Let's Celebrate! National Trails Day is June 2, 2001

On Saturday, June 2, 2001, people throughout the nation will join with thousands of people in Arizona who will be out on our state's trails. It's a special day to celebrate our great trails, have fun, help build or repair trails, and enjoy family and friends at special events being held to honor our nation's trail systems. This will mark the eighth anniversary of National Trails Day, sponsored by the American Hiking Society.

This year the Arizona Trail Association is helping to make National Trails Day very special in Arizona. A large number of Arizona Trail events are scheduled at locations around the state. Arizona State Parks, American Trails, the Governor's Council on Health, and many national, state, county, and local organizations are promoting a special emphasis in Arizona this year on the healthy benefits of using our state's trails.

Many public land agencies, parks and recreation departments, public health agencies, and corporations are partnering together for Arizona's Trails Day, attracting thousands of people from communities across Arizona to participate.

Special events planned for the Arizona Trail include many hikes, rides, exhibits, trail construction and trail maintenance activities. These events are planned in Coronado National Memorial, the Huachuca Mountains, Pinal County, Tucson, and Flagstaff. Details about these special activities are found in the Calendar of Events section of this newsletter.

One of the largest Arizona Trail events scheduled is being held in the Flagstaff area. This is a 2-day overnight trail work gathering that will attract more than 200 participants. A significant section of new trail, the Horse Lake Segment, will be built just south of Flagstaff near Ashurst Lake. A hard-working Flagstaff event team has planned plenty of great food, entertainment, campfire activities, prizes, and special hikes and rides for everyone. Participants will enjoy a free outdoor evening meal, campfire songs and cowboy poetry, and hikes led by wildlife and botanical professionals who will give tips on how to identify and photograph some of the unique flora and fauna found along the route of the Arizona Trail. Be sure to bring your camera!

More information and a map to the Flagstaff event site are provided in this newsletter on pages 9 and 10. If you are interested in having a great time on the Arizona Trail in the cool pines, and are willing to lend a hand in helping build part of the trail and a legacy for our state, make your plans now to RSVP for this literal "star-studded" event in northern Arizona!

Carolyn Allen to Serve as ATA’s New Director of Development

The Board of Directors is proud to announce the selection of Carolyn Allen to the position of the Association’s first Director of Development.

In this position, she will coordinate the expansion of ATA’s endowment, as well as work to increase corporate and foundation contributions to our organization. With more than 600 miles of the Arizona Trail completed, the ever-increasing need for funds to help construct, enhance, and maintain the Arizona Trail has exceeded the current financial resources of our Association. In her new role with the ATA, Carolyn will be responsible for the overall management of our Association's financial development program.

Carolyn is recognized as one of Arizona's most prominent leaders in environmental and open space preservation. She has extensive experience in raising funds for wonderful causes, and she can clearly help us complete our border-to-border trail across Arizona.

Carolyn was elected to the Arizona Legislature in 1994, and Carolyn currently serves as the majority leader for the Arizona House of Representatives. Prior to her election, Carolyn was Development Director of the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation and the Executive Director of the Scottsdale Arts Center Association. She brings tremendous skills, experience, state and national prominence, and a passion for Arizona’s wild and beautiful open spaces to the Arizona Trail Association.

Please help us welcome Carolyn to her new role, and celebrate her special talents as she goes to work to help expand our Association's financial resources.
**The Arizona Trail**

Our Vision...

a continuous, non-motorized trail traversing the state nearly 790 miles from Mexico to Utah, linking deserts, mountains, canyons, communities, and people.

The Arizona Trail Association coordinates the planning, development, management and promotion of the Arizona Trail for recreational and educational experiences for non-motorized trail users.

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**President’s Pride**

by Jan Hancock

With all of the tremendous progress being made in completing the route of the Arizona Trail, we have a more “silent” and less visible project running parallel to our all-important trail construction...a project we can be extremely proud to watch as it grows.

As trail users are out exploring the glorious backcountry of the Arizona Trail, these people on the trail will want to learn more about the wildlife, plants, historic places, geology, and cultural resources they will be experiencing along the trail route.

Behind the scenes for the past two or three years we have been working on the scientific research and photography toward the production of four beautiful, illustrated field guides for the Arizona Trail.

Our partners in collecting the scientific data, plant specimens, photographs, and other significant information for these field guides include some of our state’s most prominent experts in Arizona’s history, botany, wildlife, archeology, and the humanities. Our partners include organizations such as the Desert Botanical Garden, the Arizona Commission on the Arts, the Arizona Department of Game and Fish, SWCA Environmental Consultants, Arizona State Parks, historian Chuck Lauer, and a large number of land management agency personnel who are recognized for their prominence in their specific fields of expertise.

Day by day these talented individuals and organizations are out on the Arizona Trail taking field notes, collecting scientific data, recording their locations with sophisticated GPS units, and taking hundreds of photographs. Sometimes working alone, sometime in teams, they are all working their way along the route of the trail to complete comprehensive field guides that will eventually be published, featuring the environmental, cultural, and historic highlights of the Arizona Trail.

I’m very proud of the research and photography being done by these dedicated and talented people. I’m also proud that our organization cares so much about bringing this valuable information to those who will be using the trail.

These field guides are just one more reason that we are working so hard to complete and maintain the Arizona Trail. Thank you to all of our members, volunteers, trail partners and sponsors who are helping us achieve this goal!

for the most up-to-date news, visit us on the world wide web at:

http://www.aztrail.org

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American Express - "Don't Leave Home Without It!"

Words with a familiar sound to all our ears…and we need to thank American Express for their resounding support of the Arizona Trail. We definitely could not have left home to attend our National Trails Day events without them!

A generous grant for $5,000 was just awarded to the Arizona Trail Association in April this year. The grant will help to offset the costs of many of the events that are scheduled statewide in celebration of Arizona’s Trails Day being held on Saturday, June 2, 2001.

The American Express foundation that provides philanthropic gifts to community organizations was extremely proud of the award presented to American Express as ATA’s "Outstanding Corporate Sponsor for the Year 2000" during our Association’s Annual Meeting held in February this year. This significant partnership with American Express provided the financial resources for many of the ATA’s trail events statewide during last year’s Millennium Trails Day celebrations.

Our Association would like to express its appreciation to American Express, JoEllen Lynn, Manager of Community Affairs for American Express, and the more than 9,000 associates employed by American Express in Arizona for this magnificent support and continuing effort to assist the Arizona Trail.
When it comes to helping communities, Arizona Public Service Company shines like the energy it produces. This corporate giant in our state frequently steps up to support many worthwhile community projects, including the Arizona Trail!

And when it comes to our state’s grocers, Bashas’ has taken the lead in supporting the Arizona Trail. This community-minded corporation is providing distribution points for the National Trails Day calendars in all 65 of its store locations. This is the second year that Bashas’ has been a corporate sponsor for Trails Day activities.

APS recently contributed the funding to produce all of the 3,000 posters that are being distributed throughout Arizona to promote National Trails Day and the special events being held along the route of the Arizona Trail. These posters will be displayed in all Bashas’ stores statewide, as well as many of the recreation and community health centers in all 15 counties in Arizona.

In addition to the financial support provided by APS, some of their employees are outstanding supporters as well. An extremely active APS Hiking Club has been volunteering countless hours of trail construction and maintenance assistance on the Arizona Trail since our organization was founded more than seven years ago. This very dedicated group of APS employees was introduced to the Arizona Trail by our former Board member and Treasurer, Bob Schuetz. Since that time the APS Hiking Club has continually increased its support of the ATA and has traveled statewide to attend scores of trail work events.

Thanks to these two great Arizona-based corporate partners…investing in the future of the Arizona Trail is one of the most appreciated ways you can help the thousands of Arizona citizens who are involved as volunteers in building and maintaining this statewide treasure…and the many thousands more who will enjoy experiencing it!

Attention All Scouts…Here's An Opportunity for You!

Are you looking for Eagle projects, service hours and great camping sites for your Scouts? How about 790 miles of trail, which takes you from the top of the mountains to the bottom of the canyons throughout Arizona. Do you want your Scouts to participate in a project that will be enjoyed by generations of hikers from around the world? If so, get on board with the Arizona Trail as we did in Troop 375.

Our Troop has been an active member of the Arizona Trail Association for the past five years. We have enjoyed campouts at trailheads from the mountains in Northern Arizona to the grasslands of Southern Arizona. We just completed an Eagle Project in the White Canyon Wilderness area near Superior. Because of the wet spring, the hike to the worksite was like walking through a garden. The colorful wildflowers took your breath away.

For an introduction to the trail, go to your nearest library and check out the Arizona Trail video, “The Arizona Trail: A Journey Through Time” (Catalog Number 917.91 AR47). For you Internet folks, log on to www.aztrail.org and see what this amazing trail is all about. Take it from the Old Scoutmaster, this may be the best kept Scouting secret in Arizona. Let’s get the word out to all Scouts about this great resource.

Editor’s Note: Dave Davenport is the Scoutmaster for Troop 375, Grand Canyon Council, Boy Scouts of America. Dave has lived in Arizona since 1952 and has been involved in leadership positions in Scouting since 1975. Troop 375 is sponsored by the Foothills Ward of the LDS Church, where the Troop meets on Wednesday evenings.

For the last 30 years Dave has helped injured workers get back to work as his livelihood, and he currently works for Royal/Sunalliance Insurance Company. His wife of 34 years, and he have 6 children. According to Dave, “I love Arizona and would find it hard to live anywhere else.” Dave is willing to make a presentation at Scouting District Roundtables about the Arizona Trail. Send him an E-mail at davedavenport@aol.com for more information.

New Board Member

Lyn Harry White:

Photo was unavailable at publication of last newsletter.

Celebrate National Trails Day on the Arizona Trail!

See page 8 for a listing of statewide events.
ATA Salutes Cathy Kahlow

In February, long-time Arizona Trail supporter and Sierra Vista Ranger District Recreation Planner, Cathy Kahlow, accepted a well-deserved promotion and transfer to the Eagle District, White River National Forest, in Colorado, where she will take the reins as District Ranger. Cathy’s enthusiastic support of trails and recreation is legendary. In the early ’90’s, Cathy’s energy, vision, and commitment was instrumental in completing the Arizona Trail in the District. She continued to improve AZT trail alignments and helped organize numerous work events along with her friends in the Huachuca Hiking Club. More recently, Cathy developed with overwhelming public support the East Huachuca’s Recreation Strategy, which resulted in the Perimeter Trail, a highly popular multi-use non-motorized trail along the east side of the Huachuca Mountains.

At her going away party, Segment Stewards Steve Sawy and Steve Wood presented Cathy a plaque from ATA in appreciation for her outstanding contributions. We wish Cathy the best in her future endeavors and know she will be sorely missed by the trails community in southern Arizona.

Help Wanted

Volunteers will learn all about the maps, books, trail guides, videos, brochures, and other merchandise available to the public at the Center. In addition, as your skills and knowledge grow, you could learn how to print out the special full-color topographic maps available on the Center’s computers. You would also become knowledgeable about all of the state’s special tourism centers, like the Grand Canyon, Kartchner Caverns, Saguaro National Park, and Arizona’s lakes, streams, mountains, campgrounds, fishing locations and other places to enjoy federal, state, county, and municipal recreational facilities.

If all of this sounds interesting to you, please give Joanna Scruggs a call and talk with her about your interest in becoming a “PLIC” volunteer. The Center is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and is closed on weekends and holidays. Volunteers’ hours may be flexible, as long as you’re able to be there when you are scheduled, so they can count on you. To learn more about volunteering, call Joanna Scruggs at 602-417-9300. There’s no better way to learn about our wonderful state of Arizona than to help people find answers to their outdoor recreation and tourism questions... it’s fun and it’s extremely educational!

Thanks For Your Membership Renewals

We plan to print the names and the cities of our members who have renewed for or during 2001 in our next newsletter...the list of special people and organizations who have renewed their memberships this year is long, and impressive! We want everyone that will be on this list in the Fall 2001 issue of the ATA News to know how appreciative our Board and the other ATA members are for your financial support. We definitely could not have moved forward on our 2001 goals for the Arizona Trail without you!

If you would like to learn more about Arizona’s great outdoors, and also assist the Arizona Trail Association with some volunteer hours, help is wanted at the Arizona Public Lands Information Center!

The Center’s Director, Joanna Scruggs, always needs the help of volunteers who can come in on a regular schedule to the Public Lands Information Center, located in downtown Phoenix at 222 North Central Avenue.
As Winter rolls into Spring, work on the Arizona Trail from one end of the state to the other rolls steadily onward. Dedicated Segment Stewards and volunteers have been hard at work assisting state and federal agency staff with construction and maintenance projects throughout the Winter. Here are just a few of the numerous projects taking place across the state.

A big slice of the Arizona Trail could be headed toward completion as Grand Canyon National Park moves ahead in developing it’s ‘greenway trail system’. The Arizona Trail Association has asked the Park to consider designating its proposed greenway route between Tusayan and the South Rim as a portion of the Arizona Trail.

Trail construction will continue this summer on the Mormon Lake Ranger District of the Coconino National Forest near Flagstaff. Work projects will be scheduled throughout the summer south of Flagstaff near Mormon Lake and Lake Mary. The Coconino National Forest, the Arizona Trail Association, and other trail partners from Coconino County will be hosting a work event to construct new trail near Ashurst Lake on June 2nd and 3rd in honor of National Trails Day.

**Field Reports**

**Canelo Hills Passage**

Segment Steward Steve Saway reports:

On February 10th, six members and guests from the Huachuca Hiking Club tackled a two mile stretch of the Canelo Hills West segment near Patagonia, replacing a number of water bars, repairing tread, and trimming back overgrown vegetation. This portion of the trail (near Harshaw Road Trailhead) was severely damaged by heavy fall rains which washed out water bars and created deep ruts and erosion problems. Good progress was made by these enthusiastic volunteers in fixing the most critical problems, though much more remains to be done. Much of the Canelo Hills West segment is in a remote location and lacks vehicle access. Packing in a trail crew for a week or two may be required to reconstruct and maintain the hard to reach portions of this segment.

**Sunflower Passage, Tonto National Forest**

Segment Stewards Denny and Marie Haywood and Carl Golnik report:

One of the challenges of the Sunflower Segment has been to relocate a 2-mile stretch of the trail off of a highly used Forest Service road near Highway 87. Three work events in February and March, and efforts by a Mesa Ranger District trail crew have made great progress toward constructing this new passage. A large turn out from the Sun City Sportsmen’s Club, in addition to other volunteers, cleared brush completely for the new route. Thank you all for the great turn out! We are now ready to begin basic tread construction April 28. The US Forest Trail crew will be working on more technical portions of this passage on March 29-April 1, and April 5-8. These technical spots are our last barriers to completion, and the volunteers will help the Forest Service trail crew to help finish this project.

**Molino Basin, Coronado National Forest**

The Tucson Saddle Club is the Trail Segment Steward for the Prison Camp to Italian Springs portion of the Arizona Trail. On February 17th the club had a work day/ride and BBQ at the Prison Camp equestrian center on Mt Lemmon. Joining us for this event was John Neeling, ATA, and Mindee Roth with the Forest Service, Catalina Ranger District.

Our main goal that day was to clean up the horse corral area and design a possible expansion of the horse trailer parking area. As it stands right now the parking for these large rigs is limited. We collectively came up with some pretty good ideas which Mindee, and the Forest Service will consider and hopefully approve. Although Mindee didn't ride with us this time she's agreed to ride with us sometime in the future and we look forward to that!

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Field Reports

It was a beautiful sunny day, a bit chilly at first, but warmed up nicely later. ATA’s John Neeling, whose preferred mode of travel is a mountain bike, was game to ride a horse with us and TSC’s Barbara Cardinal offered her great horse Sabio for him to ride. There were 10 riders, TSC’s president Dave Cummings and his wife Laura, Bernie Goldstein, Irma Cooke, Toni Torpey, Barbara Cardinal, Charlotte Clark, Doris Woods, John Neeling and ride leader, Karen Roberts. John Neelings’ girlfriend, Nancy White was also there and hiked the trail. Nancy, like John, also prefers to see the great outdoors from the back of a mountain bike but next time we plan to get her to try a horse! John was able to give us pointers on trail maintenance and showed us what to look for while riding the trail.

When we returned from our trail inspection ride, TSC’s Steve Pferdeort and Becky Tucker had a wonderful BBQ prepared for us and we ate and ate. I want to thank the TSC club members who participated and Mindee and John for giving us their time and expertise. We look forward to the next time!

Karen Roberts, Tucson Saddle Club
Segment Stewards

Buckskin Mountains Passage, Bureau of Land Management Arizona Strip District

Finally, this steward got to walk the northernmost section of the Arizona Trail straight through (and back) for the first time. Although there are stretches that need some McCleod work, all in all, the trail is truely complete, and I would rate it in the good to excellent category. Yes, there is a lot of slash along the sides of the trail, but the trail itself is great. You critics out there be nice, OK?

The Stateline Trailhead has some new amenities since last September when we had National Public Lands Day and the dedication ceremony. Most impressive is a geology interpretive sign on the ceiling of a bench ramada which looks out at Coyote Buttes. We can thank Tom Folks for making this such an outstanding trailhead. Very nice.

I walked the 11 mile section from Stateline to Winter Road at a leisurely pace on April 14 in just under 6 hours. The trail was highlighted by purple sage blossoms, some lavender daisy composites, and a couple of species of butterflies. The only human sign were footprints up the mountain which retreated back down from the top.

Mike Carr
Segment Steward

Chuck Horner designed these devices dubbed “HornerFlags”, these metallic “ribbons” allow trail builders to spot the trail from many directions as they rotate in the breeze.
Field Reports

The Santa Rita Passage - Journal Entries:
October 2000:
Southern Arizona Mountain Bike Association (SAMBA) came out on October 14 and assisted in the laborious task of installing Carsonite signs in a not easily accessible area, portaging the heavy installation tools over 4 miles. A difficult switchback was also totally reconstructed to bring it to current specifications. The International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) held one of its EPIC Ride programs in the Santa Rita’s. The event consisted of a work day on Saturday, October 28 in which 35 participants formed crews that did rebenching and other treadwork tasks from Oak Tree Canyon to Gardner Canyon. The reward was a beautiful 38 mile ride on the refurbished tread Sunday with 33 riders representing many different areas of the country, and even a few industry honchos. The event had outstanding support from IMBA, Patagonia, and Rock Shox among others. Sonoran Desert Mountain Bicyclists (SDMB) contributed an extensive amount of time and effort in coordinating the event, from mapping to SAG. Pima Trails Association (PTA) contributed their support as well.

January and February 2001:
SDMB comes out on January 27, a cold, wet, snowy day to help rework damaged tread in the Kentucky Camp area. Snow actually had to be cleared to perform tread work! (Ahh, Southern Arizona!!). The 10th of February, SDMB helps rework damaged tread in the Penstock area in Gardner Canyon. The ground being actually frozen, we had to find sunny areas requiring work! On 24 Feb IMBA Trail Care Crew 3, Rich and Jen Edwards, generously donate their time to come to Gardner Canyon on a problem solving trip with me to evaluate some very difficult and high maintenance areas. The Flume, Penstock hillside, and Gardner Creek were studied and many recommendations made. To receive personal attention like this is a very rare opportunity. A big thanks to Rich and Jen and, as always, to IMBA.

March 2001:
On March 5, John Neeling, ATA; Stan Helin, Assistant Forest Recreation Staff officer for the Coronado National Forest; and Steve Goldman, Coronado National Forest, came out and hiked the Mt. Wrightson Wilderness Area of the Arizona Trail. They also took time to study and listen to the evaluations presented on the problem areas in Gardner Canyon. Approvals were granted to begin the process of fixing some of the problems. Definitely a HUGE thanks to all three for using their very limited time resources to assist in making the trail a better place.
I have received outstanding support in terms of tools and manpower from Sonoran Desert Mountain Bicyclists (SDMB), Pima Trails Association (PTA) has been extremely generous with funding by providing the work crews with a meal budget. Lydia Goon, Nogales District, Coronado National Forest and Cathy Kahlow, Coronado National Forest were instrumental and very supportive for my first realignment proposal and approval. Lydia is always willing to come out on a weekend and help with a trail crew or personally help me. Chuck Horner and Merle Parmer have been incredible in their support of the Santa Rita Passage.

Stephen Wood
Segment Steward

Backpacking and working on the Arizona Trail do mix!!

Segment 19 - Picket Post to White Canyon
March 31 & April 1
Six hearty volunteers along with the Arizona 4WD club as logistical support, headed south from Superior. Six+ miles of rugged back road got the team to the Arizona Trail near Orphan Boy mine. After lunch the club, the six team members, each loaded with a trail tool, headed south on the trail. Even with the backpacks, we were able to do some tread maintenance as we went along. For tougher sections, the packs were dropped and more focus was given. We re-built rock cairns, installed a new sign and brushed back the wild growth. Weeds were thick in some sections. We camped overnight near the Tonto National Forst southern boundary with the White Canyon wilderness. The wildflowers were in full bloom and quite beautiful.

The team also got to see an 18” Gila Monster up close as an added bonus.

Many thanks to Brad Jones and the 4WD club for the vehicle support, which helped make this trip much fun and productive. Let’s do it again next spring!

Tom Coulson
May
May 19, 2001 - Huachuca Mountain Passage Trail Maintenance, Hereford/Sierra Vista
Contact event sponsor for meeting time. This event will consist of trail brushing along the Arizona Trail in the Sierra Vista Ranger District, Coronado National Forest. Volunteers will hike in to work site from Montezuma Pass (about 3 miles/1800 feet elevation gain - moderate to strenuous hike). Tools will be provided. Bring daypack, lunch, snacks, water (minimum 3 liters recommended), sunscreen, hat, and gloves. Expect hot temperatures with lots of sun exposure. Directions to Site: Meet at Montezuma Pass, which is located about 9 miles west along Forest Road 61 where it leaves Highway 92 at its junction, about 13 miles south of Sierra Vista. Interested participants should contact Steve Saway, 520-459-8959 or E-mail: stevesaway@excite.com, to pre-register and obtain further details. 15-25 participants expected.

June
June 2-3, 2001
Arizona Trail/Horse Lake Segment, Flagstaff
Times: Arrive at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday - 7:30 a.m. on Sunday.
Join other trail and outdoor enthusiasts for a two-day National Trails Day event that includes constructing a new segment of the Arizona Trail near Flagstaff on Saturday, campout, dinner and evening entertainment provided, and fun hike, bike, and equestrian activities on Sunday. Bring your own camping gear, lunch, work gloves, sturdy footwear, and drinking water. Must RSVP to reserve space for you and your family. Call 520-526-0866 or e-mail: cmoen@fs.fed.us. Directions: From Flagstaff or I-17, take Lake Mary Road for 17 miles southeast (past Lake Mary). Turn left on Ashurst Lake Road and follow the signs for 3/4 mile to the event. 150 participants expected.

June 2, 2001 - Trails Expo, Tucson
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Pima Trails Association and Sonoran Desert Mountain Bicyclists will celebrate National Trails Day by giving out recreational opportunities information, prizes and free gear to the public at Park Place Mall, 5870 E. Broadway Blvd., in Tucson. The Trails Expo is an outreach to the community, with trails-related exhibits from user groups, trails organizations and county, state and federal land management agencies. Information on the Arizona Trail Association will be available. Contact Mark Flint, Pima Trails Association, 520-299-9151 or E-mail: markflint@earthlink.net. For additional information visit the Pima Trails Association website: http://www.pimatrails.org. 500 participants are expected.

June 2, 2001 - Coronado National Memorial Hike to Border Monument 102, Hereford
Time: 8:00 a.m. The Yaqui Ridge/ Joe’s Canyon Trail is the first 1.75 miles of the statewide Arizona Trail and we will be hiking this trail from Montezuma Pass on National Trails Day. The ranger-led hike is 3.5 miles round trip. The trail descends steeply about 575 feet to the Mexican border; we will return on the same trail. The hike should take about 3.5 hours. Hikers should bring water and a snack, wear a hat, and use sunscreen. Walking sticks could be helpful. Hikers should check in between 7:30 and 8:00 a.m. at Montezuma Pass. (See directions to Montezuma Pass above - Huachuca Mountain Passage). For information contact Coronado National Memorial, 520-366-5515 or E-mail: coro_interpretation@nps.gov. 50-60 participants are expected.

June 7-10: Blue Ridge.
Segment Steward Larry Snead will lead a four-day work event on the Blue Ridge Ranger District, Coconino National Forest. We will camp at the Blue Ridge Campground group site and do trail maintenance south toward Rock Crossing Campground. Everyone is invited to come one or all four days but must call Larry to reserve space at 602-279-0443. Come and have some fun working on the Arizona Trail and sample some of Larry’s “world famous” dutch oven beer biscuits.

October
October 13 & 14 Highline Trail near Payson.
Replace unsustainable trail with sustainable trail at some more of the miserable trail sections near Geronimo Trailhead. This is a rescheduling of the event that was cancelled last November because of snow and rain. Work Saturday and half day on Sunday or Saturday only. Dinner Saturday night and Sunday breakfast provided. ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Call or e-mail Michael Baker (602.522.9127; michaelb@dgcenter.org). Additional details and on-line registration will be available on July 1 at www.dgcenter.org/voa.

October 19 - November 13 Four Peaks Trail Reconstruction.
PACK ANIMAL support needed for a series of remote trailwork events. We will be asking volunteers to hike over five miles to work area. No local water supply. Heritage grant budget will fund only a portion of the pack animal support needed. If you may be able to help, please contact Michael Baker (602.522.9127; michaelb@dgcenter.org). This project is supported by a grant from the Arizona Heritage Fund.

October 19-22 Four Peaks Trail Reconstruction.
This is the first of a series of multi-day events organized by Volunteers for Outdoor Arizona (VOA), Tonto Basin RD, and the ATA to re-establish the trail at Buckhorn Mountain in the Four Peaks Wilderness (elevation circa 5,000 feet). This spectacular location is remote – four plus mile hike from Lone Pine Saddle Trailhead (on good trail with modest elevation changes). Some new tread, some rehabilitation and switchback construction to wilderness trail specs. VOA will establish a base camp and volunteers may come in for whatever combination of days suits them. Given the hiking time, a three day trip at minimum is best. Tools, water, and food will be packed in. Volunteers need to bring one day’s worth of water, their first meal and trail snacks, and camping gear. Because of wilderness restrictions and limited camping space, participation will be restricted. Need camp managers, pack animal support, and entertainers. ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Call or e-mail Michael Baker (602.522.9127; michaelb@dgcenter.org). Additional details and on-line registration will be available on July 1 at www.dgcenter.org/voa. This project is supported by a grant from the Arizona Heritage Fund.

October 28 - November 3 - AHS Volunteer Vacation.
Need pack animal support for supplies. Call or e-mail Michael Baker (602.522.9127; michaelb@dgcenter.org). This project is supported by a grant from the Arizona Heritage Fund.

November
November 8-13 Four Peaks Trail Reconstruction.
See description for October 19-22. Take advantage of the holiday weekend to take a great hike and get some good trail built. The full moon is November 4, we maybe able to guide an evening hike in on Friday, November 9. ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Call or e-mail Michael Baker (602.522.9127; michaelb@dgcenter.org). Additional details and on-line registration will be available on July 1 at www.dgcenter.org/voa. This project is supported by a grant from the Arizona Heritage Fund.

Arizona Trail Calendar of Events
Celebrate National Trails Day on the Arizona Trail

Saturday, June 2:
9 a.m. Trail construction, campout with free dinner and entertainment.

Saturday Evening:
Tony Norris, Cowboy Poet
Jim Babbitt, Local Historian
‘Sheilamonsters’, Az Trail Mt Bikers
Richard Hall, Astronomer

Bring your own camping gear, lunch, work gloves, sturdy footwear, and drinking water.

Have fun & help build the new Horse Lake Segment of the Arizona Trail

Sunday, June 3:
9 a.m. - noon Free breakfast, mt bike rides, interpretive hikes, trail work optional.

RSVP to reserve space for you and your friends and family.

Contact:
Coconino N.F. Peaks Ranger District
Brian or Connie at 520-526-0866 or:
cmoen@fs.fed.us.

More info at:
www.fs.fed.us/R3/coconino

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SWCA • Weatherford Hotel • United Metro Materials
National Trails Day, June 2-3, 2001, Flagstaff, Arizona

Directions to Flagstaff Trails Day Event

From Flagstaff, travel about 17 miles south on Lake Mary Road (FH3) and turn left (East) onto Ashurst Lake Road. Travel approximately 3/4 mile on Ashurst Lake Road and turn left (North) to Check-in and Camping areas. This intersection will be signed. Roads suitable for passenger vehicles.

To register for this event or for more information, please contact Coconino National Forest Service coordinators: Brian Poturalski or Connie Moen at 520-526-0866.

More info at: www.fs.fed.us/R3/coconino

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City/State/Zip ____________________________________
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Number x Price Total

Short Sleeve T-Shirt ______ x $15.00 ______
- Small - Med - Large - Extra Large
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- Med - Large - Extra Large - XX Large

Patches ______ x $3.00 ______

Original Ball Caps ______ x $8.00 ______
- Teal - Red - Green - Olive - Blue

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Trail Mug ______ x $4.00 ______

BOOKS/MAPS:
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Please add shipping and handling:
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Become an Arizona Trail Member

The Arizona Trail needs your active support. Help build this resource for today and a legacy for future generations. Join The Arizona Trail Association and become a volunteer!

Would you like to volunteer in any of the following ways? (check all that apply)
- Help build and maintain The Arizona Trail
- Become a Segment Steward
- Assist in Phoenix office
- Distribute Trail and event information in your area
- Donate materials or professional services

Specify:
- Help raise funds for The Arizona Trail
- Recruit additional volunteers
- Membership services and development
- Other: ______________________________________

What are your primary non-motorized trail activities? (check all that apply)
- Hiking
- Horseback Riding
- Mountain Biking
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Other: ______________________________________

Types of Membership (please check one)
- Individual
d- Family $25/year
- Student
d- Senior $15/year
- Organizations with
- budgets less than $25,000 $50/year
- Organizations with
- budgets greater than $25,000 $100/year
- Trailblazer Member $100/year
- Trail Patron $500
- Lifetime Member $1000
- New Member
d- Renewal Membership

Additional Information: (please fill in any that apply)
- I am sending an additional contribution of $_________________ for Trail Development.
- This is a Gift Membership.
- Referred

by: __________________________________________

All donations are tax deductible.

NAME _______________________________________

ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS ____________________________

ADDRESS __________________________________________

CITY ____________ STATE ZIP ____________

PHONE __________________________________________

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MANY MORE MILES TO BUILD...
Welcome New Members!

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