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### Dates to Remember

September 1	<i>Bulletin</i> Deadline
September 5	Board Meeting
September 18	Pisgah ExploraTalk
September 28	Potluck

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## Large Development Proposed Near Lodge

*John Jacobsen*

**A 126-ACRE PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT)** abutting the Ribbon Trail to the east of the Obsidian Lodge is being proposed. The Obsidian Board of Directors created an ad hoc committee consisting of Elle Weaver, Jim Pierce and John Jacobsen to study the proposal and determine if the club should offer input to the PUD process. The ad hoc committee has also been involved with our neighborhood group, The Ribbon Trail Neighborhoods Preservation Group, in planning a response to the proposal.

In addition to our participation in the neighborhood process our ad hoc committee has decided to offer three areas which we would hope could be addressed and resolved during the PUD application process. They are:

Provide a natural open space buffer adjoining the Ribbon Trail corridor along the western edge of the development. The current Site Design: Illustrated Plan shows the access street for the upper portion of the development immediately adjacent to the Ribbon Trail corridor. Providing a buffer of natural open space here would help maintain the character of this well used trail and natural habitat corridor. In addition, a buffer here could also provide a more meaningful open space adjacent to the preserved riparian corridor(s) within the proposed development.

Provide connectivity right-of-way between the Ribbon Trail and the Moon Mountain area (for future Ridgeline Trail development). The Site Design: Illustrated Plan shows a significant amount of green space labeled 'Ridgeline Open Space'. This is clearly a wonderful part of the proposal and hopefully the Ridgeline Trail could be extended through this set-aside open space area. But, we believe that if these set-asides could be reconfigured a bit so that the connectivity to the Ribbon Trail is established, it would be a significant improvement in the 'Ridgeline Open Space'.

Reduce the development's housing density to conform more closely to the existing neighborhood. It seems that the development density as proposed is higher than the neighborhood in which our property lies and is simply not compatible with our neighborhood. A high density infusion such as is proposed into the area adjacent to the existing open spaces/corridors seems at odds with those resources and would even be incompatible with the open spaces proposed within the development.

Hopefully our concerns will be addressed and the enhancements we proposed can be incorporated into the PUD.

If anyone is interested in joining our ad hoc committee, please contact John Jacobsen.

# Obituaries

## ERIN NOBLE 1984-2012

**E**IRIN NOBLE WAS ONE OF FOUR PEOPLE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES in a plane crash west of Veneta on June 23. Erin joined the Obsidians in October of 2011 and quickly became involved in outdoor activities. In his short time with the club he participated in four hikes and had graduated from climb school with a climb of Diamond Peak. He was scheduled to climb Mt. Adams the weekend after the accident. He is remembered by those who knew him as being personable, enthusiastic and with a great love of the outdoors.



*Editor's Note: See the June 27<sup>th</sup> issue of the Register-Guard for a complete obituary.*

## Board Nominees

**T**HE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MET APRIL 23 at the Lodge to nominate three candidates for the Board of Directors for a 3-year term beginning in January 2013. The names of Elle Weaver, Tom Musselwhite, and Susan Wanser were presented at the May 2 Board Meeting. The Nominating Committee believes that these three people offer experience, commitment, and different perspectives. The election will take place at the October annual meeting in accordance with the Constitution. Committee: Janet Jacobsen, Laurie Funkhouser, Brian Hamilton, Doug Nelson, Lana Lindstrom, and Elle Weaver.

## Media Note

**OBSIDIANS PRESIDENT, ELLE WEAVER**, and member, Jean Coberly, were in a group photo of women hikers in the July *Dash* special feature section of the *Register-Guard*. They were pictured with a group of women who meet daily at 6:30 AM to hike to the top of Mt. Pisgah. Way to go!

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# Mt. Hood—The Climb That Didn't Happen

*Brian Hamilton*

**THE SHORT STORY:** The attached picture was taken at about 7:30 on Saturday evening, before the wind and rain rolled in and assaulted Timberline's parking lot. Probably 'nuff said about the climb.

At dawn, I returned the climbers' trip fees to them. No trip; no report.

**THE LONG STORY:** (Some on the climb team seemed disappointed when I said there would no report, so here's an expanded version.) On Friday night, the climb roster dropped down to seven participants. Rick and Danni Harris drove their vehicle from Springfield. Kevin Jones drove alone from Bend. That left four of us who rode in Julie Polhemus' van. We gathered at Calamity Jane's in Sandy, known for its giant burgers and decorated dollar bills plastered all over the ceiling. (As far as I'm concerned, stopping at Calamity Jane's before a Hood climb is a tradition started by Mark Slipp.) After eating huge burgers, except for one who ordered salad & potato, we headed up the highway and soon had good views of the mountain. On our way to Sandy, we had seen a few clouds building up near the mountain, but during dinner a lenticular cloud had formed over the summit. Our hearts sunk! We had known that high wind gusts were predicted, but I had taken a chance on there being a break in the weather that would allow us to reach the summit.

At Timberline, clouds continued to gather and winds picked up. Before turning in for a few hours rest, we took a few minutes to identify landmarks along our expected route:

Silcox Hot, Crater Rock, Castle Crag, and the West Crater Rim. Numerous grimy rockfall tracks coming off the west crater rim had us rethinking our route. We thought we would see what the parade of headlamps looked like on our ascent in the dark before making a final decision to go with the West Crater Rim or to aim for the Hogsback.

By 8:30 or 9:00, Rick and Danni had crawled into the back of their pickup, Kevin Jones set up his bed in the back of his SUV, Chris Finn laid a sleeping bag on the pavement, and Julie, Bill Lowder, and I slept in Julie's van. The rains began within an hour. Chris said he would have been okay on the ground in the rain, but the wind was driving glacial silt into his hair and mouth, so he also climbed into the van. By the 11:30 wake-up time, wind was rocking the van and the rain was horizontal. We decided that the climb was a no-go, but left the option open for hiking at dawn up to the bottom of the Hogsback to get a close view of the upper reaches of the mountain. We tried to sleep for the next five hours, but cars kept coming and going, Cats grooming the slopes, and winds buffeting the van didn't make it easy. (The next time I lead this trip, ear plugs will be added to the required list of equipment.) Just before dawn we woke to see short breaks in the otherwise stormy weather. The rain became sporadic, but the wind gusts continued and the mountain was socked in by clouds beginning just a half mile from Timberline. We were tempted to face Wy'east's storm gods, but instead called it quits, had coffee in Timberline Lodge to get our motors going, and headed home.

Thanks to Julie, Rick, and Kevin for driving.



# BOARD NOTES

July 11, 2012

By Kathy Hoeg

President Elle Weaver called the meeting to order. Other Board members present: Sharon Cutsforth, Pat Esch, Kathy Hoeg, Stewart Hoeg, and Nancy Whitfield. Also present were: Wayne Deeter, Joella Ewing, Janet Jacobsen, Tom Musselwhite, Doug Nelson, Nola Nelson, Jim Pierce, Shellie Robertson, and Chris Stockdale.

The Board approved the minutes of the June 2012 meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Stewart Hoeg reviewed the Budget-vs-Actual Report and the Balance Sheet. The Board approved payment of the bills.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Summer Trips (Tom Musselwhite):** Thus far this summer season, we have had 121 trips registered with the Online Signup system—9 backpacks, 9 bicycle, 3 canoe/kayak, 1 water (other), and 98 hikes. Year-to-date: as of July 7 last year (2011), 69 trips had been scheduled to date (the same number of trips scheduled as this year-to-date). 51 Trips were approved or done through July 7, 2011. (with 12 cancellations and 6 rescheduled). 58 trips have been approved or done this year through July 7, 2012. Last year finished with 181 trips scheduled for the season. So far this year only 121 trips have been scheduled. As of July 7, 2011, 122 trips had been completed and approved.

**Climbs (Sue Sullivan):** It was a bad month for weather for climbs. Just one climb was completed successfully in June and two more have been successfully completed so far in July.

**Trail Maintenance (Matthew Bell):** In June there was one outing on the trails in Spencer Butte Park. We cut back brush hanging over and encroaching upon the Tie Trail.

**Summer Camp (Lana Lindstrom):** Only two people cancelled from Summer Camp when the full payment was due - usually it's 5-10%. Thirteen are on the wait list.

**Extended Trips (Chris Stockdale):** The Opal Creek trip scheduled for September 16-18 has 12 participants at this

time, leaving four available spots. Janet Jacobsen will be leading a 2-night trip to the Spring Basin Wilderness with accommodation and meals provided by the OMSI's Camp Hancock. It is scheduled for May 17-19, 2013, and will offer optional hiking and exploratory days either before or after the scheduled dates.

**Publications (Nola Nelson):** The June 2012 Obsidian *Bulletin* was 16 pages. As usual, there will be no August *Bulletin*.

**Entertainment (Susan Wanser):** The June presentation by Doug McCarty was attended by 30 people.

**Membership (Elle Weaver):** Current membership – Active 418, Associate 23, Honorary 4, Junior 8, Life 16, total 469.

**Publicity (Janet Jacobsen):** Obsidians Lodge Open House & Get Acquainted Hikes on Sunday, September 9, 2:00 - 4:00 PM. Visit the Obsidian Lodge. Join Ribbon Trail Hikes at 2:00 or 3:00. Volunteers will be needed for hospitality and to lead hikes. We will work with Chris Stockdale for newspaper coverage. July/August/Sept Events Flyer posted on website and at the Y. A new flyer will be available for the Eugene Celebration.

**Concessions (Lyn Gilman-Garrick):** The concessions table was set up at the June potluck with proceeds of \$15.

**Online (Wayne Deeter):** Shellie Robertson has created an official Obsidians page on Facebook and will maintain and monitor it. Additional Committee pages are now updated directly from the database: Trails, Entertainment, Explorations, Bus Trips, and Extended Trips. Committee-level access is in place for all of those Committees. The Report Page (old trip reports) is now served directly from the database. We are working on allowing Members to sign into the Members Only area of the web site (to obtain Obsidians documents, etc.) using their own username and password.

**Library/Historian (Lenore McManigal):** The activities from the June Bulletin, have been recorded.

**Lodge Grounds (John Jacobsen):** Routine grounds maintenance during June, mostly mowing and weeding.

**Safety (Pat Esch):** The revised Safety Manual is near completion. Supplies to update the Y and climb first aid kits are

being ordered.

## OLD BUSINESS

Tom Musselwhite led a discussion of unregistered trip participants – people who show up for an outing but have not signed up for it. The immediate problem is that they would not have read the trip description or liability statement, but this can be taken care of by the leader before the trip begins. Another problem is entering them into our records. The Leader's Packets will now include a copy of the Online Registration form so that trip leaders can ask unregistered participants to fill out all the information needed for the Online System. The Summer Trips Committee and the Online Committee will continue to work on solutions to this issue.

Elle Weaver gave an update on the Laurel Ridge development which is proposed for property near the Lodge.

## NEW BUSINESS

Shellie Robertson was added to the Online Committee.

Elle Weaver reported that two changes will be made to the Trip Signup form: (1) remove the statement "Be prepared to contribute your share for carpooling expenses. The amount per person is given above." because the statement is redundant, and (2) add "Any photographs taken on this trip provided for Obsidians publication may be used at our sole discretion." The statement about photographs will also be added to the Membership Application and the Renewal Form.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Janet Jacobsen said that club members have signed up to staff our booth at the Eugene Celebration on Saturday, but that she still needs workers for two of the shifts on Sunday.

Janet Jacobsen announced that there will be a Lodge Open House from 2:00 – 4:00 on Sunday, September 9. Members will lead hikes from the Lodge and there will be refreshments.

Elle Weaver asked for suggestions about what to cover for the General Meeting.

The next Board meeting will be on September 5 at 6:00 PM.

## TRIP REPORTS & OTHER ACTIVITIES



### Climbs

#### **South Sister**

**June 16, 2012**

**Leader: Shellie Robertson**

**12 miles, 4,800 ft. (Difficult)**

**T**HE DAY DAWNED BRIGHT AND EARLY for the *South Sister Seven* (SS7) as they would come to be known. With a promising weather forecast, ice axes at the ready if needed, and a smorgasbord of food among us we stepped off the street and into the snow with our sights set on making it to the summit by 2:00 PM. Snow covered almost the entire route to the top but the SS7 made great time including frequent rest stops that soon began to resemble a progressive dinner. Beginning with bagels and bananas towards the bottom of the mountain to pizza, peanut butter, homemade muffins, cherries, and chocolate, we ate our way to the top arriving at the summit about 1:30. Clear skies, spectacular views, and seven toothy grins made for some fantastic photo opportunities before turning on our heels and heading down. Besides reaching the summit of a mountain, the next best thing about climbing is the opportunity, given the right conditions, to glissade down...and that we did! Nothing turns back the clock on the AARP-eligible quite like a good glissade and with much laughter, whooping, and hollering we made our way down the mountain. You say potato and I say potahto...but no matter how you pronounce it, it may very well have been Charlie 'Spud' Couture's salted boiled potatoes that powered everyone to South Sister's summit and back. Members: Richard Lemon, Beth Machamer, Juli McGlinsky, and Shellie Robertson. Nonmembers: Spencer Robertson, Liz Hurkes, and Charles Couture.



### Hikes

#### **Skinner Butte - Eagles Nest**

**May 21, 2012**

**Leader: M. Essenberg; Ass't: R. Essenberg**

**1 miles, 200 ft. (Easy)**

**D**OUGLAS FIR AND BIG LEAF MAPLES shielded the nine Obsidians from the light rain that fell as we walked up the north side of Skinner Butte. We went to this year's good

eagle-viewing spot, which is on the path below and parallel to the summit's paved service road. The two eaglets are now big and black and have definitely aquiline beaks. As we walked down, Barb and Margaret lagged behind to identify the base of the eagle tree and saw an adult eagle arrive at the nest, bringing a small fish. Most of us then retired to Fifth Street Market for eclectic lunches. Members: Clara Emlen, Margaret Essenberg, Richard Essenberg, Joella Ewing, Janet Jacobsen, Margaret Prentice, Barb Revere, Susan Sanazaro, and Pat Soussan.

#### **Heceta Head**

**May 27, 2012**

**Leader: Pat Soussan**

**6.5 miles, 500 ft. (Moderate)**

**ONE HUNDRED PERCENT WONDERFUL** was Jorry's remark at the end of our hike. Was it the weather that made it so? It was drizzling as we introduced ourselves at the trail head, but soon stopped as we set off along the beach and no further showers bothered us, but the skies remained cloudy. Was it the cookies? Lunch at the lighthouse included an offering of homemade chocolate chip oatmeal cookies from Diane and a Pepperidge Farm chocolate assortment from Pat (the homemade ones were favored). Jorry offered us huge, decadent chocolate-covered shortbreads when we got back to our cars. Or was it the participants? Nine Obsidians drove from Eugene and, on arriving at the meeting point, met up with two other Obsidians who were spending the holiday weekend at the coast and two non-Obsidians who live in Florence. Everyone mingled, shared stories, and enjoyed the loop trail along the coast and through the forest. Yes, it was the participants - they were one hundred percent wonderful. Members: Norma Bengiat, Anne Bonine, Don Cross, Daniele Delaby, Yuan Hopkins, Becky Lipton, Patricia MacAfee, Jyoti Naik, Jorry Rolfe, Diane Schechter, and Pat Soussan. Nonmembers: Elizabeth David and Joan Skarda.

#### **Silver Falls**

**May 31, 2012**

**Leader & photographer: Joe Sanders**

**8.5 miles, 500 ft. (Moderate)**

**AFTER A COUPLE OF INEVITABLE LAST MINUTE CANCELATIONS**, the remaining eight Obsidians and guests carpooled to the north trailhead at Silver Falls, where we were met by five of leader Joe Sanders' friends from Portland, all of whom had done this hike with him years before when he had lived in Portland. Collectively this made for a lively social group. The weather was perfect—cool and partly sunny. The falls were full with spring run-off. The hike proceeded with no incidents, many cameras and much picture taking. Lunch was taken at the lodge at the South Falls, where the weather was pleasant enough to eat outside. A couple of hikers enjoyed the unique aspect of being able to purchase pre-



pared luncheon food directly at the lodge—a feature most unusual for a hike! We did the full 8.5-mile loop with about 500 feet of elevation change, striking out on the right side which passes along the river, directly past most of the falls. Doing it this way, about two-thirds of the hike is done before the lunch break, if taken at the south lodge, with about another third to completion, continuing after lunch. Members: Don Colgan, John Moser, Brian Popowsky, Joe Sanders, and Lamonte Smith. Nonmembers: Marjorie Mountainsong, Tiffany Boehland, and Wille Klinger.

### Ridgeline Trail

June 2, 2012

Leader: Janet Jacobsen

6.2 miles, 900 ft. (Moderate)

THE RIDGELINE HIKE WAS ONE OF FOUR OBSIDIAN EVENTS listed on the American Hiking Society website to promote National Trails Day. Ayla Kiser, who just moved to Eugene from Arizona, found out about the hike from their website. She was excited about signing up for more hikes with our club. All of us enjoyed pointing out banana slugs and poison oak to Ayla. Sadly, we couldn't linger on top of Baldy to hear Peter Hollens, a local cappella vocalist, singing for a video production. His friends told us to watch for it on YouTube. Perhaps the Baldy Hills will be alive with the Sound of Music? Thanks to Karla Rusow who had a large enough vehicle to transport all of us at the end of the hike. Members: Lynda Christiansen, Dick Hildreth, Janet Jacobsen, Jorry Rolfe, and Karla Rusow. Nonmembers: Elizabeth David and Ayla Kiser.

### Dog Mountain

June 2, 2012

Leader: Buzz Blumm

7 miles, 2,900 ft. (Moderate)

WE MET AT THE DOG MOUNTAIN TRAILHEAD AT 9:00 AM on a typically cloudy early June day. The trail has not changed in the 20 years I have been hiking it - quite steep (2,900 feet of elevation gain in just over three miles), lots of people, and half as many dogs. The views were great for the bottom part of the mountain, and then we hit the clouds right

on up to the top. Also typical of early June, the wildflowers were in total bloom, especially in the upper reaches: mostly yellow flowers with some Indian paintbrushes here and there. After a 40-minute lunch, we continued the loop down to the parking lot - no rain, and again views from half the way down to the parking lot. It was a 4.5-hour hike, and everyone had a great time! Members: Buzz Blumm, Cecile Blumm, Madeline Blumm, Michael McNutt, and Patti McNutt. Nonmembers: Juliana Cichy, Mary Henzie, Jason Miller, John Henzie, Talie Smith, and Bella Smith.

### North Bank Deer Preserve

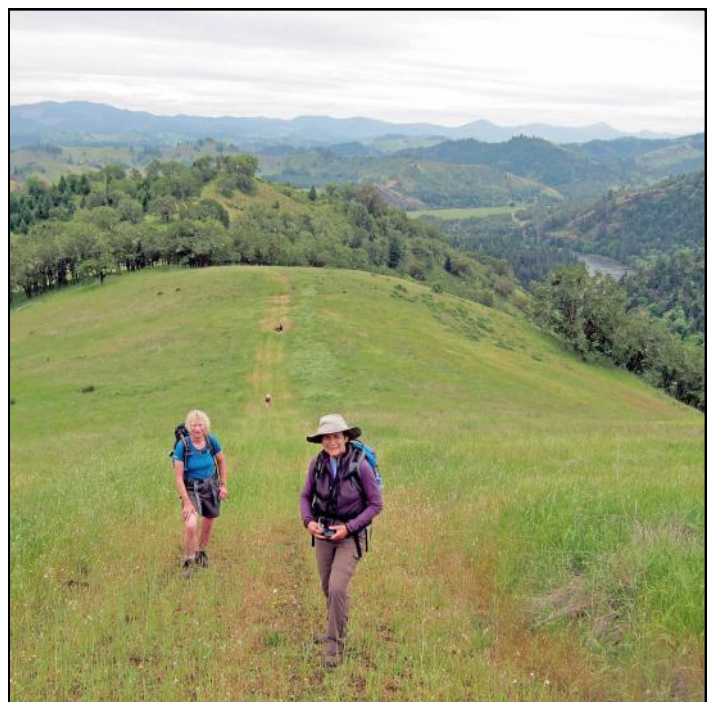
June 3, 2012

Leader: Chris Stockdale

Photographer: Ernst Schwintzer

12 miles, 2,000 ft. (Difficult)

THE GROUP THAT HIKE FROM THE EAST TRAILHEAD through to the west trailhead of the North Bank Habitat (formerly the North Bank Deer Preserve) was unanimous in its appreciation of the beauty of the area. "The preserve is a gem," commented Ernst Schwintzer. Those who hadn't previously visited this area just north of Roseburg were surprised at the openness of the hilly terrain, the magnificent and enormous old madrone trees, the display of lush Oregon oaks and myriad wildflowers blooming throughout, along with bounteous poison oak patches. The hikers enjoyed expansive views of the North Umpqua River and many (unnamed) peaks. The weather cooperated with a high cloud cover, a cool breeze and a moderate temperature. The leader had advertised this trip as a one-way hike with parts of the route unexplored. Leaving one car at the west trailhead, the hikers set off from the eastern Comstock trailhead seven miles further up the North Bank Road. They then headed up the very steep Power Line Trail to the junction with the Soggy Bottom Trail; down that road and past the parking lot to



head back up the West Barn Trail; and finally up a very steep portion of the Middle Ridge Trail to a welcome lunch spot on Middle Knob. The group opted for more strenuous exercise and climbed up to the undulating ridge that borders the preserve before finally dropping back down Bear Tree Trail to Chasm Creek and to the west trailhead. We calculated we hiked about 12.5 miles with approximately 2,500 feet of elevation gain. Members: Mari Baldwin, Don Cross, Diantha Hull, Becky Lipton, Kate Parrish, Ernst Schwintzer, and Chris Stockdale. Nonmembers: Jim Woodard.

### **Brice Creek**

**June 3, 2012**

**Leader: Joanne Ledet**

**Photographer: Jyoti Naik**

**6 miles, 600 ft. (Moderate)**

IT WAS AN OVERCAST DAY FOR OUR HIKE TO BRICE CREEK, but fortunately we did not have any rain during our hike. We parked one car at the Lower Trailhead and after depositing the other car at the Upper Trailhead, we met up and started our walk going upstream from the Lower Trailhead. The trillium had faded and the usual calypso orchids



and columbines were nowhere to be seen, but we were rewarded with an abundance of pale yellow wild iris for the entire length of our trip. There were also many kinds of ground cover and a few wild rhododendrons still in bloom. The creek was full of water from the snow melt and spring rains, and even though it was a little early, we stopped at a particularly lovely spot and had lunch. We located ourselves on the rock outcropping to enjoy not only views of the turbulent water, but to have easy conversations with our hiking companions. After lunch we continued upstream, stopping occasionally as Tom and Judy found a variety of mushrooms hidden on the forest floor, and we all got a short course in mushroom identification. I had originally planned to make a short side trip to Lower Trestle Creek Falls, but when we had gone up the side trail for just a short distance, we discovered a very large tree had fallen across the trail. We probably could have heaved ourselves over the tree, but since the tree had fallen at the high point of the trail and the near side was a slippery slope of mud, we had visions of the same slippery slope on the far side of the tree. No one want-

ed to risk riding home in mud-covered clothing, so we decided to turn around and save the Lower Trestle Creek Falls for another trip. Thanks to Judy for being a driver and letting all of us squeeze into her van for the shuttle ride back to the second car. The seven hikers, all members, were: Clara Emlen, Sandra Larsen, Joanne Ledet, Jyoti Naik, Judy Ness, Susan Sanazaro, and Tom Woxell.

### **Trestle Creek Falls**

**June 10, 2012**

**Leader: Tom Musselwhite**

**4 miles, 1,000 ft. (Easy)**

REPORTS OF MOSQUITOES PROMPTED ME to call participants the night before our hike and remind everyone to bring their favorite bug juice. Much to our relief, we discovered no significant problem with the voracious insects. Siskiyou iris were abundant, rhodies were in bloom, and the trail was in decent repair showing signs of recent trail maintenance activity. However, the trail to the lower falls was still blocked by at least one large tree, so lunchtime came a little early. After a leisurely lunch sprinkled with pleasant conversation we hiked the final mile back to the trailhead and headed home. Our most compatible group consisted of members Penny McAvoy, Tom Musselwhite, Jyoti Naik, and Sam Tracer. Nonmembers included Russell Evans, Patricia Hoenshell, Amity Cleary-Evans, Trent Suing, and Judy Parker.

### **Mt. Pisgah/Summer Solstice**

**June 20, 2012**

**Leader: Janet Jacobsen**

**Photographer: Darko Sojak**

**3 miles, 1,000 ft. (Moderate)**

ORANGE TROPICAL SPARKLING SODA and lush red strawberries were the perfect colors for our group of 18 and other hikers to toast the Summer Solstice sunset. The sunset colors were even more spectacular on the way down. Thanks to Sandra Larsen for bringing strawberries from her garden and to Darko Sojak for carrying the soda. Lana Lindstrom and Darko handled many of the carpool and trailhead details so



that all of us were on the trail by 7:40. I also thank Susan Sanazaro who suggested that I take off my sunglasses a few minutes before the end of the colorful hike. We were impressed with the Goshen Fire Department people who drove their rig up the trail and quickly brought an unknown hiker back to the parking lot. Members: Norma Bengiat, Brad Bennett, Joella Ewing, Janet Jacobsen, Sandra Larsen, Lana Lindstrom, Jyoti Naik, Jorry Rolfe, Cindy Rust, Susan Sanazaro, and Darko Sojak. Nonmembers: Charmaine Rehg, Judy Parker, Becky Sisley, Jerry Newcomb, Marie Shaw, Sydney Sampson, and Alex Fiori.

### **Mary's Peak**

**June 23, 2012**

**Leader: Mary Holbert**

**12 miles, 2,000 ft. (Difficult)**

**WE HIKED FOUR AND A HALF MILES** through gorgeous mature forest to the Mary's Peak overlook, which is disguised as a parking lot. One small aside: we all plowed over a stack of trail-blocking debris to pursue a non-trail for 100 feet or so. We arrived at the parking lot to a cold breeze and only one car. A quarter-mile jaunt to the summit took us past what looked like planned rock gardens with penstemon, lomatia, phlox and other flowers blooming splendidly. Lunch at a picnic table next to some unattractive transmitting and receiving devices afforded a great valley to the coast view. The Cascades were enshrouded. The rain started as we began our descent, and followed with intermittent sunshine to our cars. We walked down the East Trail to a closed forest road for a gentle stroll to the starting point. A GPS unit showed 11.6 miles completed, though we all agreed it seemed shorter. Guess we're all in great shape! Members: Mary Holbert, Janet Jacobsen, Ernst Schwintzer, and Jim Woodard. Nonmembers: Alicia McGraw and Patricia Neighbor.

### **Cone Peak/Iron Mountain (Actually, Tire Mtn)**

**June 24, 2012**

**Leader: Sue Wolling**

**8 miles, 1,900 ft. (Moderate)**

**THE PLANNED DESTINATION WAS IRON MOUNTAIN**—but the Sweet Home Ranger District described a large snow bank that would make the lookout inaccessible, a 70% chance of snow and rain falling during the day, and the peak of wildflowers occurring in about four weeks (third week of July). With this in mind, and only two hikers involved, we changed our plans and hiked Tire Mountain instead. This was a good decision. We found the wildflowers at their peak, with carpets of pink plectritis (according to Sullivan's book), lots of larkspur, columbine, camas, tiger lilies and many other flowers. The trail was a bit wet, but not a problem, and despite an ominous weather forecast, we had only a brief sprinkle, which we deserved for having taken our rain jackets off. We found a couple of sizable trees across the trail near the top, but were able to climb over or under them to reach the summit for lunch. Thanks to our change of

plans, we had a great day! Members: Dalen Willhite and Sue Wolling.

### **Mt. Pisgah**

**June 27, 2012**

**Leader: Pat Soussan**

**4 miles, 500 ft. (Easy)**

**MT. PISGAH PARKING LOT WAS A CROWDED PLACE** on a sunny and warm June evening. Kim and I met at the main trailhead and started up the Theodore Trail, which was much less crowded than the Summit Trail. We detoured to Swing Hill and admired the view of the confluence of the Coast and Middle forks of the Willamette River. Our hike concluded with a walk along the Coast Fork which gave us a welcome respite from the warmer trails of Mt. Pisgah's slopes. All in all, a pleasant way to spend an evening. Members: Pat Soussan. Nonmembers: Kim Kelly.

### **Macduff Mountain**

**June 28, 2012**

**Leader: Janet Jacobsen; Ass't: Jim Whitfield**

**7 miles, 2,000 ft. (Moderate)**

It was the 81<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the June 28, 1931 **OBSIDIAN HIKE** when the Nelson Macduff plaque was mounted on McLennan Mountain. On a 1992 Obsidian hike, when Sharon Ritchie was President, the plaque was rededicated on the same mountain, but now with the correct name, Macduff. With photos of both events, our group did a 2012 photo reenactment. From the top of Macduff, we had panoramic views of the mountains from Jefferson to Diamond Peak. Next time, I will bring blackberry pie to share at lunch to honor the 1931 hiker, Florence Ogden Sims, who shared her blackberry pie for a ride on the Forest Service horse. We also need to allow time to hike to McLennan Mountain. Thanks to trail crews, the two trees are no longer blocking the road and there are many signs of trail improvements thanks to Youth Conservation Corps. The rhododendrons and other spring flowers were in bloom. Where is Macduff Mountain? First, get an up-to-date map. My 1984 Willamette Forest Map has Macduff and McLennan Mountain reversed. Four miles past Blue River turn right on the Cougar Reservoir Road, #19. Drive one-half mile, do not turn right on #19 but continue straight toward the base of the dam on F.S. Rd. 410. Just before the power plant gate, F.S. Rd 411 meets 410. Turn left onto F.S. Rd 411 and drive around two miles on the steep one lane road. Hopefully the gate is open or the hike will be a long one! The trail intersects the road several times, but for a shorter hike on the best part of the trail, look carefully for a slim almost hidden brown TRAIL sign on the right. There is plenty of room to park on the left. I suggest that you do not continue up the logging road. Members: Norma Bengiat, Keiko Bryan, Rob Castleberry, Janet Jacobsen, Brian Popowsky, Lamonte Smith, and Jim Whitfield. Nonmembers: Mei-Yueh Crowell, Mindy Catlow, and Edel Davenport.



## June and July Get Acquainted Hikes: 64 guests and one baby

### Get Acquainted—Ribbon Trail

Leader & photographer: Janet Jacobsen

2.5 miles, 200 ft. (Easy)

Saturday, June 9: 4 members, 14 nonmembers

Friday, June 15: 2 members, 14 nonmembers

Saturday June 16: 4 members, 12 nonmembers

Friday, July 6: 2 members, 11 nonmembers

Saturday, July 7: 7 members, 13 nonmembers

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME ON THE RIBBON TRAIL for many of the guests and for some, the first time to visit Hendricks Park. Finding the meeting place in Hendricks Park can be as difficult as finding the Obsidian Lodge. It is rewarding to lead hikers down the driveway to the Lodge for the first time and then open the door to experience the coolness and traditions. Cold lemonade and energy bars were much appreciated. There were lots of questions about upcoming activities, especially summer camp. Each guest received an envelope with the membership application, events flyer, and the Obsidian brochure. When we left the Lodge, one guest said, "It was much nicer than I expected." Several mentioned that they didn't know why they hadn't hooked up with our club sooner. Nine guests have already signed up for another hike.

Clara Emlen and R.C. Cross shared that they hiked with

Marriner Orum back in the early 1970s when he led Ribbon Trail hikes from Hendricks Park to Spencer Butte. Back then the Ribbon Trail was a concept not a reality. It took them 5½ hours to reach the top of the Butte.

A grateful thanks to members Rick Ahrens, Clara Emlen, Yuan Hopkins, Sandra Larsen, Jyoti Naik, Nola Nelson and Susan Sanazaro for assisting with the hikes and hospitality. Junior members Autumn, Chyanne, and Trenton Edwards joined their grandmother, Roberta Chord. They made it much easier to welcome 64 guests and one baby!

Nonmembers: Darren Bailey, Marcia Bell, Kimberley Bennett, Marti Berger, Pamela Burns, Mindy Catlow, Hope Crandall, R.C. Cross, Bob Cummings, Edel Davenport, John Davidson, Susan Deal, Jean Ella, Hannah Fleischmann, Greg Fuller, Terry Goodman, Marissa Goodman, Amy Greenwold, Anne Hohenemser, Alison Hennes, Steve Hennes, Wendy Hubacek, Holly Hull, Veronica Karpiak, Andy Klucko, Carol Lavery, Blake Livingston, Howard Loewinger, Dagmar Marston, Jill McKenney, Pam McLellan, Randall McLauchlan, Randy Melton, Stephanie Midkiff, Christina Newman, David Newman, Tim Mixon, AD Ojerie, Joan Ojerio, Judy Parker, Rich Pomper, Sue Pepper Reed, John Reed, Becki Robinson, Rod Robinson, Ron Robinson, Bill Russell, Jason Rydquist, Nancy Savage, Dave Schiek, Marie Shaw, Becky Sisley, Andy Skinner Loputa, John M. Smith, Caryn Stoess, Jeanine Taylor, Ted Taylor, Bridgit Tyler, Mike Whitney, Rose Wilde, Clark Wilde, Dina Willis and Adrian Wolfe.





## Byways By Bus

**Fossils, Ghost Towns, Painted Hills, Museums, etc.**

**June 4, 2012**

**Leader & photographer: Sharon Cutsforth**

**Wow!** Here are just a few things you missed by not going on this fantastic trip: a small group on a large bus; blueberry cobbler at Paulina Lake Lodge; exploring Oregon's diverse geology and history; a Bullock's oriole family nesting in elm trees and a raven family nesting on cliffs along the John Day River; discovering fossils along the trail at Clarno Palisades; spectacular scenery; and *Twin Virgins* at the Oxbow Restaurant and Saloon. This busy four-day trip to John Day and Bend found us traveling through lava fields, high desert country, and Ponderosa pine forests, along the beautiful John Day and Deschutes rivers, over high prairies, up mountains and down into canyons. Some-

times we drove for miles without seeing another vehicle. We saw a few antelope, elk, deer, jack rabbits, various birds, many cattle, horses and sheep. As we traveled along we learned how some communities received their names.

We experienced a variety of weather, but each time we made a stop at a place of interest or to take a short hike it wasn't raining. How lucky is that! Museums we visited: Kam Wah Chung in John Day, Dewitt Museum at Prairie City, High Desert Museum near Bend, and Lava Lands Visitor Center. Other fun stops were: a lunch break in Fossil, a quick visit to Shaniko, the amazing view from Mascall Overlook, walking several trails in the John Day Fossil Beds National Monument, and talking to a few of the local people along the way. There is such an incredible amount of history and geology to learn about in these areas it was impossible to absorb it all. Most of us left the area feeling like we want to return! Members: Bill Arthur, Ron Bauer, Barbara Beard, Paul Beard, Paula Beard, Barbara Bruns, Mary Lee Cheadle, Sharon Cutsforth, Jim Duncan, Sharon Duncan, Rose Mary Etter, Barbara Flanders, Dennis Flanders, Marjorie Jackson, Janet Jacobsen, John Jacobsen, Richard McGuinness, Barbara Payne, Don Payne, Margaret Prentice, and Susan Sanazaro. Nonmembers: Betty Dickerman, Mary Hawkes, Marge Hislop, Mary Jane Odom, Walt Odom, and Jane Souzon.





## Bike Trips

### **Parvin Covered Bridge**

**June 1, 2012**

**Leader: Patricia Esch**

**25 miles, 250 ft. (Moderate)**

**T**HE WEATHER WAS GRAND, with clouds and sun and not too much heat for the six participants of this fun ride. The easiest part was zipping down Pleasant Hill onto the back roads of the Coast Fork plain below Dexter Dam. We safely crossed Highway 58, stopped at the store in Dexter and proceeded on to the objective of our ride, Parvin Covered Bridge. It's beautifully restored; one could still smell the new paint. On the return ride, we just missed having a train go over our heads on a bridge. At the entrance to Elijah Bristow Park, there was a gorgeous field of daisies and lupine. We had lunch at this little used park, passed the Oreo cookie cows again on our way back and chugged up to Pleasant Hill. Unfortunately one driver had locked the keys in the trunk, but after a 35 minute wait, AAA opened the door in 30 seconds. Phew! Members: Barbara Aten, Anne Bonine, Barbara Bruns, Patricia Esch, Don Kindt, and Eric Swegles.

### **Ankeny National Wildlife Refuge**

**June 10, 2012**

**Leader: Richard Hughes**

**33 miles, 1,000 ft. (Moderate)**

**IT WAS A COLD MORNING IN EUGENE**, but by the time we reached the wildlife refuge parking lot, we were blessed with the warmth of the sun. At mile seven my navigator began singing *Strawberry Fields Forever* as we cycled along fields of vine-ripened Oregon strawberries—nothing better. Approaching the Buena Vista Ferry we noticed the river was moving at around 20,000 cubic feet per second (CFS). We boarded, paid our \$1 fare and were grateful having the ferry tethered to a cable as we crossed the Willamette River. Shortly thereafter we were back at our car after three hours. Members: Richard Hughes and Lana Lindstrom.

## **Extended Trip**

### **Columbia Gorge Hiking**

**June 13, 2012**

**Leader: Jim Duncan Asst Leader: Helen Martz**

**Photographer: Jim Duncan**

**T**HE OBSIDIANS' SPRING TRIP TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE has been one of our most popular Extended Trips since it was initiated a few years ago by Lana Lindstrom. This year's version was no exception with a total of 17 participants attending for three days of superb hiking in the gorge. As usual, we stayed at the Menucha Conference Center just off the old Columbia River Highway at Corbett, which is convenient to most of the trailheads in the gorge. We met at Menucha on Wednesday morning and, in what seems to have become a tradition, hiked up to Angel's Rest for lunch, stopping at Bridal Veil Falls on the return to our base camp. On Thursday, one group climbed up Dog Mountain on the Washington side of the gorge, another group hiked Eagle Creek as far as High Bridge, and another group hiked the Larch Mountain Crater loop, stopping for lunch at Sherrad Point with all the major mountain peaks in



view. Others opted for sightseeing in the area. On Friday, many hiked the Horsetail Falls-Ponytail Falls-Triple Falls loop, others went to Eagle Creek, and some went sightseeing, before returning home.

Perhaps because this trip went later in the spring than in previous years, the weather was just about perfect for hiking, with cool, cloudy skies on Wednesday, clear and sunny on Thursday and Friday. The views of the gorge from Menucha, set high above the river, were magnificent. Rumors of a pagan ritual dance one evening at the newly constructed stone labyrinth at Menucha have remained unconfirmed. The happy hour each evening before dinner, after a day of hiking, proved to be a very popular get-together. Members: Anne Bonine, Jim Clarkson, Melody Clarkson, Jacque Davis, Jim Duncan, Sharon Duncan, Sandra Larsen, Helen Martz, Lynn Meacham, Judy Ness, Jack O'Donnell, Jorry Rolfe, Pat Soussan, Marian West, and Nancy Whitfield. Nonmembers: Kathy Giesen and Constance Humble.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## **Byways By Bus** **Riders Needed!**

### **Douglas County Safari and Wine**

**Tuesday, August 7, 2012**

**Leader: Verna Kocken**

**Cost: \$65 members, \$67 nonmembers**

**Reservations & checks: Barbara Payne 746-1964**

**W**E WILL HAVE COFFEE AT A REST STOP along 1-5 and will proceed to Wildlife Safari for a cool morning visit. We will have time to view the exhibits and the gift shop. We will then tour adjacent Abacela Winery. Lunch will be catered at the Melrose Winery. We will also visit the Russell Prayer Rock Vineyards. We will return to the Shopko parking lot by 5 PM.

### **Oregon City, McLaughlin Historic District**

**Thursday, September 6, 2012**

**Leader: Mary Ellen West**

**Cost: members \$42, nonmembers \$44**

**Reservations & checks: Janet Speelman, 344-3019**

**IN 1844, OREGON CITY WAS ESTABLISHED** and designated the capital of the Oregon Provisional Government. It was considered the end of the Oregon trail. Dr. John McLaughlin moved to Oregon City in 1849 and platted the area known as the McLaughlin Historic District. We will tour the neighborhood and visit the McLaughlin House and the Stevens Crawford House. We will ride the municipal elevator that connects the river level of the town to the bluff where the residences are. And we'll visit Willamette Falls on our way south, with a stop at Bauman Farms. Bring your sack lunch.

### **Women's Little Cultus Lake Canoe/Kayak**

**September 6-8, 2012**

**Leader: Pat Esch**

**H**EY, NO MOSQUITOES, fewer people and our own campfires! There are so many lakes to explore in the Cascade Lakes area, that we decided to go back to ponderosa pines and mountain views with two nights of camping, with one full and two half days of paddling. We'll use

shared campsites (fees are your responsibility) at Little Cultus Lake campground as our base. From there we can pick and chose which lakes to paddle. Each participant will provide her own boat, camping gear, breakfasts, lunches, snacks and drinks. We will divide into two teams for the two dinners. Sign up online.

There will be a pre-trip meeting Tuesday, August 28, at 7:00 PM at the Lodge—after Summer Camp, phew!



## Klamath Basin Overnight Trip

October 12-14, 2012

Cost: \$65

Co-leaders: Brenda Kame'enui & Lana Lindstrom

**T**HE KLAMATH BASIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES are the center of the Pacific Flyway for migratory birds, serving as both refuge and breeding grounds for hundreds of wildlife species. These southern Oregon and northern California gems are also in the middle of the water conflict of the region. Before the introduction of the Klamath Irrigation Project in 1905, the Basin was an ecological marvel, with the third largest salmon run in the West and over seven million waterfowl visiting the Basin wetlands each year. Today, 80% of these wetlands have been drained for agriculture, causing the refuge to face environmental challenges.

This region is a microcosm of water issues throughout the nation: the conflict of commercial agriculture (or other human use) with wetlands that offer nature's most efficient water filter. How do we use water as a resource?

On October 12-14, we have an opportunity to visit the wetland and wildlife sanctuary of the Klamath Basin with Oregon Wild's Wildlands Interpreter, Wendell Wood, who will lead us on a tour. We will stay at Wendell's log cabin with dormitory-style sleeping (some people may choose to put their sleeping bags and mats on the living room floor or camp), enjoy a potluck dinner Friday night, and dinner out on Saturday at a popular Vietnamese restaurant in Klamath

Falls.

On Friday, participants can canoe or kayak along the quiet Williamson River near Collier State Park (Wendell can provide three canoes).

Saturday we make sack lunches and carpool to Lower Klamath and Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuges. We can count on seeing birds, though not in great numbers. Short hikes will break up the day, and we will end with a visit to Lava Beds National Monument. Sunday morning features a two-mile walking tour of the restored Wood River wetlands (Agency Lake) before departing for home. A pre-trip meeting will be scheduled in early October.

**Cost:** \$65 includes dorm style lodging, a guided tour of the area, and a one-year membership to Oregon Wild. In addition, there is a trip fee of \$2. Participants provide their own meals

**Maximum:** Limited to eight adventurous Obsidians

**Signup:** Sign up online beginning July 23. Within five days thereafter, mail a check for \$65 payable to *Oregon Wild* to Lana Lindstrom, P.O. Box 5506, Eugene, OR 97405

**Cancellations:** No refunds after August 30 unless someone takes your place

**Questions:** Contact Brenda Kame'enui at 344-9506 or Lana Lindstrom at 683-1409



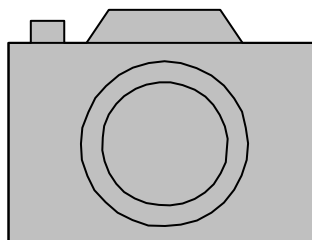
**T**HE OBSIDIANS NOW HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE at <https://www.facebook.com/#!/theobsidians>. See the September *Bulletin* for more information. Or just click on the link and start using/viewing today!

**Opal Creek -- Four spaces still available**  
**Sunday–Tuesday, September 16–18, 2012**  
**Leader: Pat Esch**  
**Cost: \$120**

Three days/ two nights at Jawbone Flats, Opal Creek Ancient Forest Center, about 40 miles east of Salem. Price of \$120 (\$125 non-members) includes two nights lodging and two dinners (vegetarian) in the lodge. Participants bring breakfasts and lunches. Several hiking options, from easy to moderate. The Center provides one shuttle per group to ferry luggage from the parking lot to Jawbone Flats. It is a three-mile hike from the parking lot to Jawbone Flats.

To reserve a spot, please send your check for \$120 within five (5) days of signing up. Checks should be made payable to Obsidians and sent to Pat Esch at 1555 Monterey Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401.

### Photos needed!



**M**ARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE SEPTEMBER 28TH POTLUCK. The Program will be A Year with the Obsidians potluck with a social hour starting at 6:00 PM and the program at 7:30. Janet Jacobsen and others are working

on a media presentation of 2011/2012 Obsidian activities including Summer Camp. Janet will be compiling photos that have been sent to the Bulletin. She needs photos of upcoming summer and fall hikes, climbs, and other activities. Send those photos to [publicity@obsidians.org](mailto:publicity@obsidians.org). If you have questions, contact Janet at [jbjacobsen@comcast.net](mailto:jbjacobsen@comcast.net)

## AT THE LODGE



### September ExploraTalk

Tuesday, September 18, 7 PM

### Mt. Pisgah Sighting Pedestal

**P**ETE HELZER, THE BRONZE SCULPTOR who created the Mt. Pisgah Sighting Pedestal, will give a slide presentation about construction of the pedestal at the September ExploraTalk.

The Pedestal was constructed and installed in 1990. Bas relief symbols which cover the pedestal depict 200 million years of Oregon's geologic history. The bronze relief map on top points out the 360 degree topography surrounding Mt. Pisgah.

Pete's well-known local sculptures also include the Ken Kesey statue on Broadway and Willamette, the statue of Rosa Parks at the Lane Transit District station, and the bronze dancers in the Hult Center for the Performing Arts.



## State Asks People to Pick Up Marine Debris This Summer

**T**HE STATE OF OREGON is asking people who are enjoying the beaches this summer to pick up and/or report any marine debris as they walk along, whether it be from the Japanese tsunami or ordinary debris. The state has set up a 211 information line for reporting beach debris too big or hazardous to carry. It has also set up receiving stations at 15 state parks and 17 government garbage transfer stations and other facilities along the coast that will accept marine debris, both tsunami and ordinary, at no cost. For additional information, call 1-800-723-3638.

SOLV, the organization that sponsors the spring and fall beach cleanups, will make bags available at Oregon coastal state parks and other coastal locations. State Park drop-off points, from north to south, include: Fort Stevens, Nehalem Bay, Cape Lookout, Devils Lake, Beverly Beach, South Beach, Beachside, Carl Washburne, Jessie Honeyman, Umpqua Lighthouse, Sunset Bay, Bullards Beach, Cape Blanco, Humbug Mountain, and Harris Beach. The Saturday, June 30, *Register-Guard* also lists city and county transfer sites.

SOLV will provide special instructions for collecting, sorting, reporting, and disposing of tsunami related debris to people involved in the Fall Beach Cleanup on September 22. Of special concern is debris that could contain invasive species harmful to our plant and animal ecology.

Bob Welch, in a recent *RG* column, reminds people to keep in mind as they find items of interest from Japan that whatever we find most likely represents a tragedy for an individual, a family, or a business, and that an effort should be made to try to return it to its owner, as has successfully happened a number of times already, with heart-warming results.

*Joella Ewing, Conservation, Science and Education Chair*

## Volunteers Needed!

**T**HE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE HAS SCHEDULED TWO EVENTS, Eugene Celebration Booth and an Open House to introduce people to our activities. Contact Janet Jacobsen if you can help at either of these events. 343-8030 or email [publicity@obsidians.org](mailto:publicity@obsidians.org)

### Obsidian Booth at Eugene Celebration

**Saturday and Sunday, August 25 and 26, 11:00-5:00**

Volunteers who aren't going to Summer Camp are needed to help with set up and take down of the booth and/or answer questions about the club's activities. They will also encourage folks to visit the Obsidian Lodge Open House on September 8<sup>th</sup>. The Obsidian booth will be located downtown on the Community Causeway.

### Get Acquainted Open House and Ribbon Trail Hikes

**Sunday, September 8, 2:00-4:00 Obsidian Lodge**

Volunteers are needed to help with hospitality/refreshments at the lodge and/or to lead hikes on the Ribbon Trail. This will be the first time the Get Acquainted hikes have started from the Lodge...not Hendricks Park.

## Obsidian Calendar

### July

20 Fri	<b>Mt. McLoughlin</b> Climb Kaminski.....	510-610-1705
21 Sat	<b>North Sister</b> Climb Deeter.....	954-0924
22 Sun	<b>Canyon Creek Meadows Hike M</b> Sinnott.....	915-0234
25 Wed	<b>Spencer Butte Trail Maintenance M</b> Bell	503-884-8829
25 Wed	<b>Crescent Mountain Hike M</b> Smythe .....	757-6357
28 Sat	<b>Williams Lake Hike M</b> Ledet .....	683-2603
28 Sat	<b>Battle Axe and Twin Lakes Bk Pk D</b> Lipton .....	736-7498
28 Sat	<b>Mt. Thielsen</b> Climb Deeter .....	915-0234
30 Mon	<b>Mt. Shasta</b> Climb Hamilton.....	343-6550
31 Tue	<b>Maxwell Butte Hike D</b> Holbert.....	265-4208

### August

3 Fri	<b>Orchard Point Bike E</b> Esch.....	338-8280
4 Sat	<b>Three Fingred Jack</b> Climb Hamilton.....	343-6550
5 Sun	<b>Goodman Creek Hike M</b> Hoeg .....	484-6196
7 Tue	<b>Douglas County Safari and Wine</b> Bus Kocken ...	736-5180
10 Fri	<b>Mt. Hood - Backpack Bk Pk D</b> Sullivan .....	683-6837
10 Fri	<b>Cowhorn Mountain Hike D</b> Colgan.....	485-2787
11 Sat	<b>Fuji Mountain Hike E</b> Wood.....	954-3406
11 Sat	<b>Olallie Mountain Hike M</b> Terry .....	345-0720
11 Sat	<b>Three Fingred Jack</b> Climb Deeter .....	954-0924
12 Sun	<b>Row River Bike M</b> Strahan.....	689-0753
12 Sun	<b>Four-In-One Cone Hike M</b> Tucker.....	344-8371
12 Sun	<b>Mt. Washington</b> Climb Deeter .....	954-0924
18 Sat	<b>Camp Elle/Mt Baker Camp</b> Lindstrom.....	683-1409
18 Sat	<b>South Matthieu Lake Bk Pk E</b> Lipton.....	736-7498
24 Fri	<b>Middle Sister</b> Climb D Harris .....	521-5807
29 Wed	<b>Spencer Butte Trail Maintenance M.</b> Bell	503-884-8829
31 Fri	<b>Mt. Pisgah Sunset/Moonrise Hike M</b> Jacobsen...	343-8030
31 Fri	<b>Sahalie/Koosah Falls Loop Hike E</b> Cunningham	344-0486
31 Fri	<b>Hidden Lake Backpack D</b> Hovis.....	521-3663

### September

1 Sat	<b>Gander Lake/Winchester Ridge Hike</b> Anselmo...	782-2369
1 Sat	<b>Silver Falls Hike M</b> Musselwhite.....	461-3296
2 Sun	<b>Obsidian Trail/Arrowhead Lake Hike</b> Harrison...	556-3654
2 Sun	<b>Lillian Falls-Klovdahl Bay Hike M</b> Duncan.....	343-8079

## CLASSIFIEDS

### For Sale

**TWO INFLATABLE TAHITI KAYAKS:** \$60 each, or \$100 for both. As doubles seem a little tight—roomy for a single.

**21" TOPANGA ALL-TERRAIN DIAMOND BACK TRAIL BIKE** with fenders. Relatively unused. \$120 OBO.

Judy Ness: 465-1236

[judyness@tapestry-fiberarts.com](mailto:judyness@tapestry-fiberarts.com)

## Summer Camp Riders

**WILL TAKE RIDERS TO AND FROM SUMMER CAMP.** I'm also interested in anyone who might have reason to spend August 17, Friday night, in Seattle en route.

Brenda Kame'enui: 344-9506



Photo by Keiko Bryan from *successful* hike of Macduff Mountain—see trip report on page 8.

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