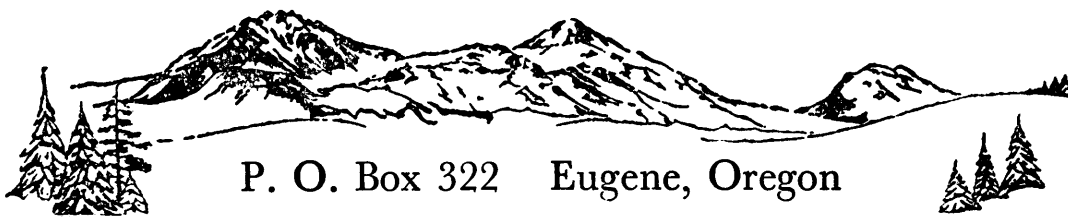


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NOTICE ABOUT SIGNING UP FOR TRIPS!!!!!!!

It is imperative that people going on trips either sign up or phone the leader. Failure to do so may lead to the cancellation of the trip. It helps the leader a lot to know in advance just how many are going on the trip, who wants a ride, and who can furnish rides.

TRIPS COMING UP - - - - -

Feb. 4th, Sun: Cow Horn Lookout. Charla Euganks is the leader and everyone hopes that she knows where it is as no one else does.

Feb. 10th, Sat: Gibson Island out in Fern Ridge Lake. Whatcha got out there, Emma? A still? Emma Wright will lead. This ought to be a good trip for Robinson C.

Feb. 17th, Sat: Rosary Lakes. This will be a snow shoe or ski trip. Reeves Johannis, leader.

Feb. 24th, Sat: Southern Pacific shops & yards. It has been several years since we went there. You wouldn't know the old place now. Better go. The only thing that is the same are the rails and the wheels.

Feb. 25th, Sun: Cerro Gordo. What is going to make this trip more interesting is that Adeline Adams is going to lead. This is out east of Cottage Grove and near Dorena Dam.

Mar. 4: Mt. Hood by bus. See separate article.

SUMMER CAMP will be from August 5th to August 18th, but the place has not been selected as yet. The committee is considering so many places that it is taking a little more time than it would ordinarily.

POT LUCK - Don't forget the next pot luck supper. It's to be at the club house on Saturday, February 17th, at 6:30 p.m. Of course, if we have another blizzard, we may have to wait till July to be sure of good weather!

MT. HOOD - MARCH 4, 1962

Again this year let's fill another Greyhound bus for a grand day of skiin' and picture-taking at famous Timberline Hotel. This is a month earlier than last year, but the snow should be at its best, and we discovered a fine new chairlift below the lodge last year. Remember the ride on the "snow-cat" up to near Crater Rock? Sign up at Gilbert's Shoe Store early, as again the fare will be \$6 for a bus load of 30. Ray Sims is making arrangements. Bus will leave from the Greyhound depot at 6 a.m.

SEATTLE BY GREYHOUND May 19-20

We are going to try something new on this two-day trip to the Seattle World's Fair. The new angle is this: A SHEET WILL BE POSTED ON THE OBSIDIAN BOARD AT GILBERT'S SHOE STORE, BUT JUST SIGN IF INTERESTED. AT THIS TIME THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU HAVE TO GO; WE JUST WANT TO SEE IF ENOUGH WANT TO GO THIS WAY. Those of the OBSIDIANS who have taken these two day or even longer trips know that it is a grand way to travel. "Leave the driving to Greyhound." The bus fare round-trip, leaving very early Sat. and leaving Seattle the middle of the afternoon Sunday, is only \$10.70. Do sign up for this fine two days. Ray Sims will be in charge. We may leave at 6 p.m. Friday, spending two nights in Seattle.

TRAILS CLUB OF PORTLAND extend an invitation to Obsidians to attend their annual banquet February 10th at the Anchorage Restaurant in Portland at 7 p.m. Reservations accompanied by \$3 to Dorothy Plattner, 637 NE 21st Av. Pld. 12 not later than Feb. 8th.

Mac's ski and snow shoe trip fell through because of snow!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MEET THE BRESSLER's

Hazen grew up in Wayne, Nebraska and attended Wayne State Teachers College for 3½ years. Didn't want to be a teacher, so quit and went into selling. Met and married Lorene Adelseck in Hastings while employed with Gamble stores. Later became a manager of a Firestone store. Became an agent for New York Life in 1953, which is his present occupation. Member of Scottish Rite, 32 degree. Also Central Presbyterian Deacon and President of Men's Club.

Lorene was born in Kansas and grew up in Hastings, Nebraska and attended Hastings College two years, then went to Uni. of Nebraska where she received her A.B. Taught school in Lexington, Nebr. and at Hastings until she met and married Hazen. They then lived in Nebr. 17 years before coming to Oregon. She had always dreamed of living in the Northwest. She now is teaching fifth grade at Adams.

They have three children. Diane and Kathy both in University and Fred, senior in High School.

THEN MEET TOM BRICHER

He says that he doesn't imagine very many Obsidians remember him as he hasn't had the chance to be as active in the club as he would like. First school and now Uncle Sam's Airforce manage to keep me away. Joined the club as a Junior in 1953 after talking with Dale Carlson. Introduced by a mutual friend on the McKenzie river. Climbed Shasta that year, a trip which Gene Sebring very capably led. Next year I had the good fortune of attending an Obsidian summer camp on the N.W. side of Mt. Hood. Highlight of the camp for me was the rugged climb of Hood via Cathedral Ridge. I've climbed a total of 9 Mts with the club and have enjoyed them very much. Born in Eugene 1936 and went to school in Cottage Grove, Eugene, Vida and Portland. I've been a Lieutenant on active duty in the A. F. since graduation. Spent a year in Miss., a year in Morocco and now a year at Lincoln, Nebr. I'm working in ground communication, telephone, teletype, radio and so forth. Play a little chess, piano and work with church groups. Reached 11,000 feet on the Matterhorn in Sept. 60, during leave in Europe but got snowed off before the real climb began. Haven't seen the new club-house yet but hope to stop by and see all of you this year. Keep up the conservation battle and save a little bit of "Gods Country" for us all. "All this on a postcard with Pen".

YOU ARE MISSED

There is nothing wrong with this typewriter except for one key that is inoperative. Surely there are enough keys left but what a difference just on missing one key makes. And this is how important you are to the club. On of the great thing is the work the outdoor clubs are doing in working with the Forest Service in planning the future use of our wilderness areas. And this requires two things. You and money.

SO ARE YOUR DUES

A letter came in the mail the other day in which it was mentioned that altho they had noticed it mentioned in the bulletin, that dues were due it was not mentioned how much they were. Imagine! Then they went on to say that the fault probably was the Presidents. Imagine! Well, Dues are Due in October and they are \$4 per Adult and \$1 for Juniors. The club needs not only your dues but also needs you and we don't want to drop you. We notice one club like ours who assess members one dollar if dues are not paid within a six week period.

HI FINANCE

A good way for the club to raise some money would be to raise rabbits and hogs. If we just had some one in the club that knew how. All we would have to do would be to get a hundred bucks and a hundred sows. Then we would have a hundred sows and bucks.

NORTHWEST WILDERNESS CONFERENCE

To be held at the Olympic Hotel, Seattle April 14 and 15 with preliminary registration to begin the evening of the 13th. The FWOC has this to say, "From all parts of the Northwest we have received very reassuring comments upon the excellence of Mike McCloskey's work." They report a total of \$6,173 received from Chemeketans Mazamas, Mountaineers, Obsidians, Trails Club, Wy'Easters, Friends of the Three Sisters, Oregon Cascades Conservation Foundation and various individuals including some from our own organization. The Sierra Club has agreed to match these funds in spite of the fact that they have operated last year at a deficit exceeding \$30,000. If anyone from here wishes to contribute to this fund send checks to Dorothy Towlerton, 2548 Potter st. made out to the Sierra Club and earmark them for this fund.

Items for the bulletin must be in to Bob Medill or Helen Smith the first of the Mo.

In another place in this issue is an item about getting in arrears with your dues. Also in the article is the amount of your dues. Have been told that this is a mistake because the Wesleys of Roseburg sent in an overpayment of \$6 and said if it was too much, to put the overage in the kitty. Thank you, folks. You are sure nice people. Dues are due in October and if not paid, you are delinquent. If not paid by the first of January of the second year you will be dropped. If you do not intend to belong to the club any longer, please send in your resignation. That lets us know and also keeps you in good standing if you should ever want to come back in.

NOTICE: The Princesses have done gone and got a refrigerator. Going to be some fun watching them move it up to the cabin!

NEW MEMBERS:

The Martyn family; Bill, Erolne and the two Juniors, Scott and Elaine. They were all with us in summer camp last year up in Idaho. Glad to see you with us. Ron Waller also decided to join us. Now, Ron, be sure and come out to our doings up at the club house and let everyone see you. Welcome to all you new people.

Feb. 23:

Natural History Society has engaged Donald Kirk to show pictures and speak on edible plants of the West. Maybe he will also show us some that we shouldn't eat.

Mozelle Hair is a member of Margaret Markley's Scientific Committee.

Ted Johannis is on Donn's trips comm.

When you read this, Wayne and Emmogene Bailey will be in their new home at 985 Sunnyside Drive.

The Waldorf's, Louis and Roxie, have returned home. They were called home on account of the serious illness of Roxie's sister who lives in Portland.

There is no need to restrict our use of the club-house to one potluck meeting a month. We can have all the potlucks we want, or we can have other types of meetings. We can have dancing, plays, or any other type of use you can think of. How about it? Got any ideas? If you have, contact Anna Jeppesen.

IN THE MAIL BAG

Gentlemen:

By now you have had an opportunity to read and thoroughly digest the "Proposal for a Mt. Jefferson Wilderness Area" which your organization and ours submitted to the U.S. Forest Service in December. We feel that Mike McCloskey did a marvelous job of pulling together all of our various ideas into a unified whole and adding to it considerable of his particular genius. The ideas in this report include some that are unique and they have already received acclaim from other specialists in the recreation planning field. Considerable local publicity of the Mt. Jefferson area and of our organizations has appeared in the local press. We feel that the report was well done and is a credit to the author and the sponsoring organizations.

As you know, Mike McCloskey is working for us all on a limited retainer basis with insufficient money for office expenses. This Mt. Jefferson report was a considerable printing job. The bill came to \$84.55. The Oregon Cascades Conservation Council would like to help out on the actual printing expense of this report by contributing \$20 to this specific project. We invite you to contribute in some measure along with us. Please send your contribution to our treasurer, Dr. Lew Krakauer, 3775 West Hills Road, Corvallis, Oregon, who will then transmit to Mr. McCloskey a lump sum from our six organizations.

Conservation costs money. Our opposition spends lots. We can never hope to match the money they spend, but we have struck a positive blow for recreation with the publication of this Mt. Jefferson proposal. Thank you very much.

W.H. Oberteusser, Pres.

IF ANYONE WISHES TO CONTRIBUTE, PLEASE SEND TO ABOVE ADDRESS.

A Parody on "Trees"

I think that I shall never see
A sight lovelier than money.
A tree that stands so worthless there
When it could answer a logger's prayer.
A tree that has no worth at all
Until it is in the logger's haul.
A tree is meant for human hands
Instead of birds and plants and land.
Upon whom falls the logger's axe
To make of them a timber tax.
Trees are cut by loggers -- FLEE
And e'er they're done
God help the tree! Charla Eubanks

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 Gene Sebring has completed the lining of
 both the rest rooms. He has them ceiled,
 and also all the finish around the doors
 and all the corners. Looks nice.
 Virginia was up Saturday, the 13th, when
 we had a work party there, and she sanded
 all Gene's nail holes that he had filled.
 Also done this Saturday was a very impor-
 tant job, but one that does not show up
 very much, was ditching and placing of
 tile across the road in two places. This
 will carry off a lot of water that ran
 down the road and onto the parking lot.
 Those who showed for work Sat. were: Don
 Hunter and his two boys, Wayne and Gary,
 and they are two ambitious workers. Dale
 Sebring is another junior who is a good
 worker who was there. Then Ray Sims, Gene
 Renard, Art Johnson, MacMcWilliams, and
 Bob Medill, all digging ditches and laying
 tile. Kay Fahy and Dorothy Towlerton were
 there to work but having nothing for them
 to do, they went home after mimeographing
 some cards. The Wesleys from Roseburg
 called on the workers, but Harry forgot
 to bring his shovel. It was nice to see
 Harry and Lois anyway.

Jim Stoval was back in Washington, D.C.
 in January, attending a meeting of Direc-
 tors of the National Science Foundation
 for elementary teachers. Last year Jim was
 an instructor but this year he has been
 selected to be a director. Last year
 there were over 800 applicants, but enroll-
 ment is limited to 35.

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PRINCESS MEETING

The January 1962 Princess meeting was
 held at the home of Dorothy Shearer: 18
 members were present. Margaret Markley
 was assistant hostess.

After the general routine of business,
 our interest turned to getting plans for
 the kitchen started. Margaret had the
 plans that Tom Taylor had made and we
 discussed them to the fullest extent,
 making a few changes.

Mary Castelloe and Olga Mortensen will
 be hostesses at Mary's for the February
 19th meeting.

TRIP TO BIG LAKE

Seven persons had an enjoyable trip in
 brilliant sunshine on skis and snow shoe
 to Big Lake. We left town at 8:30 a.m.
 and arrived at Hoodoo Bowl at 10:45.
 Road clear all the way except for frosty
 spots for some distance east of Foster.
 The trip to the lake is 2 miles and it
 took an hour and a half each way with
 plenty of time out for "scenery bummig"
 Skiers took less time, even for Kay
 Williamson who had never skied before.
 Snow depth was from 2 to 3 feet. The
 lake was frozen over and we all went
 about half way on the surface down the
 west side. Mt. Washington and Three-
 Fingered Jack were beautiful in their
 covering of snow.

Those making the trip were: Margaret
 Markley, Charla Eubanks, Roban Brant,
 Clarence Landes, Helen Landes, Kay
 Williamson, and Ron Meskimen. *****

Pat Callis, whom a lot of us re-
 member as a boy who took to mountain
 climbing like a goat, has just recently
 married. Gayle Jones of Springfield and
 Pat met while the two were attending
 Oregon State. When Pat graduated he was
 awarded a scholarship which he is spend-
 ing at the University of Washington.

