DEAR FRIENDS;

YEAH!!! The first annual alumni picnic was a success!!! There were 192 participants; they came from as far north as BAKERSFIELD, VENTURA, and APPLE VALLEY!!! Thank you all for making it possible.

Now, we have planned a family weekend away at AGUA CALIENTE SPRINGS COUNTY PARK. The "Caravan" area has been reserved for FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 21, 22, 1987. Come and join us for a weekend of cool San Diego County desert beauty and a chance to catch up with family and friends. This historic hot springs area offers day hikes, Indian lore, early pioneer history (Mormon Battalion and Butterfield Stage), night-time star gazing, and for those who just can't think of anything else to do - it's a dandy place to look at rocks, faults and, if you are lucky, perhaps an old mine or two.

Planned activities include:

SATURDAY -- Four wheeling through Pinyon and Vallecitos Mountains on through Split Mountain Gorge.
-- Leave campground at 8:30 a.m.; return at about 2:30 p.m.
-- Trip guided by Mike Hart.
-- Bring your 4-WDs and let's have a unique experience through badland topography, desert scenery and geology.
-- BRING WATER AND FOOD.

SUNDAY -- Field trip to inspect the Elsinore Fault at the Coyote Mts. and the Tierra Blanca Mts.
-- Leave campground at 8:30 a.m.; and return at about 1:30 p.m.
-- Trip guided by Tom Rockwell and Rollin Eckels.
-- Field trip will begin at Alverson Canyon in the Coyote Mts. We will examine numerous, spectacular features associated with strike-slip faults. Trip will continue in the Tierra Blanca Mts. where recent fault activity is evident.
-- BRING WATER AND FOOD.

SATURDAY and/or SUNDAY
-- Leisure walk through desert scenery at Moonlight Canyon.
-- If you have a hidden spot you'd like to share, plan on taking us there.
-- Hot baths and mineral pools, of course.

It's a B.Y.O. party - you bring your family, food, refreshments, camping gear, and firewood (it will be COLD at night). We've paid for the two nights camping fee -- the registration is under the name Bill Elliott. YOU-ALL COME AND JOIN US!!! Take I-8 east to S-2 and then north to Agua Caliente, or take Highway 78 east through Julian to S-2 and then south to Agua Caliente.

FORTHCOMING ALUMNI ACTIVITY

Mexican Fiesta

Saturday, March 28, 1987; 6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
Aboard Berkeley Ferryboat - Maritime Museum
1306 N. Harbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92101

We have catered the very best Mexican Food for this festive event!!! You will have the opportunity to take your chances at a raffle with unique door prizes. To make things more fun, please send your creative concept for a logo. The new and growing Alumni Association needs to have its own distinctive logo. A winner and runner-ups will be selected and announced at the banquet. Send your entry to Kathy by March 20, 1987. So, come and join in to celebrate the growth and development of the Geology Department, as well as the achievements of our alumni, faculty and students.

Make your reservations for $15.00 per person through Kathy at:

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HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!!

P.S. Help us keep in touch with you. If you have a change of address, call Kathy at the Geology Department Office (619) 265-5586.