## OTP & OTHERS Hiking and Debating Society

## WEST FORK / LOWER BEAR CANYON

The hike for August 23, 2000 will be an easy hike up the West Fork of the San Gabriel River to Bear Canyon and then up Bear Canyon until we have lunch and turn around. This can be as easy or as difficult as you wish. The main group, that is the ones who accompany the leader, will start hiking at 9:30 AM and, following the above plan, will hike until noon, have lunch and return to the trailhead. The Mouse Patrol can turn back any time they wish and take it as easy as they wish. The Rabbits can form their own group and go as far as they wish. It will be their responsibility to find their way back in time for the refreshments.

There are several stream crossings but the water should be low and easy to cross. As usual when hiking near a stream it will be wise to watch out for poison oak. We have enough experience with it that we should have no problems.

Those who don't like to cross streams can hike up the West Fork and return in time for refreshments.

From the 210 Freeway go north on Route 39, (San Gabriel Canyon Road) about 11 1/2 miles above Azusa to mileage paddle 26.96. Park near the West Fork on the left (west) side of the road. A Forest service Adventure Pass will be required for parking.

We will convene at 9:15 AM at the trailhead and with a 15-minute grace period we will start the hike at 9:30 AM.

Trip data:

Distance: 1 to 16 miles, round trip
Elevation gain: 0 to 600 feet or whatever
Effort: Extremely easy or hard

Leader: Mike Gessner

Recommended Maps:

Los Angeles County and Vicinity: Automobile Club Angeles National Forest: U S Forest Service

Glendora, Azusa: 7.5 minute Topographic