

## SUAF Desert Tour

At the first SUAF meeting of 2017, members in attendance decided to pursue an activity which did not require excessive amount of time and effort from participants.

Members voted that leadership develop plans for a trip to the Anza Borrego Springs Natural Park ([https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=638](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=638)).

Specifically, it was deemed that the blooms of the wild flowers in spring and the prehistoric metal sculptures would be an experience that all would enjoy.

A sample of the prehistoric desert monsters are shown below:

Picture of Serpent



Picture of Serpent head



Picture of Scorpion



A few couple of flower scenes are shown below:

Picture of purple flowers



Picture of golden flowers



Initial plans are to either car pool or rent a passenger van to minimize the cost of the adventure.

The Borrego desert is approximately 75 miles from San Diego and driving time is approximately an hour and a half.

Tentative plans are to pick a departure time to coincide with the estimated period of maximum flower blooms which is predicted to be at the end of February plus or minus two weeks.

For noon time nourishments, the adventurer could opt to eat off the land (restaurant meals) or pack a picnic lunch for dining “au natural” (under the bright blue desert skies).

The SUAF Social Committee will be finalizing the initial plans and will let everyone know through this SUAF website.

To reserve a space and to receive personal notice of finalized plans, Contact the SUAF President Louella Dolar ([loudolar@gmail.com](mailto:loudolar@gmail.com)) or Social Committee chair Priscilla Madrid ([peemadrid9096@yahoo.com](mailto:peemadrid9096@yahoo.com)).

To rekindle the bonds of the Silliman Spirit, make it a point to join in this adventure to share experiences; good memories that will live longer in our hearts.