

## SAN DIEGO PEAKS CLUB

An adventure hiking club for the intermediate and advanced hiker!

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In a month that began by celebrating, we have to end it by honoring death. My good friend Wendy Ruess McCully died June 25 at 43. More on that on page  $\Sigma$ .

We finished the year with 77 members. Thank you, dear members. Now that we have started another year we have 39 of those members renewed, with more renewing every day. I would like to thank fellow editor Ron Jones for awarding me the honor of "best hiking newsletter". To hear that praise from Ron is indeed the highest honor I know. Ron has been active in hiking circles for over 40 years.

As I did last year, I'm taking July and August off, since it is too hot to hike in San Diego county. The newsletter will publish dayhikes and backpacks by Al Holden, Dennis Richards and Carl Johnson, plus a special once—in—a—lifetime trip by Ron Jones. In September, Oct, Nov and Dec I plan to lead Pike and Cody, Borrego Mtn West and East Butte, Palm again, Collins, Knob, Palms and Elder, Indian Creek trail from Laguna to Cuyamaca, a canoe trip in Black Canyon (below Hoover Dam), a special easy backpack to Carey's Castle and maybe an extra special trip to Havasupai Canyon in Arizona to visit Havasu and Mooney Falls. If you are interested in any of these trips, let me know and I may be able to schedule it on dates that you can attend. I also like to see which activities are the most popular.

Welcome new members Evan Koch, Suzanne Roth, T.C. Cyran and Mark Vogt. Evan is a coworker who is a strong hiker. He went to the first DPS Chili Cookoff with me and proved to be a good horseshoe player as well as a good hiker. Suzanne is another coworker who is good hiker. She is currently on a bicycle trip in Canada. T.C. has hiked and backpacked a few of the 14,000 peaks in Colorado and is an active x-c skier. I know little about Mark, just that he is a strong hiker.

Hiker of the Month

The hiker of the month for July is a couple, Peggy Crunican and Dave Hardy. They receive the honor for their active support of SDPC. They went on the most SDPC hikes last year. Thanks for your support.

The hiker of the month of August is Donna Hawkins. Her husband, Jim, sent me a letter, which I have printed on another page, detailing her achievements Donna has gone higher and further than I ever dreamt of going. Congrats,

MEMBERSHIP

Dues are Past Due! This will be your last newsletter if you have not renewed! And what a pity that would be cause you could not join us in our fun! Dues are \$9.00, which will put you in good standing until June, 1993. Family memberships are the same price as individuals. Send checks payable to Paul Freiman, 4421 Maryland St, San Diego, CA 92116-3902. (619)692-1367.

