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SPRING FIELD TRIP Saturday, MAY 6, 2017

WHERE: Southern Owens Valley, With Naturalist Janet Westbrook

HOW: 8:00 a.m., meet at the Museum for check in; participants will be required to sign liability waiver. Car caravan will be organized and carpools encouraged. About 200 miles RT driving from Ridgecrest.

COST: \$25 members (\$40 for 2 members), \$30 nonmembers (\$50 for 2). The member price applies to members only, not nonmember guests. Family members encouraged.

NEEDED: Full tank of gas, car and tires in good running order. 4x4 not at all necessary, but there will be some dirt road driving short side roads.

Usual dress code for field trips applies: hat, sunscreen, comfortable walking shoes, layered clothing, water, camera, binoculars. Water!!

Trip Description:

Anyone can drive from Ridgecrest to Lone Pine in 1.5 hrs, but do you know all the secret little places you're passing by and why they are what they are?? We start our explorations at Little Lake, ride the rails bit there, poke around back streets of Olancha and Cartago and the marsh which is now a wildlife refuge, and take a trip through Tuttle Creek in the Alabama Hills. There should be good flowers here and there, so we'll poke around, and maybe see some of the arches too! Maybe wander up 395 to Manzanar area, and check out the Owens river flowing at the Manzanar-Reward Road. Lots to see and do, depends on where the flowers are best and how the side roads are doing. Will update closer to end of April when I go check out the trip.

Bring a picnic lunch and a folding chair. We'll probably eat at Portagee Joe Campground near Lone Pine, but with our own chairs we can be flexible and find shade. Bring water for the day.

Cancellation policy: If the Museum cancels your trip, you will be given a full refund or you may transfer the money to a different trip. No cash refunds will be given if you cancel. However, if the trip is full and we can sell your space, your money will be refunded. If you must cancel, please notify the Museum as soon as possible so we don't wait for you. Thank you.