

## SO! Summer 2008 Outings Schedule

Day, Date, Departure Time & Departure Place	<h1 style="margin: 0;">Outing Description</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">SUMMER 2008</p> <p style="margin: 0;"><a href="mailto:mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org">E-mail schedule changes and updates to: mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org.</a></p> <p style="margin: 0;">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 style="margin: 0;"><b>Outing schedule changes and trip updates are in red.</b></p>	Difficulty Rating, Total Length & Elevation Gain
Wed June 4 8:30 am SW corner Albertson's Parking lot	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers.</b> Hike "No-Name" trail off Dry Fork road. This hike is on DOW land so bring your habitat stamp if under 65</p> <p><b>Leader: Sharron Chambers 259-9271 <a href="mailto:lightenerload@earthlink.net">lightenerload@earthlink.net</a></b></p>	Easy 4 miles
Fri June 6 8:00 am Animas City Park	<p><b>Hike Goulding Creek Trail to Jones Creek Trail (a through hike).</b> We'll hike the switchbacks up Goulding Creek (most of the elevation gain) then follow the Ridge south on the Pinkerton Flagstaff Trail, descending on the Jones Creek Trail to Hermosa Creek. Dogs OK. Carpool \$3</p> <p><b>RSVP: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	Hard 10 miles 2200'
Tue June 10 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Potluck Rec Center	<p><b>SO! General Meeting and Potluck.</b> Come join us to celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Special guest will be Charlie Speno who started Seniors Outdoors! in 1998. Bring your own table service and a dish for eight with a serving utensil.</p> <p>A-F Dessert      G-M Main Dish      N-R Salad      S-Z Main Dish</p> <p>In addition to your potluck dish, please bring non-perishable food donations for the food drive.</p>	
Wed June 11 8:30 am Santa Rita Park	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers.</b> Hike Smelter Mountain.</p> <p><b>Leader: Dale Suran 382-9600 <a href="mailto:lolakrod@aol.com">lolakrod@aol.com</a></b></p>	Moderate to hard 3 miles 1000'
Wed June 11 9:00 am Animas City Pk	<p><b>Hike Vallecito Creek Trail.</b> Hike to first bridge (6 miles round trip) or for the hardy to the second bridge (11 miles round trip). Easily marked trail. Go at your own pace and turn-arounds OK. Elevation gain around 700 feet to first bridge, 1,000 feet to second bridge. Follow Creek through beautiful canyon and into the wilderness. One water crossing to first bridge, two more to second bridge. Dogs welcome. Car pool \$4</p> <p><b>RSVP: Wayne Bedor 259-4759 <a href="mailto:waynebedor@yahoo.com">waynebedor@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	Moderate 6 or 11 miles 700' or 1000'
Thur June 12 9:00 am Animas City Park 9:30 am DMR	<p><b>Hike "Larkspur Lane".</b> An annual favorite named by John in 2001 for the larkspur and other flowers carpeting the meadows (in good years and when our timing is right!). We follow the well-established lower Engineer Mt. Trail part way up and back through woods and meadows with great views.</p> <p>Early turn-backs OK. Dogs OK. Carpool \$4.</p> <p><b>RSVP: John Montle <a href="mailto:mntnlvr@frontier.net">mntnlvr@frontier.net</a> or 769-6108</b></p>	Moderate (or Easy if turn back early) 6 miles 1850'
Sat June 14 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR	<p><b>Coal Creek-Jura Knob-Deer Creek.</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). Wild flowers and views abound. Descend via Deer Creek Trail. Carpool \$6.</p> <p><b>RSVP: Jim O'Brien 375-1693 <a href="mailto:jimobrien2@webtv.net">jimobrien2@webtv.net</a></b></p>	Hard 9 miles 2300' (including Knob)

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Sun June 15 9:00 am Animas City Pk 9:30 am DMR	<b>Hike to Spud Lake.</b> This hike will start on Hwy 550 and take the same route to Spud Lake that John takes on his snowshoe trips. A different approach to a popular spot. Some bushwhacking involved. Carpool \$4. Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a></b>	Moderate 6 miles 1000'
Mon June 16 8:00 am Animas City Pk	<b>Mountain Bike Old Lime Creek Road:</b> Start at the bottom of Coal Bank Pass and ride the Old Lime Creek Road all the way to the top where it intersects 550, then ride the highway over Coal Bank Pass and back to the start. Physically difficult due to road rocky and steep in places and large elevation gain. No dogs. <b>RSVP: Lynn Coburn 247-0914 <a href="mailto:harrisoncoburn@gmail.com">harrisoncoburn@gmail.com</a></b>	Hard 20 miles 2900'
Tue June 17 9:00 am Animas City Pk 9:15 am Trailhead on CR250	<b>Hike Haflin Creek.</b> Hike this challenging favorite, close to town, up to Missionary Ridge and back. Most of this hike is in the MR fire zone. Bring a snack. NO dogs. Carpool \$1 <b>RSVP: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Hard 7 miles 2200'
Wed June 18 8:30 am Rec Center	<b>Wednesday Wanderers.</b> Hike Missionary Ridge to Radio Towers <b>Leader: Graham Murray 259-5843 <a href="mailto:ggmurray2@aol.com">ggmurray2@aol.com</a></b>	Easy to moderate 5 miles
Sat. June 21 9:00 am Animas City Park 9:30 am DMR	<b>Annual Spud Mtn. Climb &amp; Birthday Celebration.</b> Enjoy a really fun hike/climb up a local landmark. <u>No trail.</u> Some steepness, rock scrambling and exposure involved. Group must stay together. Option to wait at base of rocky peak to avoid rock scrambling but you'll miss the Dynamite Views! Help John and Connie celebrate their birthdays (10 years apart ... which is which?) Limit: 10. Dogs OK but not for the final rock scramble. Carpool \$4 <b>RSVP: John Montle 769-6108 <a href="mailto:mntnlvr@frontier.net">mntnlvr@frontier.net</a> Co-Leader: Connie Webbe</b>	Hard 3 miles 1840'
Wed June 25 8:30 am Albertson's	<b>Wednesday Wanderers.</b> Hike Twin Buttes. Meet at the SW corner of Albertson's parking lot. <b>Leader: Ray Walker 382-7662 <a href="mailto:raynsue@frontier.net">raynsue@frontier.net</a></b>	Moderate 5-7 miles 1100'
Fri – Sun June 27 – 29 8:00 am Rec Center	<b>Backpack Bear Creek Drainage.</b> This is a 3-day loop hike. We start with a 4WD drive up to Kennebec Pass and hike from there. We follow Indian Trail Ridge to Grindstone Trail and then drop into Bear Creek, loop back via Highline Loop Trail to Taylor Lake and Kennebec Pass. Great views up high and the Bear Creek Drainage is beautiful. <b>RSVP: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Hard 24 miles 3400'
Tue July 1 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR	<b>Hike Upper Hermosa Creek.</b> Hike along a well-defined trail to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> bridge. We'll tailor the hike to your individual strength and pace. Hike as little or long as you like. 4WD convenient. Car pool \$6. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b>	Easy to moderate 1-12 miles 100-200'
Wed July 2 8:30 am Rec Center	<b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike the Jones Creek Trail through pines and aspen. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Chris Wiehage 259-0882</b>	Moderate 4 miles 600'
Thur July 3 8:00 am Animas City Pk	<b>Hike Storm Peak.</b> This is a steep off-trail hike mostly on vegetated slopes. Only the last 100 yards traverse an exposed rocky ridge with several false summits. Unique views into Velocity Basin. 4WD-Low required to get to "trailhead". Limit 12. Carpool \$ 9. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Travis Ward 247-1310 <a href="mailto:tward@frontier.net">tward@frontier.net</a> Co-leader: Bob Thompson</b>	Hard
Sat July 5 7:00 am Santa Rita Park 7:20 am Hesperus P.O.	<b>Diorite Peak (12,761') via Tomahawk Basin.</b> Starting at La Plata County Road, hike the Tomahawk Basin road to the mine, then trail, tundra and scree up to the top. 4WD Necessary. Carpool \$2. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: John Bregar 385-1814 <a href="mailto:jbregar@durango.net">jbregar@durango.net</a></b>	Hard 5 miles 2900'

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<p>Mon July 7 – Fri July 11. Meeting time and place TBD</p>	<p><b>Colorado Trail 5-day Supported Hike.</b> This will be a five-day hike along the Colorado Trail from Marshall Pass to San Louis Pass. The hike works if there are four couples and two SUV's. Each day, three couples will hike to the next camp, while one couple will drive the SUV's to the next campsite and set up camp. Statistics for each day's hike are available at the website <a href="http://www.coloradotrail.org/treks.html">http://www.coloradotrail.org/treks.html</a> (Section 5). Limit 4 couples. 4WD necessary. Carpool TBD. <b>RSVP John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 78 miles 9000'</p>
<p>Tue July 8 6:30 Social 7:00 Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SO! General Meeting</b></p> <p>"Future Facilities and Services Development of Long Term Care in La Plata County" presented by Charlie Speno. Charlie is the Social Work Director at Four Corners Health Care in Durango. He has 30+ years of history in this field. Charlie started our SO! organization in 1998. Come with your questions concerning long-term health care.</p>	
<p>Wed July 9 8:00 am Santa Rita Park 8:30 am Harry's place</p>	<p><b>Hike Transfer to West Mancos.</b> Hike down Transfer Trail to West Mancos River, along West Mancos and up to Rim Trail, then back to trail head. This is a lovely 5-mile loop with an option for additional 2 miles to Coyote Park. Wonderful views of the Mancos West Mancos Valley. Limit 12. Carpool \$6. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Harry Hance 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance@webtv.net">hhance@webtv.net</a></b></p>	<p>Easy 5 miles 600' Moderate 7 miles 1200'</p>
<p>Wed July 9 8:30 am Rec Center</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Animas Mountain. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Gayle Vandermast 769-4098 <a href="mailto:urangobelle@bresnan.net">urangobelle@bresnan.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 3 miles 1100'</p>
<p>Thur July 10 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike McMillan Peak (12,804').</b> This loop hike begins above the Red Mountain Pass, continues into lovely US Basin, climbs to the ridge &amp; culminates atop McMillan Peak. Descent will be by a different, more direct route. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$9. Dogs Ok <b>RSVP: Betsy Petersen 259-5417 <a href="mailto:betsyp@frontier.net">betsyp@frontier.net</a> Co-leader: Jim O'Brien</b></p>	<p>Hard 5.3 miles 1100'</p>
<p>Sat July 12 6:30 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Climb American Peak (13,860') via Burns Gulch.</b> (East of Silverton), with option for Jones Peak. Off trail hiking on tundra and scree. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$10 Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: John Bregar 385-1814 <a href="mailto:jbregar@durango.net">jbregar@durango.net</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 4.5 miles 2100'</p>
<p>Mon July 14 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Jeep to Mineral Point and Hike to Mine Ruins</b> Drive to Silverton; drive to Mineral Point above Animas Forks; then hike to Old Lout Mine and San Juan Chief Mill. Dessert at Howard's afterward. 4WD necessary, Limit as many as jeeps can carry. Dogs OK, but RSVP. Carpool \$8. <b>Leader: Howard Drake; RSVP Co-Leader Connie Webbe 382-0009 <a href="mailto:bcwebbe@aol.com">bcwebbe@aol.com</a></b></p>	<p>Hard to Moderate 4 miles 1000'</p>
<p>Tues July 15 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike to Columbine Lake.</b> A great warm-up hike for the Fourteeners Marathon! We will follow a well-established trail from just above Hwy 550 near the Ophir pass road to Columbine Lake (12,685') at a moderate pace. Some crossing of snowfields may be necessary. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$8 Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Betsy Petersen 259-5417 <a href="mailto:betsyp@frontier.net">betsyp@frontier.net</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 6 miles 2700'</p>
<p>Wed July 16</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – No hike scheduled.</p>	
<p><b>Tues July 29</b> 8:00 am Santa Rita Park 9:00 am Hwy 160 &amp; Beavers Meadow</p>	<p><b>Off Trail Navigation: Reschedule to July 29<sup>th</sup>.</b> Learn how to navigate using map, compass, and GPS, and learn survival essentials for being lost in the backcountry. Bring maps, compass and GPS if you have them. We'll get completely lost in the Piedra Roadless Area and find our way out. Carpool \$7. No dogs. Limit 12. <b>Leader: Jim Shadid 884-4612 <a href="mailto:shadid@wildblue.net">shadid@wildblue.net</a> Co-leader: Dorothy Bregar</b></p>	<p>Moderate Up to 8 miles 800 -1000'</p>
<p>Fri July 18 6:30 am Animas City Pk 7:30 DMR</p>	<p><b>Climb Tower Mountain (13,552') via Hematite Basin.</b> (North of Silverton) Trail to Hematite Basin, then tundra and scree to top. Carpool \$9. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: John Bregar 385-1814 <a href="mailto:jbregar@durango.net">jbregar@durango.net</a></b></p>	<p>Most Challenging 5 miles 3900'</p>

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Sat July 19 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR	<b>Hike Crater Lake Trail from Andrews Lake to Crater Lake.</b> A favorite any day with views, but should be an especially good time for wildflowers. Early turn-backs OK. Carpool \$6. Dogs OK <b>Leader: Jan Collins 382-0211 <a href="mailto:jcvmona@yahoo.com">jcvmona@yahoo.com</a></b>	Moderate+ 11 miles 900'
Mon July 21 – Fri July 25	<b>14'ers Marathon V.</b> Mon - drive to Walsenburg. Tue – climb Lindsay. Wed – climb Humboldt. Thur – drive to Lake City. Fri – climb Uncompahgre. OK to part or all. Contact Betsy Petersen 259-2417 or <a href="mailto:betsyp@frontier.net">betsyp@frontier.net</a> for details. <b>Leader: John Montle <a href="mailto:mntnlvr@frontier.net">mntnlvr@frontier.net</a></b>	Hard
Tue July 22 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR	<b>Hike Melanie Highline Trail.</b> This trail is north of Silverton. We'll be at and above tree line (around 12,000'), therefore the moderate rating even though there's not much elevation gain. Views are fabulous and there should be some lovely wildflowers. This is an opportunity to hike the high country on gentle terrain at a moderate pace. But come prepared for any weather. Carpool \$10. Dogs OK. 4WD necessary. <b>Leader: Sharron Chambers 259-9271 <a href="mailto:lightenerload@earthlink.net">lightenerload@earthlink.net</a></b>	Moderate 5 miles 400'
Wed July 23 8:30 am Hermosa Conoco	<b>Highway 550 Service Project</b> We need all SO! members to help cleanup our two adopted sections of Hwy 550. No dogs. <b>RSVP: Marv Dworkin 259-9434 <a href="mailto:mpdworkin@gobrainstorm.net">mpdworkin@gobrainstorm.net</a></b>	Easy
Sun July 27 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR	<b>Hike to Crystal Lake with Ice Crystal Cave Option</b> Drive to Mayflower Mine east of Silverton, then hike uphill to Silver Lake and mine ruins. Climb over ridge to Crystal Cave (1/4 mile & 500' elevation). Flashlights needed for ice cave. 4WD necessary, Limit 15 for ice cave option. Dogs OK, but RSVP. Carpool \$8. <b>Leader: Howard Drake; RSVP Co-Leader Connie Webbe 382-0009 <a href="mailto:bcwebbe@aol.com">bcwebbe@aol.com</a></b>	Hard to Moderate 3 miles 1000' – 1500'
Mon July 28 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR	<b>Hike Highland Mary Lakes Loop.</b> A hard, but very rewarding and scenic hike past lovely alpine lakes, through a high tundra basin, along a trail with spectacular valley & mountain views. Return via a Continental Divide Trail. 4WD necessary. Limit 15. Carpool \$11. Dogs OK but RSVP <b>Leader: Ken Fusco 259-95442 <a href="mailto:jofusco@hotmail.com">jofusco@hotmail.com</a> Co-leader: Jo Fusco</b>	Hard 9 miles 2000'
Wed July 30 8:30 am Rec Center	<b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike lower Hermosa Creek. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Ray Walker 382-7662 <a href="mailto:raynsue@frontier.net">raynsue@frontier.net</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles 500'
Wed July 30	<b>SO! Board Meeting</b> at Clark Lagow's house. <b>RSVP: Clark Lagow 259-9337 <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a></b>	
Thur July 31 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR	<b>Hike Mineral Creek to Coal Bank Pass.</b> This is a thru-hike starting at the end of the road above South Mineral campground and ending at the top of Coal Bank Pass via the Rico-Pinkerton, Colorado, Engineer Mt. and Pass Trails. If enough people sign up, we can avoid the car shuttle by having a group start out at each end and exchange keys in the middle. The hike stays on rolling terrain so the elevation gain and loss will be the same from either direction. Two log stream crossings at the Mineral Creek end. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Lynn Coburn 247-0914 <a href="mailto:harrisoncoburn@gmail.com">harrisoncoburn@gmail.com</a></b>	Hard 10 miles 2200'
Sat Aug 2 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR	<b>Hike Eureka over the Mountain to Boulder Gulch near Silverton</b> Car shuttle to Eureka. Hike up the South Fork of the Animas River, and climb over mountain ridge into Boulder Gulch to see crystals and flowers. Exposure on ridge; finish at tailings ponds 4WD necessary for shuttle, Limit depends on number of 4WD vehicles. No dogs. Carpool \$8. <b>Leader: Howard Drake; RSVP Co-Leader Connie Webbe 382-0009 <a href="mailto:bcwebbe@aol.com">bcwebbe@aol.com</a></b>	Hard 6 miles 1800'
Sat Aug 2- Sun Aug 3 8:00 am Animas City Pk	<b>Hike or Backpack Mountain View Crest.</b> Beautiful hike through woods, meadows, rock formations and finally up to a high elevation ridge (13,000') with views guaranteed to knock your socks off. The main group will camp overnight in the area, but there will be an option to do this as a day hike. 4WD necessary. Limit 15. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a>. Need co-leader for day hike!</b>	Hard 6 miles 2700'



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<p>Mon Aug 4 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR 8:00 am Silverton Visitor Center</p>	<p><b>4 Wheeling and Easy 2-hour Flower Walk North of Silverton.</b> Join Rudy once again and learn about the flowers, mountains, and mining history of the San Juans. We'll take the easy Bullion King 4x4 road up to the Bullion King Mine where we'll hike through beautiful flowers along a stream up to a pretty lake and waterfall, and then more flowers to the top of the mine and then to the ridge with expansive views overlooking Poughkeepsie Gulch. Return to cars for lunch and then head to the Clear Lake 4x4 road and up to another pretty alpine lake with great views and panoramas. Beautiful flowers above timberline and at Clear Lake. Trip ends 3:00PM at Clear Lake. Allow 2 hours to return to Durango. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$10. Limit 10 jeeps with passengers to fit. Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Montle - prefer email <a href="mailto:mntnlvr@frontier.net">mntnlvr@frontier.net</a> or call 769-6108</b> only if you do not have e-mail. <b>Leader: Rudy Davison 259-9307 <a href="mailto:r_a_davison@frontier.net">r_a_davison@frontier.net</a></b></p>	<p>Easy 1.5 miles 500'</p>
<p>Tues Aug 5 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike to Island &amp; Ice lakes.</b> A perennial favorite for the spectacular mountain scenery, beautiful alpine lakes and abundant wild flowers. The loop includes both Island &amp; Ice Lakes (and perhaps Fuller as well). Carpool \$8. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Norm Sterns 385-8554 <a href="mailto:normstern@frontier.net">normstern@frontier.net</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 6.5 miles 2850'</p>
<p>Wed Aug 6 8:30 am Rec Center</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike the Colorado Trail to Gudy's Rest. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Joan Huntley 385-4423 <a href="mailto:joane@frontier.net">joane@frontier.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles 1000'</p>
<p>Fri Aug 8 7:00 am Animas City PK 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike Graysill Mountain.</b> Graysill Mountain lies SW of Engineer Mountain overlooking the Cascade Valley. We'll drive about 5 miles on a dirt road north of DMR and start the hike where the road crosses Pando Creek. The hike to the summit is mostly bushwhacking but not overly difficult. The summit (Grayback Peak, 12,504') provides excellent views of Engineer, Grizzly Peak, and the West Needles, etc. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$6. No Dogs <b>Leader: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a>; Co-leader: Elena Berman</b></p>	<p>Hard 6.3 miles 2300'</p>
<p>Mon Aug 11 7:00 am <b>Santa Rita Pk</b> 7:30 am Hesperus PO</p>	<p><b>Hike Centennial Peak.</b> Hike to Sharkstooth Pass, about 900' gain, then scramble up a rock field, stroll through some meadows, then up the trail to Centennial Peak (13,062'). Great views of Hesperus and other La Plata peaks. Reply by 2 days before hike. Limit 10; minimum 3. No dogs. <b>Leader: Jim O'Brien 375-1693 <a href="mailto:jimobrien2@webtv.net">jimobrien2@webtv.net</a> Co-Leader: Harry Hance</b></p>	<p>Hard 5 miles 2200'</p>
<p>Tue Aug 12 6:30 Social 7:00 Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SO! General Meeting</b></p> <p>Durango Nature Studies presents "Dissecting Owl Pellets". Representatives from DNS will be present to offer us instruction. This is always a fun evening with the DNS folks and they are back by popular demand three years in a row! Please bring \$2 for your own pellet. Allison promises this is a special treat worth \$2 for the joy of an amazing micro-journey and we will be gobsmacked and full of wonder! Come join the fun!</p>	
<p>Wed Aug 13 8:30 am 8<sup>th</sup> Ave &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> St</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Fort Lewis College Mesa. No RSVP. Dogs on leash OK. <b>Leader: Bruce Harris 259-5881 <a href="mailto:leigh0722@Q.com">leigh0722@Q.com</a></b></p>	<p>Easy 3 miles 300'</p>
<p>Fri Aug 15 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike Hansen Peak.</b> This will be an exploratory hike with no trail. A steep climb to a great ridgeline with views in both directions. Options for some other peaks by following the ridgelines. <b>Leader: Bill Cagle 385-4566 <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a> Co-leader: Elena Berman</b></p>	<p>Hard 3.6 miles 1200'</p>
<p>Sun Aug 17 6:30 am Animas City Pk 6:45 am Hesperus P.O.</p>	<p><b>Climb San Miguel Peak (13,753') via Trout Lake.</b> (North of Lizard Head Pass) Trail to the lake, then tundra and talus, with some scrambling at the top. Carpool \$15. No dogs. <b>Leader: Debra Van Winegarden Co-leader: John Bregar</b> <b>RSVP: John Bregar 385-1814 <a href="mailto:jbregar@durango.net">jbregar@durango.net</a></b></p>	<p>Most Challenging 6 miles 3000'</p>

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<p>Tues Aug 19 8:30AM Animas City Pk 9AM DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike Engineer Mt Trail to Coal Bank Pass.</b> This will be an extension of John Montle's "Lockspur Lane" hike in June. We will continue up the trail all the way to Engineer plateau, an additional 1000', then down Pass Creek trail to Coal Bank. Some great views of valley, except fall colors will replace flowers. Will need sufficient cars to spot 1 or 2 at Coal Bank Pass. Limit 10. Carpool \$4. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Jim O'Brien 375-1693 <a href="mailto:jimobrien2@webtv.net">jimobrien2@webtv.net</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 7 miles 2800'</p>
<p>Wed Aug 20 8:30 am SW corner Albertson lot</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Hoffheins to Gudy's Rest. If under 65, DOW Habitat stamp required. No RSVP. Dogs OK (must be on leash on DOW land). <b>Leader: Sharron Chambers 259-9271 <a href="mailto:lightenerload@earthlink.net">lightenerload@earthlink.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 4 miles 800'</p>
<p>Thur Aug 21</p>	<p><b>SO! Outings Committee Meeting</b></p>	
<p>Fri Aug 22 8:00 AM Animas City Pk 8:30am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike the West Lime Creek Trail.</b> The trailhead is on Hwy 550 between Coal Bank &amp; Molas Pass, &amp; the trail follows West Lime Creek for about 3 miles before fading away. We'll roam a bit up to some boulders for lunch. Wildflowers, views and a mellow agenda. Carpool \$6. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Carol Milliet 259-0496 <a href="mailto:cfog38@msn.com">cfog38@msn.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles 1100'</p>
<p>Sat Aug 23 – Sun Aug 24 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike or Backpack Whitehead Peak (13, 259') from Dear Park.</b> We'll drive up the Deer Park Road and take the Deer Park Trail to Whitehead Peak. The main group will camp overnight in the area but there will be an option to do this as a day hike. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$8. Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a> Need Co-leader for day hike</b></p>	<p>Hard 6.6 miles 2430'</p>
<p>Mon Aug 25 – Wed Aug 27 7:30 am Santa Rita Pk</p>	<p><b>3-Day Camp and Hike in the South San Juan's.</b> Day 1: Hike along the Continental Divide Trail, out and back, north of Elwood Pass. About 8 miles, 1000 feet. Day 2: Loop hike from camp up to and along the continental divide and over Summit Peak. Some trails. About 5 miles, 2300 feet. Day 3: Drive to Crater Lake Trailhead. Hike to the lake. About 8 miles, 1000 feet. Car camping will be primitive, but near a stream. 4WD convenient. Limit 12. Carpool \$15. Dogs OK, limit 2 <b>Leader: Travis Ward 247-1310 <a href="mailto:tlward@frontier.net">tlward@frontier.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate to hard</p>
<p>Wed Aug 27 8:30 am Rec Center</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Falls Creek. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Graham &amp; Caroline Murray 259-5843 <a href="mailto:ggmurray2@aol.com">ggmurray2@aol.com</a></b></p>	<p>Easy 3 miles 300'</p>
<p>Fri Aug 29 7:30 am Animas City Pk 8:00 am DMR</p>	<p><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 14ers. Hope for better weather this year! 4WD necessary. Carpool \$9. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Clark Lagow 259-9337 <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a> Co-leader: Elena Berman</b></p>	<p>Hard 7 miles 3000'</p>
<p>Tue Sept 2 7:00 am Animas City Pk 7:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike Grizzly Meadows.</b> Hike to the base of Grizzly Peak to enjoy meadows, lakes and great views. A few stretches of the trail are on shale. Early turn-back optioned hike. There's a challenging option to climb to the top of Grizzly Peak- a steep climb up every kind of rock surface (shale, small rocks, large rocks, loose rocks, talus) to fantastic and rewarding views. 4WD necessary (8 miles on Cascade Divide Rd). Carpool \$8. Dogs Ok to meadow. <b>RSVP: Clark Lagow 259-9337 or <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate to Most Challenging 7 miles 2750'</p>
<p>Wed Sept 3 8:30 am Santa Rita Park</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Carbon Junction Trail. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Trish Bayless 375-2618 <a href="mailto:tricia_bayless@msn.com">tricia_bayless@msn.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 600'</p>
<p>Thurs. Sept 4 9:00 am Animas City Pk</p>	<p><b>Hike to Lake Eileen.</b> Nice trail. We'll have to hop across Lost Creek but shouldn't be hard this time of year. (Hiking poles helpful.) Limit 12. Carpool \$4. Dogs OK <b>Leader: Lydine Hannula 884-9052 <a href="mailto:lydine2@yahoo.com">lydine2@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 3-4 miles 1100'</p>

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<p>Fri Sept 5 8:00 am Animas City Pk 8:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike to the Old 100 Boarding House.</b> This spectacular old miners boarding house is perched on the side of Galena Mountain above the Old 100 Mine and was recently restored as an historic landmark. The trail is loose in places but not long and affords great views. We will do it at a moderate pace. The final scramble from the trail to the boarding house is narrow with some exposure but is well worth it. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$9. No dogs. <b>RSVP: Betsy Petersen 259-5417 <a href="mailto:betsyp@frontier.net">betsyp@frontier.net</a> Co-leader: Clark Lagow</b></p>	<p>Hard 4 miles 800'</p>
<p>Mon Sept 8 8:00 am Animas City Pk 8:30 am DMR</p>	<p><b>Hike Niagara Peak (13,807') &amp; Jones Mountain (13,860').</b> Bag two 13-8ers in one day! Spectacular views from both peaks. We will drive up Burns Gulch Rd (4WD) and take a semi-defined trail to the top of each peak. 4WD necessary. Carpool \$9. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Clark Lagow 259-9337 or <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 4 miles 2530'</p>
<p>Tues Sept 9 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Potluck Rec Center</p>	<p><b>SO! General Meeting and Potluck.</b> Bring your own table service and a dish for eight with a serving utensil.  A-F Salad      G-M Main Dish      N-R Dessert      S-Z Main Dish  In addition to your potluck dish, please bring non-perishable food donations for the Manna Soup Kitchen food drive.</p>	
<p>Wed Sept 10 8:30 am Rec Center</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Edgemont Trail on Missionary Ridge. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Graham &amp; Caroline Murray 259-5843 <a href="mailto:ggmurray2@aol.com">ggmurray2@aol.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 800'</p>
<p>Thur Sept 11 9:00 am Animas City Pk</p>	<p><b>Hike the Pine.</b> Hike along the Pine River Trail for about 2.5 miles out to a sandy spot on the shore for lunch. Carpool TBD. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Lydine Hannula <a href="mailto:lydine2@yahoo.com">lydine2@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles minimal</p>
<p>Sat Sept 13 8:30 am Santa Rita Pk 9:00 am Harry's Place</p>	<p><b>Bike Cannonball Mesa and Visit Anasazi Ruin</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 view Yellow Jacket Canyon. Limit: 12. No dogs. Carpool \$10 <b>RSVP Leader: Harry Hance 533-9757 <a href="mailto:hhance@webtv.net">hhance@webtv.net</a> Co-Leader: Howard Drake</b></p>	<p>Moderate 8 miles</p>
<p>Mon Sept 15 9:00 am Animas City Pk 9:30 am DMR</p>	<p><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 &amp; Hermosa Creek drainages. 4WD convenient. Carpool \$5. Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 <a href="mailto:john@martintelephone.com">john@martintelephone.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 4-5 miles 1000'</p>
<p>Wed Sept 17 8:30 am Santa Rita Park</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Sale Barn Trail. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Margie Padgett 385-7575</b></p>	<p>Moderate 800'</p>
<p>Wed Sept 24 8:45 am Re Center</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers</b> – Hike Jacob's Cliffs. No RSVP. Dogs OK. <b>Leader: Dell Manners 259-7721 <a href="mailto:dmanners@sisna.com">dmanners@sisna.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 500'</p>
	<p>CHECK YOUR E-MAIL FOR E-OUTINGS "Last Minute Outings" may be added to complement our printed schedule via e-mail, so check them out. Leaders will follow the same guidelines and safety precautions (radios, first-aid kits, etc.) as regularly scheduled outings. If you know members who do not have e-mail, please pass along the info about the outings to them. And if you'd like to lead an outing but didn't get it into the schedule in time for printing, contact the SO! E-mail coordinator at <a href="mailto:mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org">mail2020@seniorsoutdoors.org</a> with all the information, and then arrange (with the preceding and following trip leaders on the schedule) to pick up and drop off the trip bag. For those of you who have hectic schedules and cannot commit to lead a few months in advance, or for a fill-in outing when others must be cancelled, it's not to late to lead at the last minute.</p>	

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The outings Committee members who put together this Outing Schedule are: Jan Collins, Olin Kane, Clark Lagow, Sherry Suenram, and Dorothy Bregar. They appreciate your suggestions, ideas, willingness to help with and lead outings, enthusiasm while on outings, and natural leadership skills that show up when needed.