

## SCFH HIKE SCHEDULE FALL 2019 THROUGH SPRING 2020

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DATE	TITLE	LEADER	MEETING PLACE	MILEAGE/DIFFICULT Y	NOTES
DEC 11 WED	SONORAN TRAILS - FOUNTAIN HILLS PRESERVE	BILL CRAIG	GOLDEN EAGLE TRAILHEAD 8:00 A.M.	From Golden Eagle: 7.5 miles, 1500 foot gain. Difficult	We will hike the Sonoran Trail and Lower Sonoran Trail loop. A scenic hike with wonderful views.
<b>DEC 20</b> <b>FRI</b>	HIEROGLYPHIC TRAIL - SUPERSTITIONS	PAM CISSIK	LIBRARY - 8:00 A.M. (Carpool) 1 hour travel time, mid- afternoon return  Bring lunch or snacks!	4 miles, 800 foot elevation gain, Moderate to Difficult, (Similar to Dixie Mine Trail)	Although it is a rocky somewhat steep two miles, the reward is a canyon with pools of water and rocks covered in Rock Art.
<b>JAN 3</b> <b>FRI</b>	KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR - ADERO CANYON TO DIXIE MINE AND RETURN	JIM GRAJEK	LIBRARY -8:00 (CARPOOL)	13 miles, 1500 foot elevation gain, Difficult  Exercise pace.	A challenging start to the New Year. A scenic hike, constant ups and downs, hike thru wash behind Dixie Mine.
JAN 11 SAT	OLD HWY 60 TO CLIMBERS LOOKOUT - SUPERIOR	PAM CISSIK	LIBRARY - 8:00 A.M. (Carpool) 1 hour travel time, mid- afternoon return	5 miles, 600 ft elevation gain, easy to moderate, less difficult than Dixie Mine	From Superior, we follow old Route 60 east following a beautiful gorge to an overlook for a climbing area. Lunch possible after hike in Superior.
JAN 25 SAT	DIXIE MINE	JAN JENSEN	GOLDEN EAGLE TRAILHEAD - 8:00 A.M. \$2.00 Park Fee	Moderate, 5.2 Miles, 700 ft elevation gain	Hike to interesting mine and wall of rock art in McDowell Mountain Park



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FEB 7 FRI	EARLY PEOPLE	LEONARD MARCISZ	Library -8:00AM (CARPOOL)	Easy to Moderate	You will find this hike to be very interesting.
FEB 19 WED	ANDREW KINSEY TO SUNRISE PEAK	PAM CISSIK	LIBRARY- 8:00 A.M (CARPOOL).	Moderate, 8Miles, 600 ft elevation gain (similar to Dixie Mine except for steep climb to Sunrise Peak)	We follow the beautiful trail named for two men that were key in making the Scottsdale & Fountain Hills preserves possible. Those that wish can climb to the top of Sunrise Peak.
FEB 28 FRI	PHOTOGRAPHY HIKE	PAUL GARVEY PAUL STARK	LIBRARY 8:00 AM	Easy to Moderate	Sharpen your skills in outdoor photography – phone and SLR camera users are welcomed. Will drive to a nearby location to be selected on weather and seasonal highlights.
MAR 4 WED	WHAT IS THAT PLANT AND WHAT IS USED FOR?	CAROL CARRIERE	LIBRARY 8:00 AM  PLACE TO BE DETERMINED	Easy to Moderate	This is an interpretive hike of less than five miles that will identify many of the common bushes, trees, cacti and other plants that are typical of the Sonoran Desert we live in. Special adaptations will be discussed along with native people's medical and practical uses for this flora.



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<b>MAR 13 FRI</b>	GARDEN VALLEY LOOP - SUPERSTITIONS	PAM CISSIK	LIBRARY 8:00 A.M. Carpool, 1 hour drive, with section on dirt road, mid afternoon return	Moderate, 5.5 miles, 660 Ft. elevation gain, similar to Dixie Mine, except much of trail is not maintained.	A popular hike in the Superstition Wilderness. We hike on a rocky trail to the site of an Indian trash mound, then cross Garden Valley, which might be muddy and then descend and work our way thru some fascinating rock formations back to the trailhead.
MAR 20 FRI	BIRDING HIKE	KATHE ANDERSON	LIBRARY 7:00 AM (CARPOOL)	Easy to Moderate	Bring your binoculars. Kathe will share her knowledge with us on birding in the preserve.
<b>MAR 25 WED</b>	BARNHARDT TRAIL TO THE WATERFALL	PAM CISSIK	LIBRARY - 8:00 A.M. Carpool, 1 hour drive with last 5 miles on dirt road Mid afternoon return  Bring lunch and 2-3 liters of water.	Hard,, 7.0 miles, 1500 ft elevation gain (More difficult than Dixie Mine with twice elevation gain and starting elevation of 4100 feet)	The Barnhardt is often thought of as a gateway to the Mazatzal Wilderness. The trail is rocky and steadily climbs along the edge of a canyon. We will see incredible geologic folds on the canyon walls as we hike to a seasonal waterfall. The trail is narrow in spots and a long ways down if you slip. Sturdy boots and hiking poles recommended.



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APR 3 FRI	TO THE TOP OF MT. ORD	PAM CISSIK	LIBRARY - 8:00 A.M. Carpool, 1 hour drive with about 5 miles on dirt road Mid afternoon return	Difficult, 8 miles round trip, 1800 ft elevation gain, starting elevation of 5600 feet (nearly twice as difficult as Dixie Mine)	Have you wondered what it is like at the top of Mt. Old? Lots of communication towers but beautiful views of 4 Peaks and Roosevelt Lake. We will hike (not drive) the prettiest part of the old road to the top. Elevation gain is fairly gradual going up but there are more hills than you expect on the return!

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