April 2016 SOS Calendar

Hi Everybody,

We have several new places lined up for Friday night dinners this month, also some hikes. We did a few hikes last month and had a good turnout, great spring weather and a lot of fun. They aren't the hard hikes we sometimes see on the SO! schedule, these are easy, not very long, always pleasant, beautiful and at a moderate speed. It's a good way to get ready for your summer outdoor activities.

Kathy and Judy

SOS Coordinators

<u>Tuesday, March 29th @ 5:00 PM</u>: Happy Hour at Eolus, 919 Main Ave. No RSVP needed. Get together with new and old SO friends in the bar area and talk about your adventures past and future. Specially priced drinks and appetizers.

<u>Friday, April 1st @ 5:00PM</u>: Dinner at Digs Restaurant and Bar, 125 Mercado St at Three Springs. Fridays are 1/2 price pizza, happy hour, \$2 off appetizers or their fabulous prime rib dinner. Please RSVP to Kathy at <u>krschuetz@gmail.com</u> or 970 769-3009 by Thursday afternoon.

<u>Saturday, April 2nd @ 9:00AM, SRP:</u> LaPlata Canyon Hike, we will drive to or meet you at the second parking lot where the sign says "No Winter Road Maintenance....", it's about 5 miles off of Hy 160, we should be at the trailhead by 9:30 if you choose to meet us there. This is a moderate hike, 6 miles RT on an ice and snow packed 4WD road. Bring water, lunch and boots. Carpool (\$3), dogs OK in your own car, back to the highway in 3-4 hrs, RSVP Kathy Schuetz 970 769-3009 or krschuetz@gmail.com Co-leader Trish Szekely.

Wednesday, April 6th @ 5:00PM: Happy Hour at Eno's, 723 East 2nd Ave. For those who haven't been able to make our Tuesday Happy Hours, this is a great little place for drinks and tapas. They usually have music as well. It is a very small place, so please RSVP on this one to Judy at judyschaefer28@yahoo.com or 240 997-1310.

<u>Friday, April 8th @ 5:00 PM:</u> <u>Dinner at Gazpacho Restaurant</u>, 431 E 2nd Ave behind the Gaslight Cinema, their website is http://restaurantsdurango.com, RSVP to Kathy Schuetz at krschuetz@gmail.com or 970 769-3009.

Saturday, April 9th, 8:30 am meet at the Twin Buttes Parking Lot (US160W next to Giant Gas Station) for Pit Houses hike in McElmo Canyon at the Colorado&Utah border. 2hr drive to TH, 2.5hr EASY hike to top of mesa for ~20 Indian pit houses, 1.5hr stop for lunch at winery or Cortez, 2hr drive back to Durango about 5 pm.

Well behaved dogs are welcome(take water & old sheet for dog). Confirm to keller.ted@gmail.com

<u>Tuesday, April 12th @ 6:30:</u> Rec Center SO! General Meeting, Slot Canyons in Utah by Chris Blackshear. The sandstone canyons of Utah are some of the most fascinating geography on earth. The talk will feature lots of photographs of canyons and will highlight some of the more accessible ones.

<u>Thursday, April 14th @ 7:30 PM:</u> The Glenn Miller Orchestra at the FLC Concert Hall. The legendary Glenn Miller was one of the most successful of all dance bandleaders back in the Swing Era of

the 1930s and 1940s. Today, the 18-member ensemble continues in the tradition established by Miller, with the band now under the direction of Nick Hilscher. Expect all the classic swing hits of the era, as well as the distinctive theme song, a musical signature of Glenn Miller and His Orchestra, "Moonlight Serenade." THE DANCE FLOOR WILL BE OPEN! Tickets are \$22-\$34 and may be purchased at www.durangoconcerts.com or by calling 970 247-7657, or at the Durango Welcome Center at 802 Main Ave. Hurry to purchase—tickets are selling fast. We will meet up at the Lobby Concession Stand before the show and during intermission, and, of course, on the dance floor. Email or call Judy with any questions at judyschaefer28@yahoo.com or 240 997-1310.

<u>Friday, April 15th @ 5:00PM</u>: Dinner at Cuckoos Chicken House, 128 E College Dr, their website is https://locu.com/places/cuckoos-chicken-house-durango-us/#menu, RSVP to Kathy Schuetz at krschuetz@gmail.com or to Judy Schaefer 240 997-1310.

<u>Sunday, April 17th @ 6:00 PM:</u> Join us at the Pour House, 725 Main Ave. for some great Jazz from our local musicians. Happy Hour until 6:30 gives you enough time to order \$6 selected appetizers and specials on drinks (optional of course). Be prepared to be amazed by the talented musicians and singers! Please RSVP to Judy at <u>judyschaefer28@yahoo.com</u> or 240 997-1310.

<u>Tuesday, April 19th @ 5:00 PM:</u> Happy Hour Drop In at the Red Snapper, 144 East 9th St. This will be our first time at this great restaurant. Half price appetizers and drink specials (optional of course). No need to RSVP, just meet your new and old SO friends in the bar area for conversation and frivolity.

<u>Friday, April 22nd @ 5:00PM</u>: Dinner at Mutu's Italian Kitchen, 701 East 2nd Ave., see their website for info, http://www.mutusitaliankitchen.com/menu.asp RSVP to Judy 240 997-1310.

Sunday, April 24th @ 12:00 Noon: Brunch at The Kennebec Café, 4 County Road 124, Hesperus. Some may want to go for a hike afterwards in the Canyon and others may plan to attend this year's final San Juan Symphony Concert at the FLC Concert Hall @ 3:00PM with a meet-up at the lobby concession stand before the concert and at intermission. Tickets for the Symphony may be purchased at www.durangoconcerts.com or by calling 970 247-7657 or at the Durango Welcome Center at 802 Main Ave. Please RSVP to Judy by Thursday afternoon for the Brunch at 240 997-1310 or judyschaefer28@yahoo.com.

<u>Tuesday, April 26th @ 5:00 PM</u>: Happy Hour at South by Southwest, 160 East College Ave. Don't come early, as this great restaurant doesn't open until 5:00 PM. We will meet at the back bar of the restaurant, not the bar at the entrance. This is a great space for getting together for some quality time with your SO friends, new and old. Special priced drinks and appetizers (optional of course). No RSVP needed. Email or call Judy with any questions at <u>judyschaefer28@yahoo.com</u> or 240 997-1310.

Friday, April 29th @ 5:00PM: Dinner at The Palace Restaurant, 505 Main Ave., across from the Train Station. RSVP to Kathy Schuetz at krschuetz@gmail.com or to Judy Schaefer 240 997-1310.

<u>Tuesday, May 3rd @ 5:00 PM</u>: Happy Hour Drop In at Mutu's, 701 East 2nd Ave. Get together with new and old SO friends in the bar area for great conversation. Specially priced drinks and ½ priced appetizers (optional of course). No RSVP needed.

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<u>Friday, May 6th @ 5:00PM:</u> <u>Dinner at Norton's Highway 3 Roadhouse & Oyster Bar</u>, 955 Hwy. 3. RSVP to Kathy Schuetz at <u>krschuetz@gmail.com</u> or to Judy Schaefer 240 997-1310.

<u>Saturday, May 7th @ 9:00AM, RC parking lot near the Fairgrounds sign:</u> West Lime Creek Hike, this is a beautiful, easy to moderate hike, 6 miles RT from the highway along the creek with waterfalls, wildlife and pools. Bring water and lunch, Carpool \$4, dogs OK in your own car, back to the road in 3-4 hours. RSVP Kathy Schuetz 970 769-3009 or <u>krschuetz@gmail.com</u> Co-leader Trish Szekely.