



Field Ecology

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"The idea of wilderness needs no defense. It only needs more defenders." – Edward Abbey

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Dear MBCA,

I trust the MBCA board and all its members are well and healthy.

I want to thank you, on behalf of the Yucca Valley High School Environmental Club, for your donation of \$300.00. As you know, your annual donation to our club/class has been instrumental in covering costs of camping trips, camping equipment, and garden materials over the years. A majority of our camping gear is due to your donations.

This year, we used the donation to purchase two Kelty 3-season backpacking tents. We needed these very badly. While we have always been able to find car camping tents among class members, backpacking tents are another story. I searched for a three person tent that matched my safety parameters and budget, and found the Kelty "Salida". The nice thing is we can use them backpacking and car camping. Just having equipment to borrow helps teach the kids care for equipment and responsibility, let alone the wonderful lessons and experiences they gain from the trips.

I look forward to having a class next year, when COVID is over, during which we can enjoy our beautiful new tents. There is no end to our gratitude for your support ALL these (at least 20!) years!!

Stay safe and healthy!!!

Sending the biggest hug and thank you to you all,

☺ Cindy

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