

SCG HIKING CLUB – GRAND HIKERS

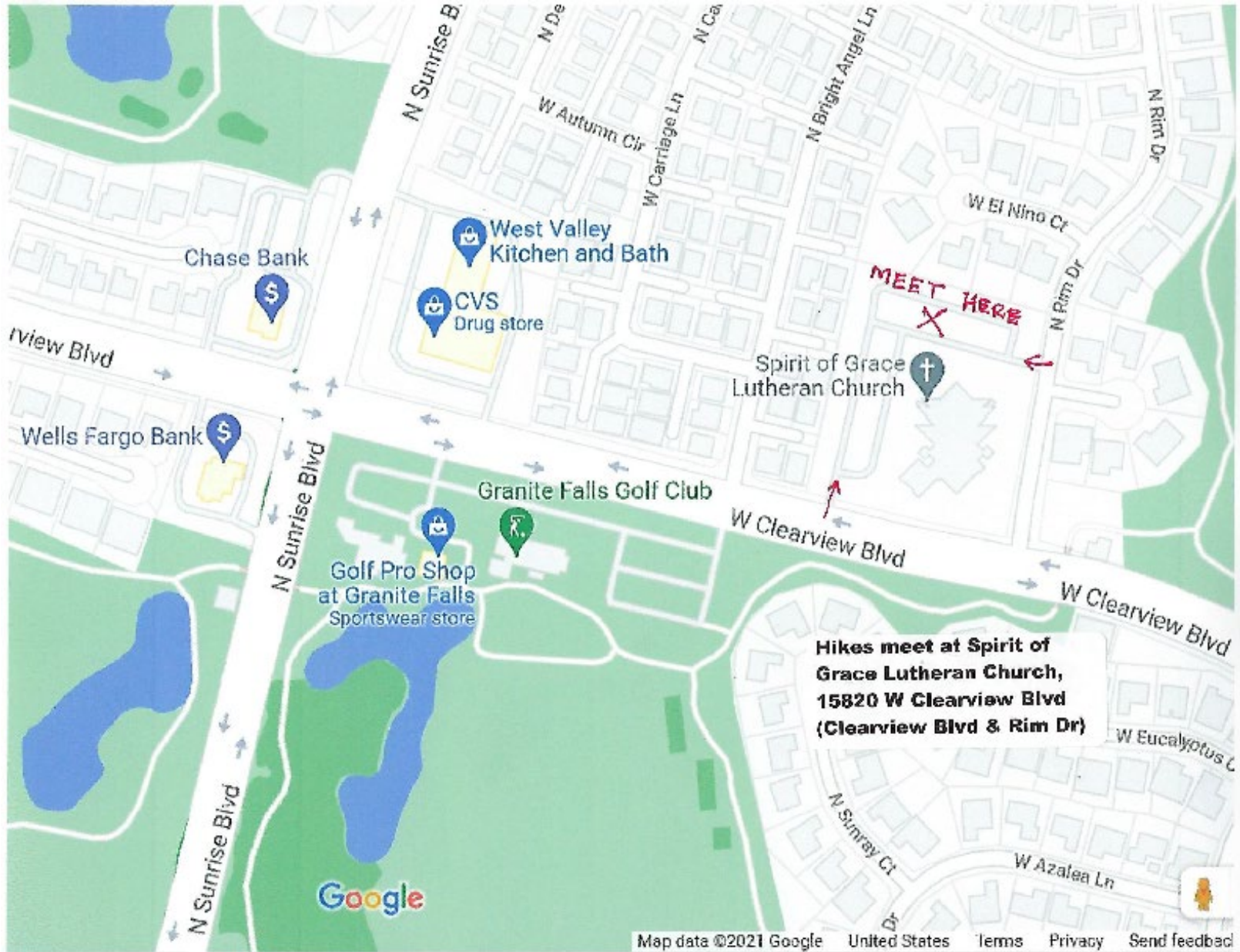


Crested Saguaro Seen on Hike

WELCOME NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

- **CLUB WEBSITE:** <https://WWW.SCGHIKERS.ORG>
- **INTRODUCTORY HIKE:** **First Wednesday of Month following the monthly Membership Meeting**
 - We will introduce new and prospective Club members to club hiking in desert conditions. This is an in/out hike of 4.6 miles round trip which is on a mostly groomed trail with some gravelly areas. It dips in and out of washes along the way. **Wear sturdy shoes, a daypack and bring plenty of water and a snack. If you are hiking with a friend/partner, each of you should carry your own water.**
- **FITNESS EVALUATION WALK:**
 - This is a 5.3 mile walk in Sun City Grand to help evaluate your conditioning prior to attempting the Introductory Hike. See the map and description on the club website.
- **ADVANCE SIGNUP IS REQUIRED:** Prospective members contact the Hike Director: hikedirector@scghikers.org
- **HIKING CLUB WAIVER:** must be signed before hiking. Available online.
- **MEETING PLACE:** the north parking lot at Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church at 15820 W. Clearview Blvd (Clearview and Rim Drive). Arrive 10 to 15 minutes before the start time shown on the hike list/hike description.

Hikes Meet Here



Spirit of Grace Lutheran 15820 W Clearview Blvd at Rim Dr North Parking Lot



SPIRIT OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Address:

15820 W. Clearview
Blvd (Clearview and
Rim Drive)

Arrive early if you are
new to the club

Meet in the north lot

If leaving a car at the
church, park in the
spaces closest to the
wall

Ride sharing can be
arranged days ahead
or at the church

Hike Leader will
verify whether hikers
have proper hiking
shoes and adequate
water

Hike Leader will
confirm driving
directions to trailhead



- **Advance sign up is required for club hikes. Members can sign up for themselves. Others contact: hikedirector@scghikers.org or the Hike Leader**
- **Remove your name from the sign-up list as soon as you know you can't go on a hike (if non-member, notify the hike leader) .**
- **Carpooling to hikes is preferred but optional. Rides can be arranged at the church circle-up but it is better to arrange a ride before the day of the hike if possible. Ask the hike leader or hike director if you need help.**
- **The Grand Hikers waiver form must be signed before doing a club hike. This is a one-time process. The waiver is on the website.**
- **Out of respect to other hikers, don't come to hike if you're not feeling well**
- **Let your hike leader know if you have any issues while hiking. Do NOT ration your water and do NOT continue hiking if you are low on water. The hike leader can provide you with additional water.**



HIKE RATINGS

- EASY 1.0-2.4
- MODERATE 2.5-3.2
- DIFFICULT 3.3-4.7
- STRENUOUS 4.8 +
- **E-Z** Wednesday hikes. They will be Easy hikes at a slower pace with more stops than a regular Easy hike
- **Slower Pace** hikes. They will be Moderate or Difficult hikes generally of 7 miles or more in length but will be hiked at a slower pace with more stops.



Hike Description Example

Introductory Hike - Ford Canyon (White Tank Regional Park)

Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 7:00 (Latest time to arrive at the specified meeting place).

Where: Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church Parking Lot(Clearview & Rim)

Length	Elevation	Trail Surface	Hike Rating
4.6 miles	600 ft.	Groomed w/ some gravelly areas	Easy (1.0-2.4)
2.3	1.8	2.2	2.1

Description: The purpose of the Introductory hike is to introduce present and future Hiking Club members to desert hiking in an area that is only 15 miles from Sun City Grand. The hike should allow the prospective club member or new hiker to both determine their conditioning with respect to future hikes and to experience "hiking-at-a-pace" in a club environment. There is a variety of desert plant and animal life that may be seen. The hike begins by descending on good trail into a wash and hiking up out of it. Further on the trail is generally level but there are some undulating areas with loose rock and sand. Our goal is "Janet Rock" 2 miles up the trail. This will be a rest and snack stop. An optional extension for those who are interested in experiencing hiking in steeper terrain will go about 10 minutes further up the Canyon towards "Armie's Cave". Hiking boots are strongly recommended for this stretch. Those who do this will have a good feel for the variety of desert hikes taken by the club. Hats and sunscreen are a must. We intend to go at a moderate pace. Bring plenty of water and a snack.

Current Info: SA-G.

Directions to Trailhead: Take Sunrise southwest to Bell Road and turn right on Bell Road. Travel 1/2 mile to AZ 303 and turn left (south) on Loop 303. Travel 4 miles to Peoria Avenue and turn right (west) for 1/2 mi to 4-way stop at Cotton Lane. Turn left on Cotton for 1 mile, turn right at traffic signal on Olive. Travel about 3-1/2 miles to the entrance gate to the White Tank Mountain Regional Park. Follow White Tank Mountain Road into the park and after 2.7 miles turn left on Ford Canyon Road. Follow Ford Canyon Rd approx. 0.4 miles and watch for the second set of restrooms, #9, on the left and park there. The trail entrance is adjacent to these restrooms. Note: Your Maricopa County Regional Park Pass is good here. Parks will accept payments via credit/debit cards and your Maricopa County annual pass at entry stations only. Cash payments are strongly discouraged but may be made via envelope. Please include the exact change as they will no longer have cash in the entry stations. Checks will not be accepted.

Driving Distance to Trailhead: 15.0 miles

Carpool Fee: \$3.00 per person

Entry/Parking Fee (to be shared by all riders): \$7.00 per vehicle

Hike leaders:

Gary Huffine Phone: 515-571-3127 Cell: 515-571-3127 gary.huffine@gmail.com

Marilyn Huffine Phone: 515-571-3439 Cell: 515-571-3439 marilynhuffine@gmail.com



Signup List

The maximum number of hikers is 99. The number signed up is 7.

All signers agree that they have signed the SCG CAM and the Hiking Club Liability waivers and will abide by Hiking Club rules

Number	First	Last	Cell Phone	CAM Number	Take Rider
1	Gary	Huffine	515-571-3127	1	No
2	Marilyn	Huffine	515-571-3439	1	No
3	Marge	Rider	2533500744	8557	no
4	Gary	Petersen	303-419-7438	9385	Yes
5	Paula	DiCarlo	623-293-2884	8247-000	No
6	Claudia	Jurowski	9288631300	2134-001	yes
7	Paul	Careau	623.518.7581	3278	Yes

Hikers may sign up for as many hikes each week as they wish.

Add Your Name To The List Or Delete Your Name From The List

First Name: <input type="text"/>	Last Name: <input type="text"/>	Cell Number: xxx-xxx-xxxx <input type="text"/>	CAM Number: <input type="text"/>	Take Rider?(yes or no): <input type="text"/>
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Add Your Name To List

Delete Your Name From List

Come join us for
great hiking and
FRIENDLY FUN!

