

# Outing Schedule Winter 2009 – 2010

Day, Date, Departure Time & Departure Place	Outing Description	Difficulty Rating, Total Length & Elevation Gain
Dec – Jan 15	E-mail schedule changes and updates to: <a href="mailto:mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org">mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org</a>  Meeting place abbreviations: <b>ACP:</b> Animas City Park <b>TC:</b> Trimble Crossing <b>Tam:</b> Tamarron <b>DMR:</b> Durango Mountain Resort <b>RC:</b> Rec Center <b>SRP:</b> Santa Rita Park	
Wed Dec 2 9:30 am Albertson's (SW corner of lot)	<b>Grand Canyon Backpack trip information:</b> Gene Glenn is planning a 5-6 day backpack trip from the north rim of the Grand Canyon for late April to early May. He will be applying for the permit in January, so use this time to call him for information to see if you'd like to go. <b>Gene Glenn: 884-7150</b>  <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. No RSVP required. <b>For info, contact Joan Huntley at 385-7723 <a href="mailto:joane@frontier.net">joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Fri Dec 4 9:30 am DMR Bottom of 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 - 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
Tues Dec 8 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Potluck Rec. Center	<b>SO! General Meeting Holiday Potluck</b> <b>CANCELLED DUE TO SNOW</b> Social: 6:30 p.m., Potluck: 7:00 p.m.  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 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Thurs Dec 10 SRP 9:00 am 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 no snow, we'll head to Sand Canyon for miles of backcountry exploring with loads of potsherds. Carpool \$5. 4WD tbd. No dogs. Harry is always willing to give updated snow conditions at Chicken Creek. <b>Leader: Harry Hance 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b>	Moderate 7-8 miles Minimal gain
Fri Dec 11	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat. Dec. 12 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:20 am	<b>Snowshoe Snowden Meadows:</b> Join John's annual snowshoe jaunt from Andrews Lake area 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 adventures! 4WD convenient Limit 15. Carpool \$5 Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a></b>	Moderate 5-7 miles 700'
Tue Dec 15 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:20 am	<b>Snowshoe and XC Ski-Gladstone to Storm Peak Basin:</b> Ski with Howard or Snowshoe from Gladstone mine north of Silverton up county road into beautiful Storm Peak Basin surrounded by majestic peaks. Glorious views. OK for slower hikers/skiers to go at their own pace as far as they wish. 4WD drive convenient. Carpool \$7. No dogs. <b>Leader: Howard Drake RSVP: Lynn Coburn 247-0914 <a href="mailto:harrisoncoburn@gmail.com">harrisoncoburn@gmail.com</a></b>	Moderate to hard 5 miles 1000' (most above 11,000')

Wed Dec 16 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy Flat 5 miles
Thurs Dec 17 ACP 9:00am TC 9:10 Tam 9:20	<b>Snowshoe to Purgatory Flats and NE to Point 9190'</b> : Snowshoe via Purgatory Trail down to Purgatory Flats, cross Cascade Creek and go through Flats, cross Lime Creek. Climb steeply up ridge to Point 9190' with excellent views. If water is high and snow bridges not in place, we'll mess around in the flats, consoling ourselves with chocolate. No dogs. Carpool \$3. RSVP <b>Leader: Debra Van Winegarden 769-7269 <a href="mailto:debra@vanwinegarden.com">debra@vanwinegarden.com</a></b>	Hard 6 miles 2000'
Fri Dec 18	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sun Dec. 20 ACP 9:00 a.m. TC 9:10 a.m. Tam 9:20 a.m.	<b>XC Ski Tour in the area around Molas Pass/Andrews Lake:</b> This would be dependent on snow conditions and would be for advanced beginners to intermediate skiers. It would be a chance to brush up on XC skills on gently rolling terrain before the season really gets under way. Carpool \$5. <b>Leader: Bill Cagle 385-4566 or <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Easy 4 miles 400'
Mon Dec 21	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Wed Dec 23 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Mon Dec 28	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Wed Dec 30 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Thurs Dec 31 – Sat Jan 2 SRP 8:00 am	<b>New Years at Ward's Cabin:</b> Cross-country ski into Wards cabin for one - three nights. The trail in is mostly a gradual climb on little used forest roads. From the cabin there are several gentle ski outings through open aspen and spruce forest. We will organize cooking groups for breakfasts and dinners. A list of suggested gear will be provided. 4WD may be necessary to get to the trailhead. Limit 8. Carpool \$5. No dogs. Skate skis not recommended. <b>Leader: Travis Ward 247-1310 <a href="mailto:tlward@frontier.net">tlward@frontier.net</a> Co-leader: La Donna Ward</b>	Hard (for distance) 15 miles (7.5 mi. each way) 1000'
Sat Jan 2 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:20 am	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John Martin:</b> Specific details for these Saturday Snowshoe hikes (destination, description, 4WD, etc) will be e-mailed about two days in advance. This year, John will offer a combination of snowshoeing, XC skiing, or both. Turn backs with a partner may be permitted. Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:jmartin@mydurango.net">jmartin@mydurango.net</a></b>	Mostly moderate, but a few hard
Mon Jan 4	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Wed Jan 6 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Thurs Jan. 7 ACP 9:00 a.m. TC 9:10 a.m. Tam 9:20 a.m.	<b>Snowshoe Haviland Lake/Chris Park:</b> Enjoy the winter beauty along the scenic Haviland Lake loop. 4WD helpful. Carpool \$3. <b>Leader: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles Up to 500'
Fri Jan 8	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat Jan 9	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John Martin.</b> See Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup> for details	
Sun Jan. 10 <sup>th</sup> ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:20 am	<b>XC Ski to Elk Park:</b> Ski from Silverton down the canyon to Elk Park and back. Will have tea at Howard's afterwards. <b>RSVP Connie Webb 382-0009 Leader: Howard Drake.</b>	Moderate 8 miles 400'
Mon Jan 11	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	

Tues Jan 12 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:20 am	<b>XC Ski Cascade Creek:</b> Cross country ski up the road to Cascade Creek. Then follow the creek and enjoy the beauty. Some experience is required. Skinny track skis are not recommended. Carpool \$3 <b>Leader: Travis Ward 247-1310 <a href="mailto:tlward@frontier.net">tlward@frontier.net</a></b>	Moderate 6-8 miles 500'
Tues Jan 12 Social 5:30 pm Potluck 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm Rec Center	<b>SO! General Meeting New Year Potluck</b> Social: 5:30 p.m., Potluck: 6:00 p.m. Presentation: 7:00 p.m. 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.  Andrew Gulliford, Ph.D., professor of Southwest Studies and History at FLC, will present: "READING the TREES: PEELED PINES AND ARBORGLYPHS" which will describe the evidence and explain the meaning of peeled trees in our area, giving us an incentive to hike out into the forest to find them.	
Wed Jan 13 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Wed Jan 13 SRP 9:00 am Harry's in Mancos 9:30 am	<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 no snow, we'll head to Sand Canyon for miles of backcountry exploring with loads of potsherd. Carpool \$5. 4WD Dogs allowed on the first 3 miles skiing. Harry is always willing to give updated snow conditions at Chicken Creek. <b>Leader: Harry Hance 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance315@fone.net">hhance315@fone.net</a></b>	Moderate 7-8 miles Minimal gain
Fri Jan 15	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Fri Jan 15	<b>Grand Canyon Backpack trip deadline:</b> This is the deadline for signing up for the 5-6 day April/May backpack trip from the north rim of the Grand Canyon. For information and to RSVP, call Gene Glenn: 884-7150	
Sat Jan 16	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John Martin.</b> See Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup> for details	
Mon Jan 18	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Tues Jan 19 <b>Thurs Feb 25</b> ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Needles Store S. Parking Lot 9:30 am	<b>Castle Rock Snowshoe/Hike: Trip postponed to Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.</b> This popular hike follows switchbacks and Elbert Creek to a cabin and meadow then climbs to Castle Rock (lunch spot) for a beautiful views. Carpool \$3 Dogs OK. 4WD convenient if 550 is snowy <b>RSVP: Clark Lagow 259-9337 <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a></b>	Moderate- 4 miles 1500' Wed Jan 21
Wed Jan 20 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Thurs Jan 21 ACP 8:00 am TC 8:10 am Tam 8:30 am	<b>Backcountry ski into McMillan bowl: Postponed due to weather.</b> This is intermediate terrain above Red Mountain Pass (above St. Paul lodge). The area has great snow, and avalanche danger is usually low. Advanced XC skills, climbing skins, and the ability to make turns on intermediate terrain necessary. 4WD convenient Carpool \$7 Dogs OK <b>RSVP: Jeff Bailey 764-8120 <a href="mailto:jewlbailey@yahoo.com">jewlbailey@yahoo.com</a></b>	Most challenging 6 miles 1500'
Fri Jan 22	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat Jan 23	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John Martin:</b> See Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup> for details	
<b>Sat Feb 13 – Sun Feb 14</b> Silverton 10:00 am	<b>Silverton Snowshoe Race at Kendall Mtn. Ski Area: Changed to February 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>.</b> Snowshoe race on Saturday at Kendall Mountain Ski Area and XC-ski race through town on Sunday. Phone Silverton Chamber of Commerce for details: 970-387-5654.	

Sun Jan 24 ACP 1:00 pm	<b>Snowshoe the Pioneer Trail near Edgemont.</b> This new close-to-town trail accesses Missionary Ridge but we'll only trek up the trail for a mile or so and return. Carpool: \$1. No dogs <b>Leader: David Wright 259-5978 <a href="mailto:david.j.wright@att.net">david.j.wright@att.net</a></b>	Moderate 3 miles 100'
Mon Jan 25	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Tues. Jan. 26 SRP 9:00 am Bottom of Beaver Meadow Rd. 9:30 am	<b>Winter Off-Trail Navigation using GPS, Map and Compass:</b> Learn how to find your way in the backcountry without a trail, and how to survive if you get lost or hurt. We'll be snowshoeing off trail. Volunteer needed to meet group in town and bring the trip bag. Carpool \$5. Dogs OK. 4WD necessary. <b>RSVP: Jim Shadid: 884-4612 <a href="mailto:shadid@wildblue.net">shadid@wildblue.net</a></b>	Moderate 6-7 Miles Moderate elevations
Wed Jan 27 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Wed Jan 27	<b>SO! Board Meeting</b>	
Fri Jan 29	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat. Jan 30 ACP 6:00 pm DMR 6:30 pm	<b>Moonlight Snowshoe and XC-Skiing at Molas:</b> Enjoy the full moon rising over the Grenadiers. Cold air and warm camaraderie. Bring warm clothing and a snack. Cancelled if cloudy. Carpool \$5 4WD convenient Dogs OK <b>RSVP: Bill Millener 259-8384 <a href="mailto:millener@bresnan.net">millener@bresnan.net</a></b>	Easy 3 miles Minimal gain
Sun Jan 31 ACP 8:30 am TC 8:40 am Tam 9:00 am	<b>XC Ski Red Mountain to Ironton:</b> Ski from Red Mt down railroad grade to Ironton. We'll spot cars to shuttle. Entire route is downhill on unbroken snow. Tea at Howard's afterward. 4WD convenient. Carpool \$7 <b>RSVP: Connie Webb 382-0009 Leader: Howard Drake</b>	Moderate 4 miles -1500'
Mon Feb 1	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details	
Wed Feb 3 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
Thurs Feb 4 ACP 9:00 a.m. TC 9:10 a.m. Tam 9:30 a.m.	<b>Snowshoe Cascade Creek:</b> We'll meander beside or on Cascade Creek, a favorite for snow and ice scenes. Carpool \$3. <b>Leader: Bill Cagle 385-4566 or <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Moderate 5-6 miles 400'
Fri Feb 5	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat Feb 6	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John Martin:</b> See Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup> for details	
Mon Feb 8	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details	
Tue. Feb. 9 SRP 9:30 am	<b>XC-Ski La Plata Canyon:</b> Join <b>Jerry</b> on an easy XC ski trip up the La Plata Canyon Road. Carpool \$1 No dogs <b>Leader: Jerry McHenry RSVP (619) 787-4112 <a href="mailto:mchenry42@cox.net">mchenry42@cox.net</a></b>	Easy 4 miles 400"
Tues Feb 9 Social 6:30 pm Meeting 7:00 pm Lyceum Center of SW Studies Ft Lewis College	<b>SO! General Meeting</b> Back by popular demand, a naturalist from Durango Nature Studies will guide us through a hands-on learning experience. This program will be held in the Lyceum in the Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College.	
Wed Feb 10 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat
<b>Thurs Feb 11 10:30 am Nordic Center at Purgatory</b>	<b>The Nordic Center at Purgatory is offering a FREE classic cross-country ski clinic to members of Seniors Outdoors!</b> There will be two classes: one for beginners and the other for intermediate skiers who wish to improve their cross-country skills. Equipment rentals are available on site; a classic setup is \$7 for SO! members (skate skis are \$15 for SO! members). There are picnic tables along the trails for people who want to bring a sack lunch with them and enjoy the beautiful trails after the clinic. The Nordic Center is located across the highway from Durango Mountain Resort, about 1/3-mile north. Any questions, please call Helen Low at 385-2114.	Easy to Moderate

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Fri Feb 12	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Sat Feb 13 - Mon. Feb 15  Meeting Place TBD: 7:00 am	<b>XC-Skiing on Grand Mesa:</b> Cross country ski trip atop Grand Mesa. 35 k groomed for classic and skate skiing. Usually the grooming and snow conditions are both excellent, and it is mostly gentle, rolling terrain. You can choose what difficulty loops you would like to try. We will stay 2 nights in Cedaredge at the base of the Mesa (motel with hot tub and breakfast!). Other meals will be eaten out. Bring snacks and water. Donation for trail grooming Carpool \$30 4WD convenient in case of snow-packed roads. No dogs <b>Leaders: Lynn Coburn, 247-0914, <a href="mailto:harrisoncoburn@gmail.com">harrisoncoburn@gmail.com</a> and Charlie Berglund, 247-9747, <a href="mailto:chasberglund@msn.com">chasberglund@msn.com</a> RSVP: Lynn Coburn by Sat. Feb.6 so carpools and motel reservations can be made.</b>	Easy to most challenging depending on how far and fast you decide to go. Elevation 600' +
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Sun Feb 14 ACP 1:00 pm TC 1:10 pm Tam 1:30 pm	<b>Engineer Mountain Meadows:</b> Snowshoe up to the meadows below Engineer Mountain and enjoy breathtaking views. We will return the same way. Carpool \$4 <b>Leader: Jim O'Brien RSVP 375-1693</b>	Moderate 5 miles 1300'
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Thurs. Feb. 18 SRP: 9:00 am Bottom of Beaver Meadow Road: 9:30 am	<b>XC-Ski Beaver Meadows Area:</b> Join Jim for a XC adventure on backcountry trails. Difficulty level will be determined by group preference. Volunteer needed to meet group in town and bring the trip bag. 4WD necessary Carpool \$5 Dogs OK <b>RSVP: Jim Shadid 884-4612 <a href="mailto:shadid@wildblue.net">shadid@wildblue.net</a></b>	Mod – Hard (depending on group) 6-7 Miles 600
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Sun Feb 21 SRP 12:30 pm Stone's house 1:15 pm	<b>Snowshoe in Joe's Canyon near Mancos:</b> Meet at Santa Rita Park and car pool to Stone's house in Elk Stream Ranch subdivision on top of Mancos Hill. Call for directions and gate code. Drive 5 min. to Joe's Canyon, a BLM Wilderness Study Area. Easy snowshoe for 2 - 2.5 hours. Return to Stone's for a chili potluck dinner and social. Call to find out what you can bring. 20 max. Carpool \$3. Dogs OK but not in house (leave in car). 4WD convenient. <b>RSVP Leaders: Barry and Phyllis Stone 262-825-3750 or 970-533-9065 <a href="mailto:bnstonebns@msn.com">bnstonebns@msn.com</a></b>	Easy 4 miles 200'
Mon Feb 22	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details	
Tues Feb. 23 ACP 10:30 am TC 10:40 am Tam 11:00 am	<b>Snowshoe the Cascade-Forestry Camp location:</b> Join Warren for a moderately hilly snowshoe hike located about ½ mile north of the Cascade trail turn-off. We'll be out about 2 hours. Wear layered clothing and bring energy snacks, water, and sunscreen. 4WD convenient Carpool \$3 No dogs <b>RSVP: Warren Levingston 769-1437 <a href="mailto:kosmichiker@gmail.com">kosmichiker@gmail.com</a></b>	Moderate 2 miles Rolling Terrain
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Mon Mar 1	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details	
Tues Mar 2 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:30 am	<b>Snowshoe Crest of Missionary Ridge to Mt. Baldy:</b> Start at TH at end of Silver Mesa Road (AKA Durango Hills Road, Forest Service Road 071). Proceed 1/4 mile up the service road then head west, cross country, to the crest of Missionary Ridge with views of the La Platas. Follow ridge to summit of Mt. Baldy with views north and east. Return via service road. Late season snow is usually firm with relatively easy walking but if snow is fresh we may abbreviate route. 5-6 hours. 12 max. No dogs. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$2. <b>RSVP Leaders: Charlie &amp; Cheryl Berglund 247-9747 <a href="mailto:chasberglund@msn.com">chasberglund@msn.com</a></b>	Moderate 6 miles 1300'
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Sat. Mar. 6 to Mon. Mar. 8. RC 9:00 am	<b>Car Camping/hiking trip to Utah:</b> Destination TBD <b>Leader: Bill Cagle 385-4566 or <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	
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Tues Mar 9 6:30 p.m. Social 7:00 pm Potluck Rec. Center	<b>SO! General Meeting Spring Potluck</b> New Member Orientation 5:30 p.m. Social: 6:30 p.m., Potluck: 7:00 p.m.  Bring your own table service and a dish for eight with a serving utensil. <b>A-F Main Dish    G-M Dessert    N-R Main Dish    S-Z Salads</b> In addition to your potluck dish, please bring non-perishable food donations for Manna Soup Kitchen.	
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Thurs Mar 11 SRP: 7:30am Joe Rowell Park Dolores 8:30 am	<b>XC Ski from Lizard Head Pass to Trout Lake Trestle:</b> Four miles round trip on groomed track. Carpool \$10. No dogs. 4WD not necessary. Volunteer needed to bring duffle. <b>RSVP Leader: Pete Dericks 882-8047 <a href="mailto:pdericks@centurytel.net">pdericks@centurytel.net</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles 1000'
Fri Mar 12	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details.	
Mon Mar 15	<b>Downhill Skiing at Durango Mountain Resort.</b> See Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> for details	
Wed Mar 17 9:30 am Albertson's	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail</b> See Dec 2 for details. No RSVP required. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-7723 <a href="mailto:Joane@frontier.net">Joane@frontier.net</a></b>	Easy 5 miles Flat

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