

Celebrated 10 Years



# Newsletter

Fall 2011

## Another Season of Hiking

- As part of DTHC 10th anniversary celebration, club pins were designed. There are still pins available for purchase at DTHC Social events. It is a great looking pin that would make a nice gift, even for yourself. Purchase your pin at the DTHC Socials.
- Socials—1st Tuesday of the month from Oct-May  
Look for your e-vite or check the website.
- Hike for Hope - March 4
- Mark your calendars for the DTHC Getaway  
March 25—28, 2012  
Laguna Beach

It is that time again for another season of hiking, socializing and trail stewardship, for Desert Trails Hiking Club, aka DTHC.

### Website

The DTHC website is going to continue to be the main tool of communication for the club. Coordinating Council is working towards updating and tweaking the site for this purpose. Continue checking our website for all current DTHC news.



### Club Donations

DTHC donated a total of \$2,000 to the following local non-profit groups who maintain our forests and trails. The funds were distributed in April 2011

- Friends of Desert Mountains
- Center for Natural Lands
- Joshua Tree
- Mojave Desert Lands
- Big Morongo Preserve
- Wildlands Conservancy
- Anza Borrego
- San Jacinto

### FYI

Recent problems at **Ladders/Painted Canyon**. Some of the ladders were washed out from recent rains and there has been increased vandalism at the trailhead. The Sheriff's department has been notified but so far have not intervened. DTHC will be reporting the issue of the vandalism to the Desert Trail Coalition for their possible help with this matter.

DTHC reminds everyone to keep items of value in parked cars, out of sight, at all trailheads.

A portion of the **Cottonwood road in Joshua Tree** has been washed out. Insure you check prior to heading out.

Gate at the top of **Bump n Grind** installed

### Council Members 2011/12

- Rich Jarvinen
- Gary Ward
- Mary Barlow
- Sandy Reed
- Carl Gorretta
- Dave McGuire
- Dave Luckwell
- Cathy Luckwell

### Hike 4 Hope



Jonelle Dedrick will again be our co-ordinator for the Hike for Hope on March 4, 2012 . Hike4Hope is a family-oriented non-competitive hiking event supporting City of Hope's Women's Cancers Program. Survivors and supporters, family and friends – we are united behind one mission. We want to help City of Hope end women's cancers, and to make a difference for more women. Hike4Hope is our chance to make that difference.

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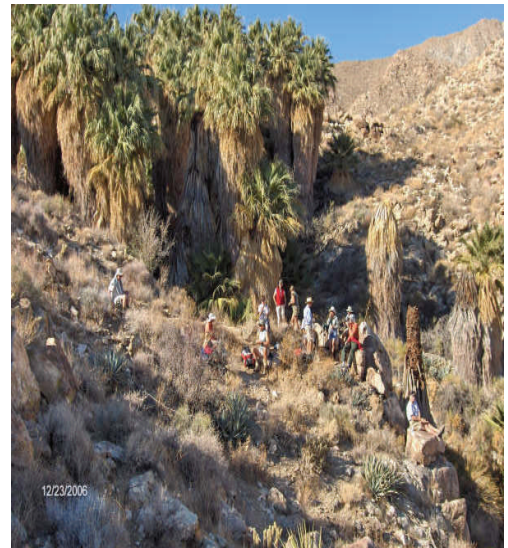
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## **A Reminder!**

Don't forget to pack these essential items when going on a day hike.



- 1) WATER
- 2) Matches
- 3) Fire Starter
- 4) Map
- 5) Compass
- 6) Flashlight
- 7) Extra food
- 8) Extra clothing
- 9) Sunglasses
- 10) First Aid Kit
- 11) Pocket knife



More detailed information and ideas for all of these essential items can be found on the DTHC website under Hiking Tips and Hints.

## **You may have noticed....**

DTHC is experimenting with not publishing our hikes in the Desert Sun. It is an arduous task to post hikes on the Desert Sun's Schedule. DTHC would like to see if it makes a difference for attendance on hikes, if they are not listed. This decision will be monitored and reviewed in February.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

Suzanne Jarvinen has set up the DTHC on Facebook. Copy this http address into your browser to visit this site.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Desert-Trails-HikingClub/204022812984301>

**To all volunteers who give their time to the DTHC. You are very much appreciated.**

**THANK YOU !!!!!**