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**You are invited to join us at our annual South Orange County Open House. Thinking about joining the Sierra Club? Already a member but are not sure how to help? Just an interested resident? — The Open House is for everyone!**

How do I start hiking? Where? How can I save the environment? How can I get involved in protecting the planet? When and where do you meet? What is happening in South Orange County? How can I find out what events are coming up in the near future? —These questions and many more will be answered by our many experienced members at the Open House. So come and find out how to have fun and help the planet! You can even join!

**CHILI COOKOFF!** In addition, we will have a Chili Cookoff Contest. If you want to make Chili, you can bring it and enter. Join the fun, maybe you will be a winner and get an REI gift card. So, come and have a bowl of chili on us! (to enter the contest, contact Patty Sappingfield at 949-768-3610 for information and to sign up). Everyone samples the chili's and votes on the one you like best. P.S. we love any dessert donations for this event.

**WHERE:** Norman Murray Community and Senior Center  
24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo, CA

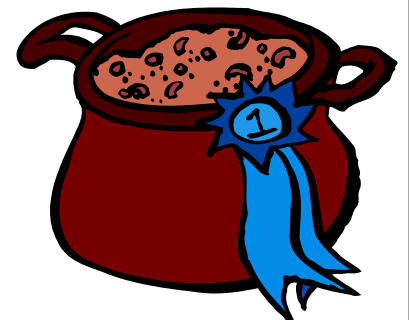
**WHEN:** 7:00 PM, Tuesday, January 23, 2018

**ROOM:** Palo Verde

**DIRECTIONS:**

**Northbound** on I-5, exit at La Paz, turn right onto La Paz, cross Marguerite Parkway and proceed over Oso Creek. Turn left onto Veterans Way and drive to the Murray Center Parking lot.

**Southbound** on I-5, exit at La Paz, turn left onto La Paz, cross Marguerite Parkway and Oso Creek. Turn left onto Veterans Way and drive to the Murray Center Parking Lot



## ***LOCAL SIERRA CLUB ELECTION RESULTS!!!!***

In late October and November, all members had an opportunity to vote on the members of the Angeles Chapter Executive Committee and the Sierra Sage Group Executive Committee. The results were:

Angeles Chapter Executive Committee (consists of 9 members "At Large", i.e., elected from the entire Chapter Membership for 2 year terms, 5 this year and 4 the next and one representative from each regional group like the Sierra Sage of South Orange County)

This year five (5) positions were on the ballot for the At Large positions. The winners were:

Lynne Palmbeck  
 Betty Pearson  
 Debbie Drezner  
 Joy Cernac  
 Yvonne (Martinez) Watson

All will serve during 2018 and 2019.

## ***SIERRA SAGE GROUP ELECTIONS RESULTS!!!!***

The Sierra Sage of South Orange County Group Executive Committee consists of 9 members elected from the Sierra Sage entire Membership for 2 year term, (4 for one year and 5 for the next)

This year 4 positions were on the ballot. The winners were:

Duana Miller  
 Linda Ledger  
 Helen Maurer  
 Ed Maurer

All will serve during 2018 and 2019

The Sierra Sage Executive Committee will meet on January 11th to elect officers, including our Chapter Representative, for 2018. The Executive Committee Members will also approve appointments of all chairs of group committees.

This meeting is open to all our members should you decide to come to observe. Just contact the outgoing Chair, Mike Sappingfield, at [mikesapp@cox.net](mailto:mikesapp@cox.net) or 949-633-6993 for address and directions.

# SAVING GRACES

## THOUGHTS FROM MICHAEL BRUNE THIS DECEMBER

Owing to disasters both [natural](#) and [otherwise](#), the past year has been challenging for sure, but there are two big reasons why it hasn't left me discouraged.

The first has to do with our continued progress on replacing dirty fuels with clean, renewable energy. If you look beyond the headlines and political posturing in Washington, D.C., you can see that progress not only hasn't been stopped but, in many cases, is still accelerating. Dirty and dangerous coal plants are being retired as fast as ever, while clean, renewable energy continues to outpace coal. It was during this past year, in fact, that we [passed the halfway mark](#) on retiring America's coal fleet.

Progress continues on the clean energy side of that equation, too. As of last week, [more than 50 municipalities](#), large and small, have committed to transition to 100 percent clean, renewable energy, while 185 mayors have now pledged to transition their communities to be powered by 100% renewable energy by 2035. In Los Angeles County, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which is the third-largest public transportation system in the U.S. by ridership, not only ordered 100 new electric buses but also committed to [electrify its entire fleet by 2030](#).

Pretty much every week, I see good news like that about clean, renewable energy. Most of it doesn't make headlines, but all of it reassures me that although clean energy's momentum might be slowed, it can't be stopped.

But as much as I love to see [wind](#) and [solar](#) energy development thriving, the main source of my stubborn optimism is a different kind of energy: grassroots power. We saw that with the millions who joined the Women's March last January, as well as the hundreds of thousands who attended the Peoples Climate March in April. Never before have so many people spoken out and become engaged -- many of them for the first time -- in defense of our public lands. I'm proud that the Sierra Club can now count on more than 3 million members and supporters, and I'm even more proud that our most successful grassroots fund-raising campaign this year was in aid of communities devastated by three devastating hurricanes.

I've said it before, but it bears repeating: People who care are the heart and light of the Sierra Club. Without them -- without you -- none of our work would be possible. So as 2017 finally draws to a close, I hope you can all take some time to care for yourselves, too. Rest, rekindle, and reconnect -- with friends, loved ones, and our beautiful world. Here's another Sierra Club statistic I love: Last year we helped more than a quarter million people enjoy the outdoors. Every hike, bike, run, climb, swim, surf, paddle, picnic -- you name it -- is its own kind of resistance to the morally impoverished Scrooges who judge the natural world only by what they can extract and sell.

This year was tough. Next year will be pivotal. I can't wait.

# Outings



**Wednesday, January 03, 2018 9:00 AM**

## **0407-Orange County Group Outing**

### **O: Aliso Wood Grand Tour**

11.5 mi, 900' gain. Start the New Year right with great views and 3 parks. We liked last year's version so much, that we'll do it again. Starting at Canyon View, we'll go down Wood Canyon, then take Meadows Trail up to Moulton Meadows. From there we'll head for Alta Laguna (Top of the World), and finally return via the West Ridge and Cholla Trail. Although there's a big climb in the middle, it's downhill at the end! Meet 9:00 am at Canyon View Park in Aliso Viejo (from El Toro Rd go S on Moulton Pkwy, R on Glenwood, uphill & over the toll rd where it becomes Pacific Park Dr, R on Canyon Vistas Dr to bottom of hill) with water, lunch, hiking shoes/boots. Rain cancels.

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**Saturday, January 06, 2018 8:00 AM**

## **0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

### **O: Trail Maintenance on the Morgan Trail**

The Sierra Club (OC Group, Sierra Sage Group, & San Geronimo Chapter) conducts monthly trail maintenance events in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness. The location of the work in January will be the south end of the Morgan Trail. A lot of brushing is needed and there is one tree across the trail that we will remove. Up to 4 mile round trip distance with 500 ft gain. No experience is needed, only a willingness to work. Tools & instructions are provided. Meet at 8 am at the south OC ride share (map is at 'Get Directions' button) to carpool to the trail head or meet at 8:35 am at the San Juan Loop parking lot on Ortega Hwy. Rain, excessive heat, or critical fire danger will cancel. To receive email notices for each month's plans, contact the leader to be added to the email distribution list.

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**Saturday, Jan 06, 2018 to Sunday, Jan 07, 2018**

## **0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

### **I: San Jacinto Winter Backpack**

Join us as we celebrate the New Year in the San Jacinto Wilderness. This moderately difficult overnight backpacking trip will start on Saturday at the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway station in Palm Springs, ascending to the mountain station at 8600' where we will snowshoe (or hike) with full packs for 3 miles to Round Valley (9100') to set up camp. In the afternoon we will explore Round Valley and Tamarack Valley for approximately 3 miles, followed by Happy Hour. On Sunday, we will return same way. Participants must have either snow camping experience or have the approval of leaders to participate. The cost to participate is as follows: (1) round-trip ticket up the Palm Springs tramway is approximately \$25 per person; they offer AAA discount. (2) A \$5 camping fee per person is charged by San Jacinto wilderness. The \$5 is to be prepaid to leaders by

December 15; it is refundable if spot is resold. Participation is limited by permit. Contact leaders to register or for more information.

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**Wednesday, January 10, 2018 9:00 AM**

## **0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

### **O: Quail Hill**

Moderately strenuous 10 mi, 1900' gain/loss. Starting at Quail Hill, we'll follow the Shady Cyn Trail into Bommer Cyn and climb the nicely-switchbacked Turtle Ridge Trail to the ridgetop. There we'll enjoy good views before looping back into Shady Cyn and returning to our starting point. Meet 9:00 am in the parking area at the Quail Hill trailhead in Irvine. (from I-405 exit Sand Cyn & go S on Shady Cyn Dr to traffic circle, continue S----trailhead is ~ 100yds past traffic circle & fire station on R). Bring at least 2 qts water, lunch, lugsoles/good walking boots. Rain cancels. Ldr: Linda Ledger. Asst: Sylvia Stevenson.

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**Saturday, January 13, 2018 8:30 AM**

## **0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

### **O: Bear Canyon Loop**

7 miles, 1300' gain from the Candy Store through chaparral and oaks, via the Bear Canyon Trail to 4 corners, then down to Pidgeon Springs for lunch, then back to the Candy Store. Meet 8:30 am at South OC Rideshare (1 Block east of I-5 on Ortega Highway and Rancho Viejo Road in front of Ball Park Pizza, in San Juan Capistrano). Bring 2 Qts water, lunch, hat, hiking shoes or boots. We will carpool to the FS Parking Lot and Trailhead at the Candy Store. Forest Service Passes required for those driving to the Trailhead. Rain cancels.

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**Sunday, January 14, 2018 3:00 PM**

## **0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

### **O: Crystal Cove Sunset Hike**

A "Mike's Hike" of 4 miles round trip, 100' gain. Enjoy a late afternoon beach walk down to the cottages, then back along the beach, pausing at Pelican Point to watch the sunset behind Catalina Island. Meet 3:00 pm on Cameo Shores Road at the PCH just North of Crystal Cove State Park and we will walk into the Park. We will return to the cars after sunset. This hike is suitable for beginners. Rain cancels.

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**Wednesday, January 17, 2018 9:00 AM**  
**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**  
**O: Ladera Ranch loop**

1.75: 6 mi, 1180' gain/loss. A new variant of something we've done before that avoids the V-ditches! Our route takes us along the bluffs overlooking Arroyo Trabuco, up and down, then a longish descent at the southern end of Ladera Ranch. From there (new wrinkle!) we'll traverse nearly flat for about a mile, through a children's playground (good snack spot) and over to the landscaped trail that follows the power line, which returns us to our starting point. Optional lunch in one of the eateries there. Meet 9:00 am in the parking lot of the shopping center at Crown Valley Pkwy and Cecil Pasture Rd. From I-5 take Crown Valley Pkwy east, cross the bridge over the Arroyo and turn R on Cecil Pasture Rd: take the first L into parking lot and park near that entrance. Bring water, snacks, sneakers ok. Rain cancels.

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**Saturday, January 20, 2018 8:30 AM**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**  
**O: Morgan trail hike**

Meet at 8:30 AM at the south Orange County ride share point ( Rancho Viejo and Ortega road, in San Juan Capistrano). We will hike about 10 miles with 1000 foot gain on the Morgan trail and into Morrell canyon. Lunch will be in an oak and sycamore grove. Bring 2 quarts water, lug-sole shoes, and lunch. Rain cancels. Contact leaders (Russ Brown, Linda Ledger) for more information.

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**Wednesday, January 24, 2018 9:00 AM**  
**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**  
**O: Oso Creek Trail**

Jan 24 Wed Orange County/Sierra Sage O: Oso Creek Trail: 6 mi, 500' gain, moderate hike on paved trails along the creek and up the Jeronimo Open Space, then dirt trail to Nacimiento Ridge overlooking Trabuco Cyn, return down alternate trails and along the dirt trail west of Oso Creek past the Maze and Obelisk before returning to the cars. Meet 9:00 am in the North Parking lot of the Norman Murray Community and Senior Center, 24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo. Bring water, snack, comfortable shoes. Newcomers welcome.

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**Friday, Saturday, Sunday, January 26, 27, 28, 2018**  
**OCSS/ Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**I: Winter Combo Getaway Bus Trip to Mammoth Lakes**

Join OCSS for an awesome weekend adventure!. This trip has it all: Learn to cross-country ski in the backcountry with our instructors; enjoy backcountry ski touring and snowshoe touring with leaders; XC ski on your own at Tamarack Nordic Ski Center; Downhill ski or snowboard on Mammoth Mtn. Newcomers and Non skiers Welcome, tons of stuff to do in Mammoth! Stay at Sierra Nevada Resort (2 per rm, 2 beds, priv.bath) close to shopping, night life, free shuttles. Leave O.C. 2 PM with pickup in San Fernando Valley. Return O.C. Sunday 10PM. Includes. bus, lodging, happy hour, Sunday dinner, bus refreshments and driver gratuity.

Send email address (or 2 SASE), phone#, \$310 with Sierra Club number or \$325 non-members (check payable OCSS). To Reservationist/Asst Leader: Donna Specht, 22221 Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646. Just need a ride or a room? Ask about Transportation or Lodging only cost. Leader: Mark Fleming, Ski Leaders: Homer Tom. Backcountry Ski Instructors: Julie Smith-Meek & Scott Meek. Snowshoe Leaders: Todd Clark and Sylvie Cote.

**Wednesday, January 31, 2018 9:00 AM**  
**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Groups Outing**  
**O: Crystal Cove beach walk**

7 mi, 200' gain. An easy walk along the beach & bluff top in this beautiful State Park . Newport Beach. Optional stop at Ruby's Date Shack for lunch. Meet 9:00 am at the SW corner of PCH & Cameo Shores, in Corona del Mar. Park along frontage road just inside entrance to Cameo Shores, or park on Cameo Highlands. Bring water, snack, walking shoes.

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**Wednesday, February 07, 2018 9:00 AM**  
**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**  
**O: Moro loop**

10 mi, 2100' gain/loss. We'll go up Willow and out Moro Ridge to descend East Cut-Across into Moro Canyon. The return ascent up-canyon is mostly gradual until we reach the head of the canyon and take the "easy" Elevator back to Bommer Ridge. (Be aware that "easy" is relative; it's still a good climb for about .5mi, but you can eyeball the "really steep" Elevator en route). Return to the starting point via Willow. Meet 9:00 am at Willow parking area in Laguna Canyon (from El Toro Rd turn L onto Laguna Cyn Rd: parking lot is immediately on R). Bring at least 2 qts water, lunch, hiking boots/lugsoles, \$3 parking fee. Rain cancels.

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**Saturday, Sunday, February 10,11, 2018**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**I: Cottonwood - Joshua Tree National Park backpack**

Join us on this moderately difficult overnight backpacking trip from the Cottonwood backcountry board. We will backpack 7 miles to camp at the site of former Native American settlement (and later an old mining camp). On Saturday, we will set up camp, explore the area, and have happy hour. The next day, return same way. Must have backpacking experience to participate. Number of participants is limited by permit. Cost to participate is \$25 per car to enter the park. Must carry a minimum of 1 gallon of water per person. Must contact leader for more information and to register. Leader: (milsylvie@hotmail.com).

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**Wednesday, February 14, 2018 8:30 AM**  
**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**  
**O: Morgan Trail hike**

10 mi, 1550' gain/loss. We may see early wildflowers on this one. We'll start from the Candy Store and follow the Bear Canyon Trail to its junction with the Morgan Trail, which will take us up to the South Main Divide Rd through a mix of chaparral and woodland. Return by the same route.



Meet 8:30 am at South Orange County rideshare point. From I-5, take the Ortega Hwy east to Rancho Viejo, turn R, then immediate L into parking lot. Meeting point is on your L. Bring at least 2 qts water, lunch, hiking boots/lugsoles. Rain cancels.

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**Saturday, February 17, 2018 8:30 AM**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Sleepy Hollow Hike**

We invite you to join us for an easy hike in the Whiting Ranch Wilderness Park. The hike is approximately 4 miles round-trip with 300" of elevation gain and loss. We will meet at 8:30 am at the Whiting Ranch Parking Lot on Glenn Ranch Road, approx. 1/2 mile east of Portola Parkway in Trabuco Canyon. This hike is suitable for beginners as well as experienced hikers looking for a shorter hike. Children 5 years and older with a parent are also welcome. Bring a hat, hiking shoes, \$3 for parking, at least 1 liter of water, and snacks.

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**Wednesday, February 21, 2018 9:00 AM**  
**0407-Orange County Group Outing**

**O: Riley Park loop**

5 mi, 400' gain. This will be an easy hike around the varied landscape of the Park: oak groves in the ravines, wildflowers and cactus on the slopes. Bring water, snack, hiking shoes/lugsoles. Newcomers welcome. Meet 9:00 am at the Park. From I-5, go east on Oso Pkwy almost to the end where the road enters Coto de Caza, turn R into Riley Park. Rain, 3 days after rain, cancels. \$3 parking or OC park pass. Ldr: Pete Height. Asst: Bob Hansen.

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**Saturday, February 24, 2018, 8:30 AM**  
**0417 Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**  
**O: Laurel, Camarillo, and South Stagecoach Loop**

6 mi, 600' of elevation gain from the Willow Staging Area, just south of the El Toro Junction on the Laguna Canyon Hwy (133). We plan to depart at 8:30 AM so give yourself time to park and pay the \$3 parking fee. Route includes a moderate climb up Lower Laurel Canyon Trail, then continuing on an easy Upper Laurel Canyon Trail under the Toll Road, then descend down Camarillo Trail to South Stagecoach Trail, under the Toll Road back to the Willow Staging Area. Bring \$3 for parking, munchies, and at least a quart of water and a hat. Rain Cancels.

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**Sunday, February 25, 2018 8:00 AM**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**I: San Jacinto Winter Hike**

Come join us for a day hike in the San Jacinto Wilderness. Hike may be done on snowshoes, depending on snow conditions. From the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, we will ascent to the mountain station at 8600' where we will hike up to 6 miles and up to 1000' of gain/loss, depending on conditions and on the group. We will stop for lunch half way. In the afternoon, we will return to the mountain sta-

tion. Cost to participate is \$25 for tram round trip ticket. AAA discount available. Must have prior experience snowshoeing or leaders' approval. Number of participants limited by permit. Contact leader to register or for more info.

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**Wednesday, February 28, 2018 8:30 AM**  
**0407-Orange County Group Outing**

**O: Laguna Coast from top to bottom**

Join us for an 8 mi, 1400' gain/loss hike starting at the end of Ridge Park Rd in Corona del Mar. We'll have great views along Bommer Ridge, Emerald Cyn Rd, Old Emerald Trail, then returning on Bommer ridge. Meet 8:30 am at the trailhead at the end of Ridge Park Rd. Bring 1-2 liters water, snack, hiking boots/lugsoles, sun protection. From PCH drive up Newport Coast Dr 2.4 mi to Ridge Park Rd and turn R. Drive 1.5 mi to end of road. Park on st. Restrooms at Coastal Peak Park on R. Rain cancels.

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**Saturday, March 3, 2018 7:30 AM (Time Tentative)**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**

**O: Trail Maint. in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness**

The Sierra Club (OC Group, Sierra Sage Group, & San Gorgonio Chapter) conducts monthly trail maintenance events in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness. The location for each month's activity depends on the **current needs**. To receive email notices for each month's plans, contact the leader to be added to the email distribution list. No experience is needed, only a willingness to work. Tools & instructions are provided. Meeting times will depend on the trail location for that month's work. Rain, excessive heat, or critical fire danger will cancel.

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**Wednesday, March 07, 2018 9:00 AM (Time Tentative)**  
**0407-Orange County/Sierra Sage Group Outing**

**O: Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy hike (Part of the Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejo)**

5 mi, 200' gain. This is your chance to explore one of the most beautiful wild flower regions of So Orange County. Children 5 years old with parents welcome. Rain cancels. Donation to DONLC: \$10 adults, \$5 children, to support the work of the Conservancy. Special instructions to come on this hike: Go to the Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejo's website, go to the calendar Page: <http://mvreserve.org/calendar/> and scroll down the Sierra Sage Hike of March 7, 2018, fill out the registration form, click the waiver box. The site will send them a confirmation email with links to the waiver form which they should print and bring with them.: We will meet at the South Orange County rideshare point and move as a group, carpooling to meet with the Reserve Staff as directed.. NOTE!! If rain cancels, the hike will be changed to Thursday, March 15th Michael Sappingfield 949-633-6993 [mikesapp@cox.net](mailto:mikesapp@cox.net)

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**RIDESHARE MEETING POINTS**

**S Orange Co...**Ortega Plaza parking lot SE corner, Ortega Hwy/Rancho Viejo, San Juan Capistrano

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Note: These Office holders may change after the June 11 Meeting in which new officers are voted and committee chairs are appointed and approved. \* Denotes voting member of the Executive Committee

### SIERRA SAGE MEETINGS.

- Executive Committee meetings are open to all members of the Sierra Club who reside in South Orange County. Meetings are on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Contact Mike Sappingfield at [mikesapp@cox.net](mailto:mikesapp@cox.net) for date, time and directions.
- Preserve the Coastal areas of Orange County? Contact Penny Elia at [greenpl@cox.net](mailto:greenpl@cox.net)
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- Want to keep the Santa Ana Mountains wild? Or even want to help maintain the trails in the San Mateo Wilderness Area? Contact John Kaiser at [jkai39@gmail.com](mailto:jkai39@gmail.com)



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Address**

**Sierra Sage is scheduled for delivery on Jan 1, March, 1, May 1, July 1, Sept 1, and November 1 of each year. Please note that submission deadline is one month prior to publication.**

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### HIKE OF THE MONTH

**Sunday, January 14, 2018 3:00 PM**  
**0417-Sierra Sage of SOC Group Outing**  
**O: Crystal Cove Sunset Hike**

A "Mike's Hike" of 4 miles round trip, 100' gain. Enjoy a late afternoon beach walk down to the cottages, then back along the beach, pausing at Pelican Point to watch the sunset behind Catalina Island. Meet 3:00 pm on Cameo Shores Road at the PCH just North of Crystal Cove State Park and we will walk into the Park. We will return to the cars after sunset. This hike is suitable for beginners. Rain cancels.

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