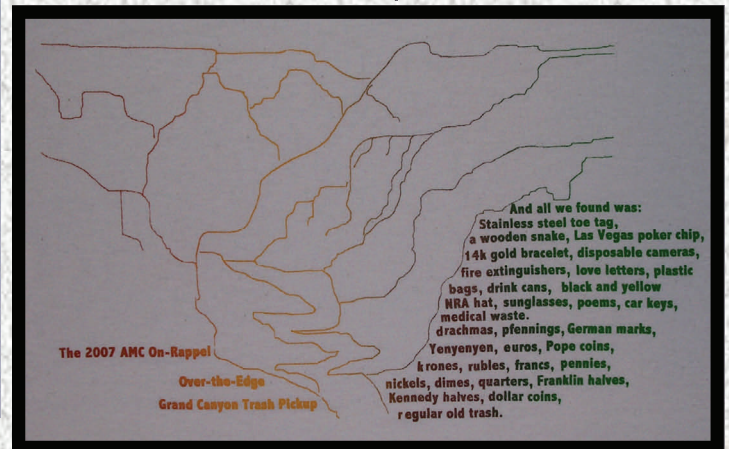


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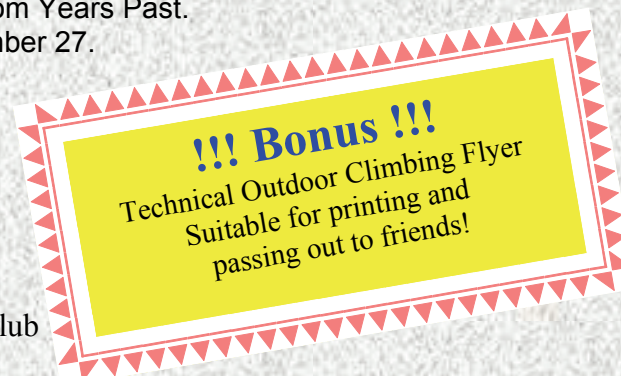
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Grand Canyon Cleanup T-Shirt Designs from Years Past.
The Cleanup this year is on September 27.



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Meetings: The member meeting location is:
Phoenix Country Day School, 3901 E. Stanford Drive,
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253 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.

For More Information:

Email:

president@amcaz.org
board@amcaz.org

Websites:

www.amcaz.org

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Arizona Mountaineering Club
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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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Lead School

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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.

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.

October Newsletter Deadline: Wednesday - Sept 17

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Craig Anderson 26, Kristine Brunsell 18, Kim Buffalo 10, Nael Dagstani 19, Lynn Gertsch 17, Gary Heintz 10, Matt Kalina 22, Michelle Kelly 21, James Kistler 4, Paul Mandel 18, Bruce McHenry 2, Malachi Mendel 13, Devon Meyer 2, Suzanne Monthofer 25, Marc Mousseux 26, Lungi Niemczyk 29, Christa Nobbe 14, Susan Pitts 14, Larry Reinmuth 14, Jef Sloat 15, Denise Stravia 14, Mark Tillman 1, Frank Vers 29, Steve Wiczorek 7, Dale Wiggins 27

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 Indoor Climbing Gym - 2 Locations**
 - 23620 N. 20th Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85027 (623) 587-7625 10% off membership.
 - 407 S. 107th Ave, Suite A6, Tolleson, AZ 85353, (623) 643-9399 10% off membership.
- **Climbmax Gym** - 1330 W Auto Dr, Suite 112, Tempe, AZ 85284 - 480-626-7755. 10% off membership, Grand Opening 15% off through 4/30.
- **APE Index Rock Climbing Gym** - 9700 N. 91st Ave Suite 118 Peoria 85345 Phone 623-242-9164 10% discount for Day Pass and Membership. Show AMC Membership card.

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

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.
- Call Bruce McHenry (602) 952-1379.

Treasurer's Report

Arizona Mountaineering Club Income Statement Period Ended July 31, 2008

INCOME

Dues 2008	6980.00
Interest	205.22
Rental Equipment	136.00
Mountaineering Schools	175.00
AARS Spring	1575.00
Basic Spring	3970.00
Lead Spring	1050.00
TOTAL INCOME	14,091.22

EXPENSES

Admin	726.19
Bank Charges	4.00
Insurance	661.51
Land Advocacy	493.98
Mountaineering	84.36
Newsletter	1724.88
Outings	172.00
Programs Monthly Meeting	2100.00
Training	4836.93
TOTAL EXPENSES	10,803.85

OVERALL TOTAL..... 3,287.37

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Checking (on 5/31/2007)	7,491.69
CD Account (matures 11/17/08)	10,000.00
CD Account (matures 11/16/08)	10,000.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	27,491.69

AMC Outing Gear	1,473.48
OVERALL TOTAL	28,965.17

NEW MEMBERS

Climbers - Please Welcome:

Shivani Desai
Zebadiah Hutchison
Randall McCowan

AMC Board Meeting Minutes - August 4, 2008

Board Members present: John Keedy, Clay Vollmer, Jodie Bostrom, Danny Gonzales, and Erik Filsinger

Committee Chairs present: Monica Miller

The Meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m., a quorum being present.

Minutes of the July 14 Board meeting were approved.

A copy of the Treasurer's Report will be forthcoming.

Committee Reports

Membership – An offer will be made to host an August member meeting featuring an update from the Queen Creek Coalition on negotiations with Resolution Copper Company.

Monica Miller presented a proposal for revamping membership meetings. A motion was made, seconded and passed to spend up to \$200 of the Meeting line item budget for the purposes of conducting an electronic survey of member attitudes, needs and desires concerning AMC meetings.

Land Advocacy – Erik Filsinger gave an update and led a discussion of the current status of talks with Resolution Copper Company and the Queen Creek Coalition.

T&S – A gear list was sent out to bid. There was a discussion concerning the State Land permit for Fall AMC rock classes.

Outings – Jodie Bostrom is taking a series of AMC Outings – Way to go, Jodie!

Old Business

FTP site – Clay Vollmer reported significant progress toward creating a way for Outing Leader applications to be reviewed on a common site available to Board members.

Electronic meetings – There was a discussion and the issue was tabled to the next meeting.

Website documentation – There appears to have been a break in the chain of electronic documents on the website such that at least one policy is missing from a document. A plan was made to investigate further to identify the number of missing documents and to propose a solution. John Keedy and Jodie Bostrom are working on this task.

New Business

The discussion of the AMC in the climbing community marketplace was tabled to the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

New England Ropes Recalls Climbing Lines Due to Fall Hazard

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Maxim Apogee and Maxim Pinnacle Dynamic Climbing Lines/Ropes
Units: About 530

Manufacturer: New England Ropes, of Fall River, Mass.

Hazard: The climbing lines can break, posing a serious fall hazard for climbers.

Incidents/Injuries: None.

Description: Two types of climbing ropes have been included in this recall, the Maxim Apogee 9.1mm and Maxim Pinnacle 9.5mm. The Maxim Apogee 9.1mm is a 48 carrier climbing rope. The colors are yellow and black, and red and yellow. The model numbers are 3411-91 and 3415-91, with date codes 060801 thru 080601. The UPC codes are: 75396312299, 75396312298, 75396312301, and 75396312300. The Maxim Pinnacle 9.5mm is a blue 48 carrier climbing rope. The Model number is 3403-95, with date codes 070201 thru 080601. The UPC codes are 75396312292 and 75396312293. The date codes and the UPC codes are on the original packaging.

Sold at: Retailers nationwide from August 2006 through June 2008 for between \$180 and \$262.

Manufactured in: United States

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled dynamic climbing lines and contact the manufacturer for a free replacement.

Consumer Contact: For more information, consumers can contact New England Ropes toll-free at (866) 617-9038 anytime or visit the firm's Web site at www.neropes.com/Climbing.Asp

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08346.html>

Wanted - Membership Chairperson

I need to give up my position as Membership chair, at least for a while, as I plan to do some traveling at the end of next year.

Membership chair is not simple, but it is fun. High responsibility position. You collect data, keep it updated, and send out multiple reports each month for the other committees.

I will spend a year if needed walking you through the job. I have the job description written down in detail.

You will need PC, printer & email that handles attachments. WORKS DB editor would be good too, but we should be able to convert to another data base manager if necessary.

Attending general meetings is important too, especially in Dec, Jan & Feb.

If you think you would like to take on this job, please contact Rogil at 623-512-8465 or rogil@cox.net

Grand Canyon Cleanup

A condor boards an airplane carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir, only one carrion allowed per passenger."

On Saturday, September 27, beginning at 8AM at E. Mather Point, the Arizona Mountaineering Club will join the Central Arizona Mountain Rescue Association (CAMRA) and the Southern Arizona Rescue Association (SARA) for the Annual Grand Canyon Cleanup. At 8AM, there will be a meeting with Preventive Search and Rescue (PSAR) park rangers in charge of our efforts.

This year, due to the deaths of two California Condors found with coins in their stomachs, we will concentrate on picking up coins at the Mather Point and Overlook Studio areas. We will work in 4 areas this year, East & West Mather Point, the sidewalk from East of E. Mather Point to West of W. Mather Point, the Grand Canyon Village area and the area from Overlook Studio down to the Bus Stop (near the beginning of the W. Rim and Bright Angel Trails). Although some groups will finish earlier, the last group will finish and break down anchors by 3:30. Be sure to return all club gear to your area coordinator.

All participants who go "over-the-edge" must have leather work gloves, a helmet, hiking shoes or boots, a harness with a rappel/belay device and a set of prusiks. (One prusik will be used to anchor the tail of the rope.) It is also recommended that participants wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts and knee pads.

It is highly recommended that you bring warm clothes for as the sun goes down so do the temperatures. It is likely to freeze overnight at the South Rim while we are there!

New Safety Requirement

This year, in order to comply with a National Park Service request and OSHA standards, any participant who goes over an edge where they might hang vertically, with all their weight on the rope, will be secured by a second rope. This only applies to 5-6 people who go over the edge at E. Mather Point. The second rope will essentially be a top belay with an anchored belayer. As the participant descends their fixed line, the belayer will release the second rope slowly to back up the participant.

Training

If you have never been to the over-the-edge trash pickup, you must attend a special training for the Grand Canyon Rappel technique. We cannot let you go over the edge if you have not had this training. No exceptions! On Saturday September 27, there will be so many things going on that we will not have time to train anyone.

The approximately 1 ½ hour training session will be on Saturday morning, September 20 at 8 AM in either Dreamy Draw Park or North Mountain Park. (Watch your email for location details.) For class, bring a harness, belay device (prefer ATC or ATC like device), 42" sewn runner, 2 locking carabiners and a short prusik loop. If you have questions or cannot make this training session, please make arrangements in advance of September 20 for a makeup by contacting the AMC's GC coordinator at vollmer@rice.edu

Campground Reservations

We have been upgraded to group sites! YES! The AMC are in Sage Loop 3 and SARA and CAMRA may camp at Sage Loop 6 but we won't be taking names. Each site holds 50 campers. Tell the guard at the Mather Campsite what group you are with and they will direct you to Sage Loop. When you enter the park on Friday night or Saturday morning, tell the guard you are with the "Over-the-edge" trash pickup and they should let you in without delay.

Other Activities

Friday – Some of us will review the areas along the Rim to be cleaned and then head in to Tusayan for pizza and refreshments. Meet at Sage Loop 3 at 6PM to carpool to Tusayan.

Saturday night – After the cleanup, beginning about 5:30, will have our traditional barbeque at Shoshone Point. Directions passed out at the 8 AM meeting on Saturday. The club provides charcoal and non-alcoholic beverages and I'm bringing a gas-fired cooker. Bring your favorite meat and or vegetables and favorite refreshments.

Sunday – We will climb in an area just off the W. Rim Trail that is mostly limestone and bolted. We will set 6-7 topropes on routes ranging from 5.6 to 5.11. Bring standard climbing gear including helmets and meet at the bus stop at 8:30.

Optional – if you have never seen the Grand Canyon IMAX film in Tusayan, it is highly recommended. Find a time to sneak in there Friday afternoon, Saturday after the cleanup or Sunday before heading home. Across from the pizza place, the film shows every hour on the hour.

Condors

As you might already know, there were only 22 California condors in the world in 1982. In conjunction with the NPS, The Peregrine Fund, and the Fish and Game Departments of several states, and efforts of handful of dedicated breeding zoos, there are now about 150 condors in the wild. The Grand Canyon has been a focal point for their reintroduction into the wild. The largest single group, just over 60, fly over the Grand Canyon. Their 9 ½ foot wingspan makes them the largest bird in North American. Laying only 1 egg a year, their exceptional parenting skills are hidden by gruesome looks. Bring binoculars.

Condors do not naturally produce calcium, necessary for the strong bones needed to fly, so they pickup and swallow

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Grand Canyon Cleanup (continued)

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small bones. In recent years, two condors have been found dead with many coins in their crops. Zinc poisoning is the confirmed cause of death for one condor. Several more condors, missing for years, may also have been poisoned by zinc. Since 1982, when the composition of copper pennies went to 98% zinc and 2% copper, condors have been in peril. It is believed that condors swallow the pennies thinking they might help with calcium uptake. The many dozens of foreign coins likely contribute to the threat to condors. (resource: www.theperegrinefund.org – Conservation Projects – California Condor)

The National Park Service in cooperation with The Peregrine Fund and the AMC, SARA and CAMRA are trying to remove the coins thought to be toxic to condors by asking us to concentrate on coin pickup this year. At E. Mather Point, we will concentrate on the flat-topped limestone blocks beyond the railing and the nearby area to include a deeper penetration into the narrow amphitheater east of the point. We will also make special coin pickup efforts in the Overlook Studio area, where condors sometimes concentrate.

Signage encouraging tourists to NOT THROW COINS into the Grand Canyon is being developed and a coin drop box for contributions supporting condor reintroduction efforts is planned for E. Mather Point.

Signup

Although we have not required individuals to signup in the past, we are asking for voluntary signup to help us plan for the many areas where we will work, to have enough supplies for the Shoshone Point cookout and to make sure we have enough t-shirts. By the way, this year's shirt will be sky blue, short-sleeved and will have a condor-Grand Canyon theme. We will take orders for long-sleeved shirts, in advance only. For long-sleeved shirts only, send your name, shirt size and \$15 payable to the AMC, 4340 E. Indian School, Suite 21-164 Phoenix, AZ 85018 in time to arrive by September 8.

Questions or Comments to Event Coordinator at vollmer@rice.edu

Clay Vollmer

Lead Climbing School

Arizona Mountaineering Club - Fall 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:

Sept 16	Tuesday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	*North Mountain Park, Yavapai Ramada
Sept 17	Wednesday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	North Mountain Park, Yavapai Ramada
Sept 18	Thursday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	North Mountain Park, Yavapai Ramada
Sept 20	Saturday	9:00 am–5:00 pm	Prescott (directions will be in syllabus)
Sept 21	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. The Yavapai Ramada is the last one on the loop just before you exit the park.

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 (\$15 for an individual and \$18 for a family). Membership is good through Dec., 2008. Register by sending a check payable to AMC Anchors School to PO Box 11883, Tempe, AZ, 85284. No credit cards accepted. The registration fee is fully refundable if you cancel. Contact Nancy Birdwell by email: Lead.School@amcaz.org for more info. 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.

TECHNICAL OUTDOOR CLIMBING

FOR THE BEGINNING OUTDOOR CLIMBER

Arizona Mountaineering Club - Fall 2008

The Arizona Mountaineering Club (AMC) has been teaching basic rock climbing for over 35 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):

Oct 14	Tuesday	5:30 pm–10:00 pm	* North Mountain Park, Havasupai Ramada
Oct 16	Thursday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	North Mountain Park, Havasupai Ramada
Oct 18	Saturday	8:00 am–5:00 pm	North McDowell Mountains, Scottsdale
Oct 19	Sunday	8:00 am–5:00 pm	North McDowell Mountains, Scottsdale
Oct 21	Tuesday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	TBA
Oct 23	Thursday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	TBA
Oct 25	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. The Havasupai Ramada is the first Ramada as you come in the park.

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 (\$15 for an individual and \$18 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, \$175 or \$178 (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, 13980 W Bell Road #11-150, Surprise, AZ 85374**. No credit cards accepted.

Questions??? Contact **Eric Evans** at **623-237-3165**, or email at AMCBasicSchool@gmail.com. (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.amcaz.org.

BIG GARAGE SALE



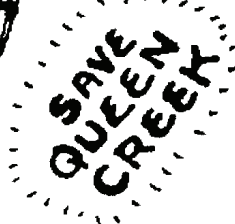
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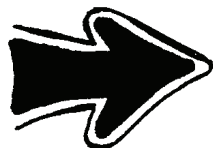
- DVD'S 20.00 EACH
- CLOTHING 25% - 60% OFF
- BD QUICKDRAWS 25% OFF
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A MAD ROCK MAD PAD. WINNER WILL BE DRAWN SEPT 30TH AT 6:00PM.



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www.ahsrescue.com

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ROPE SALE

Sale is limited to stock on hand and can not be combined with any other discounts or specials.

MAXIM Dynamic Ropes

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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 (602) 770-8326.

Outing Leader

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Your Name Here!

Calendar of Events

AMC Outings and Events

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.

Sept 20 - Mars Attacks: Jodie Bostrom and Jason Garvan will take two teams of four up Mars Attacks. Please click on this link for a description of the area/climb: http://www.mountainproject.com/v/arizona/sedona/dry_creek_road_area/105793038?highlightphrase=mars+attacks&. Although the climb is rated 5.8, I would lean toward a 5.9 rating. Limit: 4 Contact: Jodie Bostrom

Sept 21 - The Overlook: Jodie Bostrom and Jason Garvan will be co-leaders on this outing. Please click on this link for a description of the area/climbs: http://www.mountainproject.com/v/arizona/oak_creek_canyon/the_overlook/105787818 Limit:12 Contact: Jodie Bostrom

Sep 27 - Annual Grand Canyon Cleanup. Contact Clay Vollmer for campsite information.

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.

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

Oct 11 Half-Fast Death hike in Grand Canyon. Strenuous all day hike to river & back on some non-corridor trail, like New Hance. If interested, email rogil@cox.net or call 623-512-8465.

September 2008

AMC Outing Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Sunrise 6:04 Sunset 6:50 M-set 8:45 P	4	5	6
7 1st Quarter	8 Board Meeting	9	10 Sunrise 6:09 Sunset 6:41 M-rise 4:05 P	11	12	13
14	15 Full Moon	16 Lead	17 Lead Sunrise 6:13 Sunset 6:31 M-rise 7:43 P	18 Lead	19	20 Lead, Mars Attacks: Sedona
21 Lead, The Overlook: Oak Creek Canyon	22 Member Meeting Last Quarter	23	24 Sunrise 6:18 Sunset 6:21 M-rise 1:21 A	25	26	27 Grand Canyon Cleanup
28	29 New Moon	30	Sunrise 6:23 Sunset 6:12 M-set 7:16 P	NOTE: Celestial events occur about 10 minutes earlier on Arizona's eastern border; 10 later on its western edge.		

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Applicants should provide, name, address, phone, e-mail address, waiver and membership form from the webpage.

For additional information, contact Eric Evans
(623.237.3165 or AMCBasicSchool@gmail.com),
or visit our website at www.amcaz.org

Fall 2008 - Class Schedule

- Oct 14 - Tue - 5:30 - 10:00 PM
- Oct 16 - Thu - 6:00 - 10:00 PM
- Oct 18 - Sat - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Oct 19 - Sun - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Oct 21 - Tue - 6:00 - 10:00 PM
- Oct 23 - Thu - 6:00 - 10:00 PM
- Oct 25 - Sat - All Day - Grad Climb

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- Basic to advanced rock climbing training
- Monthly meetings, outings
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 - Grand Canyon Cleanup
 - Thanksgiving at Joshua Tree NP
- Camaraderie with other climbers
- The Arizona Mountaineer newsletter

