

Geology Alumni

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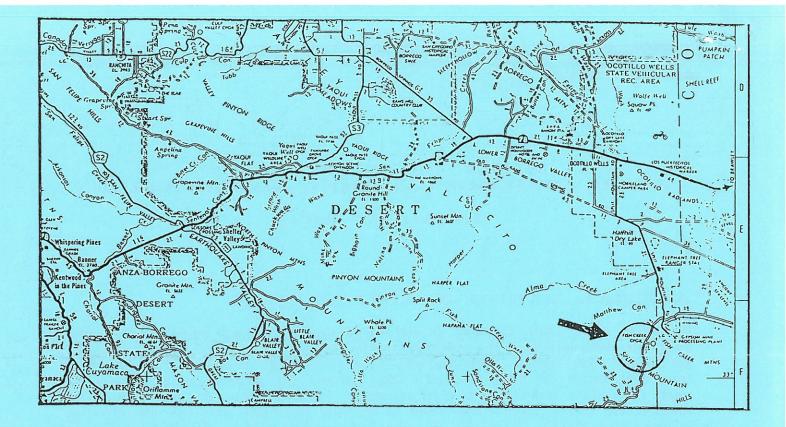
ANNUAL FIELD TRIP/CAMPOUT

It is time once again for our annual SDSU Geology Alumni Field Trip. This year our destination is the Split Mountain Gorge/ Fish Creek Wash area. To get to the campground, take Highway 78 east through Julian to Ocotillo Wells, then turn south on Split Mountain Road toward the gypsum mine. The road west into Split Mountain is approximately 8 miles from Ocotillo Wells and follows Fish Creek Wash. The road in to Split Mountain and the campground is along the wash. A couple of long 2x12 planks and a shovel might be a useful accessory for those with two-wheel drive vehicles, as there are some soft, sandy spots. The road to the campground is approximately 2 miles from the paved road on the south side of the wash. As you approach the entrance to the gorge, watch carefully for the road and sign. The campground is on top of the alluvial fan and cannot be seen from the bottom of the wash. Portions of the Borrego Mountain SE 7.5' topographic quadrangle map and Auto Club map are attached. It can also be found on Thomas Brothers map 406-F3 and 444-A6. For those intrepid souls wishing to try a more challenging route, refer to "The Anza-Borrego Desert Region" by Lindsay and Lindsay for jeep routes east from S-2 through the Split Mountain area.

This will be a dry camp, so bring everything you will need. Ground fires are not allowed in the park, but there are a few fire rings provided in the campground. Should you end up at a site without a fire ring, a large metal trash can lid or any other device that keeps the fire off of the bare ground is, however, acceptable. A few wooden camp tables are also provided at some of the sites.

Several forays into this intriguing area are planned for the three days. It should be an exciting and memorable trip!

Bring your family and friends - the more the merrier! Please call Bill Elliott for details (619) 586-0870.



GEOLOGY BANQUET

This year's Geology Banquet will be held on the SDSU campus at the Casa Real in Aztec Center on Saturday, March 21. Put it on your calendar now! If anyone has any comments or suggestions for the event, please let us know. Give Leslie a call at the Geology Department, 594-5586, or call Daryl Streiff at work, 298-5876, or home, 758-2432.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Alumni Association will be assisting the SDSU Geology Department in planning and preparing the exhibit for next year's Del Mar Fair. Ian Johnston will be heading up the committee to see that an excellent exhibit will be presented at the fair. The focus of the exhibit will be to introduce geology to the general public and explain the geology program at SDSU. If you are interested in participating on this project, please call Leslie at the Geology Department, 594-5586.

A list of recipients of past SDSU Distinguished Alumni awards is being compiled and will ultimately be included on a plaque to be displayed in the Geology Department. After the list is completed, it will be included in a newsletter to make sure no one that has received this award has been left off.

We are always looking for any additional alumni that would like to be included on the mailing list. If you know of someone who wants to be included, please let us know. Call Leslie.

Work continues on the photographic collection/scrapbook from past SDSU Geology Department field trips, events, etc. If you have old photos or negatives that could be copied, please contact Tony Sawyer at 464-6242.

