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COMING EVENTS

JULY 14-Regular pot-luck night. To be at Bad Manors-The Medill place. 6:30 DST
15- Tamolitch Falls. Keith Newsom, Ldr
July 21-22- Back packi ng in the 3 creek area with Ted Johannis.
July 22- Crescent Mt. Up South Santiam-new territory. Helen Hughes is the leader.
July 29- Carpenter Mt. with Mary Douglas.
August 5- Yapoah Crater with McWilliams.
July 15- Diamond Peak. Don Chase, Bob Medi
July 29- Three Fingered Jack. Bob Ashworth.
July 29- South Sister, Charla Eubanks and Rhoda Johannis.
August 5- Mt. Washington, Mark McLaughlin & Brian Gannon.

Wednesday Nights. Something New! Dancing!! Beginners! Has Beens! Two Times! Everybody. Going to try it out. Come out and join the fun. At your Club-house. 8 DST.
See You at Twin Lakes

Summer Outing is just around the corner so all you folks planning to attend had better run down to Gilberts and sign up. Or call Jim Jeppesen, Lloyd Plaisted, Kay Fahy or Henry Carlson.

The area holds much promise so don't miss the requested deadline of July 21 or the absolute dealine of July 28th. The committee needs time to arrange for food etc., so they strongly urge you to sign by July 21.

The Rummage Sale Chairman wishes to thank all Princesses and members of the Obsidian Club who helped furnish, arrange and sell which made it a huge success.

Helen and Paul Weiser had a very enjoyable trip to the John Day to see flowers and country. Helen found five different Penstamines. They also watched carefully for Bob's recent footprints on the river.

Middle Sister Climb

A very enjoy able climb of the Middle Sister was had by twenty people on Sunday June 24th. The party assembled where th e Green Lakes Trail and Soap Creek meet. We got up early and left camp at 4:40 A.M. We followed an old trail that leads towards Chambers Lakes up Diller Glacier and into the Southeast ridge. We split the party into two groups. The faster one Mark McLaughlin led to the top a little before 11:00. The rear guard arrived at 11:30. Had lunch and passed out summit certificates. We then went down the North ridge having to put three hand lines out for safety. We then dropped onto Hayden Glacier and down until we hit our trail going up. We arrived in camp about 3:00. Mark Sebring, who stayed in camp, had broken his arm. Margaret Wiese, Brian Gannon, Karen Meats Dorothy Towlerton, Charla Eubanks, Dick Bach, Bob Bayman, Chet Bayman, Barbara Moore, Bob and Don Lyon, Tom Massey, Kirk McLaughlin, Roger & Jon Chrysler, James Kemp, Edward Trione, Harlane Lefevre, Eugene Sebring, Leader and Mark McLaughlin, Asst. Leader.

Report From Entertainment Committee.

June was a profitable month for our club with two enjoyable and interesting events at the club-house. More than 70 members and guests came out to the summer camp rally June 2nd (and \$13.75 was realized in "trip fees"). We consider this to be a proof of great interest in this camp.

Thirty-six members enjoyed the June 16th potluc! Don Hunter showed slides from the Iron Mountain territory and some very interesting pictures from the Painted Hills State Park east of Prineville. It was decided to have a picnic at Bob Medill's place July 14, 6:30 DST. in place of the potluck at the club-house.

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later than the 1st Thursday of the month.

CONVENTION SITE VISITED

Karl Onthank took Mark Castelloe, Frank Sipe, Florence Fulton, Bob Medill, and Frances McCarter, Pres. of the Chemeketans to the Boy Scouts camp on Siltcoos Lake Friday the 29th. to make plans for the coming FWOOC convention to be held Labor Day weekend. A vast amount of work will have to be done before hand such as maps of the area to be handed to each person attending. Directions to be made and sent out, costs to be arrived at, the placing of married couples, single men and single women, Transportation for those wanting it, notices to be mailed out and any trips and entertainment plans to be made.

Charges for the convention will be;
Registration Fee..... \$ 5.00
Meals and other camp costs..... \$12.00
\$17.00
Eleven and under..... \$ 8.50

If a person wishes they may camp outside of the area and attend the convention by paying the registration fee.

Sign-up deadline is August the 15th
Mail your reservation and check to Miss Frances McCarter, 3340 Crestview Dr. Salem

SUMMER CAMP time is drawing near and from advance information it appears that there is going to be a good turn-out. What more does one want than a good place to go and a good turn-out and it looks like we will have both, plus a good cook. Better sign up now. Do it today.

U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT has opened up another camp area. This one is known as the Whittaker Creek Camp and is out on Route F 32 miles from Eugene. From the bridge across the Siuslaw River you go up the river 1.8 miles following signs. The park contains 8 acres, 10 picnic tables 10 overnight camp places. They have a nature study trail built around the area with outstanding views of the Siuslaw River and Whittaker Creek and have labeled plants and shrubs of different kinds with their scientific and common names.

FOREST SERVICE

Another bulletin from the Forest Service has been received and it is called CAMPING. One interesting item in it says that if one attempted to camp in all the camps in all the U. S. Forests and spent a week in each it would take over 75 years to cover them all.

GALE BURWELL has just returned from boating down the Deschutes from Warm Springs bridge to Maupin. And the fish stories she can tell. Um! Um! Anyone contemplating on the same trip would do well to gather up all the information before going on the same kind of a trip. Unless you are familiar with the river and where one can camp. There are restrictions on both sides of the river for camping and the river is plenty rough.

And Bob Medill made another boat trip down the John Day with his son and two sons-in-law, Harvey and Howard. They report a wonderful time, and all the trout they wanted to eat caught from a hidden creek. This creek comes out from under a cliff and runs only about a mile then disappears again.

CLUB-HOUSE NOTES

We are now in the possession of a magazine rack that is a dandy. It is upstairs in the board room. Thanks to Dot Dotson & Art Johnson.

The cedar paneling is on order and will be delivered most anytime now. Then we can have some more work parties.

BILL BEAMAN

It will come as a shock to all of us to learn that Bill is in the penitentiary at Salem, and is now safely behind bars. It seems his crime consists of being married and having a family to support, and in order to do this he had to take a job at the Oregon State Penitentiary.

POT-LUCK AT MEDILL'S JULY 14TH. 6.30 DST.

PINT SIZED PITONS by Charla Eubanks
JUNIOR LEADERSHIP

There are a number of trips and climbs to be led by Junior members this year.. Climbs such as Three Fingered Jack, North Sister, McLaughlin and possibly others. This is not only an excellent opportunity to improve climbing and leadership skills but it is a great lesson in responsibility. All of the training that most of us have received since joining the club has been leading up to this leadership, (including the instruction in sliding down girders, even).

Participation in hiking with the club for Juniors has been quite gratifying. This was shown lately by interest shown in the Huckleberry Butte trip last weekend. A few of the club's Juniors were present plus a number of potential Junior Obsidians.

ROSEBURG FLOWER TRIP was a motor tour leaving Sutherlin at 8:30 A M June 24th traveled up to Glide via new Wilbur cut off road. From Glide up Little River and over the Lookout Mt. road to the North Unpqua and up to Tokatee Falls.

Stops were made to visit fossil beds, flowers, very unusual rock formations and new scenery. After lunch the group hiked down to view Tokatee Falls. Those making the trip: Margaret Markley, Catherine Dunlop, Ina Foss, James Stovall, Mary Douglass Stovall, Paul & Helen Weiser, Thelma Watson, Arthur, Isabelle and John Porter, Henry and Anna Jeppesen, Ted and Mary Jo Johannis, Frank Sipe, Norm & Kay Olson, Lucy Schattenkirk, Jack Howsotter, Jo Anne, Wesley and the leaders, Harry & Lois Wesley

CATHERINE DUNLOP Chairman of the youth Activities Comm. is still out backpacking. She sent out a report through Frank Jones that the first two Obsidians whom she asked to conduct overnight camps for 4H club leaders accepted. Mark McLaughlin conducted one and Steve Hadley the other.

Catherine is very eager to have this reported in the Obsidian Bulletin this month. Frank Jones is mailing a more detailed report from her on this. M.M. July 5th. (Sorry. Report has not arrived by press time. ed).

HUCKLEBERRY BUTTE trip led by Frank Sipe had 30 people on it. They went by Huckleberry Lake and up the North Ridge to the top. Came down on the west slope past old Huckleberry picking camps. Had to cross lots of snow fields. July 1st.

IRON MT. We left Eugene at 8:05 A M PST. Went up the Freeway to a turnout to Brownsville, Sweet Home and the South Santiam Hiway. We arrived at the trail about 10:15. We found the trail in fair condition. Some snow in a few places. We were all on top at the lookout by 12:30. After having lunch we rested for some time, starting down past 2 P M. We found some flowers. Most of them will be out later. We had a clear day and we could see from Mt Hood to Diamond Peak. No clouds to speak of. After getting down to the cars we all decided to take the Clear Lake road back. So stops were made at Clear Lake, Tamelich and Koosah Falls. We arrived home by 7:15. All told we had a wonderful day and not without reason. Pictures were taken by a number of people. Those on the trip were: Thelma Watson, Al Coven, Louis Waldorf, Arthur Johnson, Kay Fahy, Ella Carrick, Adeline Adams, Robin Brant, Mark Castelloe, Mary Castelloe, Del Blatter, Helen Smith, Ina Foss, Norman Olson, Nellie McWilliams, Catherine Dunlop, Gerald Marjella, and Anna Jeppesen and Henry Jeppesen, Leader.

SARDINE BUTTE LOOKOUT. We met at South Eugene High Parking lot at 9:00 AM DST. The weather was cold, cloudy and windy.. We parked our cars and hiked along a passable automobile road into the general area of a lookout. There is one place where one must make a choice of 2 plausible looking routes. We took the wrong one and ended up on the wrong ridge at lunch time. By that time it had started to drizzle. We ate our lunch, expecting to go back to where we had taken the wrong fork, and try again. On our way back to that point, it started to pour. Every thought of attempting to reach the lookout was abandoned, and we made Bonaparte's retreat from Moscow look like an orderly maneuver. It would have done no good to have gone on to the lookout, as the fog had closed in so the visibility was only about 100 yards or so. A very disappointing turn of events, but the country was obviously inspiring, and I'm sure on a good day it is a fine trip. We had a Eugene Register Guard reporter and photographer along, and I understand a story will be written, rain and all.

Douglas R. Spencer, Leader, Amy W. Spencer, Susan Spencer, David Spencer, Sam Frear, Mirko Y. Pitner, Emma Wright, M.B. Castelloe, Ina L. Foss, Peter Pomeroy, Helen Smith, Bill, Eroline, Scott, Elaine Martyn.

PETER SKOVBO

Many, many Obsidians have many, many fond memories of many, many swell times held at the Skovbo place near Junction City. Both Peter and Hanna were exceptionally grand hosts to Obsidian parties held, both in their barn and also in their beautiful yards. Halloween parties, dance parties & just neighborly gatherings. These thots and memories all came back to us when we learned of Pete's death in Denmark. His death is a loss to all of us.

FROM RAY SIMS

I wish to thank the many freinds, who, with their visits and cards made my 22 days in the hospital seem more like ten. Also a special thanks to Charla and Karen for a nice visit one dreary afternoon.

I was gratified one morning the first week when my doctor said, "With your friends visits and in the presence of God you will get well".

GENE RENARD and family, by this time are fast becoming Hawaiians, the family flying over the first part of this month. We will all miss them very much, and they extend to all Obsidians an invitation to see them whenever any of us are over to the Islands. Not having any poison oak over there, and because we have so much it might be a nice gesture on our part to send some over. They could plant it in their yard and Gene could distribute some around in his various parks and it might help keep them from becoming too homesick. Mrs. Renard, before leaving, donated to the club a Franklin Heating stove to be used when and if, we decide to go off of electric heat. She also gave some cream & sugar sets, salt and pepper sets and some plates.

BERNIE LERHMAN is no more, having changed her name to Mrs Walter Shold whom she married on June 30. Mr Shold is assistant county superintendent of schools for Marion County. The Obsidians extend their congratulations and best wishes.

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MOUNTAIN CLIMBING VERSUS THE COAST

We have often heard the remark, "Climb Mountains? Not me. Too dangerous. But are they? To our knowledge no one has lost their life while climbing one of our Oregon peaks when in a qualified climbing party. Even among inexperienced climbers it is very seldom that a life is lost, but one cannot say this about our SAFE Oregon coast. Lives are being lost over there constantly. Climbing the cliffs, getting caught in tide changes, getting hit by objects thrown by big waves and out on the water, either in boats or just out for a little swim.

BOY SCOUTS PRESENTS

Added to the wall at the club-house is a Post Charter from the Boy Scouts of America, Post 165, Eugene, Oregon, Presented to the Obsidians at the Last Board meeting. The Charter reads:

"The Obsidians, Inc., upon application through the authorized representatives to carry on the exploring Program for Character Building and Citizen Training". Institutional Representative, Keith Brunig Advisor, Frank Moore, Committee Chairman, Orley Ivy. And framed by Bob Dark.

CHICAGO MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

Their bulletins are very interesting and in the last one is an item by Showell Styles, in a "Climber in Wales" in which he sets forth reasons why "I climb". We all give reasons why we climb, but among his is this last line that more than any that could be given, "There are some other things that perhaps only a fellow-mountaineer would understand".

Also in the mail is the Cascadian Annual which is very interesting. The cartoons in it are most laughable.

LES AND MAE COOPER SKIPPED ACROSS THE border into Canada and did not let any one know. Maybe thats the way they wanted to go, but it is suspected that they went up to visit with Mae's sister.



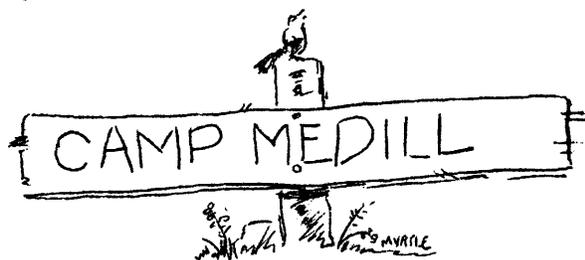
PROSPECTUS

OBSIDIAN SUMMER OUTING

33RD ANNUAL SUMMER OUTING

AUGUST 5-18, 1962
 AT TWIN LAKES IN THE
 NORTH CASCADES OF
 WASHINGTON

"A haven midst peaks galore"



Campers will be relieved of half the usual camp chores, namely half of dishwashing. We will be using paper and plastic plates depending upon which meal and type of meal will be served.

TRANSPORTATION

This will be a drive-in camp by private car. Each camper will be responsible for getting his or her personal gear arranged for. The committee will be glad to help you obtain transportation.

DIRECTIONS

Take freeway through Seattle and turn off on State Hiway 1 F at Burlington. Drive 5 miles to Sedro Woolley. Take State Hiway No 1 A north to Deming. Take Hiway No. 1 easterly to a place called Shuksan. Watch for sign to Twin Lakes and Obsidian arrows.

WHAT TO TAKE

A warm sleeping bag and air mattress	Hiking shoes or boots of good quality
Sun glasses and sunburn prevention	Plenty of wool socks
Flashlight and extra bulbs and batteries	Swim suit
Rain clothes and warm clothes for chilly evenings	Relaxing clothes
For mountaineers, crampons, ice axe and parka	Camera and plenty of film
For bivouackers, personal cooking gear, pack sack or pack frame.	Fishing gear

OUTING COMMITTEE

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Henry Carlson	1646 East 19th Ave.	" "	"	DI 5-3860
Lloyd Plaisted	1260 Monroe st.	" "	"	DI 5-6393

Selecting any outing site in particular within the Northwest is often a difficult choice. The area abounds with beauty spots as yet unspoiled. This year we will be located in the North Cascades just a few miles from the Canadian border at Twin Lakes which lies in a meadow surrounded by greater and lesser peaks. Recently the Chemeketans stayed at this place and enjoyed their stay. Some of our own members who attended highly recommend it.

This site is located about 60 miles easterly from Bellingham, Washington, 7 miles of which is off the main road and which places the camper at Twin Lakes. Mt. Shuksan, Mt. Baker, Goat Mountain, Ruth Mt., Hannegan Peak, Mt. Larrabee, and other peaks should be in view. Several high Lakes will easily be accessible by trail. View spots, high meadows, reportedly good fishing, and several places reached by car and or trail will all add to an outing to look forward to. The Obsidians have never been to this area before for an outing.

Mountain climbers, long trek hikers, short trek hikers, fishermen, and just plain campers, old and young, should easily find things of interest here.

REGISTRATION

Make reservations with Sterling Behnke at Gilberts shoe store, 49 East Broadway, Eugene, or by mail to any of the members of the committee listed on the front side of the prospectus. A deposit of \$10 must accompany all reservations except those of week-enders. The balance of the fee must be paid before leaving for camp.

Your reservation should be made by July 21, 1962, so that your committee can make essential arrangements for food and transportation and equipment. We must ask an absolute deadline of July 28. Please make checks payable to Obsidian Camp Fund.

FOOD

We plan to have excellent food to help you enjoy camp and to help us do this we again have retained Selma Vangsness as our cook. She will be assisted by Dorothy Towleron. Meals will be served from dinner Sunday, August 5th, through dinner Saturday, August 18. All meals, including lunches and bivouac supplies are included in your camp fee. We will have access to small stores a few miles away.

COST SCHEDULE

Adults and teeners over 12 years	Children 12 years @ under
Two weeks.....\$42.50	Two weeks.....\$24.00
One week.....\$23.75	One week.....\$13.50
One day.....\$ 4.20	One day.....\$ 2.40

Non-member adults will pay \$5.00 more for two weeks, \$3.00 more for one week, and 40¢ more on the daily rate. Those wanting transportation should be prepared to pay \$12 to \$14, round trip from Eugene, to the driver of the car to share the expense.

ACTIVITIES

The committee this year will have a preplanned schedule of recommended hikes, climb, drives and hikes posted throughout the camp Period. Other trips as may be of interest may be taken. Hikers and climbers should sign up for all trips at camp so their whereabouts will always be known, and all safty rules should be observed. Mountain climbing will depend on the strength and experience of the group involved.

The fee includes all meals, cooking, tableware, and use of camp equipment, including men's or womens tents for those who do not wish to bring their own. On bivouacs you will do your own cooking.

We will have nightly campfires, and hope to have some visits from Forest Service personnel of the area. Entertainment is often derived from members of the group.