

OTP & OTHERS

Hiking and Debating Society

TRAIL CANYON

The hike for 8/26/98 will be Trail Canyon to Tom Lucas Trail Camp.

"Trails of the Angeles" says about this hike:

"This is the finest trail in the Big Tujunga area, and one of the best in the range. The footpath, well maintained by the Forest Service, alternates between the woody creek bed and slopes of dense chaparral, offering you both close-ups of nature's finery and far reaching panoramas of mountain scenery."

The trail is in adequate condition, in some places a bit narrow and in others we will encounter some minor boulder hopping. Sturdy shoes or boots are recommended. There are several stream crossings, none of them a real problem. Feet will occasionally become damp. There is no restroom at the trailhead. There is a single outhouse at Tom Lucas Trail Camp, with no paper.

Hike data:

Distance:	8 miles, round trip
Elevation gain:	1240 feet
Trailhead elevation:	1880 feet
Effort:	Moderate
Leader:	Mike Gessner

The Drive:

From the east, on the 210 freeway (westbound) take the Lowell Avenue off ramp. You will be westbound on Honolulu Avenue, turn right (north) on Tujunga Canyon Blvd. At Foothill Blvd turn left (west), continue to Mt. Gleason Avenue and turn right (north).

From the west, on the 210 freeway (eastbound) take the Sunland Blvd. off ramp. Continue straight and you will find yourself on Foothill Blvd. Turn left (north) on Mt Gleason Avenue.

Drive north on Mt Gleason Avenue; turn right on Big Tujunga Canyon Road. About two miles beyond the Angeles National Forest sign is the Upper Trail Canyon Road, marked by a sign on the right side of the road, mile paddle 2.05. Turn left and drive 1/2 mile up the dirt road to the parking area in Trail Canyon. Be not dismayed at the road into Trail Canyon, it is steep just at the beginning and a bit narrow all the way, but it is negotiable by passenger cars

We will start the hike at 9:30 AM.

Recommended Maps:

San Fernando Valley Area:	Automobile Club
Angeles National Forest:	U S Forest Service
Sunland:	7.5 minute Topographic
Condor Peak:	7.5 minute Topographic

Important Note:

It will be assumed that anyone who abandons the leader and takes off on his own has made his own arrangements for after hike refreshments.