



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event Description
1	Tue	Nesika Lodge Hike—Class B
2	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
02-04	Wed-Fri	TCO & Cascade Prime Timers at Tyee
3	Thu	Government Camp Snowshoe—Class A
4-6	Fri-Sun	Tyee - Nite-in-the-White
5	Sat	Mystery Cross-Country Ski—Class A
8	Tue	Board Meeting—7 PM, Mazama MC
9	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
15	Tue	Blazer Deadline
16	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
17	Thu	Adventures & Travels: Alaska & Canada
18	Fri	XC Ski--Class A
18-20	Fri-Sun	Badger Creek Wilderness Backpack/Snowshoe—Class A
23	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
26	Sat	Trillium Lake Area Snowshoe—Class A
27	Sun	Fort Vancouver Hike—Class A
30	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B

Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org

Meeting places are detailed at the end of events section.
TRIP FEES: Members \$1; Guests \$2

Announcements

Remember to pay your 2013 Annual Dues.

A late fee of \$5.00 applies after February 1

Help Needed with Trips

We continue to need a club Weekend Hike Coordinator, Snowshoe Coordinator and Backpack Coordinator to promote these programs. Please let me know if you can help. For more information contact Carolyn Jenkins, 503-422-6456 or tripschair@trailsclub.org

New Board Members:

At the December Board meeting, Cindy Lee was appointed to fill the remainder of the 2012-2013 term of Treasurer. replacing Audrey Perino. Cindy has resigned from the Secretary's position that she was recently elected to at the Annual Meeting, The board also appointed Gregg Carsen to take over the Secretary position from Nancy Overpeck who retired at the end of her two year term December 31st. Both appointments will take effect in January of 2013 and will continue until the next Trustee elections. Cindy joined the Trails Club in May 2010 and Gregg has been a member since August 2008. Both greatly enjoy hiking and backpacking plus Nesika work parties. We look forward to their contributions as new board members

Mileage Awards March 1st is the deadline

Submit your application for 2012 mileage awards soon. The awards will be presented at the Annual Banquet. Now you can get your application ready and maybe you will get an award! Your fellow club members would like to recognize your efforts.

The Mary Lou Greene High Miler Award goes to the person who logs the most total miles on club hikes, backpacks, snowshoes, X-C skis, kayaks and a percentage of bike rides.

The Una Davies High Traveler Award goes to the member who has logged the most new miles on the Pacific Crest Trail in Oregon, Washington, and California. These Pacific Crest Trail miles include hikes, backpacks, snowshoes, and X-C ski trips. Fifty percent of the total mileage each year must be on club sanctioned activities.

Each of us is responsible for keeping track of our own miles. Forms are available on our website www.trailsclub.org. Click the forms section on our home page. Print a form and write down your miles for 2012. Applications are to be mailed to TCO, PO Box 1243, Portland OR 97207.

Carolyn Jenkins, Trips Chair

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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 two members within a one-year period, approval by the Board of Trustees, and payment of \$45 in dues for first household member, \$25 for each additional household member or those over 65 years of age and a \$15 entrance fee.

Board Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month ,7:00 pm, at Mazama Mountaineering Center, 527 SE 43rd Ave. at SE Stark St. Portland, OR

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Winter Hosting at Tyee

Interested in hosting at Tyee this winter? Contact Mya White the Tyee Winter Coordinator. Integritydoc@aol.com

A THANK YOU TO OUR TREASURER:

The Board and Club wish to express their many thanks to Audrey Perino, who has served as our Treasurer for six years! This is a new club record for consecutive years of service as Treasurer. Audrey became a member of the Club in Nov. 2005 and joined the board to fill the vacant Treasurer's position in early 2007. Later she was elected to three 2 year terms, 2008-09, 2010-11 and 2012-13. Audrey will soon be transitioning these duties over to Cindy Lee. Audrey also holds another club record, one for leading the most trips. She was presented the 2011 Trip Leader's Award for leading a total of 12 hike and bike trips at the 2012 banquet! Her musical skills have been greatly enjoyed at our lodge events. She has also arranged many BBQ rib feasts for us to enjoy. So the appreciation we wish to express is not just for the 6 years as Treasurer but also for all of the other things that she does as an active member of the Trails Club of Oregon. We look forward to many other adventures with her!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE:

At the end of 2012 Nancy Overpeck completed three years as our Secretary on the Trails Club of Oregon Board. The board was not a new experience for Nancy since she had served as our Social Trustee for two years in 2006-2007. We all wish to thank Nancy for her service on the Board and for all of the other things that she does for the Club. She has been a member of the Club since October of 2003 and has been very active in finding new members ever since she joined! She is also one of our members who enjoy hosting and cooking at our lodges. Each week you will usually find her on the trail with the Wednesday Morning Hikers and sometimes on her bike in the summer months. Her energy is unlimited and inspiring to all of us. Thank you again for serving our Club!

Events

Jan 1 (Tue) Nesika Lodge Hike—Class B

Traditional New Year's day hike to the club's beautiful lodge high above Multnomah Falls. Yaktraks or other traction devices and trekking poles recommended. Bring lunch to enjoy in front of the huge fireplace. For non-members, this hike and lodge visit qualifies towards membership. Hike 8 miles round trip with an elevation gain of approximately 1800 feet. Check our "Cold Weather Guideline for Trips" on our website www.trailsclub.org. Depart: 8:30 AM from Gateway Park & Ride. Leader: Larry Solomon 503-206-6580 or muensterhump@hotmail.com

Jan 2 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM.

Leader: Phillip Jackson 971-404-7137

Jan 2-4 (Wed-Fri) 2013 Trails Club and Cascade Prime Timers at Tyee Lodge

We will spend two nights and three days at the lodge, where there is plenty of XC skiing right outside the door. Bring your snowshoes and/or XC skis for planned trips on Wed. and Thu. Chief cook: University of Alaska Professor Nancy Overpeck (retired), and Co-hosts Pete & Elaine Nelson. Meals served are Wed; Dinner, Thu; Breakfast and Dinner, Fri; Breakfast. Bring your own lunches. Cost: \$40 for TCO members. Meet at 10 AM in the parking area on Timberline Road. Call Pete. Deadline was Sunday, Dec.30. H 503-591-0160

Jan 3 (Thu) Government Camp Snowshoe—Class A

Meet at Tyee Lodge and depart at 10 AM. Snowshoe in the Government Camp area possibly the new Cabin Creek Trail. Return to Tyee for hot drinks around the fire. Carpool transportation from Portland not available for this snowshoe since the leaders are staying at Tyee.

Leaders: Pete & Elaine Nelson 503-591-0160

petermvnelson@gmail.com

Jan 4-6 (Fri-Sun) Tyee Nite-in-the-White

It's become a tradition, snow camping for those who have always wanted to try this adventure, but wonder, "What if I don't like it?". Well, here is your perfect opportunity, because if you don't, you can sneak back into the lodge and nobody will know. There are those who swear, with the right equipment, snow-camping is a blast!

Questions: For questions what to bring, contact Allen Burrell at 503-288-3859.

Register: with Gerda Eck 503-804-4214.

gerdaeck@comcast.net

Sign up by Wed. evening for meals (Fri/Sat dinner Sat/Sun breakfast - please indicate which day, which meal)

Jan 5 (Sat) Mystery Cross-Country Ski—Class A

Depending on snow conditions, we will ski Trillium or Teacup Lake. Teacup Lake has a daily fee. Ski 4 1/2 to 5 miles. Sno-park permits needed by drivers. Sign up by Friday, Jan 4 at 6:00 PM. I'm staying at Tyee Lodge for a couple of days, so I will arrange carpools coming from town by phone.

Leader: Barbara Jones 503-819-8983 (cell) or e-mail Barbjones50@hotmail.com to sign up and carpool help.

Jan 9 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM.

Leader: Richard Gaunt rgaunt@comcast.net, 971-404-1153

Jan 16 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM.

Leader: Mike Harrison harrimb585qf@gmail.com, 971-279-2707

Jan 17 (Thu) Adventures & Travels: Alaska & Canada

Come join us as Bill Rude shares his adventures in Alaska and Canada with us! 7:00 pm Refreshments, 7:30 pm Slideshow Rose Villa Fellowship Hall, 13505 SE River Rd, Milwaukie.

For more information, contact Lisa Osburn:

503-476-5638 or socialchair@trailsclub.org.

Jan 18 (Fri) XC Ski—Class A

Summit Ski Trail (Nordic) between Mazama parking lot in Government Camp to Ski Bowl. 4 miles RT, level, easy, just a few hills. Very close to Tyee & Mazama Lodges if that is on your weekend agenda. RT drive about 95 mi.

Meet at: Gateway Park & Ride 9:30 AM

Leader: Celine Stroinski celine5760@aol.com

Jan 18-20 (Fri-Sun) Badger Creek Wilderness Backpack/Snowshoe—Class A

We will hike in 5 miles from eastside trailhead and set up a base camp on Friday night. On Saturday we will day hike in the area or snowshoe. On Sunday we will hike out. Plan on 3-season tent, warm gear, stove. Have Emergency fire starters. Limit is 8

Depart from TA Travel Center Troutdale Exit off I-84 at 8:00 AM. Packs will be inspected for proper gear.

Register with Linda Conrad or Laura Borchers at lgrconrad@aol.com or laurainpdx@gmail.com. To register, both

Application form and Emergency Contact Information form need to be received by leader. Available at www.trailsclub.org / Backpack Participant Information.

Jan 23 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM.

Leader: Chuck Barrows barrows4967@msn.com, 503-244-4967

Jan 26 (Sat) Trillium Lake Area Snowshoe—Class A

Beginning level snowshoe. Take the Red Top Meadows Trail down to the road that connects with Mud Creek Loop Trail. Snowshoe for 1 1/2 hours or so, eat lunch, then return. Distance traveled and elevation gain will be determined by snow conditions and group comfort. Fit snowshoes to boots before the trip so you know the bindings work. Check our "Cold Weather Guideline for Trips" on website www.trailsclub.org. Cars need a Sno-park permit. Depart: 9:00 AM Gateway Park and Ride. Call leader with questions.

Leader: Carolyn Jenkins 503-422-6456

Jan 27 (Sun) Fort Vancouver Hike—Class A

The hike will be approximately 4.5 miles and will travel through part of old Vancouver, Officer's Row, past the reconstructed Fort Vancouver and along the water front. Those wishing to tour the fort will need to pay an entrance fee or present a National Park pass. It opens at 12:00 PM on Sunday.

Depart: Visitors Center at 10:00 AM.

From I-5, take the Mill Plain Boulevard exit (Exit 1-C) and head east. Turn south onto Fort Vancouver Way. At the traffic circle, go east on Evergreen Boulevard and follow signs to the Fort Vancouver Visitor Center.

Leader: Richard Gaunt 971-404-1153

Jan 30 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM.

Leader: Nancy Overpeck overpeck@wa-net.com
360-573-6878

Meeting Places

Gateway Park & Ride From I-205 take the Glisan Street exit, proceed east to 99th Ave, turn north, proceed a couple of 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 and follow the above exit and instruction.

Wallace Park is the usual meeting place for Forest Park and city hikes. Meet at Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St between NW 25th Ave and NW 26th Ave. Parking is usually not a problem on Raleigh. Tri Met buses 15, 17 and 77 service is near.

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 in the southwest corner of Target's parking lot. Tri-Met buses 47, 52 and 89 service is near.

Trails Ahead

2013 TRAILS CLUB BEND WINTER TRIP Feb 28-Mar 02 (Thu-Sat)

Once again Barbara Jones will lead a three-night Bend Ski Trip. Thu. February 28, through Sat. night March 2. Staying Sunday night is optional. You can downhill ski, cross-country ski, snowshoe, shop, go to movies, museums, etc. Cascade Prime Timers Ski Club members will be joining us as guests. The group will stay at the Phoenix Inn in downtown Bend, 300 NW Franklin, phone 888-291-4764. Rooms can accommodate several people. You are responsible for making your room reservations and for arranging the shared cost of the room with any roommates. Make your reservation directly with Phoenix Inn, under Trails Club reservations. Room reservations need to be made by February 18, 2013. You are responsible for cancelling by 4:00 pm Feb. 27, if you need to do so.

Room rates:

A room with a king bed or with two queen beds is \$119.90. The cost is \$60 per night each for 2 people.

A family suite with one king and two queen beds is \$185.90. The cost is \$47 per night each for 4 people.

The hotel has an indoor pool, spa and ski lockers. Rooms have a microwave and refrigerator. Breakfast is included with the room fee. There will be a hotel discount on lift ticket prices.

Along with the motel fees, all other expenses will also be paid by each person. We usually organize group dinners at a local restaurant. Please contact Barb for the Trails Club application form and medical form, or download them from our website at trailsclub.org. You will find these forms with the Bend Ski Trip article in the Outings section. You can sign up for this outing immediately. There is a \$10 fee for Trails Club members. For non-members, including Cascade Prime Timers, there is a \$15 fee. Make check payable to Trails Club of Oregon. Mail the check along with the two completed forms to Trails Club of Oregon, P. O. Box 1243, Portland, OR 97207 For more information please contact Barb Jones: 503-829-6424 or Barbjones50@hotmail.com.

Tyee Schedule —2013

Date	Event Description	Contact
Jan 02-04 (Wed-Fri),	Pete Nelson & Nancy Overpeck	
Jan 04-06 (Fri-Sun)	Gerda Eck & Allen Burrell	
Jan 18-21 (Fri-Mon)	Debbie Ralls & Diane Brooke	
Feb 09-10 (Sat-Sun)	Donna Aase & Merv Murphy	
Feb 20-21 (Wed-Thu)	Pete Nelson & Nancy Overpeck	
Mar 09-10 (Sat-Sun)	Donna Aase & Merv Murphy	

Let's Talk About

Thanks to Jeff Lawton for making a special effort to post our emergency contact numbers sign at Nesika Lodge.

Trails Club History

Trails Club Transitions: Trekking toward our Centennial 1915-2015

The Trails Club of Oregon has evolved from a group of business men envisioning a trail leading up Larch Mountain from Multnomah Falls, to a club with a monthly activity calendar and two lodges managed and maintained by the membership. The club's purpose remains the same, minus climbing, which is to foster and stimulate interest in facilitating outdoor activities of a social nature, protecting natural beauty and conserving resources.

The founders of the Trails Club of Oregon envisioned the club's building trails. One such project was building 17 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail in Southern Oregon. The formation of the United States Forest Service (1911-1924) changed the vision and refocused club efforts. Now the USFS is an important partner in the access and the maintenance of both club properties. In fact, they

assisted the club in 1977 when the club realized the burden of property tax on 120 acres. By selling the Forest Service 80 acres, the club was able to reduce taxes by harvesting an exchange property. In addition, past member Ding Cannon, who was instrumental in the formation of Forest Park and a financial guru, invested money from the timber sale to establish a fund designed to assist in preserving club assets.

The Trails Club, in response to member desires to stay longer in the natural world, gradually built permanent lodging in both the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area above Multnomah Falls and in the Mt. Hood National Forest near Government Camp.

Members first built a shelter on Larch Mountain which transitioned to a log cabin on 120 acres purchased in the Multnomah Basin (1923). Members built a lodge from the surrounding forest with the help of a contractor who lived nearby. In 1987, the club decided to replace the main log lodge. This led to the demolition of Redwing, which was originally the girls' dorm. In 1988, a member work crew replaced that structure with a full basement and twice the floor space to act as a cookhouse while the old lodge was being torn down and then replaced. Members rallied time and donations to rebuild a log/stone lodge under the supervision of licensed contractor George Milne (15 year project).

Going back to 1929, in order to manage club properties, the club added a Lodge and Properties Trustee to the Board. At this time Randy Dietrich holds the current record of holding the position for 6 years, George Milne 5 years, Walt Garvin 4 years, Laura Gainer and Wayne Bauman three years, thirteen others 2 years and many who held the position for one year. Currently, Randy Dietrich holds the title for the most years as Nesika Lodge Chair (12).

Up until the late 1970s Henry Waespe was known as the father of club buildings. In the early days of rebuilding Nesika, George Milne, Randy Dietrich, Jerry Reneau, Walt Garvin, John Riley and Merrill Hugo were committed leaders in directing the efforts of an army of dedicated volunteers in rebuilding both Redwing, the new lodge and then continuing to improve other structures. Many other projects are now under way with the leadership of Glen Conrad and a new group of dedicated members. Look for Chapter 2 in February.

Brooke Eileen Milne (born April 20, 2012) set a record for being the youngest to visit Nesika. She attended the May 2012 work party along with her grandparents George & Sylvia Milne, parents Matt & Breanna and brother Christopher. Brooke's first visit was photographed by Lynn Cochran. It portrays G'ma Sylvia carrying on a tradition Fern began with the rebuilding of Nesika, sharing a cookie with Brooke, baked by Fern and delivered in her absence by Lynn. One might wonder how the magic

of Nesika's natural beauty and the camaraderie of a blended / extended family will influence Brooke's decision to pass on TCO traditions to future generations.

Sylvia Milne, Historian



Brooke Eileen Milne by Lynn Cochran

Summary of Board Minutes

TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING December 11, 2012

Call to Order—Richard called the meeting to order at 7:17 pm. Attending: Richard Gaunt, Carolyn Jenkins, Audrey Perino, Bill Yandon, Phillip Jackson, Lisa Osburn, Callista Snively and George Milne. Others attending: Virginia Larson, Administrative Assistant and Cindy Lee, acting as secretary (Nancy Overpeck, excused).

Approval of Minutes—Approved as corrected (MSC) Bill/Lisa.

Administrative Assistant's Report—Virginia Larson reported duties completed as assigned. The Nov. 19 review of the position's duties and the performance evaluation went well. Virginia also noted that dues are starting to come in for 2013.

Treasurer's Report—Audrey Perino provided the reconciled bank statements and the financial reports to the secretary for our records. The YTD and monthly financial reports were reviewed and discussed by the board.

Cash balance at November 30, 2013	\$2,467.83
Beginning balance 11-01-12	\$1,233.55
November deposits	12,308.76
November checks	-11,074.48
Ending balance 11-30-12	\$2,467.83

Committees

Membership—Callista Snively reported 1st readings: Jeffrey D. Crinklaw, Sponsors; Joan Miller & Jeff Lawton, & Alicia Grimshaw, Sponsors; Art Harvey & Eric Berg.

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2nd readings: Val Ray L. Sherer, Allen J. Otis, Rick Krahn, Dorothy Grazul, and Ronald E. Silvis. Unanimously approved.

Trips—Carolyn Jenkins reported trips for October: Six weekend hikes were scheduled, with four of those hikes cancelled. There were 15 participants on the two remaining hikes. There were five Wednesday morning and evening hikes, with 135 and 58 participants respectively. There were no backpacks scheduled. There was one bike trip with four participants. There were no kayak or other outings.

Trips in November consisted of two weekend hikes, with a total of 17 participants. There were four Wednesday morning hikes with 90 participants. There were no Wednesday evening hikes, backpacks, bike, outings or kayak events scheduled. In December Carolyn will use the LEADING TRIPS booklet at meetings to train new trip leaders and as a refresher for our experienced leaders. The booklet is also available on the home page of the TCO website under Leading Trips Pamphlet. Snowshoe, weekend hike and backpack coordinators are still needed. The Backpack Seminar was organized by Linda Conrad and held at Nesika November 3 – 4. There were a total of 48 people in attendance, 17 of which were TCO members. Carolyn will be contacting those people in 2013 to encourage them to lead backpacks for the club.

All Alpine Outing bills and final accounting were submitted by Callista and Diana Forester.

The Outing Planning Meeting was attended by twelve people and produced lots of planning and ideas. Carolyn will report on that meeting in January.

Publications – Phillip Jackson asked for reviewers for the January Blazer. Bill and George volunteered. Ken Kane was also volunteered for this task.

Social – Lisa Osborn reported that the Banquet is the biggest focus right now. The reserve date for this event is Sunday, April 14 at the Monarch Hotel. Lisa is pursuing leads for a guest speaker.

The Annual Meeting was attended by either 48 or 49 TCO members.

Nesika Lodge will be open for backpackers only over the holiday with Gregg Carson and Pam Moore hosting Christmas and the day after. Glenn and Linda Conrad will host from December 27 to January 1. Tyee Lodge will be open December 29 through January 1, with Paul and Callista Snively hosting, and Mya White as cook.

Lodges and Properties – Emergency contact posters have been posted at Nesika to assist lost hikers who find their way to the lodge. George also noted the emergency number for the lockbox at Tyee, which is located in the winter entrance on a post.

Unfinished Business

Glenn & Linda Conrad took the AED machine to Nesika. The AED for Tyee is still not in place. Virginia Larson volunteered to take it to Tyee when she hosts in December.

Randy and Richard met with Terry White regarding the on-

line system. Randy believes it will take a couple hundred hours to complete the work. Richard asked for the hourly rate and upper limit for the project. We should get a couple of other bids for this project as well.

Budget—We have not had our special meeting regarding the request made by the history committee. We also do not have a number for the Nesika bridge repair work. The actual income and expenses for 2012 are very close to what was budgeted for the year. We will have the investment committee try to come up with how much our investments gain each year.

A motion was made that the budget be approved as written, knowing that we will be amending it as final numbers come in for the bridge repair, the History Committee proposal, as well as the computer upgrade. (MSC) George/Callista

New Business

Richard will miss the February and March monthly meetings. Bill Yandon will step into the President role for those two months.

A special meeting has been called to go over a proposal by the history committee regarding office space and equipment. That meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 10 at 7 p.m. at the Mazama Lodge.

The 100th anniversary of the Trails Club celebration should be coordinated by both the Social Committee and the History Committee.

Discussion was had on trying to get some of Virginia's hours back for working on archiving. Virginia provided Richard with the club's record retention document which was modeled after other not-for-profit organizations

Virginia noted for the budget that the printer she has been using is her own personal one and it is not as heavy duty as the Trails Club one was. Virginia would like to get a desktop computer and printer. It was suggested that possibly the laptop computer she has been using could be used by the History Committee. Virginia will present more equipment detail at the January meeting.

The next topic was the proposed change of the Treasurer office to a two person-position. There was some concern that this would require a By-Law change. The Treasurer presented her resignation. The board appointed Cindy Lee to the Treasurer position and Gregg Carsen to the vacant Secretary position. Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m. Next Board Meeting scheduled for January 8 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted—Cindy Lee

New signs at Hoyt Arboretum
By Ken Kane





**Wednesday Morning Mt. Tabor Hike by
Barbara Warren Sams**



Wednesday Morning Forest Park Hike by Ken Kane

Membership Notes

If you have any feedback, positive or negative, about the following individuals who have received their first reading PLEASE contact one of the board members before the next board meeting (2nd Tuesday of the month). We wish to hear your input before the final vote into membership. Club member input is very important in this process.

Do you know a prospective new member? Send his/her name and address to membership@trailsclub.org for him/her to receive a couple of free Blazers. This is the best way to report guest information from hikes, lodge visits, and other trips.

1st Readings

Jeffry D. Crinklaw
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jeffrycrinklaw@gmail.com
Sponsors: Joan Miller and
Jeff Lawton

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Sponsors: Art Harvey
and Eric Berg

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2nd Readings

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Rick Krahn
Dorothy Grazul
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Gentle Reminders

For activities such as bicycle, kayak, 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 showshoe 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 that involves 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.

Newsletters

Send write-ups to: blazer@trailsclub.org

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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