. Call Dorothy if supplying hardcopy only.

Dec 19: Holiday Party, 1304 Linda Court, Corrales, 5 pm. Marsha Cohen, 897-1591 (no general meeting).

Dec 27: Conservation Committee meeting, 7:30 pm.

Jan 3: Activities & Special Planning meeting, 7pm. Call Terri - 265-8724 or Dave - 344-8693 for location.
OUTINGS

ALBUQUERQUE

Cold Weather has arrived, do not forget to stuff gloves, a stocking hat, an emergency hot beverage mix, and a warm jacket in your pack.

Sometime Nov
Cold Weather MixAdvantages
The maps are now available for those people facing with having to spend the night in freezing temperatures under unexpected circumstances. These maps have never before been able to tell us about climate conditions. Some conditions for others to be brought indoors, for survival activities, shelter built indoors, and whitewater. We will draw on the experience of one of Albuquerque’s water management courses (since we know some of your experiences will be shared as well) to find out on the reservation last fall. Stefan Vehrencamp (BB) 17731

Sat Nov 6 Leucite; Miles:3 Car: 3 Flippets Maralda Hills
Petroglyph National Monument Most petroglyphs in the monument are done in the Rio Grande style. The Rio Grande style lasted from 1300 AD to the Pueblo Revolt in 1600. Spanish expansion, non- native epidemics, crop failures, and raids by Indian peoples were the precursors to the retreat of the Rio Grande people.

Sat Nov 4 Leucite; Miles:4 Car: 160 Test Rock ACEC Hike
This trail is an excellent introduction to a petroglyphic Monument, we will start through the slot canyons, onto the mesa above by another canyon while meandering through the towering petroglyphs known as the Test Rocks. Meet behind Washington’s Sandstone and Academy. Bring high call for details.
Leader: Murad Cohn 397-1591

Mon Nov 15 Prehistoric Diner Cano’s Pizzai, 108 Vasquez St, 6:45 AM on a great way for nonmembers to become acquainted with the Rio Grande. David 344-8963

Sat Nov 20 Leucite; Miles: 3 Car: 3 Rio Grande Meteors [Editorial] Would you believe one of the most curious, sacred, and far-fetching drilling biologists has visited your neighborhood’s Bosque Committee’s Biological Field Trip. The status points in probability that the Rio Grande meteors is being destroyed by overgrazing on the Rio Pecos Ranch. Keep up with the latest of conditions continue, cattlegnawing along the Bosque’s edges. A natural hydrographical increase flow on the Rio Grande could encourage the Bosque. The drought development along the river should be slowed as much as possible. The plan’s fines dusts as wild habitat. Expect it to be set on fire, and stay safe.
Leader: John 207-4137

Sun Nov 25 Leucite; Miles: 1 Car: 60 Oxbow Hike, Rio Grande Bosque Although the US Fish and Wildlife Service will list endangered against the placement of a haul road at the mouth of the Bosque, the Rio Grande Bosque is open up the dense smog, to retake a path, mostly by cowardly and inaccessible land.

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Nov 28 1993 Moderately Slopes Miles: 1 Car: 6 Bubba’s Hike (M) 344-8963
Nov 29 1993 Moderately Slopes Miles: 1 Car: 6 Tijuana X/C Ski (M) 344-8963
Nov 30 1993 Leisure—Moderate Miles: 1 Car: 6 Tijuana X/C Ski (M) 344-8963

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Sierra Club XC plants tree. As the snow flurries fly by, you’ll be informed of the latest happenings. XC ski trails are also available for beginners. Don’t be left out of the cold! Contact Stan at 292-9196.

Outings Reports
Nov 14 Several Twelve people went for this walk through the fall colors. Jorge and Del Mar and River Rock 14 people for a walk and talk along river. David and Bob were very much impressed by the night outlooks.
Tapia Caneys ten people faced the Minter heat to get to the coolness of the canyon. Angustor, Peru, 12 people with just a couple of Alp. Apache Kid Wilderomo Tan says it was a great backpack, we will do it again next year.
Artists View the second one was called due to rain, the one in Sept requested photos, poems, paintings, and drawings.

Don’t forget the Outings Photography Contest
Outings Needs Outings You would like to book a hike, bike, tour, educational seminar, wine and cheese party, or a slide show. Give a call to David 344-8963

Asp Committee—The last project was the Spanish in Rio Grande party, new member letters, putting up the office signs, and keeping our meetings. We will be planning for the Christmas party this year if you would like to help, just call.

UNM Student Sierra Club The Student Sierra Club has started up for this upcoming year. During our first meeting, the bus moved our furniture into our new office. Meetings are now on Tuesday at 7:30 PM at Room 234E, the Sierra Club office. Our next meeting on Nov 7 features a presentation by the Mexican Wolf Conservation.

Some of the focuses for this year will be to be alternative transportation, with a possible project at the problem at the UNM and wildlife issues in regards to habitat. We will be extending an open invitation to our meetings or to help us out on upcoming projects. We will be calling you.

President Allan Cochran 896-2322

UNM Sierra Club alum, NM, 87131
ALBUQUERQUE

Candidates for Albuquerque Group Executive Committee

Richard Barish

I have served on the group Execom since 1988 and have been Group Treasurer for about three years. I have been particularly active in issues affecting riparian areas and in initiatives concerning open space in the Albuquerque area. I am Bosque Issues Chair, and in that capacity I have commented and testified for the Group on a variety of issues, including the proposed listing of the silvery minnow as an endangered species, the plan for the Rio Grande Valley State Park, and the proposed plan for the management of the Oxbow wetland. The biggest challenge facing the Group is recruiting new volunteers to lift some of the burden from overworked members and to cover issues that have previously not been adequately covered. I would like the opportunity to continue serving on the Execom to address this and other issues necessary to ensure that the Sierra Club continues to be an important force for conservation and environmental protection in central New Mexico.

Blair Brown

Upon moving to New Mexico, I realized that the City of Albuquerque and surrounding areas are wonderful places that have a unique scenic beauty and cultural history. I soon became involved with the Sierra Club and found a group of people who gave a lot of their time and effort to protect these values.

I became a member of the Albuquerque Group Execom in January 1992 and have continued my efforts on mining reform, the political endorsement process, the parking lot and annual picnic and writing articles for the Sierraian, and currently serve as President.

I am also Group Representative to the Chapter. I have worked to strengthen communications between Albuquerque and the other Groups at the Chapter meetings. I am an active member of the Task Force Committee and the Chapter administration for the club's e-mail system and membership database.

I am committed to the efforts of the Club in total and the Albuquerque Group and Rio Grande Chapter. I am eager to continue the work that I have begun and would appreciate your vote.

Ron Grobeck

I believe that the Executive Committee of a Sierra Club Group should be primarily an enabling body. That is, the Execom should devote its attention primarily to making the organizational functions run smoothly, rather than becoming too deeply involved in specific conservation campaigns or issues. I have served in various elective Sierra Club positions at the local, state, and national levels since 1973, and have found that the effectiveness of all conservation activities is improved when there is a strong Executive Committee dedicated to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly. This includes that the Executive Committee delegate to making the interdependent activities function smoothly.

Will Richardson

I have been a member of the Sierra Club for about 15 years, and until the last two years I have been active only in attending outings. For the past two years I have become active in leading outings and was elected to the Chapter Execom in Lexington, Kentucky last year shortly before I moved to Albuquerque.

In Albuquerque I have been working in the Sierra Club office once a week, going on outings and attending meet- ings. I am now ready to take a more active role and feel my environmental background and experience will be beneficial to the Albuquerque group as a member of the Execom.

Nicholas F. Persampieri

I have been a member of the Sierra Club since joining the club as a student in Charlottesville, Virginia in 1984. I have been active in the club as an outings leader, recently started my own law practice after being a shareholder in a major Albuquerque law firm. My practice includes serving as a hearing officer for the New Mexico Environment Department and representation of environmental groups and neighborhood associations on a reduced fee basis. I have been a substantial volunteer legal work on public land issues, including appeals of BLM's General Management Plan for El Malpais National Conservation Area and opposition to highway projects which threaten the Petroglyph National Monument. As a member of the Executive Committee I would like to continue working on public land issues and participate in efforts to increase the membership interest in the movement to protect the environment and become more active-consuming YUPPIES!

SOUTHERN NM

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Outings

Saturday November 6: Enjoy a fun trip to the Doña Ana mountains. This is a local and easy day hike. We will be leaving from the North parking lot of the Pan American Center at 9:00 a.m. Call Steve Kalavity for more information at 582-8419.

Saturday November 6: Trip to Bosque del Apache with the Student Sierra Club. We will be leaving from the North parking lot of Pan Am at 8:00 a.m. Call Lori Schmierer at 526-1093 for more details.

Saturday, December 4: Possible hike to Hueco Tanks with the Student Sierra Club. This is a half day relatively easy hike to an area east of El Paso. An excellent area for rock climbing. Call Lori Schmierer at 526-1093 for more information.

Saturday, January 6: Cross-country skiing outing in Cloudbury. Call Ben Zerbe for more information 526-6207.

Meetings

November 3, 1993: Student Sierra Club meeting. Speaker Alan May, District Supervisor, Animal Damage Control, New Mexico State University. and New Mexico Department of Agriculture. All Sierra Club members invited.

November 18, 1993: Joint meeting with the Student Sierra Club. Speaker will be John Wright, Assistant Professor of Geography at NMSU. Slides and talk on "Land Trusts and Landscape Conservation in the West."

December 11, 1993: A Holiday Party!! If you haven't been attending meeting recently, come and enjoy a holiday celebration. Renew old acquaintances, and make new people. Place: 2015 Huntington Dr., Las Cruces. It's a Pot Luck supper. Time: 6:00 PM th. Call 522-3421 for directions and more information.

January 13, 1994: Executive Committee meets to elect new officers at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is at 2015 Huntington Drive. Call Marianne Thaeler at 522-3421 for more information. All members welcome.
Selling and Saving the West

Dr. John B. Wright, Assist. Prof. of Geography, NMSU will be our guest speaker on November 18, 1993 at 7:30 PM in 107 Science Hall at NMSU. Dr. Wright has recently published a book entitled Rocky Mountain Divide: Selling and Saving the West. (Book signing Corbett Center, 12-1, Nov. 17, 1993). This book is about the necessity of conserving private lands for ecology, farm land and cultural landscapes - the places where we live of cultural and historical importance. Dr. Wright was a Land Use Planning Director for Mineral County, Montana when he decided, "There had to be a better way!" His book compares Colorado and Utah using case studies to see what was happening and what the links to cultural and environmental perceptions. There are over 1,000 Private Land Trusts in the West that conserve acres. The role these Private Trusts play in the West will be the focus of Dr. Wright's talk.

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BACKPACKING - VEGETARIAN STYLE

by Karen Schwartz

What do blueberry pancakes, hash browns, fettucini Alfredo, vegetable lasagne, black-bean chili, wild rice pilaf with almonds, peach cobbler, and chocolate pudding have in common? You guessed it - they're just some of the vegetarian gourmet possibilities that you might want to include on your next camping or backpacking trip.

Preparing these culinary freeze-dried delights are quick, inexpensive, and light weight too! Each entree costs between $2 - $6 and you don't need to bring your kitchen supplies to prepare them. Just add boiling water to each dish and set aside for 2-10 minutes (depending on food choice and altitude). And voila, you've got yourself a hearty and healthy meatless feast that serves between 2-4 people per package.

Vegetarian camping foods have become so popular in the last 10 years that you shouldn't have much trouble, if any. Check with any of your local camping and outdoor recreational outlets.

If you would like to "go" vegetarian on your next outdoor excursion but don't know what freeze dried foods to experiment with, The Vegetarian Society of New Mexico might be able to share a few tips. Sierra Club members are invited to a demonstration by Bill Clark who will be conducting a cooking demonstration using some of his veggie ideas in Las Cruces on Sunday, Nov. 21, 4-7 PM at The Vegetarian Society Meeting to be held in the 7th Day Adventists Church meeting room on Three Crosses, right off Alameda. Bill has been an avid backpacker since 1970 when he started on peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. He has since graduated to more delectable fare such as tomato minestrone and curry lentil chili!

Editor's note: The Vegetarian Society of New Mexico can be contacted at P.O. Box 1408, Mesilla Park, NM 88047. (Telephone 524-3054.)

FIELD TRIP REPORT

By Ben Zerbee

The sleepy tranquility of Ft. Cummings in the Cooke Range was interrupted briefly on Sept. 26 when 15 Sierraians and friends visited this important site in the history of New Mexico and the Southwest. Mr. Don Couchman, local historian and author of the BLM Cultural Resources Paper, Cooke's Peak - Panion Do Aguil, provided top-notch interpretative service as a resource person. The Ft. Cummings area is adjacent to the Cooke's Range Wilderness Study Area which contains important natural features thus making the area one worthy of long term preservation. Most of the Fort property is on private land, but the BLM has a volunteer couple on site to protect Federal interests.

Candidates for Southern NM Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee (ExCom) consists of 13 members who are elected for two year staggered terms. This year six (6) positions are open for election. (Officers of the ExCom are elected by the ExCom at the first ExCom meeting after the election.) The Nominating Committee presents the following names of members who have agreed to serve on the ExCom if elected.

Cheryl Mays, As a member of the Southern New Mexico Group since 1985, I have been a member of the Executive Committee since 1993. During this time I have been in charge of Publicity and been Secretary for the Group ExCom. As a life long Las Cruces area resident, my environmental interests are Wilderness, riparian issues, and Rio Grande bosque issues. I enjoy back packing and canoeing.

David Penesley, A member of the Sierra Club since 1992. My major interest is WILDERNESS. I have served the Southern New Mexico Group as Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Programs (for General Membership Meetings). Presently I serve on the ExCom and as the Faculty Advisor for the Student Sierra Club at New Mexico State University.

Erika Kocsis, Member of the Sierra Club since 1989. Presently a student at NMSU majoring in Soil Science, I have worked at NMSU Soil Microbiology lab doing research for mine reclamation projects. Every free moment I spend hiking and exploring the spectacular landscapes of the West. Conservation is worth our time and efforts!

Myra Price, Past Chair of the Southern NM Group 1992, Secretary, and Outings Leader. I have been a member of the Sierra Club since 1988. As a Graduate Student it is fun to be back working with the Student Sierrans. My special conservation concern is Water Issues, Wilderness, and the Endangered Species Act.

James W. Ralston, Active with the Student Sierra Club at New Mexico State University until graduation in June 1993. My particular interest is in the Sierra Club Outings Program. I have led Sierra Club hikes and am an experienced camper. Recreational Acre Management/Monticulture is my long term career path.

Marion Neygard, My particular environmental concern is Forest Service Issues. I recycle and I didn't water my back yard this year!! First became active in Sierra Club through Sierra Seniors and hope that program can be rejuvenated. Have lived in the Mesilla Valley for over 30 years. We must conserve our natural resources!
BALLOT (Deadline: Postmarked before January 1, 1994)
Southern New Mexico Group

Directions:
Cut or tear this ballot out and mail in an envelope addressed to:
Southern New Mexico Group
P.O. Box 3705
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88003.

VOTE!!!!!!! NOW please. Fold your ballot, place tape to insure secrecy. Seal the envelope. Place your name or Sierra Club Membership Number across the closed flag of the envelope.

Vote by marking X after the name on the line after the name. You may vote for no more than six (6) persons.

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The Environmental Center

Center's Hours Reduced. The Environmental Center will be open to receive recycling materials Wednesday through Saturday from 9 am to 2 pm.

Recycling Needs. The Center needs a number of 55 (+ or -) gallon plastic drums to help sort and store recycled materials. If you can help us out, call the Center (532-3645) or John Sproul (545-5157) or Ted Merig (852-3011).

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El Paso Regional Group

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| Treasurer      | Kathy Sunday | 534-9930 |
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| Member/Program | Bona Julian | 546-5741 |

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America's Best-Loved Nature Calendars!

Give the beauty of the outdoors for your Holiday gift giving this year. Give a Sierra Club calendar. These calendars offer an escape from hectic urban lives into silent beauty of nature that recharges human batteries. There are seven calendars to choose from this year. Trail, Wilderness, Wildlife, Wildlife and Mother Earth, in addition to the engagement and pocket calendars. They will be on sale at the November/December meeting. Prices range from $5 to $13. If you aren't able to make the meeting to pick out your favorite, call Ted at 852-3011.

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REDSTONE PARK BACKPACK
Gillette Wilderness
DATE: November 13-14, 1993
CLASS: Moderate +
LIMT: 8, leader approval and reservations required
LEADER: Joe Rodriguez, 833-9505
We will depart on Friday evening and drive to our camping area near theces. Bring warm clothes because it may get chilly at night. The estimated roundtrip mileage is about 12 miles. Call Joe for details and reservations.

SOUTH FRANKLIN PEAK DAYHIKE
Franklin Mountains State Park
DATE: Saturday, November 13, 1993
CLASS: Moderate
LIMT: 16, leader approval and reservations required
LEADER: Carol Morrison, 545-1701
It's time for another friendly Fall hike up South Franklin Peak. We'll meet at 9 a.m. at Tram Moutain to begin our hike up the shady side of the mountain. Then we'll tramp along the crest in the sun hopefully and end up at our scenic rest spot near the top. You'll have a good hike, a great view, and plenty of time left to see those Saturday afternoon storms. Come prepared against chill and wind, and tote your own water and snack.

190 FESTIVAL OF THE CRANES CARCAMP
Bouque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge
DATE: November 20-21, 1993
CLASS: Easy
LIMT: 20, leader approval and reservations required
LEADER: Dan Ogilvie, 595-8043 or 395-1003
Join us as we celebrate the return of thousands of sandhill cranes, snow geese, and ducks, as well as a host of vulnerable whooping cranes to their wintering grounds at the Bouque del Apache near Socorro, NM. The festival will feature scenic tours, wildlife photography lecture, art demonstrations, wildlife fine art, and crafts show, in additional to the many exhibits and booths both at the refuge and in the town. We will bring our own car or tent camping at a nearby RV park (fee required). We will leave El Paso early Saturday morning. Call Dan for details and reservations.

RINCON MOUNTAINS BACKPACK
Saguaro National Monument, AZ
DATE: December 28-29, 1993
CLASS: Sternum
LIMT: 6, leader approval and reservations required
LEADER: Mike Episcopo, 833-3770
The eastern unit of the Saguaro National Monument is located just east of Tucson, AZ, and encompasses the majestic Rincon Mountains, an area the club has yet to visit. On this strenuous two-night backpack, we will explore the high country of the Rincon Mountains. This outing is open to experienced backpackers up to the challenge of a first day 4,000 elevation gain. Call Mike for further details and reservations.
Candiates for El Paso Group Executive Committee

Larry Castor
Metallurgical Engineer, Operations Manager. Member of the Sierra Club for six years. Although I am impressed by and support the work that the local chapter has done in the wilderness areas in Southern New Mexico, I am primarily interested in the environmental issues within the El Paso-Juarez area. The air, water, sewage and other environmental problems within this area are enormous and growing. The Sierra Club needs to take a stronger lead in educating the public about these problems and in motivating the community into better addressing them.

Betsy Julian
Assistant professor at UTEP. Member of Sierra Club 12 years, ExCon member and program chair for past 2 years. I joined the Sierra Club 12 years ago for the same reason that you all joined: so I am more familiar with in geology. I am fascinated by the Earth. At work I study the development of the Earth in the past; in the Sierra Club I work to influence its development in the future. My primary concern is the responsible use of our public lands. It is the duty of the Sierra Club, guided by the Executive Committee, to monitor the government’s land use policies. In our region, we must insist that the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management maintain a balance between timber, grazing, minerals and the preservation of wild areas. Although I am also a member of the Wilderness Society, Natural Resources Defense Council, Nature Conservancy and World Wildlife Fund, none of these organizations offer the same opportunity for personal involvement as the Sierra Club.

Richard Rheder
Counselor, El Paso Child Guidance Center, Inc. Sierra Club member since 1978 in Dallas and El Paso. Coordinator of Inner City Outings (ICO) program. President of the El Paso Bicycle Club. As an ICO coordinator serving on the ExCon I hope to build stronger links between the current membership and those who will see the future. In the last year I have been involved in 15 outings for inner-city youth and their families. I hope that more members will join in these activities. I have also written two successful grant proposals for ICO equipment.

Debbie Tomacelli
Experienced four-season backpacker, and former director and faculty member of the Adirondack Mt Club. Winter Mountaineering School, has been on several day, weekend and extended wilderness back-packing trips with the Sierra Club. Since her move to the Southwest four years ago, she has participated in ICO leadership training and trip planning, and has organized and led the annual Fall El Paso Bicycle Club/Borderline Breweries/Sierra Club Fall bike and brew meet. An outdoor enthusiast, she will bring to our organization and ExCon a refreshing breath to winter Sierra Club activities.

Gary Williams
Executive Director, El Paso Rehabilitation Center. Member of the Sierra Club for 10 years. Served on ExCon for 9 years and has been on the Board of Directors as Group Chairman. My goals include expanding our efforts to monitor and influence policy affecting our public lands especially BLM Wilderness Study Areas; and to collaborate with other organizations in affecting public policy regarding water, air and hazardous waste issues in our region. I look forward to serving the Sierra Club in achieving these goals.

Group ballot is on the last page.
Statements of Candidates for Chapter Executive Committee

George Grossman (nominating commission candidate)

I am a retired bridge engineer and have lived in Santa Fe since 1962 and in New Mexico since 1956. I became involved in environmental work in 1970 and have concentrated much of my efforts on public land issues, especially wilderness. I prioried the maps for nearly all of the conservations' wilderness proposals, testified at many public hearings and lobbied Congress for wilderness.

I participated in the development of the Forest Plans for both the Carson and Santa Fe National Forests. In 1991 I served on the congressional delegation's Timber Task Force, which found there was very little timber available for harvest.

I joined the Sierra Club in 1978 and have served on the Group Exxon several times. I continue to attend most of the meetings.

I have served as the Rio Grande Chapter Conservation Committee Chair. I have also served on the Chapter Political Committee and have supervised the Chapter lobbyists.

Rex Johnson (petition candidate)

Along with Pat Wolff and Susan Schock, I am running as an alternative to the nominating committee slate of executive committee candidates, arising from a somewhat confusing nominating process.

I moved to New Mexico from Minnesota in 1989 and worked for the Gila Forest as a cartographer from 1989 until 1992. At that point I resigned from map-making and re-established a weekly newspaper, El Reporter, to provide a forum for Silver City's environmentalists. This effort represents, I hope, the beginning of a coalition between Chicagoan and environmental activists in southwestern New Mexico.

Shortly before my leaving the Forest Service, Schock, Sauber and I decided to form Gila Watch. I am a lifetime fly fisherman. At present I am also working on wilderness proposals for the Gila Forest and an atlas of wild and native trout in the United States and Mexico.

Van Perkins (nominating commission candidate)

I am presently on the Executive Committee of, and am Conservation Chair for, the Santa Fe Group. I have also been very active in the Chapter. I have served this past year on two Chapter Committees, represented the Chapter on the Southwest Regional Conservation Committee, and lobbied in the Legislature to promote Chapter legislative objectives.

I am primarily interested in the Public Lands aspects of conservation/preservation: wilderness, logging, mining, grazing, etc. I fully support the direction the Chapter has taken in the last few years, setting two or three major goals and priorities each year, while still devoting appropriate attention to other conservation issues important to New Mexico and West Texas. This approach enabled us to pass a strong stand-on-the-mining bill this year while still having a significant effect on such ongoing issues as Diamond bar and national grazing reform. I look forward to working on the Chapter priorities for 1994. Working together, we can continue to have a significant impact on chapter environmental issues.

Susan Schock (petition candidate)

Coming from an Arizona ranching family, I have seen the aftermath of overgrazing first hand, as desert streams dried up and water tables dropped. Now a grazing activist, I have worked with the El Paso Sierra Club group for two years to stop aggressive commercial development of wilderness in the Gila National Forest for a cattle operation. I was a panelist at the Interior Department's Albuquerque grazing hearings. participated in a grassroots lobbying effort in Washington, D.C., and was a speaker at the Rest the West Grazing Conference and the new Mexico Audubon Council.

I am running, along with Pat Wolff and Rex Johnson, to provide powerful, proactive leadership on the Rio Grande ExCom. If elected, I will work to ensure that Sierra Club takes a strong initiative towards public lands grazing reform, and I will work to protect water supplies and to ensure a sustainable future for our desert communities.

Gwen Wardwell (nominating commission candidate)

As Chapter Chair for the last three years, I encouraged and supported the 1991 planning retreat and have continued the process to set major conservation goals with specific plans for their achievement. Focusing our efforts enabled us to achieve our 1993 goal of passing a strong hard-rock mining bill. My role in the mining bill campaign was to organize and keep together a broad coalition of community and environmental groups.

At this fall's retreat we discussed process as well as goals, and I expressed my concern that we be willing to talk to persons with differing views, I believe that we should fight our opponents but not demonize them, that we should speak the truth as we see it but listen seriously to those with whom we fundamentally disagree. This approach provides room for strong conviction but demonstrates a willingness to give and receive help on the road to truth.

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Chapter Executive Committee Ballot

Instructions:

Vote for no more than 3 candidates for chapter executive committee. (Some candidates have chosen to identify themselves as a slate, but members are free to vote for any 3 candidates.) Two boxes are provided so that each member of a joint membership may vote. Blank lines are for write-ins.

You may vote in both the chapter election and the election for your group. Do not cut this page; reverse side contains mailing label for verification (which will be removed before vote is tallied along with group ballot. (Any member who did not get this issue in the mail may submit a ballot with the membership written on or for verification.)

Return this page to:
Norma McCallan, Secretary
2918 Vizarre Pacho Real
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Ballot must be postmarked by November 30, 1993.

Pat Wolff (petition candidate)

Along with Susan Schock and Rex Johnson, I am running for the executive committee to offer members an alternative to the slate of candidates endorsed by the nominating committee.

In 1992, the Sierra Club honored me with an award for my work as wildlife chair and for my efforts to expose and stop ADC's war against wildlife. My work on the ADC issue will be the focus of an article in the November issue of Sierra magazine.

If elected to the executive committee, I will:

- Make sure the Sierra Club functions openly, democratically and responsibly to member needs and concerns.
- Forge alliances with other progressive-minded organizations to broaden our base of support and strengthen our political clout.
- Encourage and support grassroots activists working to protect natural resources in rural and urban areas.
- Provide effective and courageous leadership to help the Sierra Club live up to its potential.

Gary Williams (nominating commission candidate)

Served on El Paso Group Executive Committee for nine years (1983-1992), three years as chairman. Served on Executive Committee Executive Committee for three years (1987-1991). Goals include continuing the focus on affecting policy related to public lands and regional issues such as hazardous waste. Organizational goals include continued development of activists in rural areas.

Accomplishments while on the Chapter Executive Committee include: planning and development of 1991 Chapter Planning Retreat and streamlining Chapter budget process.

I have lived in the Southwest for 23 years and am committed to protecting our natural resources. I am employed as the Executive Director for a private non-profit rehabilitation center for disabled children.

Jim Winder (nominating commission candidate)

At the simplest level, there are two types of land in the world, that which should be preserved intact and the vast remainder which must produce an economic return. Over the years, my involvement in the Sierra Club has been focused on ways to ensure that production from lands does not come at the expense of the ecosystem. This emphasis on the whole ecosystem has allowed me to reinvigorate riparian areas and restore proper predator/prey relationships on the land while producing sustainable income which supports my family and others in the rural community.

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