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Conejo Valley the Rosewood Trail

Hike: October 24, 2012

Leader: Vicky Ritter

Distance: 8 1/2 miles round trip

Elevation: 920 ft. gain/580 ft. loss

Directions to the trailhead:

From the Ventura Freeway (101) in Newbury Park, exit Ventu Park Road and drive south. After about half a mile you'll notice the entrance to Stage Inn Museum, go a block further to Lynn Road and turn right (west). Then make another right on Susan Drive, which looks like a long driveway. And park along the edge of Stage Coach Inn Park. (You can walk through the park's back gate to the museum when is open).

Carefully cross Lynn road and go right (west) to Rosewood Trail (about 138 yards). This is also a horse trail, watch your step. Going south the path crosses a creek, passes homes and climbs some hills. The sights get better and better, culminating in the ridge-top views at Angel Vista Point (920 ft. elev.) a grandiose name for a little flat spot with a picnic table, here we will have cookies. (And a good place for pit stop) From here the first group can return the way we came, to the trailhead.

Continue by joining LOS ROBLES TRAIL heading west. The path continues across private land (courtesy of a trail easement) and meanders up and down the ridge until it reaches a parking area off Potrero Road 4.22 miles. Here you can have lunch. There is a drinking fountain, but no toilets.

You can return the same way you came, or go back by the road, via Potrero Road to Wendy Drive, to Lynn road all the way to Susan Drive.

To extend the hike, cross Potrero and join the connector trail that leads 0.5 mile to Ranch Sierra Vista/Satwiwa continue, a mile or so, to a Native American cultural center.

We will have our refreshments along the edge of Stagecoach Inn Park.

The museum is open for docent led tours. We will check for times and fee.