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COLUMBIA RIVER TRIPPERS!

Don't forget--Bus leaves--
South Eugene H.S. grounds at
7 A.M., Sat. Sept. 20--returns
8:30 P.M. Sun. Sept. 21. Bring
sack lunch--be sure to bring
2 pairs of walking shoes (one
for the beach); bring rain
gear to insure sunshine!

COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER	TRIPS
13 (Sat)	McFarland Lake--John McManigal.
Q	South Fork McKenzie.
14 (Sun)	Obsidian Loop--Randy Harp. A
Q	Favorite Trip Repeated.
20, 21 (Sat-Sun)	Hunts Cove--Allan Pierce.
Q	West Side of Mt. Jefferson.
21 (Sun)	Mt. Nebo--Art Steele. Up Mohawk.
27 Q (Sat)	McDuff Peak--Mary Holland.
28 (Sun)	Grasshopper Mt.--Johnnie Johnson.

OCTOBER

4 (Sat)	Black Butte--Clarence Landes.
5 (Sun)	Logger Butte. Oakridge Area.
10 (Fri)	OBSIDIAN ANNUAL MEETING.
11 Q (Sat)	Big Belknap Crater--Pat Crowder.
12 Q (Sun)	Four-In-One Crater--Bob Cox.

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This is the final issue of the Obsidian Bulletin to be edited by the present committee. "Thank you" does not seem to be an expressive enough word of appreciation for the many members who have so willingly helped during the past two years.... Mary Castelloe, typing; Myrtle Smith for her intriguing sketches; Maxcine Williams who has kept the address list up-to-date and typed all labels; and "Collators" Roger, Edith & Mary Bridgeman, Mary Carr, Keith Brunig, Virginia West, Betty Waddell; and machine operators Bob Medill and Ray Cavagnaro. This has been a great deal of work but it has been fun and I want to thank all who contributed to the content to help make the bulletin a success. Ex-Editor, Gerry Fehly

ANNUAL MEETING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

Accompanying this bulletin is the letter announcing Annual Meeting Oct. 10; pay your dues and vote (Active Members) from 6-6:45 p.m. and then enjoy the annual potluck dinner at 6:45. Committee Chairmen will give their annual reports at the Business Meeting after dinner and new officers will be announced. President Gary Kirk presides.

THERE WILL BE NO POTLUCK IN SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER	CLIMBS
13, 14 (Sat-Sun)	North Sister--Jim Jeppesen
	Regular Route.
13, 14 (Sat-Sun)	Mt. Yoran--Mel Jackson.
	Two Rock Scrambles.
20, 21 (Sat-Sun)	Mt. Thielsen--Derald Himber.
20, 21 (Sat-Sun)	Diamond Peak--Donn Chase.
	Saturday from Summit Lake.
27, 28 (Sat-Sun)	South Sister--Marriner Orum.

LADIES' PARTY

Obsidian ladies were guests of the Princesses at the Lodge, July 21. Wilma Moore planned and carried out a delightful evening. Everyone enjoyed her home-made brownies with coffee, punch, nuts & mints. Those who took part in the "Style Show" wore old fashioned costumes or their original hiking outfits. Charlotte Lemon wore her original hiking outfit complete with alpenstock and she explained why each item was suitable for hiking or climbing. Myrtie Hamlin wore her hiking jacket and hat. Margaret Markley modelled Myrtie's old style black wool swim suit, and Jane Hilt modelled an older style black linen swim suit which had belonged to Helen Weiser's mother. Helen Weiser wore her mother's original tan linen duster, with wide brimmed hat and gauntlet gloves, used in the early days of automobiles. Mary Castelloe wore an old style gym suit. Wilma conducted a delightful game, matching small pieces of materials to selected phrases such as "A Tall Tale" which matched up with a piece of yarn.

BOARD NOTES - September 3, 1969

Beginning Balance \$1309.33
Receipts:

Membership	\$ 11.00	
Trips	27.00	
Climbing	18.50	
Outing	439.50	
Entertainment	7.78	
Miscellaneous	25.00	528.78
		\$1838.11

Disbursements:

Trips	\$203.00	
Climbing	52.75	
Outing	225.00	
Publications	3.35	
Lodge Expense	48.49	\$532.59
		\$1305.52

Savings Account 2037.72

This report does not reflect total receipts or expenditures for outing in the Trinity Alps.

Bills approved for payment

Duplicating products	\$ 3.35
EWEB	20.90
Postage	36.00

OUTING - Bob Cox

Bob reported on a successful summer camp. There were unexpected expenses in packing in which resulted in some loss of funds for this year's camp but the Board expressed appreciation for the fine job Bob had done. This was a beautiful area and a wonderful camp from all reports.

TRIPS - Wayne Renfro

Wayne reported 16 trips with 3 cancelled. There were 66 members on the trips with 76 nonmembers. Trip fees of \$30 were collected.

CLIMBING - Ron Nunemaker

Ron reported 20 climbs and fees collected of \$67.50. Signups have been poor and Ron has had to go out a few times and enlist friends in order to complete the trips.

MEMBERSHIP - Clarence Johnson

Reported application for membership from:

Roger F. Smith, 1792 W. 24th Ave., Eugene, Phone 343-3637, Business: 343-3365(24-hr.)

ENTERTAINMENT - Lois Schreiner

Reported \$5.75 in trip fees collected at the Fourth of July picnic.

CONSERVATION - Don Hunter

Don has received a letter from the Oregon Environmental Council thanking us for our membership in the council.

McKenzie Guardians are trying to halt the timber cutting in the Castle Rock area. Both Don and Lois have been attending these meetings. This organization would like to see at least a quarter of a mile on each side of the river protected permanently, though some of the land is in private hands and this may be impossible. This area extends from Springfield all the way to the Pass. This movement will need a great deal of support.

PUBLICATIONS - Gerry Fehly

Brought up the subject of an electric typewriter for use of future editors. In consideration of the money saved by the club by publishing our own bulletin, this is considered an economy. The Board requested Ron Nunemaker to scout around for a used IBM.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS - Clarence Landes reported there will be a man available Monday and Tuesday evenings to work on the grounds.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Bob Medill reported for the committee on the following names to run for a position on the Board: Mary Carr, Barbara Hasek, Hazen Bressler, Keith Brunig, Ben Ross & Gene Thaxton.

HELEN LYNCH reminded those present that all Committee Chairmen are to have their annual reports ready for the meeting on October 10.

AFTER MANY MOONS we have finally heard from Polly Tickle again! He says "To get an over-all picture of the Army Engineers, read the story by Chief Justice Wm. O. Douglas in the July issue of Playboy. If you are unable to find an issue ask some of your bachelor friends. The article is an eye-opener."

BOB Medill was feted with a decorated birthday cake by members of the Board at the September 3 meeting. He was wished a Happy Birthday. He told us his age but we don't believe a word of it. It can't be true!!

1969 SUMMER CAMP REUNION AND BANQUET September 27, 1969

This is an open invitation to join us in a banquet and exciting reunion of members who went to the Trinity Alps in California this summer. Come with us on a spectacular, armchair trip to the never-never land of wilderness enchantment, unheralded natural beauty and unsurpassed high country panoramas.

The banquet will be at 6:30 p.m. Sat. September 27, at the Obsidian Lodge. The cost is \$2.00 per adult, \$1.25 per child under 10.

Main dish is turkey. Bring your own utensils. Reunion and slides at 8 p.m. Selma and Gwen will cook - enough said!

WE are sorry if you missed summer camp. Don't YOU be sorry you missed the reunion. Make definite reservations by September 20. Phone Bob Cox 344-0038.

Steven Crawford - while hunting - shot himself below the right knee while pulling his pistol from the holster. He is the son of Cal Crawford and is recovering in Sacred Heart Hospital.

To quote our Constitution on dues:

SECTION 2. The dues of single Active and Associate Members shall be six Dollars(\$6.00)per year, payable in advance, and shall run from Oct. to Oct. The sum of nine dollars (\$9.00) (Initiation fee plus current dues) must accompany all applications for membership and covers that portion of the year up to the next following Oct., except that the sum of six dollars(\$6.00)(initiation fee plus one-half the current dues) instead of nine dollars(\$9.00) shall accompany all single applications received after April 1. The dues of Active and Associate married couples shall be ten dollars (\$10.00)per year, payable in advance, and shall run from Oct. to Oct. The sum of sixteen dollars(\$16.00)(initiation fee plus current dues) must accompany all applications of married couples for membership and covers that portion of the year up to the next following Oct. except that the sum of nine dollars(\$9.00)(initiation fee plus one-half the current dues) instead of sixteen dollars(\$16.00) shall accompany all applications received after April 1.

RAY HARRIS is now located at Route 1, Box 429, Wilton California 95693, Tel. 685-3791. He was a recent visitor in Eugene.

MAXCINE WILLIAMS attended the 11th International Botanical Congress in Seattle on her way home from Alaska. She also had a side trip to Port Angeles, Wn. on the Olympic Peninsula, including a trip up Hurricane Ridge.

DERALD HIMBER has a new address, Route 2, Box 717, Roseburg, Ore. 97470

MARTHA BERKEY is now in Salonika, Greece, where she is on the staff of the college there.

CONSERVATION NOTE: The Army Engineers have reopened possibilities of a Cascadia dam. There are several alternates, none of which most people can see much use for. The dams will flood the nice picnic area in a tree farm location along a nice cascade and several of the proposals would flood the very nice Cascadia State Park. A hearing will be held at Sweethome High School on Sept. 18 at 7:30 p.m. with exhibits open all day. In Eugene people can contact Mrs. J. C. Chapman, 110 Holeman Ave., Phone..... 688-7164. Letters to Army Engineers, Pittock Block, Portland, would help.

Kenneth Lodewick

Here is a recipe for delicious Bran Muffins from the Bridgeman family:

BRAN MUFFINS

3 cups sugar	2 cups 40% Bran
1 cup plus 3 tsp.	Flakes
Crisco	4 cups All Bran "
4 Eggs	1 qt. Buttermilk
5 cups flour	1 cup raisins or
5 tsp. soda	Dates (white
1 tsp. salt	raisins are nice)

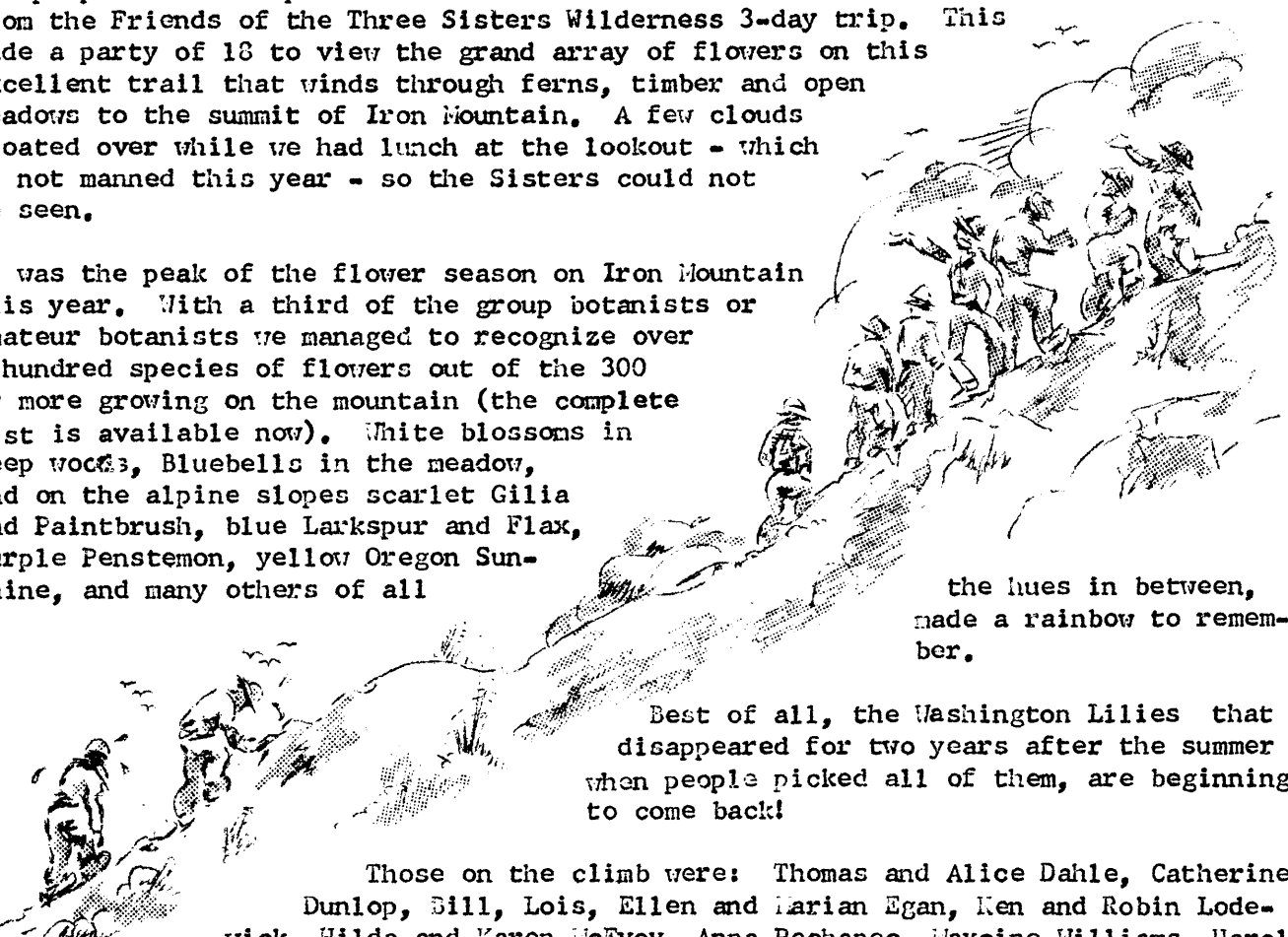
First pour 2 cups boiling water over Bran Flakes - set aside to cool. Then cream Crisco and sugar - add eggs and sifted dry ingredients - then buttermilk, raisins and cooled, moist, bran flakes. Store in gallon (jar or 4 one-qt. jars) covered in refrigerator. When you have a 'yen' for something delicious and special, fill greased muffin pans, three-fourths full and bake at 350 degrees for about 25 or 30 minutes (sometimes less). Surprisingly enough, these 'keep' very well for 4 or 6 weeks and are a joy because they are ready at instant notice!

TIMBER OPERATORS COUNCIL, INC. has simplified the addressing of nearly 300 bulletins by the gift to us of an Elliott Addressing machine. Now all we have to do is cut the stencil plates and the new committee will be ready to go.

IRON MOUNTAIN - July 20, 1969

Six people left the park blocks for Iron Mountain at 9:30 a.m. and were met by 12 from the Friends of the Three Sisters Wilderness 3-day trip. This made a party of 18 to view the grand array of flowers on this excellent trail that winds through ferns, timber and open meadows to the summit of Iron Mountain. A few clouds floated over while we had lunch at the lookout - which is not manned this year - so the Sisters could not be seen.

It was the peak of the flower season on Iron Mountain this year. With a third of the group botanists or amateur botanists we managed to recognize over a hundred species of flowers out of the 300 or more growing on the mountain (the complete list is available now). White blossoms in deep woods, Bluebells in the meadow, and on the alpine slopes scarlet Gilia and Paintbrush, blue Larkspur and Flax, purple Penstemon, yellow Oregon Sunshine, and many others of all



the hues in between,
made a rainbow to remember.

Best of all, the Washington Lilies that disappeared for two years after the summer when people picked all of them, are beginning to come back!

Those on the climb were: Thomas and Alice Dahle, Catherine Dunlop, Bill, Lois, Ellen and Marian Egan, Ken and Robin Lodewick, Hilda and Karen McEvoy, Anna Pechanec, Maxcine Williams, Harold and Freda Young and Kay Sims Leader.

Virginia West and Geraldine Fehly "Rear Guards" arrived at the lookout a few minutes after the rest of the party!

PATJENS LAKES - SANTIAM PASS - 7-13-69

The day was sunny and bright as we left the Park block at 8:20 after waiting 20 min. for two who had signed up and didn't show up. Traveled to Big Lake Campground in four cars, and then walked by trail the two miles in to the 3 Patjens Lakes. Saw lovely wildflowers on the trail including Bear Grass, Clintonia, Polymonium, Lupine, Pussy's Claw, Buttercups, yellow and purple Violets and others. Myrtle Smith remained at Big Lake to enjoy the scenery and do a little sketching and John Taylor stayed there to fish. Yes, he was successful. We ate our lunch on the shores of the third lake, and enjoyed watching a climbing party scale Mt. Washington (through binoculars). After returning to Big Lake we drove another 10 miles round trip by car up Sand Mt. At the summit, we visited with the forest lookout, (a girl) and enjoyed the spectacular view of all the major peaks from this vantage point. The road up and down was a little scary at times, especially when meeting another car. Making the trip were: Byron and Ruth Boyles, Hazen & Lorene Bressler, Art & Betty Herron, Jane Hilt, Beatrice LeFevre, Margaret Markley, Pat Pattison, Bill & Marjorie Serfling, Myrtle Smith, Ann, Douglas and John Taylor and Paula Veirs.

Save Betty Crocker Coupons for the Princesses and don't forget to ask for your Redemption certificates when cashing in gold pond stamps. Save Flavor Pack labels from frozen foods.

Gold Medal to Phyllis Ford for 300 Betty Crocker Coupons! Thank you, Phyllis!

BLACK CRATER - 8-9-69

Another beautiful Oregon summer day greeted us on Saturday, August 9 for our trip to Black Crater. We started out from Eugene with three Obsidians and ten nonmembers. However, before beginning the trek to the summit we lost two people who decided to go on their own on the Skyline Trail. The Black Crater Trail is a long haul up, up, up for about 3 miles through timber, and across open spaces of gray sand and red cinders until you reach the blocks of lava at the very top. We had a soft breeze which kept the otherwise hot day comfortable. On top the wind was a little stronger and cooler but it was a delightful experience. While having lunch and enjoying the view, we heard sounds of lilting music wafted over the breeze. We were being serenaded with a Recorder in the hands of Dan Platt. The view from 7251 foot elevation was magnificent, although the air was polluted with smoke from the valleys. If we looked very hard we could make out Mt. Hood far to the north beyond Washington, Jack and Jefferson. On the south our view took in Tam McArthur Rim, Broken Top, Bachelor, the Three Sisters, Little Brother and the Husband. The crater of Black crater is quite deep with a high wall of rock surrounding it on three sides. We could look down into it from several vantage points. We also had an excellent view of the eight-mile long lava river which tumbles down the valley from Yapoah, bisecting the area between Black Crater and Dee Wright Memorial. After a couple of hours of enjoying the scenery, snapping pictures, and cat-napping, we descended to our cars parked along the McKenzie Highway, and arrived back in Eugene early in the evening. Nonmembers enjoying the outing were Ron Bramble, Marcia Brooks, Dan Platt, Jean Ruby, Catie Thurber, Virginia Vincent, Claudia Wilkins, and Karen Zimmerman; members included Clarence Johnson, Clarence Landes and the leader.

Lois Schreiner

DID YOU KNOW?

The Constitution says that to become an active member (only active members may vote at Annual Meeting) an applicant must complete 3 major trips with the club (designated as qualifying by the Trips Comm.) or climb on foot to the summit of a snow peak on which there is at least one living glacier (with approval of Climbing Comm.). This would be a Club climb also.

DOMES ROCK - 8-10-69

Our party of nine left the Park Blocks about 8:15 a.m. under a heavy overcast. We arrived at the trail head in bright sunshine about 10:30. The moderately steep trail was overgrown in a cutover area, but in good shape elsewhere. All of the party made the summit, arriving about 12:45. The Three Sisters and Mt. Thielsen were visible through distant haze, while Diamond Peak was close at hand. We started our descent about 1:30, arrived at our cars about 3:30, and were back in Eugene about 5:30.

Joel McClure led this trip with Dorothy Hayes, Norma Hirsch, Lee McKnight, Marshall Pallett, Hank Plant, Gary and Joan Salzman and Gregory Wannier.

LAMB BUTTE & THE POTHOLES - 7-12-69

Two carloads upon leaving Eugene drove up the east fork road off the South Fork of the McKenzie and, leaving one car at the head of the East Fork trail, we proceeded on up to the Olallie trail. Hiking north on this trail we went down into the Potholes and then stopped at the Lamb Butte Spring for lunch. After lunch we climbed to the top of Lamb Butte where a leisurely view of the country was enjoyed by all. Upon coming back down to the trail we hiked on north turning off at the East Fork trail which brought us back down to our parked car. After driving back up to the Olallie trail for the other car we headed homeward. With Helen Smith as leader were Helen Hughes, Clarence Landes, Lois Schreiner and Alice Yetka.

LOWER ALDER CAMP TO LINTON LAKE - 8-2-69

Lois Chase, Bertha Deckmann and J. H. Jeppesen, with Keith Brunig as leader, drove up the McKenzie Highway 70 miles to Lower Alder Camp. From there we hiked by forest trail to Linton Lake. Part way around the lake we found an open sandy beach with a convenient log to sit on and eat our lunches. The trail around the lake was so wet and overgrown that we didn't try to go all the way around. It was a very nice day weatherwise so we sat in the sun and visited before returning to the car. The trail to the lake was good and had been cleared of fallen trees. There were not many wildflowers blooming. Possibly the trip should be scheduled earlier next time while the Rhododendrons are in bloom.

Keith Brunig

NO MORE POTLUCKS TILL ANNUAL MTG. - OCT. 10

EAST OF OLALLIE TRAIL AND SOUTH OF GUARD STATION - July 4, 5 & 6

Eleven weary people reached their cars at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, July 6, after a very pleasant trip through interesting country. We had left our cars at the Olallie trail on the East Fork road at 9:45 a.m. on Friday morning and heading south on the trail, we paused long enough at the Olallie L.O. to lay our packs aside and climb to the top of the mountain. Upon returning we picked up our packs and went on to the Guard Station where we stopped for lunch. Continuing South we turned east on the Park Trail as far as Wildcat Cr. where we camped for the night. Next morning we proceeded to the junction with the Waterholes trail, thence south on that trail to Wildcat Way and after a struggle along this old and poorly maintained Way trail we reached Wildcat Swamp about 1:00 p.m. This is a huge, open, marshy meadow where we sighted an Elk family grazing. Papa, mama and two babies. We were upwind from them so though they saw us they still continued to feed. While some rested after lunch others started searching for good drinking water because we wanted to stay the night here. We walked back to where we had found good water last and filling all our containers we managed to prepare supper and breakfast the next morning. This is an out-of-the-way spot which few Obsidians have visited because it is too far for a one-day hike. There was a large grove of Quaking Aspens growing on the far west side and lots of marsh grass. It was very interesting observing the morning mist rising from the water but which quickly disappeared. Sunday we hiked on west on the Wildcat trail to the Olallie trail, then turning north we crossed the head of the French Pete creek at noon and stopped there for lunch, then on out to the cars in the afternoon. I also want to mention the bird's nest we saw Saturday morning along the Waterholes trail. We heard some birds making a great fuss over our appearance, then saw one alight on a tree branch - (It looked as big as a turkey to me). Stopped when we saw some very messy looking ground and upon looking up saw a huge nest probably 3 ft. in diameter not far overhead. We saw lots of wild flowers and Rhododendrons blooming.

Helen Smith

SEE YOU AT ANNUAL MEETING--FRIDAY--OCT.10

SUBSTITUTE POINT 8-2-69

Four gallant hikers left Eugene early Saturday morning, August 2, threading their way through the fog along the McKenzie Highway. By the time we reached the Foley Ridge Road for our eleven miles of driving on logging roads, the fog had disappeared. We began our ascent to Substitute Point shortly after 9:00 a.m. It was a lovely sunny day, with a bit of a breeze now and again. The mosquitoes were out in full force as we trudged through the forest to our rendezvous point with two Obsidians who were completing a week of camping along the Cascade trails. The mosquitoes were even thicker at our meeting point so we didn't dally very long there. We left the main Foley Ridge trail and hiked an abandoned trail to the top of Substitute Point to enjoy our lunch in the sun and away from the mosquitoes. One member of our party discovered two very deep lava wells along the south edge of the rocky pinnacle. Our view was excellent, and we had an interesting time picking out points of interest where we had been on other trips or where we would like to go in the future. The Three Sisters were as magnificent as ever. Substitute Point at 6344 feet in elevation is an excellent place to go to get a panoramic view of both the Western Cascades and the High Cascades. We finally had to pull ourselves away from the breathtaking beauty of the mountains and return to smoke-filled Eugene. Sydney Chrysler was the only non-Obsidian on the trip and she was accompanied by Clarence Landes, Margaret Markley, and leader Lois Schreiner, with the addition of Mary Bridgeman and Helen Smith at the halfway point.

Lois Schreiner

WHY DON'T WE DO THIS MORE OFTEN?

26 Obsidians--Publications Comm. and Pancake Comm. and a few others--met for dinner at The Original Pancake House, 6th & Lawrence Aug. 1st. We wanted to show our appreciation to Mr. Joe Fowler for furnishing free pancake batter for our Pancake Breakfast. We all enjoyed ourselves very much, at the same time taking a good look at the handsome interior of this well-built old home(The Warren Home--soon to be torn down). The restaurant is moving soon to a new building on east Broadway(Broadway Motel--659 E.Brdwy). Groups are welcome anytime.

1969 OBSIDIAN SUMMER CAMP -August 1969

Camp Kirk, Trinity Alps, California

Ten days of high adventure --- exquisite, solitary, breathtaking! How else could one explain the Obsidian 1969 summer camp without exaggerating a little?

I had an exceptionally good camp committee: Kay Fahy, Jack and Sandra Sheppard, and Gwen Renfro, our cook.

Every camper was a joy to have on the trail, at the camp fire, and at breakup time to help with the packing.

At every lake the fish all but leapt onto our hooks until Gwen said "Uncle".

Sheer mountain walls overhung our camp and reverberated with echoes from every boulder that thumped, scraped and thundered down and finally plunged into the lake.

Snow clung to the trail to Big Caribou Lake until the very last day in camp.

Caribou Peak was climbed and so were several others, along with Sawtooth Ridge and Suicide Pass, which led into another mountain basin containing two awesome spectacles called Emerald and Sapphire Lakes.

Swimming was just yards from the cook tent and a daily event. So was boating.

The days - every one - were in brilliant sunshine and the nights warm and clear, with the sky filled with stars, falling meteors, the Milky Way, and a crescent moon.

Ice cold mountain streams snaked and gurgled their way through high meadows filled with many flowers. It was a joy just to sit and absorb the scenery.

When the last day came at hand, it was as though we knew we must return to reality and home --- we were sad indeed to leave this beautiful valley.

But even as we sighed heavily, a bright thought stemmed the wistful tear. There would be another camp, another year. There would be new places to conquer. There would be new joys to replace the old.

And so, farewell 1969, you were good to us. Bob Cox, Camp Chairman

Ray Sims adds an interesting note about the cold gushing spring water a hundred feet from the camp table and the absence of Mosquitoes, bees, flies or no-seeums.

Be ready to pay your dues at the annual meeting on Friday, October the 10, 1969.

Summer Camp - Continued

Attending camp were: Thelma Watson, Kay Fahy, Everett Ow, Helen Smith, Mary Bridgeman, Duchess Cox, Bob Cox, Lloyd Plaisted and his brother Wayne, Paula Vehrs, Norman Benton, Colin McDonald and Elethe McDonald - from San Diego, Jack, Sandra, Joyce, Carl & Scott Sheppard, Wes Prouty, Rex, Shirley, Brad and Laura Stevens, Clarence, Dorothy, Richard, Carol and Susan Scherer, Gwen Renfro, Ray Sims and Louise Berkey.

NORMAN HASEK-Naval Aviation Officer Candidate, son of Stan and Barbara Hasek, is attending the Aviation Officer Course at the Naval Aviation School's Command in Pensacola, Fla.

The intensive 11-week course of training includes instruction in Naval history & world affairs, Naval justice, leadership and orientation, physical fitness, swimming, effective communications, pre-navigation seamanship and military instruction.

When he completes this course he will enter flight preparation school at the Naval Aviation School's Command to continue his training under the Naval Aviation Program.

NEWBERRY CRATER AND FOSSIL LAKE

July 4, 5, & 6, 1969

Made our camp 1/4 mile from Eastlake on China Hat road and had potluck Friday evening. Saturday we all drove to Fossil Lake via Christmas Valley and garnered a small collection of fish and animal fossilized bones. Sunday half of the group rode around Century Drive and the rest took in Lava Butte and other points of interest. The weather was perfect the three days and a cool 20 degrees in the mornings but about 80 in the afternoons. Some of the group climbed around Fort Rock. Ina Foss picked up a perfect translucent Obsidian arrowhead at Fossil Lake. This was a delightful group and a pleasant and profitable weekend in knowledge gained!

R. L. Bridgeman

FRANKIE KARDELL enthusiastically glowing about the wonderful scenery in British Columbia waters (Inner Channel). She has just returned from a cruise with the "Trailer Sailors", six cabin crafts in the group. "Wonderful trip."

PRINCESS NEWS

Princess Penstemon (Bertha Deckmann) invites the Princesses to meet at her home 1405 W. Hilliard Lane on Monday, Sept. 15, for a 6:30 p.m. Potluck Dinner. Each member should bring her own table service and a potluck dish (other than dessert). Hostess Bertha will serve dessert and also punch. This will be the first meeting of Fall 1969.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that - - The 1968 Rand-McNally Atlas (Revised) designates the McKenzie River on the map of Oregon as the "North Fork". I assume they mean the North Fork of the Willamette. There is no mention of our beautiful McKenzie River either on the map or in the index!

That Delyn Dark played the part of the Fishmonger in the recent production of Brigadoon? She was also "Chorus Leader" of the Dancers.

Virginia West and Veola Wilmot spent their vacation touring Alaska.

Maxcine Williams spent two weeks in Alaska visiting friends.

Florence Fulton plans to move to Corvallis to live at Samaritan Village.

Mozelle Hair has been elected President of Resident Council of Willamette Manor in Portland for the next six months.

Dennis Cole, Junior Obsidian, has a very famous mother--Sharon Sites Adams, who recently completed a solo voyage in her 31-foot ketch--the first woman to sail across the Pacific Ocean alone. She traveled 6,000 miles in 74 days from Yokohama, Japan, in the Sea Sharp II. In 1965 she was the first woman to sail from the U.S. coast to Honolulu. She appeared on the Today Show recently.

A white muslin apron--hand embroidered--was left at the Lodge after the May Pancake Breakfast. A note pinned to it says "Merry Christmas" from Jean and Herb". If it's yours call M. Castelleo, 344-5168.

Blanche Bailey and Jane Hilt camped with the Chemeketans at their summer outing at Mammoth Lake in the High Sierras, with 70 other campers?

Nellie & Mac McWilliams "trailer-ed" to Dubois, Wyoming, on their vacation in August.

DID YOU KNOW that Gerry Fehly is now a Great Grandmother? Grandson Michael and wife Jacqueline have just presented the family with a little boy, Daniel Allen Fehly. Daniel has an admiring circle of two grandmothers, two grandfathers, three great grandmothers & two great grandfathers besides numerous uncles, aunts, great uncles and aunts, cousins, and great-great aunts. No baby sitting problems are expected to be encountered!

ANTI-LITTER LAW

Oregon's new litter law is of interest to Obsidians. The old law has been around for many years but its penalties have been minor.

The law covers highways and other public travel areas (we assume this also means campgrounds) and within 100 yards of the ocean, lakes, streams, ponds and channels or in the waters of the state. Items specifically mentioned include cans, glass, auto parts, tires, dead animals, old clothing, boards, metal, rubbish, trash, debris, refuse, sewage, or any other items likely to damage animals, vehicles or persons, be unsightly or otherwise offensive.

The penalties apply to the driver of a vehicle from which something is thrown, as well as the thrower. The penalties consist of a fine up to \$500 and/or 30 days in jail, one to five days of which is to be spent picking up litter (presumably in the area littered) wearing an armband labeled "LP" for Litter Patrol. Also the fine can be worked off at \$25 a day picking up litter (also with arm band). In addition some privileges may be suspended, especially if they are connected with the littering, such as liquor license, driver's license, hunting and fishing licenses and boat registrations.

A provision is made allowing counties to offer rewards up to \$250 for reports of littering. The counties will probably need some pushing from interested groups to get them to implement this.

Some thought needs to be given as to how to find out who the people are who are littering. Enforcement on trails, etc., will be hard unless names are procured. Highway and boat enforcement is easier; license numbers are considered good. Any ideas will be appreciated on this item. Just telling people who litter, thoughtlessly, about the law, may be enough.

WALDO MEADOWS - SALMON LAKES 7-20-69

Eighteen of us left the Park Block and drove to Oakridge where we met another carload of people. From there we drove up Salmon Creek Road for 20 mi., stopping briefly at Salmon Creek Falls State Park for a look at the falls. Arrived at the beginning of Salmon Creek trail About 10 o'clock. The hike into the lovely meadow was about 2½ miles. This was a veritable carpet of ferns and wildflowers. We walked on to the site of the old Waldo Meadow Guardhouse. Two of our party had chosen to climb Waldo Mt. and ate their lunch in the sun at the lookout station. The rest of us chose a shady spot under the giant firs for our repast. When we had finished we hiked over to upper Salmon Lake, where five of us fished. Three were successful. Two went swimming and several others traced the source of the creek in the lake on down past the falls which were beautiful, and secluded. Alongside the creek and also on the trail we discovered several plants of the rare and lovely Washington Lily and found one plant with six blooms on it.

Many left about 3 p.m. to begin the homeward trek but Haze Bressler and Bill Serfling continued fishing for another hour. Joy Ballinger and Bob Burns (who had hiked up the mountain rejoined us and went swimming) and finally we all walked out, with most agreeing it had been a beautiful and enjoyable outing. Bill Serfling was a happy boy with the 6 fish which he, Bob Cox and Haze had caught and which were given to him to take home. He is Bea LeFevre's grandson.

Along on the trip were Joy Ballinger, H. L. Bressler, Lorene Bressler, Mary Bridgeman, Bob Burns, Bob Cox & Duchess Cox, Kay Fahy, Betty & Art Herron, Bea LeFevre, Vi Marlowe, Hilda McEvoy, Betty & Steve McLeod, Harlow Perrin, Elmer Sankey, Julia & Lisa Senn, Bill Serfling, Ann Taylor, Thelma Watson and Helen Weiser. Lorene Bressler, Leader.

LAVA CAMP LAKES TO FROG CAMP 7-26-69

Five nonmembers, Howard, Bruce and Jeff Kubler, Val Mustola and Joanna Hart with Ron Nunemaker, left Lava Camp Lakes via Skyline trail at 9:30 a.m., hiked past North & South Matthew Lakes, Yapoah Cra-

ter, Minnie Scott Spring, Oppie Dildock Pass, Collier Glacier View, Sawyer Bar, fields of Lupine, Sunshine Shelter and finally to the airy view from Arrowhead Lake where we spent the night. Good companionship from a Parks and Recreation climbing party were enjoyed Saturday evening as was the spectacular sunset.

Leisurely breakfast put us on the trail at about 10:00 a.m. Sunday. Sister Spring, Obsidian Falls and Obsidian camp were enjoyed on the way down where we met many acquaintances as well as a friendly group of California Sierra Club people who were at Obsidian Camp.

An entire enjoyable trip, perfect weather, few insects and easy pace-too bad there were no Obsidians! Ron Nunemaker

OBSIDIAN LOOP TRIP - 8-8-69

A party of 16 started from Frog Camp at 8:20 a.m. on a chilly but sunny day. The party soon warmed up and enjoyed the trip. Lois Schreiner caught up with the group between Camp Riley and Camp Montague. During the lunch stop at Obsidian Camp, Harold Dunn joined us. Harold is Oregon chairman for the Johnny Horizon Cleanup Days and he talked to us about the project and asked for Obsidian help. He will write a short item for the Sept. Bulletin. The flowers were wonderful, the sky mainly clear and we watched several climbing parties coming down snowfields from the North and Middle Sisters. We were disappointed to find that the field burning smoke has so filled the valley as to be running over into Eastern Oregon to elevations above Scott Camp. Pat Lane, formerly of Illinois, ... spent most of the trip with bugged-out eyes and open mouth. She finally stated she wants to stay in Oregon, especially Eugene, and see more of this high country. The Funk family was talking of coming back for a week end or longer. Note that all the starting party were newcomers except the leaders. Two arrowheads were found at Obsidian Camp.

Trippers were: Bob, Bea and Stewart Funk, Charles & Lee Hallin, James, Mary Jo Hotchkiss, Karen Hougum, Pat Lane, Floyd Robinson, Fred Swanson, Lois Schreiner, Betty & John Tenifold and Karen Ott with leaders Ken and Robin Lodewick.

Save Flavorpack labels from Frozen Foods for the Princesses and don't forget to save those Betty Crocker Coupons and Redemption Certificates when cashing Gold Bond Stamps.

JOHNNY HORIZON CLEANUP DAYS

If you are concerned about the littering that disfigures our countryside, here is an opportunity to do something about it. Volunteers are needed to help our community participate in the national Johnny Horizon Clean-up Days.

For a couple of months, Harold Dunn has sought help in planning this event, with limited response. His contacts with Obsidians make him think there are members of this organization who can and will do something, and perhaps get other recreational groups involved. If this sounds worthwhile to you, please contact Lois Schreiner (344-9848) about it - now!

Johnny Horizon is a symbol of the Bureau of Land Management - you'll see him on mail trucks. The idea of using his name for a nation-wide day of gathering trash and debris from our public lands started with the California Outdoor Recreation League, last year. They have set October 10-12 for their cleanup this year; the hope is that many other parts of the nation will join them.

Since we have no state organization in Oregon handling this, each community will have to work things out to fit its own needs. Dunn's suggestion is for a planning committee with a chairman (who will keep him informed - he's coordinating for the state) and members who take on specific jobs: deciding on sites to clean up, arranging transport for volunteer workers and for hauling off and depositing junk. Getting publicity in press, TV, etc.; arranging for safety needs, possibly for prizes. Recruiting volunteers may be the easiest job.. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts are already interested; 4-H'ers, school clubs and outdoor clubs of many kinds will be too.

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There must be some people in the Emerald Empire willing to help. Dunn is hoping a few of them will read about it here and respond and then tell others too.

It will interest you to know that the Chemeketans have accepted the challenge and are making plans.

Harold Dunn can be contacted at Mohawk, Star Route, Springfield, Ore. 97477, phone 746-3063

HISTORY OF THE OBSIDIANS

No. 67 by Ray Sims

Lloyd Plaisted was the President of the Obsidians in 1955 and Bernice Lehrman was Vice President.

Lloyd also held the distinction of climbing all Three Sisters, Broken Top and Little Brother in one day, in the party of Gene and Virginia Sebring and three others.

Henry Carlson was outing chairman with Lloyd Plaisted, Adeline Adams, Ray Harris and Clarence Bankhead completing the committee.

This was another Greyhound trip to camp with "Clancy" at the wheel to take us to Tuolumne Meadows, Yosemite National Park, California.

Lloyd served as Chairman for the outing and he had obtained a wealth of information from Oliver Kehrlein of the Sierra Club, who offered the Sierra Club's site in the Tuolumne Meadows area.

Cathedral Peak was climbed on Aug. 4 1955 and Mt. Hoffman on Aug. 9. A little more difficult climb was made of Mt. Lyell on Aug. 10, led by Ray Harris with Lloyd Plaisted as assistant.

