The Site Steward Foundation conducted a tour to the unique Hueco Tanks State Park, 30 miles East of El Paso, Texas and the rich cultural site known as Alamo Mountain (BLM land), 60 miles from El Paso in mid October 2012. Tour participants were Gary Newgent, Shelley Thompson, Bill Hudson, Linda Pafford, Stella Davidson, Charles Koenig, Sonia Shad Goldstein, Ann White, Nancy Hudson, Irene Warner, and Candie Borduin, Lee Borduin, Ron and Marlys Burkett. Richard and Nola Colman were scheduled to join us but had to return home prior to reaching El Paso. Most participants stayed in motels in El Paso and one couplecamped at Hueco Tanks. Street vehicles were adequate for all phases of the tour.

Day 1 – Saturday, October 13, 2012

Most participants used the morning as travel time to El Paso. In the afternoon we toured the El Paso Archaeological Museum led by Education Curator, Marilyn Guida,

The evening dinner was at Dominick’s Italian Restaurant and a presentation on Hueco Tanks was given by Alex Mares.

Day 2 – Sunday, October 14, 2012

We spent the entire day visiting Hueco Tanks on their “C” tour from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm led by Hueco Tanks State Park guide Bob White and Tim Roberts, Texas Parks and Recreation Archaeologist. Most of the hiking was on prepared paths, with some scrambling up and down short slopes.

Day 3 – Monday, October 15, 2012

After meeting to car pool we drove to Alamo Mountain, a volcanic uplift on BLM land in Otero County, New Mexico, for a tour led by Bob White. We hiked to an historic ruin of a Butterfield Stage Stop and then visited petroglyphs sites located primarily on the Western slopes of the mountain. We spent six hours on Alamo Mountain.
Left to right: Sonia Shad Goldstein, Nancy Hudson, Bill Hudson, Irene Warner, Ann White, Candie Borduin, Lee Borduin, Marlys Burkett and Ron Burkett.