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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE LODGE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

COME FOR AN EVENING OF GOOD FOOD
AND GOOD CHEER!

Potluck at 6:30 p.m....ENTERTAINMENT....
COME AND SEE...Santa Claus will be there
too. For the gift exchange, each person
bring a gift to cost not more than 30¢
(if you choose--make or bake). Please
mark on outside of package....ladies for
ladies, men for men, boys for boys, girls
for girls, or for either or for any age.
Betty & Art Herron, Chairmen



COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 14 (Sat) Annual Christmas Party.
- 15 (Sun) Annual Christmas Tree Trip---
Mike Stahl, Leader(345-2904).
- 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!
- 31--JAN.1--Annual New Year's Party-----
Lillian Johnson, Chmn.(345-6338)

JANUARY

- 4 (Sat) Bear Mountain, Clarence Landes,
Leader(344-4500).
- 11 & 12--Watch for announcements.
- 18 (Sat) Ski and Snowshoe Trip---With
Marriner Orum(342-4527).

N.H.S. ANNOUNCES ANNUAL BIRD COUNT

The 69th Annual Christmas Bird Count sponsored by the National Audubon Society will be on Sunday, December 29. Allan Larrabee is Chairman--Phone 342-2993.... Call him for information on where to meet, equipment, etc. The December meeting of Natural History Society will be on Friday, Dec. 13, 8:00 p.m., Room 150 Science. The program will deal with problems of caring for zoo animals -- by Dr. Mayberry of the Portland Zoo.

FLYING HIGH NEW YEAR'S EVE



WALTER YOUNGQUIST will be at the controls when Obsidians and friends take flight over the Northwest by pictures and story.

However, before we reach our destination -1969, most any highjacker may take over when the Liar's Contest begins. The one with the tallest tale will go down in history, for his or her name will be engraved on that famous Obsidian Liar's Canteen. Come prepared to spin your best yarn.

Flight 1969 will take off at 8:30 p.m. December 31st from the Obsidian Lodge. Bring cookies or sandwiches; drinks will be furnished (coffee, tea or punch, that is!).

BOARD NOTES - 12-4-68 - TREASURER

Beginning Balance	\$1657.14
<u>Receipts</u>	
Membership dues	110.00
Trips	3.70
Outing	46.50
Entertainment	3.25
Publications	4.00
	<u>\$1824.59</u>

Disbursements

Trips	\$30.00
Climbing	7.35
Publications	21.70
Entertainment	50.00
Outing	4.54
Lodge Improvements	256.58
Lodge Expenses	189.58
	<u>559.75</u>
	<u>\$1264.84</u>

APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

EMEB	\$ 23.51
M. Williams, Postage Bulletin	15.00
Wayne Renfro, Postage	6.00
Membership Activities	5.86
County Taxes	169.72
	<u>\$220.09</u>

ENTERTAINMENT -LOIS SCHREINER

Advance for Thanksgiving Dinner	\$ 50.00
46 people at \$1.35	62.10
	<u>\$112.10</u>

Expense

Turkeys	\$18.59
Selma	10.00
Groceries & Decorations	8.76
Return to Treasurer	37.35
	<u>\$74.75</u>

There will be a bill for laundering the tablecloths. Helen Weiser

MC LAUGHLIN-CLARK MEMORIAL FUND

Paid to Hammer Lbr. Co.	\$24.24
Bal. in Memorial Fund 12/4/68	\$ 259.13
Summary-Total Deposits	1148.80
Paid Mem. Fd.	887.67
Bal.	<u>\$259.13</u>

Total pd. for "entry" to date:

From Memorial Fund	\$ 887.67
From Gen. Fund	
(Hammer Lbr. \$182.08	
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Total paid out	<u>\$1291.90</u>

OBSIDIANS who have not as yet paid their 1968-69 membership dues are reminded that there is still time to pay up and avoid the \$1 reinstatement fee. Singles \$6, couples \$10, Juniors \$2. Mail Directly to Clarence Johnson, Membership Chairman, 1625 Elanco Lane, Eugene, Ore. 97401.

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NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Frank & Dorothy Manning (Resigned mbrshp)	
Mildred Ball	" "
Anne Noland, Corvallis	

WELCOME NEW MEMBERSPHONE

Dorothy R. Hayes	
2159 Alder st. Eugene	342-3108
Roger Hayes, Junior Mbr.	

Margaret Pope

859 Lewis St., Eugene	343-3842
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Barrett L. Tomlinson

1055 W. 7th, Eugene	343-9687
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Alice A. Bissell,

493 - 15th Ave. E., Eugene	345-9837
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OUTING COMMITTEE - Bob Cox

Researching different areas for 1969 summer outing. Trinity Alps in Calif. being studied in Caribou Lakes area.

TRIPS COMMITTEE - Wayne Renfro

Reported 8 trips, one was cancelled. Sixty members and 30 nonmembers. This includes bus trip to Kah-nee-ta. Trip fees \$16.05.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE - Clarence Johnson

Clarence Johnson reported 3 resignations, 5 new members.

SCIENTIFIC & EDUCATION COMMITTEE composed of Mary-Douglass Stovall, Chairman, Frank Sipe, Helen Weiser and Maxcine Williams.

MAXCINE WILLIAMS has full-page picture of Alaska's State Flower in the pull-out calendar in the December "Alaskan Sportsman."



WESLEY DAVID SAND arrived at the home of Leland & Jo Anne Sand in Roseburg on the 21st day of Oct., 1968, and intends to stay. Well pleased with parents & grandparents Harry & Lois Wesley.

SPECIAL REQUEST BY BULLETIN COMMITTEE

All items for the current issue of the Bulletin (Obsidian) must be called in or mailed to the Editor, Geraldine Fehly, 1601 Olive, #211, as early as possible, because for timely publishing, it is made up and mimeographed prior to the Board meeting and space for Board notes only is saved. The Obsidian P.O. Box mail is picked up only for the Board meeting. Ed. Bulletin Committee - Thanks again to Myrtle Smith for another of her charming & original Christmas headings.

TRIPS COMMITTEE REPORT

The initial meeting of the Committee was held on November 15th. Since then they have been contacting Obsidian Members as to suggested trips they would like to lead. Some younger Junior Members, members who have not been actively hiking, and members residing outside the immediate area are not expected to lead trips. However, if anyone wishes to suggest and/or lead a trip and has not heard from the Committee by early Jan. please contact any of the following 1969 Trips Committee members:

John Anderson	John McManigal
Mary Bridgeman	Lenore McManigal
Mary Carr	Wilma Moore
Geraldine Fehly	Marriner Orum
Beatrice LeFevre	Frank Sipe
Alvin Lynch	Wayne Renfro, Chrm.

The above-named members will hold a second meeting on Dec. 12th, to start organizing a schedule, eliminating conflicting dates and places along with accounting for all weekends, all prior to a final confirmation contact with each of the leaders.

In the meantime the "signup" sheets will be at Sport Haus, 724 Willamette St. and there will be announcements in the Eugene Register-Guard of the immediately scheduled trips. Wayne Renfro, Chairman

DON TEMPLE, CHIEF JACK RABBIT

With great sadness, we note the death of Donald Temple, who, at age 37, probably knew more about the out-of-doors than most of us learn in a lifetime. This would be quite natural since his parents Roy and Edna Temple, have long been known for the same achievement. Don was employed by the Oakridge Ranger District and was in charge of trail construction. His death resulted from a snowmobile accident while elk hunting in Waldo Meadows. He joined the Obsidians as a Junior member in 1946, became Chief Jack Rabbit, and was quite active in skiing, hiking and climbing activities, leading many of the club trips. We Obsidians extend our deepest sympathy to Roy and Edna Temple.

AT FRIENDLY HOUSE, 2445 KINCAID

Dec. 15--Tom Smith, "Taiwan and Hongkong"
 Dec. 22--Edward Price "Ireland"
 Dec. 27(Friday)---Annual Christmas Party
 NO PROGRAM DEC. 29-----HAPPY NEW YEAR!
 Jan. 5, 1969 -- Marian Barnes, "India"

THANKSGIVING DINNER - Nov. 28, 1968

Forty-six Obsidians and friends gathered at the Obsidian Lodge for another Thanksgiving feast. The tables were beautiful with orange and yellow nylon net streamers, leaves, and cornucopias filled with fruit, all planned and arranged by Ray Cavagnaro. Skeie's Jewelry loaned the candelabra, Doris Myers the cornucopias. Bailey Castelloe and Ray looked very professional in chef's aprons carving the turkeys, which, along with the dressing and gravy, were prepared by Selma Vangsness. They were the best ever and all the potluck dishes most delicious. Roxie Waldorf took the reservations and planned the menu. Before dinner she and Roberta Lathrop, with Dorothy Towlerton at the piano, played for informal singing. After dinner there was a movie of Italy. Helping with the tables & in the kitchen were Mary Castelloe, Mary Carr, Dorothy Towlerton, Mae Cooper, Florence Fulton, Mary-Douglass Stovall and Paula Vehrs. Bob Medill acted as cashier.

Thank you everyone for the wonderful cooperation that made the party such a happy occasion.

Helen Kleiser
 Bachelor

LOIS SCHREINER receives her ~~Master~~ ^{Master} of Science degree on Dec. 13, and on Dec. 14, her daughter Christine Marie will be married to Douglas S. McKinnon.

JOHN AND RUTH BASCOM led a discussion on "Communication Within the Family" Sunday Dec. 10 at St. Mary's Catholic Parish.

CLARENCE & DOROTHY SCHERER and family are happily settled in their new home at 673 Summit, Springfield. Our congratulations and best wishes to all.

Daughter Carol was named in the Nov. 7 Register-Guard as reporter of school news briefs from Springfield H. S.

ROBERT A. PASCHELKE, son of LEO & LOIS PASCHELKE, is engaged to Theresa Ann Hervey of Honolulu. No date has been set for the wedding.

BETTY & ART HERRON had a grand vacation this fall, visiting their home towns in upper Michigan. Both towns are now vanished, but Art was able to see the big, old barn, all that was left of his birthplace. They visited their fathers' graves. Both died the same year when Betty and Art were very young.

CHUCKLE - Reluctant Swain - "My girl & I are only half serious about getting married - She is and I'm not."

PYRAMID MOUNTAIN - 5602 ft. 10/10/68

The trail to Pyramid Mt. follows the ridge between French Pete Creek and Rebel Rock Creek. The first 2 miles are about like going up the steep west side of Spencer's Butte for that distance without any switchbacks. Generally the trail is timbered and hasn't much to recommend it except that Pyramid had not been climbed before by Obsidians. Three made it to the top for this first time. Helen Smith, Lois Schreiner and Wes Prouty who reported good views from the top in spite of timber on top. About half way on the trip there is one place on the ridge that affords an excellent view of the south slopes of Tipsoo, Yankee Mt. and Lowder Mt. Some snow was encountered near the top of Pyramid.

Probably the most exciting thing on the trip was that Helen Smith and Wes Prouty, at the head of the party, got glimpses of a mother bear and two cubs not far to the left of the trail.

There were many Forest Service Cutting Boundary signs all along the ridge.

Weather sunny in the morning, cloudy by noon - misty rain by the time we returned to the car.

Wes Prouty, Lois Schreiner, Helen Smith, Barbara Stiles and Margaret Markley, Leader.

GARY (Our President) Asks:

Do you feel that the Obsidians are heading up the right trail?

In other words, is there a suggestion or idea in the back of your mind about any activities that we now have or should have? With the rest of the Obsidian Board, I extend to one and all of the members, an invitation to come and join us at any or all regularly-held Obsidian Board meetings. The next Board meeting will be held on January 8, 1969, at 7:30 p.m. If you do have a thought or idea and can not attend the meeting, please write or call one of the members of the Board.

Gary Kirk, President

DID YOU KNOW?? Oregon has about eight square miles of glaciers, compared to Washington's 135 square miles? Together the two states contain about 90 per cent of the live glaciers in the original 48 states. (Oregonian 11-23-68)

OBSIDIAN CHIEFS gathered at the Lodge on Saturday afternoon, November 9, 1968.

Smoketurner noted that just 40 years ago, in August of 1928, the first four "Chiefs" were initiated in the shadow of the then large Collier Glacier which protruded into the trees west of the terminal Moraine, with 81 persons who had traversed the length of Collier Glacier that day as an audience.

Fourteen were there for a 6:30 dinner the evening of the initiation after which there was a midnight snack of cider and doughnuts.

Eight were there for an 8:30 a.m. breakfast on Sunday morning.

The new chief is DEN ROSS, now Chief "Fleetfoot". Other Chiefs present for the initiation were: Paintbrush, Broken-top, Little Brother, Honker, Thunderbird, Robinson Crusoe, Posy, Wah, Q Ball, Look-out, Abdullah, Eager Beaver and Smoke-turner.

It was suggested that we have monthly Saturday night sessions with Sunday morning breakfast for those who wish to spend the night at the Lodge.

December seems pretty well filled, so: Chiefs, how about January 11, 1969, for a starter? Call either Bob Medill, Ray Sims or Bailey Castellone so the food can be planned for Saturday the 11th.

Ray Sims

A NEW GLACIER WAS DISCOVERED in September by Dr. Theodore Lathrop, Oswego Mountaineer, and Jim Torrance, U. S. Forest Service ranger, near the north foot of Mt. Thielsen. This is Oregon's Southernmost glacier. (Oregonian 11-23-68)

WALTER YOUNGQUIST'S SON, JOHN, was promoted to rank of Sergeant and assigned as combat aide to the Comm. of 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Amer. Div. in Vietnam. He is 19, a 1966 graduate of Sheldon H. S., and has been in Vietnam for ten months.

NELLIE AND MAC MCWILLIAMS are enjoying their new car - a Rambler Rebel. Happy motoring!

SCOTT LAKE TO SCOTT MOUNTAIN -- 10/13/68
Cindy Bascom was leader of this trip with Becky Bascom as rearguard with the following members: Ellen Bascom and Keith Brunig. Nonmembers Elaine and Richard Barrar, Cecily Patton, Wes Prouty and Barry Tomlinson. (Some of these are now welcomed as members.) Snow covered everything as low as Scott Lake. The weather was beautiful and it melted the snow from the trees by noon. We reached Tenas Lakes in an hour (2 miles) but decided to see them on the way down. Fifteen minutes later, in deeper snow that made it hard to see the trail, we missed a sign high on a tree and took off to the left - downhill. Finally we took a look at the map and found ourselves on the Benson Lake Trail and had to turn back for a mile at least. We found the sign we had missed and reached the top with no more difficulties. Keith Brunig decided not to go on to the top. Becky and Ellen Bascom went straight up. The rest of us followed the trail up. The Sisters were covered with clouds but everything else was visible and beautiful. We came down following B & E's trail in 12 minutes and met Mr. Brunig for lunch. The snow was just beautiful -- untouched except for a few deer tracks. On top, the tree branches had snow fringe extending beyond the branch in the direction of the wind. It was beautiful. I (Cindy) got 2 gigantic blisters on my heels (newly recovered from school loafers) but other than that every one else came out in perfect shape. I'd love to do this in the snow again. Cindy Bascom, Leader



REBEL ROCK LOOKOUT - November 3, 1968
Beautiful day, mixture of sun, clouds and blue skies greeted us to make this a most pleasant trip. We saw tops of snow-covered mountains, just a wee mite of snow on top of the ridge. Arrived at Lookout at 12:45 and found the house still there. This is a long trip but always an enjoyable one. Helen Smith, Leader, Mary Bridgeman, Phyllis Ford, Wes Prouty and nonmembers Elaine Barrar & Richard Barrar.

MT. HAGAN - Nov. 10, 1968

Leader notes he prefers old name, "Cap" Hagan.

Weather: Wet

Trail: 12-feet wide, graveled, steep and wet.

Visibility: Good, considering the rain.

Plants: Mainly losing leaves but there was a yellow Violet in bloom.

The hike was set up as variable according to the weather so this was the short version. The road turns left off the McKenzie Highway just east of Milepost 33 and belongs to Giustina Lumber Co., who left the gate open for us. It is a 4½ mi. drive to the final steep grade to the summit. This hike can be varied from the minimum ¾ mile that cannot be driven with an ordinary car to 10 miles, total round trip from the McKenzie Highway. The view included all the nearby hills and parts of the river. The party did not tarry on the mountain but returned to the cars and to Eugene for lunch at the Leader's home in front of a blazing hearth-fire.

We were glad to see Ina Foss back with us and to welcome two new hikers, who enjoyed the trip in spite of the rain.

Along to enjoy this trip were Mary Bridgeman, Jean Eller, Ina L. Foss, Mary Holland, Kenneth Lodewick, Leader, with Robin Lodewick and Julie Schlessner.

STONY POINT - October 26, 1968

We hiked in heavy fog to the site of the old Stony Point lookout. As we ate lunch the sun began to break through and we enjoyed the scenery as we hiked back down the hill. By the time we got back down it was bright and sunny, so we went on over to Wolf Point and hiked about one-half mi. to the lookout there. We climbed the lookout tower and enjoyed the view of the snow-capped peaks of the Cascades. The trail up Stony Point is very good -- the first part of it is a road with coarse rock on it. The upper part is a dirt road somewhat overgrown with trees and brush. Enjoying this trip were Elaine Barrar, Richard Barrar, Grace Smith, Helen Smith, Ilene Yates, leader, and Robert Yates.

SAVE BETTY CROCKER COUPONS AND GOLD BOND STAMPS FOR THE PRINCESSES

Friendly House Annual Christmas Party will be Friday, Dec. 27; Potluck Dinner at 6:30 p.m. (Call for reservations-345-5823); The Annual Christmas Story and Roger Hall's "From Nazareth to Bethlehem."

No. 59 By Ray Sims

There were many good places to ski in 1951; one of the best was on top of Deer Butte; there was a good trail to the top, a large cleared meadow, a good hill.

July 8, 1951, another of our yearly "Tenderfoot" climbs of the Middle took place. 29 in the early morning party... climbed by way of Renfro Glacier and all reached the top before noon. Glissading was excellent on the way down.

The 1951 Summer Camp was held at Green Lakes, with many "firsts". We had a large camp, well planned, and in my opinion one of our better camps. The first "first" was my son Jim, 9 years, who had gone in with the committee, but NOT to stay for camp. Well that was what "broke the ice" -- children have been in Summer camps since. The next "first" was the "Mix-up-Messa". That is to say - it makes no difference where anyone camps in a summer camp. Then the next "first" was the use of a borrowed 10 man rubber boat (we had our own the following year).

Eating lunch on the summit of Broken Top, it seemed that "everyone" was there, a large crowd, and I do believe that Blanche(Bailey) will long remember the descent. Then the climb of the South Sister, led by Mac McWilliams. Our cook climbed with us.

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PRINCESS NEWS

Princess Vine Maple(Dorothy Scherer) invites the Princesses to her new home at 673 Summit Blvd. in Springfield, for their Christmas Party, Monday, Dec. 16, 7:30 p.m. Bring a \$1.00 gift for the exchange. Co-Hostesses: Florence Fulton, Jane Hilt, Helen Kilpatrick, M. Castelloe. OUR WARMEST THANKS TO PRINCESS SINGING WATERS(BLANCHE BAILEY), for our delightful get-together at her home in Salem, Nov. 23. It was an especially nice party(22 Princesses): Natalie Morgan,Marje Beaman(and 3 little Beamans later in the day),Margaret Logsdon,Dorothy Towlerton,Wilma Moore,Florence Fulton,Jane Hilt,Helen Kilpatrick,Myrtie Hamlin,M.Castelloe,Nellie McWilliams,Florence Sims,Thelma Watson,Arlene Keasling,Doris Jones,Margaret Markley,Catherine Dunlop,Vera Heidenreich, Frances Newsom,Helen Weiser & Anna Pechanec. Business: Decided to continue the Annual Halloween Maltese Cross Project with further study on how to administer it, the Spring Rummage Sale, Annual Spring Breakfast and Annual All-Women's Party. Before starting for home, Blanche served delicious homemade pie and coffee. THANK YOU, BLANCHE.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



From Lois Schreiner

The Board of Higher Education
The Faculty
and the Fall Class of
The University of Oregon
announce the
Graduation Convocation
Friday afternoon, December thirteenth
Nineteen hundred and sixty-eight
at three o'clock

Erb Memorial Union Ballroom
Eugene, Oregon

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Mrs. Lois M. Schreiner

requests the honour of your presence

at the Nuptial Mass uniting her daughter

Christine Marie

and

Mr. Douglas S. McKinnon

in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

on Saturday morning, the fourteenth of December

at ten o'clock

Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Eugene, Oregon

Reception

immediately following

Empire Room, Eugene Hotel

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