

The Arizona **MOUNTAINEER**

February 2008



“Cornice” near Cotopaxi summit (19,345’), Ecuador
Thanksgiving Day, 2007
Photo by Julie Dehlin

DUES ARE DUE

The Arizona Mountaineering Club

Meetings: The **November** member meeting location is: Phoenix Country Day School
3901 E. Stanford Drive
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253. , AZ 85004 at 7:00 p.m. See calendar for day/date.

Board Meetings: Board meetings are open to all members and are held two Mondays prior to the Club meeting.

Dues: Dues cover January through December. A single membership is \$30.00 per year: \$35.00 for a family. Those joining after June 30 pay \$15 or \$18. Members joining after October 31 who pay for a full year will have dues credited through the end of the following year. Dues must be sent to:

AMC Membership Committee
6519 W. Aire Libre Ave.
Glendale, AZ 85306

Schools: The AMC conducts several rock climbing, mountaineering and other outdoor skills schools each year. Browse the AMC website for information on schedules and classes.

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www.amcaz.org

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The AMC Land Advocacy Committee: The Committee works by itself and with the national Access Fund to maintain public access to climbing areas. If you know of areas that are threatened with closures or climbing restrictions, please notify the Land Advocacy representative Erik Filsinger, 480-314-1089.

The Access Fund: This is a national, non-profit, climber's organization that works to maintain access to climbing areas nationwide. Climbers can join The Access Fund by mailing an annual, tax-deductible donation of \$35 or more to: The Access Fund, P.O. Box 17010, Boulder, CO 80308, or calling 888-8MEMBER or giving it to the AMC Club Treasurer to be sent to The Access Fund in your name. A donation of \$35 or more is needed to receive *Vertical Times*, The Access Fund newsletter. One can also join electronically at:

https://www.accessfund.org/secure/joinnow/join_indiv.php or at <https://accessfund.org/join/indiv.php>.

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Newsletter

The *Arizona Mountaineer* is published monthly by the AMC. Members are encouraged to submit articles and photos about their climbing- or mountaineering-related activities. Submit items for publication (subject to approval) to AMC Editor, 2267 W Periwinkle Way, Chandler, AZ 85248 or through email to azmountaineer@amcaz.org. Prints are preferred over slides. Digital photos should preferably be in JPG format and 300 dpi. Articles can be in any standard word processing format. For more info call or write the editor at (480)-688-5412, robert_england2@yahoo.com.

Advertising in the *Arizona Mountaineer* is accepted, subject to approval, at the following rates. Personal ads are free to members. Business ads are \$5.00 for a business card, \$10.00 for half page, \$20.00 for full page, and \$25.00 for inserts.

HOT STUFF !!!

Lead School
The Year of
The Rat
Expeditions w/
Mike Libeck

Library

You must be an AMC member; I. e., your name must be on the most current membership list.

The circulation period is one month. Materials are due at the next general club meeting. The overdue fine is \$2 per title per month. Please contact the librarian if unable to return your books and tapes.

The circulation limit is three titles per person. One of these may be a videotape, for which a \$50 deposit is required. Each guidebook requires a \$25 deposit.

March Newsletter Deadline Wednesday - February 20

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Eric Ebele 3, Scott Frankel 5, Sharon Gordon 6, Pat Sagaser 6, Julie Dehlin 7, Kurt Gusinde 9, David Cameron 12, Daniel Gonzales 12, Linda Kriegel 12, Erin Livingston 12, Allison Smith 12, Kristen Towse 12, Sarrah Kiermayr 13, Douglas Roill 13, Steven Wolpert 14, Roman DiBiase 15, Alex Richards 15, Yen Vu 17, Clare Norman 19, Richard Balland 20, Robert Lea 25, Hope Borselli 26, Corissa Carveth 28, Scott Hoffman

Discount Directory

The following merchants currently offer a discount to AMC members:

Arizona Hiking Shack—11645 N. Cave Creek Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85020, (602) 944-7723. Show your AMC membership card and get a 10% discount.

AZ on the Rocks Gym — 16447 N. 91st St., Scottsdale, AZ 85260. 480-502-9777. 10% off membership.

Phoenix Rock Gym—1353 E. University, Tempe, AZ 85281. 480-921-8322. 10% off membership.

AZ Cliffhanger - at the Phoenix Rock Gym. 480-642-9507. 10% off merchandise.

Solid Rock Gym — 23620 N. 20th Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85027 (623) 587-7625 10% off membership.

Rental Equipment

<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>\$Dep</u>	<u>1-3day</u>	<u>4-7day</u>
MSR Alpine snowshoes	5	\$32	10	16
Ice Crampons	5	\$26	8	13
Ice axes (70 cm)	6	\$16	5	8
Ice axes (90 cm)	5	\$14	5	7
Snow shovel	1	\$8	3	4
PortaLedge	1	\$100	30	50
Climbing shoes		Various sizes		Call

Equipment Rental Policy:

-All equipment rentals shall be only to current AMC members.

-AMC members renting equipment shall contact the Rental Committee Chair and arrange a time for pick-up and drop-off of rentals.

-Rental rates shall be as published in the AMC Newsletter.

-Two checks shall be collected from the renter.

-The first being for the rental amount. It will be placed into AMC accounts.

-The second check shall be a deposit held against the return of the item. It will be held and given back to the renter upon return of the equipment.

-If the return is not timely, is damaged, or is lost, the second check shall be held against the late amounts due or against any replacement or repair required.

-The AMC Member renting the equipment shall be expected to replace any lost or damaged equipment.

-An AMC rental form (found under the Forms section of the website) will be used and will identify the name and contact information of the renter, the items rented, the rent due, as well as the replacement cost, along with statements indicating the renter's responsibilities for returning or replacing the items.

-**For Shoes** - Call Linda Locke (602) 997-4235.

-**For everything else**, call Erik Filsinger (480) 314-1089.

Treasurer's Report

Arizona Mountaineering Club Income Statement Period Ended October 31, 2007

INCOME

Admin (holding TRSM deposits)	-250.00
Advertising	315.00
Dues 2007	6,662.00
Interest	561.36
T-Shirts (AMC)	18.00
T-Shirts (Grand Canyon)	100.00
Mountaineering Schools	210.00
Rental Equipment	50.00
T&S Schools Rental Income	80.00
AARS Spring	1,650.00
AARS Fall	2,195.00
Basic Spring	3,515.00
Basic Fall	4,790.00
Lead Spring	675.00
Lead Fall	0.00
Other	270.00
TOTAL INCOME	20,841.36

EXPENSES

Admin	992.53
Equipment Maintenance	101.92
T-Shirts (Grand Canyon)	349.25
Insurance	3,405.60
Land Advocacy	383.82
Mountaineering	565.97
Newsletter	2,004.02
Outings	234.73
Outing Leaders	105.40
Programs Monthly Meeting	3,077.86
Training	4,170.12
TOTAL EXPENSES	15,391.22

OVERALL TOTAL..... 5,450.14

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Checking (on 10/31/2007)	15,959.26
CD Account (on 8/17/2007)	11,060.47
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	27,019.73

AMC Outing Gear.....2,147.40

OVERALL TOTAL 29,167.13

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Board Meeting Minutes - January 7, 2008

Board members present: John Keedy, David McClintic, Dan Beatty, Dan Gonzales, Erik Filsinger, Sheri Kenly, and Robert England

Committee Chairs present: Dave Van Hook

President Keedy called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes of the December 3, 2007 Board meeting were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report. Financials will be forthcoming for the end of year 2007. President Keedy will call for approval of the 2008 Annual Budget at the January member meeting.

Committee Reports:

Elections. Dave Van Hook presented and the Board approved the ballot and procedures for the annual election at the January member meeting.

Programs. Sheri Kenly overviewed the upcoming Member meeting speakers.

Mountaineering. Erik Filsinger discussed the transition plans for Bruce McHenry to take over the AMC Mountaineering Committee Chair position and the various activities planned for the Winter and Spring season.

Land Advocacy. There was a lengthy presentation and discussion of developments related to the efforts by Resolution Copper Company to pass legislation that would exchange and close certain key areas of Queen Creek climbing. Erik Filsinger and John Keedy will continue to participate in various ongoing meetings with various parties involved.

Membership was reported to be 391 dues paying members.

Old Business:

There was no old business discussed.

New Business:

Robert England will prepare and present at a future meeting a policy to consider dues waivers for club members who engage in extraordinary work on behalf of the club.

Robert England and Erik Filsinger will plan a Board and Outing Leader Outing to occur as appropriate within the next two months.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS - *Climbers* - Please Welcome:

Dan Anderson Eli Arnold Edward Dohring	Erica Dohring Ken Larsen Haiwen Meng
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Access Update

Dear Climbers:

Here is an update on the status of rock climbing in Scottsdale. We are working with local climbers, the City of Scottsdale, and the State Land Department, so please be good citizens and respect the land manager's wishes. It could be very harmful to our discussions if climbers are identified as a user group that does not respect the land manager's desires. Please do not do anything to jeopardize that. If a place where you had driven in the past is closed off, respect the signs asking you not to enter. You can still climb, but obey the directions posted. I would be happy to provide additional information off-line.

Scottsdale rock climbing can be categorized in three areas "Pinnacle Peak Park, north McDowells (south of Dynamite), and the State Land (north of Dynamite).

Pinnacle Peak Park is open to climbing. We have an excellent working relationship with the Park and you should feel free to climb in the designated areas. The one point that needs to be kept in mind is that part of the negotiations to allow climbing was that climbing would be limited to the daylight hours the park is open. Please be sure to exit the parking lot before the posted hours the park closes. It is a criminal trespass to be in the park before or after those posted hour and you may be arrested.

The rock climbing in the North McDowells is open, but please be sensitive. Hopefully over the next year the final planning for the Northern Access to the McDowell Sonoran Preserve will begin with a formal opening some time after that. Climbers are part of the planning process, and are working closely with the City of Scottsdale. All the climbing areas in the north McDowells are now part of the City of Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve. A major emphasis of the Preserve is preservation of the sensitive desert ecology, so climbers should exercise extra care. Stay only on the historic access trails, and avoid cutting across country. If and when the City posts signs closing certain roads to motorized vehicles, it is very important that we respect the City's wishes. That being said, the climbing from Hog Heaven to Granite Ballroom, to Rosetta Stone, to Sven Slab, to Sven Towers, to Morrell's Parking Lot and Wall, to Gardener's Wall, to Tom's Thumb and to Lost Wall are great granite masterpieces to be enjoyed.

Cholla Mountain, the Den, and Little Granite Mountain (all north of Dynamite) are entirely contained on State Trust Land, administered by the State Land Department. You must have a valid use permit from the State Land Department to enter and to climb. You may be cited for trespass if you enter without the valid permit. The individual or family use permits are available through the website and mail, so please obtain them. Again, as stated for the north McDowells, please stay on historic access trails, do not drive or park where signage states otherwise. The City of Scottsdale Preserve staff work closely with the State Trust Land enforcement officers, and City of Scottsdale Police conduct enforcement patrols there, so please show climbers in the good light when climbing there.

If you have any questions, feel free to ask.

Erik Filsinger, AMC Land Advocacy Chair
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The Importance of Individual Responsibility for Climbing Access

Often I think it is easy to see climbing as an activity that we do. We sign up for a trip, we arrive at a parking area, we hike to the climb, we have fun climbing, and then we leave. We don't think about who needs to work to obtain or keep the climbing area one we can enjoy so freely.

I am afraid that sometimes we under-appreciate how hard it is to gain and maintain the right to climb. While climbers are out enjoying the crags, I fear that they do not realize that almost always climbing is potentially in jeopardy. And I feel that climbers do not appreciate the many hours of research, planning, discussions and setbacks that those who take the role of climbing access seriously encounter all the time.

There is no inherent "right to climb" in the eyes of most land managers. Climbing is activity they allow, as long as it doesn't interfere with other priorities. It takes enormous initial effort to gain or keep access. It takes enormous responsibility to act in a way that keeps climbing off of the chopping block.

Those of us who work so hard to gain climbing access are frequently frustrated because while we volunteer to fight the battles and wars, when we ask for help from climbers, it seems we get a very large yawn. Yes, it is great if you join the Access Fund and maybe the only thing you can give easily is a little money, but honestly that is seldom enough. Why should you benefit from climbing access is you have not put your sweat into obtaining it?

I would challenge each and every climber to take personal responsibility for every rock crag. I think we should each feel that every climbing area is our personal climbing area. If we do not stand and act together to preserve climbing, it may not be there tomorrow and you have no one to blame but yourself for getting caught up in other little life's priorities rather than helping with an access campaign when you were asked. You may rue the day when your desire to "have some fun" was ruled as a higher priority than writing a letter, or picking up some trash. At that point you will have no one to blame but yourself for not being able to climb.

Submitted by Erik Filsinger, AMC Land Advocacy Chair



President's Corner

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Our year is off to a start with lots of things to look forward to for 2008. Very soon we will be holding Lead Climbing Class at North Mountain Park from Feb 19 through 24th. We always need people to help with both the class and the weekend. Basic Climbing Class is from March 11 through 22nd, with class at North Mountain Park and Solid Rock Climbing Gym and the weekend sessions at the Den and North Scottsdale. Don't miss the Graduation Climb followed by the Graduation Party on Saturday evening.

The weekend following Basic is the Queen Creek Cleanup and Climb on March 29th. We have a special additional activity opportunity that same day. The town of Superior is having its annual Apache Leap day. There will be a walk from Oak Flats Campground to Superior for those who wish to participate. The Town will also have activities in down town Superior. I will get more information out on email as plans develop.

Be sure to read the article in this newsletter about the update concerning the McDowells. Bruce Mc Henry will be doing more things with Mountaineering this spring as well. I encourage everyone to get involved in AMC Club activities. If there are things you want to see us do or do more of, drop me a email. This Club is for you and we want to provide the activities you want.

John Keedy

**On Monday, February 25th
at 7:00 p.m.
AMC Programs is delighted
to present:**

Mike Libeck

***The Year of the Rat
Expeditions***

Through a mix of short films Mike will expose his viewers to remote, if not some of the most remote, corners of the planet: Franz Josef Land, Russia (third closest land to the north pole, arctic Russian Islands), deep jungles of Venezuela, eastern islands of Papua New Guinea, Western Africa, and high in the Turkistan Range in Kyrgyzstan. These trips will bring to life major reconnoiters to find untouched summits and the variables to make such expeditions reality. Visually experience the largest polar bears on the planet; what it takes to battle utter sickness without possibility of rescue in the wilderness; what its like to eat fresh possum guts; battle deadly scorpions and tarantulas on a big wall; delight in beautiful culture and colorful people; and countless other components of expeditions into the unknown.

Access Fund Raffle/Auction: Mike is a big supporter of the Access Fund and has ALWAYS brought an amazing amount of gear to be given out to lucky ticket holders. Bring your \$5's, \$10's, \$20's and, dare I say, \$50's? to support the organization that is the voice for climbers. \$5 per ticket and 3 for \$10, 6 for \$20...

P.S.: Mike has amazing t-shirts that are made for each of his "The Year of" Expeditions. Bring an extra \$15 for one of these cool collectible shirts.

See you at the Monday, February 25th 7:00 p.m. meeting! Remember it is at Phoenix Country Day School 3901 E. Stanford Drive P.V. 85253 It is between Lincoln and Camelback. From Lincoln use 36 St. and go south to Stanford and then head east. From Camelback turn left on 40th St. followed by a left on Stanford. Follow signs to the auditorium.



The Arizona Mountaineering Club
www.amcaz.org

Lead Climbing School

Arizona Mountaineering Club
Spring 2008

This is an advanced climbing class. Even if you don't plan on leading, you will learn much about the dynamics of climbing, and it will make you a safer climber. Protecting a climb is a different skill from climbing itself. We will talk about the dynamics of lead falls, how to prepare for a climb, the differences between single-pitch and multi-pitch, and the differences between clipping bolts and placing natural pro. There will be no "true" lead climbs during the class, but we will provide simulated leading exercises.

Class curriculum:

Tue Lecture, slide show: introduction, the lead fall, equipment
Wed Lecture, slide show: equipment (continued); the process and techniques of leading
Thu Lecture, slide show: multi-pitch techniques, the descent, leader rescue, aid climbing
Sat Hands-on practice: natural pro placement (Prescott)
Sun Hands-on practice: leading on bolts (Prescott or Scottsdale)

Class schedule:

Feb 19	Tuesday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	*North Mountain Park
Feb 20	Wednesday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	North Mountain Park
Feb 21	Thursday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	North Mountain Park
Feb 23	Saturday	9:00 am–5:00 pm	Prescott (directions will be in syllabus)
Feb 24	Sunday	9:00 am–5:00 pm	Prescott or Scottsdale (directions will be in syllabus)

*North Mountain Park is located at Peoria and 7th St, 5 miles north of Camelback on 7th St. Turn west into the park. Ramada location to be announced.

Experience required: Preferably, AMC Basic School and AMC Anchors School or equivalent experience. This includes knowing how to tie a variety of knots, belay, rappel, prusik and set anchors.

Cost: \$75 plus membership if not already a member (\$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family). Membership is good through Dec., 2008. Register by sending a check payable to AMC Lead School to Nancy Birdwell 1654 W. Boston St, Chandler, AZ, 85224. No credit cards accepted. (Please note: the registration fee is fully refundable if you cancel.) Call Nancy Birdwell at 480-821-1932 or email info@amcaz.org for more information. The number of students will be limited to 30.

Equipment required for the class:

The following will not be needed the first night. You may want to listen to the gear lectures before making purchases.

All climbing gear (harness, prusiks, biners, etc.)

Helmet—mandatory for all on-rock sessions

Specifically needed:

2 20' slings (untied length), preferably different colors

2 10' slings (untied length), preferably different colors

Nut pick

Quickdraws with biners—at least 5 per person

All pro that you own, which may include cams, hexes, wired nuts, Tri-cams, etc.

Consider combining with another person to have enough gear

Hiking boots or shoes with stiff soles for Saturday, climbing shoes for Sunday

Optional: kneepads for Saturday (\$3–6 at Home Depot, \$5 volleyball pads at sporting goods stores)

For more information: Visit the Arizona Mountaineering Club website at www.AzMountaineeringClub.org.

Basic Rock Climbing School

Arizona Mountaineering Club
Spring 2008

The Arizona Mountaineering Club (AMC) has been teaching basic rock climbing for over 40 years. We place maximum emphasis on safety and self-rescue. This is a beginning climbing class. We will teach you equipment care and usage, rope handling, climbing knots, belaying, rappelling, climbing techniques, and self-rescue. Enrollment fills up quickly, so don't delay; make a reservation to join us soon!

Class schedule (this is 2-week class):

Mar 11	Tuesday	5:30 pm–10:00 pm	*Havasupai Ramada, North Mountain Park
Mar 13	Thursday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	Havasupai Ramada, North Mountain Park
Mar 15	Saturday	8:00 am–5:00 pm	North McDowell Mountains, Scottsdale
Mar 16	Sunday	8:00 am–5:00 pm	North McDowell Mountains, Scottsdale
Mar 18	Tuesday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	TBA
Mar 20	Thursday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	TBA
Mar 22	Saturday	all day	Various times, various places

*North Mountain Park is located at Peoria and 7th St, 5 miles north of Camelback on 7th St. Turn west into the park and look for the orange traffic cones imprinted “AMC” at Havasupai Ramada.

Experience required: None. Even if you have never climbed a tree before, this class is for you.

What is provided by the AMC:

Technical climbing gear that will be used for the school (**and is yours to keep**): 1 belay/rappel device, 2 non-locking carabiners, 3 locking carabiners, 4 prusiks, one 5' sling (subject to change)
Harness and helmet provided free by the AMC for the duration of the class if needed
Basic climbing textbook
Instruction through all phases of the class
Discounts from local retailers on climbing gear

Equipment recommended for the class: You will wear a climbing harness at every class, so dress casually. Most sessions will be held outside, so watch the weather. Climbing shoes are recommended for the weekend sessions only. The AMC rents climbing shoes on a first-come, first-serve basis on the **second** night of class for \$10 for the class. We will discuss what to look for in a shoe on the first night of class.

Paperwork: You will be required to read, fill out and sign an AMC release of liability on the first night of class. Students under 18 must have the release signed by their parent or guardian (no students under 14 please; students 14-15 years of age must be accompanied by an older adult).

Class fee: \$160 plus membership if not already a member (\$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family). Membership is good through Dec. 2008.

Registration: The class is limited to 40 students. To reserve a spot, send a check for \$160, \$190 or \$195 (see Class Fee above) made out to AMC Basic School. Include your clearly printed name, address and current phone number(s). Mail to: AMC Basic School, 4325 E. Desert Trumpet Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85044. **No credit cards accepted.** Contact Dave Cameron at 480-706-1978, or email at BasicSchoolInfo@amcaz.org. (Please note: \$75 is a non-refundable deposit; the rest will be returned if you cancel. If someone else can be found to take your place, the entire \$160 will be refunded.)

For more information: Visit the Arizona Mountaineering Club website at www.AzMountaineeringClub.org.



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Sunday 11am – 4pm

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Need an extra pocket or strap? Add it?

Can't find exactly what you want? Get it made to your specifications!

Call us or stop in to discuss your repair, modification or fabrication needs.

Outing Leaders

Become an AMC Outing Leader

General requirements for becoming an AMC outing leader:

- Be a member for at least one year
- Take the Basic, Anchors and Lead classes (or equivalents)
- Complete a basic first aid and CPR class (8 hours or more)
- Submit an application to the Classification Chairperson
- Apprentice on at least three outings with approved outing leaders
- Get recommendation from at least five current outing leaders (including those from apprentice outings)
- Be approved by the Board of Directors.

For more information, contact the Classification Chairperson, Nancy Birdwell at (480) 821-1932.

Outing Leader

Contact Information

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Frank Vers.....	480-947-9435	
Justin York	480-229-8660	

Your Name Here!

2008 Dues

It is time to renew your membership for 2008. The membership year runs from January to December; \$30 for single or \$35 for family membership. Please make your check payable to AMC and bring to the next meeting or send to:

AMC Membership
6519 W. Aire Libre
Glendale, AZ 85306

If your name, address, phone or email have changed, please enclose corrections with your check. If you would like your cell phone listed on the monthly phone list instead of your home phone, please let me know.
Call 623-512-8465 if you have questions.

Calendar of Events

AMC Outings

Please note: It is suggested that Outing participants donate gas money to the Outing Leader, and that carpoolers share the cost of gas for the driver. See footnotes below for other info about outings.

Footnotes: Car-pooling is optional on all outings and is not part of the outing. The outing begins at the trailhead designated by the Outing Leader and ends at the same place. Each participant should bring a First Aid kit. If you leave the outing, with or without the leader's permission, you are considered to be on your own until you rejoin the group. Each participant will be required to sign an AMC Activity Release Form at the beginning of the outing. Participation in AMC outings requires club membership. Outings vary in degree of danger. When you participate in an outing you should be both physically and mentally prepared and equipped with the appropriate gear. You should always be aware of the risks involved in outdoor activities and conduct yourselves accordingly. The Outing Leader is not responsible for your safety; you are. Please contact the Outing Leader before going on an outing, discussing your capabilities with the Outing Leader. You must be over 18 years of age to participate, or must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult, and obtain prior consent from the Outing Leader. Those accompanying minors are responsible for the minor's safety.

Mar 7-10, 2008 Ouray Ice Park – Top Rope Ice Climbing. Ouray, CO Fun Ice Climbing in the School Room! Great place for beginning Ice Climbers. Specific requirements for participants. Contact Bruce McHenry at bamchenry@att.net. Limit 6

Mar 29 Queen Creek Cleanup and Climb - Details to follow

Group outings are intended to be social climbing experiences with no supervision. They may or may not be organized by an AMC Outing Leader. If they are organized by an AMC Outing Leader, the Leader will only be responsible for organizing the time, date, meeting places, and any necessary camping. The AMC Outing Leader may also set anchors, but will not be responsible for supervising any climbing activity or for monitoring the anchors they set. Participants are responsible for their own climbing activities, their own climbing partners, and for monitoring anchors, whether set by an AMC Outing Leader or not. Participants are also responsible for their own conduct and safety at the campsite and during any approaches to and from the climbing areas. If any AMC equipment is used for the outing, the participants using that equipment are responsible for checking the equipment before use and for using the equipment properly and in the safest manner possible. The campsite, where possible, may be reserved and paid for by the AMC. Parking may be first-come, first-served.

Billboard - Other Scheduled Events

Outings listed in this section are not AMC sanctioned outings. Any AMC member can list an event he or she is planning and which is open to other AMC members. The member does not have to be an approved AMC Outing Leader. If you wish to participate you should be physically and mentally prepared with the appropriate gear and should contact the member planning the outing. You are responsible for your own safety, not the person leading the outing. You should always be aware of the risks involved in outdoor activities and conduct yourself accordingly.

Mondays Solid Rock Gym at 6pm-8pm. Call Rogil (623)-512-8465 for info.

Wednesdays North Mountain hikes after work. Rogil Schroeter (623) 512-8465

Commercially Provided Training and Events

The events listed below are provided by commercial outfitters for the benefit of AMC members. They are not AMC Outings, nor are they led by AMC Outing Leaders, though they may be open only to AMC members. The commercial outfitter is solely responsible for all aspects of the outing, not AMC. While, in most cases, an AMC member may provide a service by AMC collecting the names of prospective participants and handling the logistics of out-of-town events, participants will sign up directly with the commercial outfitter.

February 2008

AMC Outing Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
NOTE: Celestial events occur about 10 minutes earlier on Arizona's eastern border; 10 later on its western edge.			Sunrise 7:26 Sunset 5:57 M-rise 1:17 A		1	2
3	4	5	6 Sunrise 7:21 Sunset 6:04 M-set 5:51 P	7 New Moon	8	9
10	11 Board Meeting	12	13 Sunrise 7:15 Sunset 6:11 M-set 12:30 A	14 1st Quarter	15	16
17	18	19 Lead School	20 Lead School Sunrise 7:08 Sunset 6:17 M-rise 6:08 P	21 Lead School Full Moon	22	23 Lead School
24 Lead School	25 Member Meeting	26	27 Sunrise 7:00 Sunset 6:23 M-rise 12:04 A	28	29	
					Last Quarter	