



# Trail Blazer

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December 2018

Upcoming Events			Events
Date	Day	Event Description	
----- December -----			
5	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	<b>Dec 5 (Wed) Morning Hike - Class A/B</b> We will meet at the Garden Home Rec Center at 7475 SW Oleson Rd. in Tigard to depart at 9:30. Trimet bus number 45. Leader: Art Harvey, 503-684-5897, Art58@frontier.com
6	Thu	Outings Planning Meeting	<b>Dec 6 (Thu) Outings Planning Meeting</b> December 6, 7:00 pm Home of Gregg Baker & Susan Green 2909 NE 20th Ave Portland, OR 97212
12	Wed	AM Hike - Class A/B	Bring your ideas for outings you would like to see happen in 2019 and thoughts about how you could help make them happen.
14	Fri	MMC - Wild & Scenic Rivers Act Celebration	<b>Dec 12 (Wed) AM Hike - Class A/B</b> We will meet at Friendly House at NW Thurman and 26th to depart at 9:30. The hike will be Laura Foster's hill walk # 4, approximately 5.5 miles. Leader: Kathy Pollock, 503-341-9441, pollockkathy@ymail.com
15	Sat	<b>Blazer Deadline</b>	<b>Dec 14 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 50th Anniversary - Wild and Scenic Rivers Act Celebration</b> The Mazamas Conservation Committee would like to invite all TCO'ers to join them to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act with two films by director Shane Anderson: Run Wild, Run Free and Salmon without Rivers. The first is a history of the passionate and bi-partisan creators of the Act and information about rivers, many in the Northwest, which still need protection. The second highlights the Skokomish River in Washington State where wild salmon have to cross roads to find home. A \$5 donation to Pacific Rivers is suggested.
15-16	Sat-Sun	Candle Making Class - Tye	<b>Dec 15-16 Tye Lodge candle making class</b> December 15 @ 11:00 am - December 16 @ 2:00 pm Just in time to put you in the Christmas spirit, join two guest experts as they help you make and decorate candles starting Saturday! We will supply the bees wax and wicks and ability to melt and dye the wax. Wax takes time to set, so we highly recommend you stay the night and use Sunday to decorate the candle or just to make sure it transports home safely. Need to be in and out in a day? The lodge day use fee is just \$3 per person. You should bring fancy containers for container candles, or the cylinders from juice concentrate or the small milk cartons. If you are pulling off pillar candles, we should have some gold and silver foil tissue paper for wrapping them. For scented candles, bring your favorite essential oils or other high quality fragrance! Cost! The biggest single expense is the bees wax. So we
19	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	
21-23	Fri-Sun	Tye Lodge open	
26-29	Wed-Sat	Tye Family Snow Days	
31	Mon	Tye Snowshoe - Class A	
30-1	Sun-Tue	New Years Day at Tye	
----- January -----			
2	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	
9	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	
15	Tue	<b>Blazer Deadline</b>	
16	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	
23	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	
31	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B	
Scheduling is updated on web site <a href="http://www.trailsclub.org">www.trailsclub.org</a>			
TRIP FEES: Members: No Fee; Guests \$2			
<p><b>Donations in general</b> will not be refused. They will be put to good use. Remember, this is <b>your</b> club. If, like your editor, you can't contribute physically as much as you used to, there are other ways ... Ed.</p>			
<p><b>Donations to the History Fund</b> - Help preserve over 100 years of Trails Club History. A special "History Fund" has been set up to pay the cost of our storage &amp; preservation work space in Oak Grove. Those wishing to contribute to the fund may send a check to PO box 69061, Portland OR 97239-0061, payable to "Trails Club of Oregon." Write "History Fund" on the designation line of the check.</p>			

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The purpose of the Trails Club is to foster and stimulate interest  
in hiking, climbing, skiing, camping and other similar outdoor  
activities and to promote activities of a social nature for the  
benefit of its members. The Club's interests and concerns are  
conservation of natural beauty and resources of the country. All  
Club activities are affected by the voluntary participation of the  
members. Membership requirements include an approved  
outdoor activity, a scheduled lodge visit, recommendations by  
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will initially promise 10oz of wax and the supplies to make  
candles for each \$10. The better deal we get on wax the  
more there will be at the event for the money. We should  
have more wax available for purchase if you want to make  
more or bigger candles.

10oz of wax will make a big candle or several small ones.

Kids are welcome.

**Dec 21-23 Tyece Lodge open**

December 21 @ 5:00 pm - December 23 @ 12:00 pm

Breakfast to be provided on sat and sun. Dinner to be  
provided on Sat.

Host: Pamela Moore pmoor1@gmail.com

**Dec 26-29 Tyece Family Snow Days**

We are opening the Tyece Lodge for post Christmas play in  
the snow beginning at 4 pm on Wednesday, December 26  
through Saturday, December 29.

Come join us for family fun with the new snow, the blazing  
fire, all kinds of games and yummy food. Meladee and  
Joel are hosting and cooking dinner on Thursday and  
Friday (bring your own food for Wednesday evening) and  
breakfast on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, both with  
gluten and dairy free options. Please bring your own  
snacks and lunches. It will be possible to stay over for the  
next host (no meal provided Saturday evening).

For a truly relaxing, renewing visit we invite you to leave all  
electronics (except phones) at home.

Please text only to Meladee at 503.970.0911 no later than  
6 pm on Friday, December 21st for sign-up.

**Dec 30-Jan 1 (Sun - Tues) 2018-19, Cascade Prime  
Timers and Trails Club New Years at Tyece Lodge**

Two nights and three days at Tyece Lodge located at  
Government Camp on West Leg Road 0.5 mile above  
Mazama Lodge.

Host: Pete Nelson,

Cooks: Elaine Nelson, Nancy Overpeck

Overnight: Sunday and Monday Dec 30 – Jan 1.

Meals: Sunday: Dinner, Monday: Breakfast and Dinner,  
Tuesday: Breakfast.

Bring your own lunches. Bring sleeping bag, clothes,  
toiletries, towel, and washcloth.

Cost: \$56 for TCO members, \$76 for non-members.

If you cancel after Wednesday, December 26, you will be  
charged \$26 for food.

MEET: Sunday, December 30 – 10:30 AM Sno-Park on  
Timberline Road. Sno-Park permit required.

DIRECTIONS: From Hwy 26 at Government Camp, turn  
onto Timberline Road going to Timberline Lodge. Go  
approx. 0.4 miles to Sno-Park on Right and park. Walk  
across the highway and hike up hill 1/4 mile to lodge. Trail  
marked with rope on tree, across the road from southern  
most parking place. At the top of the berm, take LEFT trail  
with ropes on trees which will guide you to Tyece Lodge.

Must make reservations with Pete by email or phone by  
Sunday, December 23.

**Dec 31(Mon) Snowshoe – class A – Tyece**

Depart Tyece Lodge at 10 am and snowshoe/hike  
Government Camp area. Return to Tyece for hot drinks  
around the fire.

Leaders: Pete & Elaine Nelson, (503) 591-0160  
petermvnelson@yahoo.com

## TRAIL BLAZER - December 2018

**Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (Wed) Morning Hikes - Class A/B**  
We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park.

For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or call or email the leader.  
Leader: TBD

### Meeting Places

**Friendly House** NW Thurman and 26th. TriMet bus service on routes 15, 17 and 77 is nearby.

**Gateway TCO** : From I-205: take the Glisan Street exit, proceed east to 99th Ave, turn north, proceed a couple blocks and park in the Park and Ride garage. Meet at the SE corner of the structure (near the stairs) on the sidewalk (directly inside if it is raining). From I-84: take I-205, take the above exit and instructions

**Mazamas Mountaineering Center (MMC)**: is a common meeting place for Board meetings and other administrative functions. It is located at 527 SE 43rd Avenue, one block south of Stark St.

**Rose Villa**: 13505 SE River Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222, is a common place for club meetings Adventures and Travels meets in the Rec Hall, Fireside Room. Parking on Shroeder Lane, off of Courtney Rd by River Rd. Park before end of road, walk to multiple garage buildings on right, turn right, walk down ramp to your right. It is a yellow building, with a central arch on top, visible from River Rd.

Follow Treasure House signs. Map of Rose Villa, follow route C or B to the Recreation Hall (Treasure House signs)

<http://trailsclub.org/events/Images/2014RoseVillaMap.pdf>

**Target**: is a common westside meeting place for hikes. Exit US 26 at NW 185th Ave and drive south to Evergreen Pkwy turn east (left) one block to NW Town Center Dr., Park and meet on the west side of Target's parking lot across from Starbucks Coffee. Tri Met bus service on routes 47, 52 and 89 is nearby.

**Tryon Creek State Park**: sometimes used for Wed. AM (and other) hikes. From I-5 South: Take Terwilliger Blvd. exit, bear right, heading south past Taylor's Ferry Rd. and bear left at split to Boone's Ferry Rd, right at second roundabout exit, staying on Terwilliger. Park entrance is a right about one mile past the roundabout. Park near Nature Center.

### Meetup Website

The Trails Club Meetup site allows event planners to organize TCO events online. While we try to get every event in the Blazer and on the Trails Club web site ([www.trailsclub.org](http://www.trailsclub.org)), some events, especially those planned on short notice, may appear only on the TCO Meetup site at: <https://www.meetup.com/Trails-Club-of-Oregon/events/> Ed.

### Editor's Note - Why the Print Blazer Was Late

On 3Nov., I headed down to Baja California with some friends to participate in our (often) annual task of serving as pit crew for one of the pro-class racebikes in the Baja 1000 desert race. I had noticed that the print Blazer hadn't arrived in my mailbox, but thought that it should arrive soon. Well, it didn't.

My wife, Irene, called several days later to say that the Blazer, postmarked on 8Nov. had shown up when she went to retrieve the mail that had been held at the Post Office.

Cindy notified me of the mix-up:

And did you hear about the Blazer this month? I got to the PO box and it was stuffed w/ all 30 of our Blazers. There was no postage on them! I emailed our vendor that night and they got right back to me and drove to my house in Gladstone to pick them up in the morning and had stamps in hand and drove to the Post Office in Oak Grove and mailed them from there. I liked the service but giggled a little bit as it always happens when the editor is out of town!

Cindy

Thank you Cindy, sorry about the mess, but the good news is that our bike, 7X, WON Pro Class and best time overall!

**Note from the president...**

Hello Trails Club members! Thank you to the members who came to the annual meeting to vote and to hear about what has transpired in TCO during 2018. I am so amazed at all the effort that has been put into the club by its members this year. We had over 90 hikes, 40 bike rides, 5 backpacks, 2 car camping trips and 11 lodge work parties! This doesn't even count our other special events.

At the meeting, our Tyee Trustee explained to the membership how Forest Service rules have changed. We now need to have many more youth events, bringing in outside groups in order to keep our lease at Tyee. We have several ideas we plan to implement next year.

Although we managed to do all of these wonderful things and have more events planned, it has been more difficult to get club events on the calendar. This is due to lack of leaders and hosts. Our membership has dropped in the past couple of years due to many club members aging out. Right now we have about 300 members. We really need closer to 500 or 600 to make TCO vibrant again.

Getting new members means reaching out in different ways. We have created links to Meetup and Facebook so that non members can hear about our activities. We have made membership more desirable by increasing member benefits such as taking away the hike fee for members and increasing the number of guests a member can have overnight at a lodge (5 adults plus all the children who belong to those adults). In addition we made the non-member rates higher so that non-members are encouraged to join if they want to use the lodges regularly.

In addition to these ideas, TCO has seen that it needs to realign its culture. Over the past 3 years or so there has been a culture of discord. Some of the discord began with a misunderstanding of the structure of the club and how decisions are made. This was all clarified at the annual meeting. The membership was given some action points that we can all discuss in the next year. Then a vote was made by the membership at the meeting to direct one area of the club in a manner that brought resolution to an ongoing issue.

All that to say we are wrapping up 2018 well. We've continued hosting hikes and events even in the face of recovery after forest fire. Nesika is on track to reopen, fully functional, this spring when the forest service opens up the Multnomah to Larch Mountain trail! Many great things are in store. I hope you will all invite your friends, family and neighbors to a Trails Club event next year. I believe TCO helps create memories that last a lifetime.

**Halloween Hike** - Wednesday, Oct 31, stopping at Lone Fir cemetery. The couple depicted are J. B. and Elizabeth Stephens, the first pioneers to own the land on which Lone Fir sits. Thanks for the info, Ken.



Left to Right Ken Kane, Audrey Perino, Pumpkin (Ann McKinney), Editor

Photo - Marlys Edwards

## Trails (and Other Stuff) Ahead

### June 1-2 (Sat-Sun) Tye Lodge - Are you prepared for the next emergency?

Have you heard of the Cascadia Earthquake? That is the name of the “big one” the pacific northwest will eventually experience, and that we are long overdue for. Did you know that the State of Oregon, and Portland in particular, are almost completely unprepared should it happen in the next decade?

<https://www.opb.org/news/article/watch-opbs-unprepared-documentary-teaser/>

The government says things will be up and running in two weeks. But is that real? OPB’s calculations show that my neighborhood is likely to be without power for six weeks. How do you and I prepare for that?

Speaker Avery Horton has been involved in local disaster management training and has many years of experience running the Southwestern Oregon Preppers group. He will give a talk similar to this one he gave earlier this year

<https://coosmediacenter.viebit.com/player.php?hash=B4FAMP3Dkrz8>

As an outdoor club we should be better prepared than the average bear for unexpected camping, so lets get going! All attendees are encouraged to bring pictures or a sample of their preparation ideas to share.

This is a great video showing how the fault is likely to rupture and what makes this quake a big one

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GBVKqMel11c>

Is it that difficult to have a two week food supply? Not really.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSgotSS222c>

## Save the Date!

### Weekend on the McKenzie River Outing June 21-23 (Fri-Sun), Optional Mon 24th

Hike, fish, kayak, trail bike, whitewater raft, golf, soak in the mineral springs pools and enjoy the gardens and landscaped grounds at Belknap Hot Springs Resort on the gorgeous McKenzie River.

Two breakfasts and a Saturday campfire dinner will be provided. Saturday there will be a 8 mile loop hike along the McKenzie River to view Sahalie Falls and around Clear Lake.

February 1st will be the first day members can sign up, March 1st for nonmembers. RV sites, tent sites, lodge rooms and a few cabins will be available. Limit of 40 participants.

Contact the outing leader Vicki Wood at 503-850-4366 or [vw48@comcast.net](mailto:vw48@comcast.net) for more information, and watch the Blazer and website for registration instructions.

## Conservation Note for December

Every Trails Club member has had the good fortune to hike or camp or climb or swim/raft/canoe/kayak in one of the most beautiful places on Earth, the Pacific Northwest. Many of the places we enjoy remain vulnerable, or have newly become vulnerable. Each month we will have a note featuring one or two organizations working to protect our natural places, and ways to support them, or a note about conservation actions in one of these special places. We hope every Trails Club member will choose to participate in some conservation effort or activity that matches your time available and your interests. As climate change progresses, it is ever more urgent to “Love it (and fight to protect it) or Lose it!”

### Friends of Mt. Hood

Mount Hood’s white silhouette in the distance is one of the defining features of the City of Roses. Not just a beautiful backdrop for the city, this glaciated peak provides opportunities for climbing, hiking, camping and quiet enjoyment. It also has three major sets of developed recreational ski slopes, Mt Hood Meadows, Timberline, and Mt. Hood Ski Bowl. The Friends of Mount Hood (FOMH) began in 1988 as a group of concerned activists opposing the extension of Mt. Hood Meadows to the largely unspoiled northeast flank of the mountain. Over the decades since, FOMH has watched over Mount Hood, working to preserve a balance between developed recreational facilities and the natural, undeveloped areas of our iconic mountain. Over these decades, FOMH has developed a mutually respectful relationship with the three big corporations, though never hesitating to stand up in opposition when commercial development threatened to overbalance the preservation of natural areas which provide less commercial recreational opportunities.

Dennis Chaney, Chairman of the FOMH board, believes that all three family owned corporations share his love for this mountain, as do most residents of Northwest Oregon. He is optimistic that FOMH can continue to hold the line for a healthy balance between for-profit recreation and the natural beauty of our mountain.

How you can support Friends of Mount Hood

Friends of Mount Hood doesn’t sponsor or host its own events; it’s more of a watchdog organization. New members are always welcome (donations, as well) – see its website at <http://friendsofmounthood.org>

If someone has a strong interest in the cause, Friends is willing to take on new board members, Chaney said. Some fresh web expertise would be gladly appreciated.

Your Conservation Committee Chair

**2018 Trails Club Annual Meeting  
Nov. 11, 2019  
Hollywood Senior Center**

The Meeting was called to order at 3:10.

President Wagner reviewed the year with a brief slideshow: activities, trips, work parties.

Nesika reviewed by Glen. There were 8 scheduled work trips and with additional trips for hauling and related restoration activities. More than 100 people involved. The lodge is usable with the generator hooked up. The original Redwing foundation has been inspected and is sound. We will need about 8 permits with fees reaching \$10,000 to rebuild Redwing. We may be able to market slabs from the large felled trees. The revenue could help defray the cost of rebuilding. Many donations have funded the restoration. We have built two tent platforms which are inexpensive, removable and don't require permits. Plans are in the works to replant trees. This project may serve as a fund raiser. Neither of the burned buildings were insured. Insurance paid \$32,000 for smoke and equipment damage.

Tyee (Aaron). There were 3 work parties. A new wood stove insert was installed. It is very efficient. We can no longer burn trash in the fireplace. 2 cords of fire wood were delivered by volunteers. The Forest Service has changed its treatment of private clubs on public land. We are permitted as an organizational camp since we theoretically have programs involving primarily young people in outdoor activities. We have an operating plan and need to track who is using the lodge. Our primary focus (50% or more) needs to benefit young people and/or people with disabilities. Mazama's Outdoor School last year helped us make our quota.

Scout groups and church youth groups count toward youth programming. We can rename some of the things we already do. For 2017, we were charged \$1200 for usage. Our fees will decrease with more youth/disabled use of lodge. Trash clean up around Tyee, agreed upon in advance, will also help to reduce fees.

Publications (Randy and Joel) Randy reported that the Blazer is now delivered mostly electronically. We are down to 30 paper copies. The new website, with Joel Reitz as webmaster, will be easier to use.

We will continue to use Meetup for communications also. Joel spoke about the new website. Dues are easier to pay now on it. The format is different and more interactive. We want to be able to let people post by themselves without going through the webmaster. In order to post, members need to register. The editor grants the right to post.

The site automatically brings in postings from Meetup. Each person who posts will have an individual password.

Investment funds and Bylaws were reviewed in response to questions from membership. We have an investment officer. In 2013, bylaw changes placed the minimum balance of investment funds at \$400,000 with a 3.5% inflation rate. Now \$475,000 is protected. The original Investment Fund started with the sale of lands near Nesika. Funds for special lodge projects have come from donations recently as no funds are available. Investment proceeds are used first for essential property maintenance, secondly for desired projects and, finally, for operations.

The Memorial endowment fund is designated to support and encourage outdoor activities. The principal has to remain. There is \$30,000 currently in the fund. We need a Memorial Endowment Committee.

Structure of club was reviewed and noted to be: elected officers, regular committees (board of trustees), standing committees (duration established by vote of the membership), and special purpose committees (duties and duration established by the board).

Changes by Board this year:

- Eliminated hike fee for members.
- Increased the number of guests a member can have overnight at a lodge. Instead of 5, it is now 5 adults plus any children of those adults.
- Increased overnight lodge fees to \$25 for guest (members are \$15). We have reciprocity with Mazamas for lodge fees.

Vote for officers:

Vice President, Beverly Drottar

Secretary, Rebecca Knudeson

Publications, Joel Reitz

Trips, Nathen Barton

Social, No nominations. The President suggested that we have a committee. Nathen Barton volunteered. (Sheryl Wagner, as president, serves on all committees.)

Discussion:

Investment Fund:

- We could ask for a review of the 3.5% inflation rate requirement, which would free up funds.
- We could schedule a special meeting of the membership to change the bylaw dictating the protected amount in the fund or to eliminate the automatic inflation increase.
- We could form an investment committee to work with our investor, Chris, or the Memorial Fund Committee

In recent past years special items have been funded by the Investment Fund: an administrator, the history office, a bridge at Nesika and the oil tank at Tyee. These expenditures caused us to use investment money to supplement the club operations. For the past 2 years we have had a balanced budget so the use of investment funds has not been necessary.

The President reviewed the by-laws related to the History Committee. We have current controversies about the interpretation of the bylaw which states, "Collect and preserve all publications of the Club and record the Club's activities and achievements."

Sylvia Milne gave a summary of history committee since 2008. A discussion ensued about History Committee's tasks in the next few years. If the office closes, we will still need a climate controlled storage space which could be an expense of perhaps \$150-200 a month.

George Milne called for an advisory vote of the membership in support of the History Committee.

Vote outcome: 16 for, 18 against.

Meeting adjourned 5:10

(Membership addendum on next page)

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Membership Addendum:  
 2017: 422 members  
 2018: 304 members:  
     249 Regular, 37 Life, 12 Golden, 4 Junior, 2 Life/Golden  
     23 new members  
 3240 members on our Meetup site.

(draft)

**November TCO Board Meeting  
 Nov. 6. 2018  
 Mazamas Mountaineering Center**

Attendees:  
 Sheryl Wagner, President; Joel Reitz, Vice President;  
 Cindy Lee, Treasurer; Rebecca Knudeson, Secretary;  
 Glen Conrad, Nesika Trustee; Aaron Bech, Tyee Trustee;  
 Lori Leach, Membership Trustee;  
 Randy Dietrich, Publications Trustee;  
 Susan Ashenfelter, Social Trustee

Absent: Raya Budrevich, trips trustee

Others : Tom Shanley, George Milne, Linda Conrad

Approved previous meeting minutes

Treasurer's Report:  
 Beginning balance at ..... 9/4/2018 .. ..... 46,308.91  
     Deposits ..... 1,681.25  
     Withdrawals..... (8,185.66)  
 Ending Balance at ..... 10/29/2018 . ..... 39,804.50

Tyee lease has been raised to \$1500, up from \$300. See discussion below.

Committee Reports

Conservation: Glen spoke on proposed tree planting at Nesika. We need to determine the proper mix and spacing of trees to plant in Feb. or Mar., depending on permission to get into the lodge. He's currently in talks with the Forest Service. We will probably need to ask for donations to cover costs.

Nesika Restoration: – (Glen) About 20 attended the scheduled work trip. Projects completed: the generator roof, a second tent platform and about 12 cords of wood were stacked. The week after the work trip, 10 people helped prepare and hook up the generator. On this trip the tree cutters took down the last of the hazardous trees. There is still interest in cutting slabs from the downed trees . The Forest Service looked at the road problem and felt they could fix it with funds designated for fire damage, perhaps this fall or next spring. The water tank will be hooked up in the spring. The lodge is winterized. Randy suggested to inform the club at the Annual Meeting about current expenses, including donations, for Nesika restoration. Discussed disbanding the Nesika Restoration Committee. Lori suggested a Home Depot registry for Nesika needs.

Tyee Lodge – Aaron met with Nathan Fletcher, our lease holder.

We filed an Annual Operating Plan as asked for 2017. It came back with a bill for \$1500. The ranger station jurisdiction has changed. We are considered as a private club operating as an organizational camp. We've been off the radar for a long time. To qualify for a permit for Tyee, we need to have youth programs or other desired service projects /an organizational camp (scouting groups, church youth groups, anything promoting wellness and outdoors for youth). 50% of the primary focus is youth programs. Work parties benefitting the government on Mt Hood National Forest, and agreed upon in advance, would also qualify. These sorts of efforts will be applied toward our lease. Outside groups using Tyee, need to send the Treasurer a certificate of insurance.

Membership (Lori). No new membership applications. A few members have already paid dues. She has sent out postcards for the annual mtg and dues reminder.

Publications – (Randy). We are down to 30 paper Blazers. The new website will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Trips - None, Raya absent.

Social - Susan reported on preparations for the Annual Meeting.

History - George reported that we don't have finances, after all, to fund our office this coming year. The lease is up in December. He wants to put the work of the history committee to a vote at the Annual Meeting. He presented a suggested ballot.

We discussed how to word the ballot for a vote of the membership. He and Sheryl will work on it. We also discussed the investment fund. Crown Point Museum is interested in our archives but it will be 2-3 years before the museum is finished.

New Business:

a. Cindy presented the proposed 2019 budget as developed by the budget committee. It was approved.

b. Folk music weekend at Tyee in May - Nathen expects up to 25 people. We moved and seconded that the music leader's lodge fee be waived.

c. Glen moved to dissolve the Nesika Restoration Committee. Cindy seconded. It was approved. Nesika committee will continue.

d. Review of proposed committee chairs/trustees for election:  
 Publications: Joel Reitz,  
 Secretary: Rebecca Knudeson,  
 Trips: Nathen Barton, Vice President:  
 Beverly Drottar.

No nomination yet for the social chair.

Submitted by Rebecca Knudeson, acting secretary

**Membership Notes - October 2018**

There were no changes as of the November Board Meeting.

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### Gentle Reminders

For activities such as bicycle, snowshoe, and x-c skiing check with the leaders for the difficulty level of the activity. Good equipment for the specific activity is required for all events. For hikes and snowshoe activities:

**Class A**—Shorter, less strenuous activity, typically 4 to 8 miles, less than 1500 feet elevation gain.

**Class B**—Moderate to difficult, typically 6 to 12 miles, up to 3000 feet of elevation gain.

**Class C**—Long and difficult, strong experienced participants only, typically over 8 miles, and over 3000 feet of elevation gain. Boots are recommended for B/C hikes.

**Note:** Harsh or unusual conditions may greatly increase the exertion and skill required. Be prepared for the level of activity you are planning to take. Contact the leader if you have any questions about the trip and to let him or her know that you will be attending. Bring plenty of water and a sack lunch. Please, no alcohol. Remember to bring your Ten Essentials. Pets allowed on designated trips only.

Everybody should stay with the group and follow the leader. The leader is responsible for the group's safety. The leader determines which route is taken. The leader has authority to determine if a participant is prepared for the activity. Group safety must come first.

Be prepared to pay a small fee of \$2 for Guests, \$1 for Members for day activities. Please contribute to any carpooling expenses at the rate of \$.15 per mile. With multiple riders the driver can collect up to \$.30 per mile shared by all the riders.

If you have reserved for an activity at a lodge involving food expense and are unable to participate you are obligated to do one of the following: cancel before the food is purchased, find someone to take your place, or pay for your share of the food.

All activities must be approved by the appropriate activity Coordinator or the Trips Trustee.

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Submissions are due by the fifteenth of the month prior to publication.

Please use the following format:

#### **Month Day (Day of week) Event Title - Class A, B, C**

**Description Text** - Please include distance, elevation change, and round trip driving distance.

*Do not capitalize full words, lines or sentences for emphasis*  
Day trip descriptions should be under 100 words.

**Depart:** Meeting place, with address if possible, and departure time

**Leader:** Name, Phone, and/or email.

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