

Day, Date, Departure Time & Departure Place	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Outing Description</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Fall 2009</p> <p><a href="#">Printer-friendly version</a></p> <p><a href="#">Logistics, rules, meeting places, and difficulty ratings</a></p> <p>E-mail schedule changes and updates to: <a href="mailto:mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org">mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org</a></p> <p>Participation in Seniors Outdoors! activities by non-members is limited to two outings per year. Visitors who wish to actively participate are expected to join Seniors Outdoors!</p> <p><b>Schedule changes and trip updates are in red.</b></p>	<a href="#">Difficulty Rating</a> Rating, Total Length & Elevation Gain
Wed Sept 9 8:30 am SW corner of Albertsons parking lot	<b>WW hike: Hoffhein's to Gudy's Rest</b> - This is an in-and-out hike with consistent and mostly gradual elevation gain as the trail heads north toward the Colorado Trail and Gudy's Rest with views of Perins Peak, Barnroof Point, and the La Plata Mountains. <b>RSVP non-SO! members only.</b> <b>Leader: Lydine Hannula 884-9052 <a href="mailto:lydine2@yahoo.com">lydine2@yahoo.com</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles 800'
Wed Sept 9 8:00 am Animas City Pk 8:30 am DMR	<b>Hike Brown Mountain to Mount Abrams</b> - Beautiful high altitude (12,000 - 13,000') ridge hike north of Silverton with great views of all San Juan 14'ers. Hope for better weather this year! 4WD necessary. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Clark Lagow RSVP: 259-9337 <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a></b>	Hard 7 miles 3,000'
Sat Sept 12 9:00 am Animas City Pk 9:30 am DMR	<b>Hike Grey Rock Ridge</b> - A lovely hike following old logging roads north of DMR with views of Engineer Mountain, the Needles, the La Platas, Cascade and Hermosa Creek drainages. 4WD convenient. Carpool \$4. Dogs OK <b>Leader: John Martin RSVP: 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a></b>	Moderate 4 - 5 miles 1,000'
Mon Sept 14 8:00 am Animas City Pk	<b>First Fork Trail</b> - Hike up to Missionary Ridge via the First Fork Trail. The trail begins by crossing the Red Creek and then follows the creek. There will be some creek crossings but water should be low. Access to the trail is thru Colvig Silver Camp up Florida road. Carpool \$2. <b>Leader: Dell Manners RSVP: 259-0190 <a href="mailto:danners@sisna.com">danners@sisna.com</a></b>	Moderate 7 miles 1,700'
Wed Sept 16 8:30 am Rec Center	<b>WW hike: Dry Gulch from Rockridge subdivision (DOW)</b> - This is an in-and-out hike that will start from the trailhead in Rockridge Subdivision. The trail cuts through the Perins Wildlife area through open meadows at a slight elevation gain along the way. The trail passes some remains of ranch buildings and clusters of aspen. Dogs OK, but they must be leashed. <b>RSVP non-SO! members only.</b> <b>Leader: Barb Hancock 764-4531</b>	Easy 5 miles 300'
Fri Sept 18 9:00 am Santa Rita Park	<b>SO! Ladies Fridays A Field: Boren Creek</b> - A steep trail on a 4 WD road in La Plata Canyon that affords terrific views across the canyon and of the La Plata mountains from the top. Please pack a lunch, plenty of water, and gear appropriate for rain or cold. Dogs on leash or left at home, please. Carpool \$2 <b>Leader: Linda Olmstead RSVP: 385-4091</b>	Moderate 4.4 miles 2,000'
Sat Sept 19 7:00 am Animas City Pk	<b>Climb Golden Horn</b> - (13,761') for a special view of Ice Lake. We will start about 7 miles up So Mineral Creek from 550. After gaining the ridge to the NW, hike W almost to the back of Ice Lake Basin, and then traverse to the ridge leading up to the Horn. The "tip" of the Horn is another 400' scramble. The return trip will first use the Ice Lake Trail and then the Hard Rock 100 connection back to Mineral Creek. The date is subject to change. We want at least a partly sunny day so the electric blue lake can be fully appreciated. Dogs ok. Carpool \$6. 4WD necessary. <b>Leader: Bob Thompson RSVP: 382-9271</b>	Most Challenging 9 miles 3,500'
Sun Sept. 20 8:30 am Animas City Park 9:00 am	<b>Hike Spud Lake</b> - The hike passes through aspen forest and along several interesting beaver ponds, some of which are still active. From the lake are views of the Twilight Peaks and Engineer Mountain. We will hike up to the lake, around its circumference, and back. Carpool: \$4 Dogs OK 4WD convenient	Easy 3 miles 440'

DMR	<b>Leader: David Wright RSVP: 259-5978 <a href="mailto:david.j.wright@att.net">david.j.wright@att.net</a></b>	
Tues Sept 22 7:30 am Santa Rita Pk	<b><i>Climb Middle Babcock</i></b> - At 13,180', this is the highest of the 4 Babcocks. Park on La Plata Cyn Rd at Boren Creek and hike up the impassible 4WD road 2.5 miles. Tedious climb up talus couloir to saddle between Middle and 4 <sup>th</sup> Peak Tower. Some class 4 on 2-foot-wide ridge with good rock. Return the way we came. No dogs. Carpool \$3. 4WD helpful. Members only. <b>Leader: Debra Van Winegarden RSVP: 375-1413 <a href="mailto:debra@frontier.net">debra@frontier.net</a></b>	Most Challenging 7.5 miles 3,950'
Wed Sept 23 8:30 am Rec Center	<b><i>WW hike: Falls Creek</i></b> - Falls Creek is accessed from a parking area pretty much at the base of the Anasazi Rock Shelters and on the opposite side of the road. From there the trail crosses through a hayfield to the wooded area. Follow through the wooded area to the old burned area and back down into the valley via a trail that takes us just inside the Falls Creek subdivision and then out on the main road back to the cars. <b>RSVP non-SO! members only.</b> <b>Leader: Warren Levingston 769-1437 <a href="mailto:kosmichiker@gmail.com">kosmichiker@gmail.com</a></b>	<b>Moderate</b> <b>4.5 miles</b> <b>400'</b>
Thurs Sept 24 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR	<b><i>Hike Spencer Basin and Highland Mary Lakes</i></b> - Starting at 10,800' and hike up via Spencer Basin to an unnamed pass at 12,700' SW of Sugarloaf Mt. Return via a ridgeline to Highland Mary Lakes and return to vehicles. Spectacular views. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK <b>Leader: Ray Baranowski RSVP: 259-9522 <a href="mailto:wraybar@yahoo.com">wraybar@yahoo.com</a></b> <b>Co-leader: Jeff Bailey 764-8120</b>	Moderate 5.8 miles 1,900'
Sat Sept 26 8:30 am Animas City Pk 9:00 am TH across from DMR	<b><i>Purgatory Trail Hike</i></b> - We'll start at the trailhead across from DMR and hike down to the Flats, then along the beautiful Cascade Creek gorge to the Animas for lunch by the river. Up and down both ways, with a climb out at the end. Carpool \$3. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Betsy Petersen RSVP: 259-5417 <a href="mailto:betsyp@frontier.net">betsyp@frontier.net</a></b>	Moderate ~ 8 miles 1,000'
Sun Sept 27 1:00 pm Animas City Pk	<b><i>Hike to the old Animas City Cemetery</i></b> - Durango historian Duane Smith will accompany us on an easy walk to this old site and tell us about the history of Animas City and about the people who are buried here. In the event of rain, the hike will be postponed. <b>Leader: Dell Manners RSVP: 259-0190 <a href="mailto:dmanners@sisna.com">dmanners@sisna.com</a></b>	Easy 1 mile
Sun Sept 27 7:00 am Santa Rita Pk	<b><i>Hike Lewis Ridge in the La Platas</i></b> - We will drive about 9 miles up La Plata Canyon Road to the Columbus Basin road. We'll park about 1 mile up the road and hike into the basin. Gain Lewis Ridge on the east side between Snowstorm and Lewis. Then head S and follow the ridge all the way around to the NW side of the basin, climbing Lewis Mtn, 12,655', along the way, and drop back to the cars. There are some narrow, exposed spots on the ridge but overall it is not a difficult scramble. Carpool \$3 Dogs OK. 4WD necessary. <b>Leader: Bob Thompson RSVP: 382-9271</b>	Hard 5 miles 2,600'
Tues Sept. 29 8:00 am Animas City Pk 8:30 am DMR	<b><i>Coal Creek - Jura Knob - Deer Creek</i></b> - Hike up Coal Creek Trail to the ridge north of Engineer Mt (above tree line.) Continue up the ridge to Jura Knob (option to climb the knob, some rock scrambling is required). Really nice views. Descend via Deer Creek Trail. Carpool \$5. Dogs OK <b>Leader: Jeff Bailey RSVP: 764-8120 <a href="mailto:jewlbailey@yahoo.com">jewlbailey@yahoo.com</a></b> <b>Co-leader: Ray Baranowski 259-9522</b>	Hard 9 miles 2,300' (including Knob)
Wed Sept 30 9:00 am SW corner of Albertson's parking lot	<b><i>WW hike: Perin's City Ruins</i></b> - Follow railroad grade in Twin Buttes area to the ruins of old Perin's City. Have lunch and explore the ruins (or just rest). Hike back down same trail. Bring picnic lunch. <b>Dogs OK, but must be leashed.</b> <b>RSVP non-SO! members only.</b> <b>Leader: Ray Walker 382-7662 <a href="mailto:raynsue@bresnan.net">raynsue@bresnan.net</a></b>	Moderate <b>5 miles</b> 1,300'
Fri Oct 2 8:30 a.m. Rec Center 9:00 a.m. DMR	<b><i>SO! Ladies Fridays A Field: Castle Rock Overlook</i></b> - We'll drive behind DMR to access the trailhead to the Castle Rock overlook, hiking over easy rolling terrain to see the beautiful views and Fall color from the overlook without having to endure the usual steep climb. Please pack lunch, plenty of water, and gear appropriate for rain or cold. Poles helpful but not necessary. Trail may be shared with an occasional cow or two, sometimes even a herd; dogs on leash only. Carpool \$3 4WD convenient <b>Leader: Susan Beck-Brown RSVP: 375-0948 <a href="mailto:rdb835@frontier.net">rdb835@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 4 miles 100'
Fri – Sun <b>CANCELLED</b> Oct. 2-4	<b><i>Camp and hike around Moab - CANCELLED</i></b> Drive to Moab on Friday and camp at Hell Roaring Canyon. Saturday will hike the canyon. There are some cliffs, washes, and scrambling but nothing technical. Sunday will hike 11 miles to	Moderately Hard.

TBA	the White Rim on Murphy's Hogback. No dogs <b>Leader: Sue Berkhahn RSVP: 435-260-2675</b>	
Sun Oct 4 7:30 a.m. Santa Rita Park	<b>Climb East Babcock Peak</b> - (approx. 13,149'). We will park on La Plata Canyon Road at Boren Creek and hike up the impassible 4WD road two miles. Climb NE up a very steep slope to the ridge leading to East Babcock. Hike W along ridge with two tricky scrambles. Return the way we came. No dogs. Carpool \$3 4WD helpful. Members only. <b>Leader: Debra Van Winegarden RSVP: 375-1413 <a href="mailto:debra@frontier.net">debra@frontier.net</a></b> <b>Co-leader: Bob Thompson 382-9271</b>	Most Challenging 8 miles 4,000'
Sun Oct 4 8:00 a.m. Santa Rita Park 8:30 a.m. Harry's in Mancos	<b>Mocking Mesa bike ride</b> - Start from Howard's trailer in Pleasant View, drive out Rd. 12 to gated entrance. Park cars and ride bikes down good road to end of the Santa Rita Park mesa - about a 1 1/2-hour ride. We will stop and explore ruins on the ride back. The mesa overlooks the confluence of Woods and Sandstone canyons. Limit 15 <b>Leader: Harry Hance RSVP: 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b> <b>Co-leader: Howard Drake</b>	Moderate 7 miles Minimal
Mon Oct 5 9:00 a.m. Rec Center	<b>Geologic Stroll in DOW area north of Rockridge</b> - Visit a deposit of ash erupted 600,000 years ago from a volcano in what is now Yellowstone National Park and look at other geologic features and puzzles. Mostly on an easy trail but access to the ash deposit requires walking up and down a brushy slope with no trail (several hundred yards and 150 feet elevation change each way). The BBC and Discovery Channel film, "Supervolcano", 2005, is recommended before or after this walk. No dogs. <b>Leader: Doug Smith RSVP: 259-0558 <a href="mailto:doug@geo.utexas.edu">doug@geo.utexas.edu</a></b>	Easy 2.5 miles 300'
Wed Oct 7 9:00 a.m. 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Street Horse Gulch Trailhead	<b>WW hike: Raider Ridge</b> - This trail ascends steeply but then follows the ridgeline with minimal elevation gain or loss. Views are across the Fort Lewis College mesa and beyond. The return is either back on the same trail or may descend mid-way along the ridge and down to the Horse Gulch road for the return to the trailhead. <b>RSVP non-SO! members only</b> <b>Leader: Barb Hancock 764-4531</b>	Moderate 5 miles 1,100'
<b>Fri Oct 9</b> 8:00 a.m. Animas City Pk 8:30 a.m. DMR	<b>Hike to No Name Peak – Date change to Friday, October 9</b> Located NW of Snowden Peak. We start at Andrews Lake, hike thru meadows and then move up to the ridge. Option to explore area or climb Snowden. Treats after. Limit 10. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK <b>Leader: Nancy Federico RSVP: 259-1949</b>	Hard 5 miles 1,900'
Fri Oct. 9 9:00 a.m. Animas City Park	<b>Hike Lower Hermosa Creek</b> - From the trailhead, the well defined trail remains at approximately the same elevation with some ups and downs and crosses several side streams that are typically dry or flowing slightly. This is an in-and-out trail. Carpool \$2. Dogs OK <b>Leader: Carol Milliet RSVP: 259-0496 <a href="mailto:cfog@msn.com">cfog@msn.com</a></b>	Moderate 5 miles 240'
Sat Oct.10 9:00 A.M. Animas City Pk 9:30 A.M. TH at Needles Store on 550	<b>Hike Castle Rock.</b> An annual favorite for fall colors and commanding views at the top. Bring a snack and your Favorite beverage. We will probably make a loop at the top and then return to the trailhead. Carpool \$3. Dogs OK. <b>Wear Orange.</b> <b>Leader: John Martin RSVP: 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles 1,500'
Sun Oct.11 9:30 a.m. Animas City Pk 10:00 a.m. TH	<b>Hike Haviland to Forebay Lake</b> - Hike from the parking area at the end of the road down an old 4WD road over rolling terrain past a beaver pond, through an open meadow, then through the forest to Forebay Lake. Possibly hike to river overlook depending on time and weather. Bring snacks and water. Carpool \$3 Dogs ok if under control and leash available. <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Warren Levingston RSVP: 769-1437 <a href="mailto:kosmichiker@gmail.com">kosmichiker@gmail.com</a></b>	Easy 3.4 miles 220'
Sun Oct. 11 8:30 A.M. 32 <sup>nd</sup> St TH	<b>Circle Animas City Mountain</b> - Join us for a moderate hike on our very own, beloved, in-town (almost) mountain, following the Mug Run course. Join in the Name-That-Mountain game as we look over the San Juans and La Platas. Homemade cookies go to the winner. Hike it now before the top is closed for winter. Dogs OK. <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Debra Van Winegarden RSVP: 375-1413 <a href="mailto:debra@frontier.net">debra@frontier.net</a></b>	Moderate 6.5 miles 1,800'

<p>Tues Oct 13 6:30 p.m. Center of Southwest Studies FLC 7:00 p.m. DOW Lecture Student Union Ballroom</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SO! General Meeting</b></p> <p>The meeting will be at the Center of Southwest Studies (next to the Concert Hall) at Fort Lewis College, <b>not</b> the Rec Center. At 6:30 p.m. CSS staff will introduce the recently opened Mountain Lion exhibit; the exhibit will remain open for SO! members until 8:00 p.m. At the Student Union Ballroom from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Lyle Willmarth from the Colorado Division of Wildlife will present a lecture, "Tracking Mountain Lions and Other Animals." This free lecture is open to students and the public. SO! members may go directly to the lecture and visit the Mountain Lion exhibit another day; come to the Center of Southwest Studies, have coffee and snacks, and view the Mountain Lion exhibit; or come to the exhibit at 6:30 p.m., view part of the exhibit, and attend the lecture at 7:00. (Refreshments must be brought to the Center of Southwest Studies.)</p>	
<p>Tue Oct 13 8:00 a.m. Animas City Pk 8:20 a.m. DGO Hills TH</p>	<p><b>Hike Mt. Baldy on Missionary Ridge</b> - Mt. Baldy without the road: This hike to Mt. Baldy will start at the trailhead above Durango Hills. Unlike the customary route up the road, however, we will avoid "road walking" as much as possible. We will bushwhack to the ridge, follow the crest of the ridge to Baldy, then return to the trailhead by linking several faint trails through the timber. There are good views and with luck, we will catch some fall color. Carpool \$1. <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Charlie Berglund RSVP: 247-9747 <a href="mailto:chasberglund@msn.com">chasberglund@msn.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1,300'</p>
<p>Wed Oct 14</p>	<p><b>No WW please join the highway clean-up</b></p>	
<p>Wed Oct 14 8:45 a.m. Hermosa Conoco</p>	<p><b>Highway 550 Cleanup</b> Join other SO! volunteers to help cleanup our two sections of Highway 550. <b>Leader: Marv Dwarkin RSVP: 259-9434 <a href="mailto:mpdworkin@gobrainstorm.net">mpdworkin@gobrainstorm.net</a></b></p>	
<p><b>Thurs. Oct. 22</b> 8:30 a.m. Animas City Pk</p>	<p><b>Hike Slickrock Trail to Kennebec Pass and Taylor Lake – Date change to Thursday, October 22.</b> We will hike at a moderate pace from upper Junction Creek to Kennebec Pass and over to Taylor Lake with an option to visit the Muldoon Mine just off the pass. The hike involves a steady elevation gain through the forest and then across an open slope over loose rock up to the pass. There is little elevation gain after we make the pass. Carpool \$3. Dogs OK 4WD convenient <b>Leader: David Wright RSVP: 259-5978 <a href="mailto:david.j.wright@att.net">david.j.wright@att.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 8 miles 1,500'</p>
<p>Fri Oct 16 8:30 a.m. Rec Center</p>	<p><b>SO! Ladies Fridays A Field: Perins Peak from Rockridge</b> - The trail begins in the Rockridge subdivision and follows an un-maintained trail through the Perins Peak State Wildlife Area. The trail heads off through a meadow and begins a steady ascent to the peak; there are steep portions near the top. Great views of Durango from the peak. Please pack a lunch or snack and plenty of water. Dogs OK, but they must be leashed in the Wildlife Area. <b>Leader: Barb Hancock RSVP: 764-4531 <a href="mailto:barbhancock@bresnan.net">barbhancock@bresnan.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1,400'</p>
<p>Sun. Oct. 18 9:00 a.m. Animas City Pk 9:30 a.m. DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike the West Lime Creek Trail</b> - The trailhead is on Hwy 550 between Coal Bank Pass and Molas Pass. The trail follows West Lime Creek for about 3 miles. This will be a moderately-paced hike and we will have lunch along the trail. Great views and a mellow agenda. Carpool \$5 Dogs OK. <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Dell Manners RSVP: 259-0190 <a href="mailto:dmanners@sisna.com">dmanners@sisna.com</a></b> <b>Co-leader: David Wright 259-5978</b></p>	<p>Moderate 5 Miles 1,100'</p>
<p>Tues. Oct. 20 9:00 a.m. Animas City Pk 9:30 a.m. DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike Cascade Village to the Flume</b> - This hike starts from the water tower at Cascade Village and goes up the south side of Cascade Creek for about five miles. We will ford the creek and hike back along the north side of the creek. Bring water shoes and hiking poles to ford the creek. Carpool \$4. Dogs OK <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Carol Milliet RSVP: 259-0496 <a href="mailto:cfog@msn.com">cfog@msn.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 9 miles 500'</p>
<p>Wed Oct 21 9:00 a.m. Rec Center</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas City Mountain</b> Located within the city limits on the north end of town, this trail has a consistent uphill from the trailhead along the outside edge of the mountain to the promontory at the top. Trail is rocky, and poles may be helpful. Great views of Durango and the Animas Valley along the way and at the top. The trip will either return on the same trail or by an interior trail with approximately the same return distance. <b>RSVP non-SO! members only. Wear orange!</b> <b>Leader: Warren Levingston 769-1437 <a href="mailto:kosmichiker@gmail.co">kosmichiker@gmail.co</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles 1,000'</p>

<p>Fri-Sun Oct. 23-25 9:00 a.m. Rec Center</p>	<p><b>Utah Car Camping</b> - We will drive to Butler Wash, hike Comb Ridge, and explore many canyons and scramble over slickrock. There are lots of ruins, rock art, and spectacular views from the top of Comb Ridge. Primitive camping in Butler Wash or motels in nearby Bluff. Bring plenty of water. Carpool \$18. <b>Leader: Bill Cagle RSVP: 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 6 - 7 miles/day 500' Many times Scrambling</p>
<p>Tues Oct 27 7:30 a.m. Santa Rita Pk 8:30 a.m. Joe Rowell Pk Dolores</p>	<p><b>Hike to base of Lizard Head Peak</b> - Hike on established Cross Mountain Trail, climbing through the forest to the base of Lizard Head. Enjoy lunch and stellar views of El Diente, Mt. Wilson, and Sheep Mtn. Carpool \$12. No dogs. Meet Pete in Dolores. <b>Leader: Pete Dericks RSVP: 882-8047 <a href="mailto:pdericks@centurytel.net">pdericks@centurytel.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 7 miles 1,500'</p>
<p>Wed Oct 28 9:00 a.m. Santa Rita Park</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Sale Barn</b> - This hike heads up a series of switchbacks and reaches the top of the canyon in less than a mile. At the junction with South Rim trail, we will proceed another 2.5 miles down into Big Canyon, then connect with and follow Big Canyon Trail for the last mile to the frontage road. <b>RSVP non-SO! members only. Wear orange!</b> <b>Leaders: Lydine &amp; Tom Hannula 884-9052 <a href="mailto:Lydine2@yahoo.com">Lydine2@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 800'</p>
<p>Wed Oct 28</p>	<p><b>SO! Board Meeting</b></p>	
<p><b>Thurs Oct 29</b> 8:00 a.m. Santa Rita Park 8:30 a.m. Harry's Mancos</p>	<p><b>Hike Cross Canyon – Change from Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> to Thursday, Oct 29<sup>th</sup>.</b> From Pleasant View, drive 15 miles on paved road, turn onto rough dirt road and drive about 3 miles to trailhead. Hike down to "round towers" then back up and over ridge into Cross Canyon to views there. Can go see the dead man's remains in McLean Basin. <b>Halloween Party at Howard's after hike.</b> <b>Leader: Harry Hance RSVP: 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b> <b>Co-Leader: Howard Drake</b></p>	<p>Hard 9 miles 1,000'</p>
<p>Sat Oct 31 9:00 a.m. Santa Rita Park</p>	<p><b>Hike Hoffhein's Connection to Gudy's Rest</b> - This is an in-and-out hike with consistent and mostly gradual elevation gain as the trail heads north toward the Colorado Trail and Gudy's Rest with views of Perins Peak, Barnroof Point and the La Plata Mountains. Carpool \$1 Dogs OK <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: David Wright RSVP: 259-5978 <a href="mailto:david.j.wright@att.net">david.j.wright@att.net</a></b></p>	<p>Easy 4.5 miles 700'</p>
<p>Mon Nov 2 9:00 a.m. Santa Rita Park</p>	<p><b>Hike Smelter Mountain</b> - Hike to the first highpoint for a great view of downtown Durango. Dogs on leash only <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Wayne Bedor RSVP: 259-4759 <a href="mailto:waynebedor@yahoo.com">waynebedor@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 2 miles 1,000'</p>
<p><b>Tues Nov 3</b> 8:30 a.m. Santa Rita Park 9:00 a.m. Harry's in Mancos</p>	<p><b>Bike Cannonball Mesa and Visit Anasazi Ruin – Change from Oct 29<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>.</b> Drive to parking lot off McElmo Canyon Road, and bike or walk about a mile up to the mesa. Then ride 3 miles on jeep road to ruin. Return by same route. Total time to bike and visit ruin is 3 to 4 hours. If desired, we could extend the time and drive to end of mesa and hike there. Limit: 12. No dogs. Carpool \$12 <b>Leader: Harry Hance RSVP: 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b> <b>Co-Leader: Howard Drake</b></p>	<p>Moderate 8 miles</p>
<p>Wed Nov 4 9:30 a.m. Albertsons (SW corner of lot)</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers Walk the Animas River Trail</b> - Every Wednesday through the winter join Joan to walk the River Trail from Albertson's to Durango Mall and back. Enjoy wildlife, river views and companions. Dogs on leash OK. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723</b></p>	<p>Easy 5 miles Flat</p>
<p>Thurs Nov 5 8:00 a.m. Animas City Pk 8:30 a.m. Harry's in Mancos</p>	<p><b>Sand Canyon Through Hike</b> – Sand Canyon contains many impressive Ancestral Puebloan archaeological sites. The Sand Canyon Trail is 6.5 miles (one way) from the lower trailhead in McElmo Canyon to the Sand Canyon Pueblo at the north end. The weather for hiking at this time of the year is perfect. To avoid time consuming shuttling of vehicles, we will approach the hike from both ends, meet in the middle, eat lunch and exchange keys, then meet back at Harry's in Mancos. Carpool TBD. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Harry Hance RSVP: 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b> <b>Co-leader: David Wright 259-5978</b></p>	<p>Moderate 6.5 miles 800'</p>

Sat Nov 7 9:00 a.m. Santa Rita Park	<b>New Mexico Arches Hike</b> - Hike to Anasazi and Octopus arches in Northern New Mexico. It is not far to either arch, but there will be some moderate scrambling and it is all off-trail bushwhacking. We can extend the outing by exploring the areas surrounding both arches. Carpool \$5. Agile dogs OK. 4WD convenient. <b>Leader: Lynn Coburn RSVP: 247-0914 <a href="mailto:harrisoncoburn@gmail.com">harrisoncoburn@gmail.com</a></b>	Moderate (with some scrambling) 4 miles 700'
Sun. Nov. 8 1:00 p.m. Animas City Pk 1:20 p.m. Rapp Corral	<b>Hike Chris Park</b> - Hike over rolling hills to the campground, then follow the Old Stage Road to return. Carpool \$3 Dogs OK <b>Leader: Dell Manners RSVP: 259-0190 <a href="mailto:dmanners@sisna.com">dmanners@sisna.com</a></b>	Moderate 6 miles 100'
Tues Nov 10 6:30 p.m. Social 7:00 p.m. Meeting Rec. Center	<b>SO! General Meeting</b> A "Great Old Broad" will present information on Great Old Broads for Wilderness, the national, non-profit, public lands organization that has its headquarters in Durango. Great Old Broads of all ages and genders use the voices and activism of elders to protect and preserve wild lands all over America. Come hear about some of the amazing wild places in our area that you might want to visit.	
Wed Nov 11	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Sat Nov 14 9:00 a.m. Animas City Pk	<b>Hike Above Little Molas Lake</b> - Start at the lake and bushwhack up and across the steppes until we reach the cliffs, then traverse below the cliffs returning to the lake. Partly above timberline with great views. Carpool \$5. <b>Wear Orange</b> <b>Leader: Bill Cagle RSVP: 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles 1,000'
Wed Nov 18	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Thurs Nov 19	<b>SO! Outings Committee Meeting</b>	
Wed Nov 25	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Fri Nov. 27 9:30 a.m. Big Canyon Parking lot Next to New Country Toyota	<b>Walk Off the Turkey</b> - Hike up Big Canyon trail into Horse Gulch; maybe get up to Pautsky Point. An easy, close-to-home hike and early turn backs (with friend) are allowed. Dogs OK. Carpool \$1. <b>Leader: Bill Cagle RSVP: 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Easy to Moderate 6-7 miles 500'
Mon Nov 30 9:30 am DMR Bottom Lift 1 (Six Pack)	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort</b> - Join the group every Monday and Friday through the ski season (snow permitting). All abilities welcome - find a compatible skier. The group usually meets at noon for lunch at Dante's on the mountain. No RSVP needed - just show up.	All levels of skiers
Wed Dec 2	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Fri Dec 4	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Nov 30 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Mon Dec 7	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Nov 30 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Tues Dec 8 6:30 p.m. Social 7:00 pm Potluck Rec. Center	<b>SO! General Meeting Holiday Pot Luck</b> <b>Social: 6:30 p.m., Potluck: 7:00 p.m.</b> Bring your own table service and a dish for eight with a serving utensil. <b>A-F Dessert G-M Main Dish N-R Salads S-Z Main Dish</b> In addition to your potluck dish, please bring non-perishable food donations for Durango Food Bank.	
Wed Dec 9	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Thurs Dec 10 9:00 am Santa Rita Park 9:30 am Harry's in Mancos	<b>XC-Ski Chicken Creek or (if no snow) Surprise Hike Sand Canyon</b> - If there is snow in the La Platas, we'll XC-ski Chicken Creek for 3-9 miles. But if there is no snow, we'll head to Sand Canyon for miles of backcountry exploring with loads of potsherd. Carpool \$5. 4WD tbd. No dogs. Harry is always willing to give updated snow conditions at Chicken Creek. <b>Leader: Harry Hance RSVP: 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b>	Easy 7-8 miles Minimal
Fri Dec 11	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Nov 30 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat. Dec. 12 9 a.m. Animas City Pk 9:30 a.m.	<b>Snowshoe Snowden Meadows</b> - Join John's annual snowshoe jaunt from Andrews Lake up to the meadows at the foot of Snowden Peak, with a lovely short scenic canyon along the way. Beautiful, rewarding hike, and John always provides surprises and adventures! 4WD convenient. Limit 15. Carpool \$5. Dogs	Moderate 5-7 miles 700'

DMR	OK Leader: John Martin RSVP: 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a>	
Mon Dec 14	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Nov 30 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Wed Dec 16	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Wed Dec 23	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy
Wed Dec 30	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> - See Nov 4 for details.	Easy

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