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Upcoming Events		
Date	**Day**	**Event Description**
02	Mon	Winter Wonderland Walk at PIR—Class A
04	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
08	Sun	**Board Meeting—6 PM, Gaunt House**
06-08	Fri-Sun	Tyee Open—Host Only
11	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
14	Sat	Oregon City History Hike —Class A
15	Sun	**Blazer Deadline**
25	Wed	**Morning No Hike, Merry Christmas**
27-01	Fri-Wed	Nesika Open - Host Only
30-02	Mon-Thu	New Year's at Tyee
01	Wed	New Year's Day Hike to Nesika—Class 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

2014 DUES NOTICE INSIDE THE BLAZER

2014 Dues Reminder

2014 dues are payable by Jan 1, 2014. Please include the Dues Notice Form that is inserted in this Blazer and on the website. If dues are not received by Feb.1st a late payment fee of $5.00 will be assessed. If you have questions contact Callista Snively, 503-330-7344 or MembershipChair@trailsclub.org

Tyee Lodge's Winter Calendar

It's snowing it's snowing and it is that time of year again. Time to fill Tyee Lodge's winter calendar with our wonderful hosts and their exciting events! Take a look at your calendars and let me know when you are available to host a day or two, or, how about a full week! Enjoy a cup of hot cocoa, tell stories around the fire, or relax by watching the snowflakes drift to the ground, knowing that you are making a difference for every Trails Club Member. Thank you and looking forward to hearing from you! Tyee Winter Coordinator Mya White 503-330-7009 or tyeewinter@trailsclub.org, or Integritydoc@aol.com

Annual Meeting Elects Officers, Trustees

The members in attendance at the Annual Meeting on November 11 elected this slate to the Board of Trustees:

Officers:	President	George Milne,
	Secretary	Merrill Hugo
Trustees:	Tyee Lodge	Callista Snively
	Nesika Lodge	Glen Conrad
	Membership	Joan Miller
	Social	Barbara Jones
	Trips	Jeff Lawton

The seven Bylaws changes listed in the November Blazer. were also passed. Prior to the meeting, we welcomed new members at our annual New Member Social and gave them some orientation on how to get involved in the club

First Annual Trails Club of Oregon Used Gear Sale
January 18, 2014
10:30 AM to 12:00 PM
Tabor Space Dining Room
5441 SE Belmont St., Portland

Do you have gear you no longer need or you received a "white elephant" or two as a gift during the holidays? This will be the place to sell or barter away your gear.
Gear includes:
All kinds of outdoor clothing and accessories, shoes, boots, climbing gear, backpacking and camping gear, books, skis, bikes, kayaks, and canoes. Space is limited, so please do not set up tents for display. If you have a bike or boat to sell, bring a picture of it, and its specs . This event is open to the public and other hiking groups.
IMPORTANT INFO:
Setup time is 10 AM the day of the sale.There is a $5 seller's fee, which goes towards the room rental. If you're

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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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interested in selling your gear, please contact Carlene St. Thomas at: satinthomas@gmail.com to be placed on the seller list.
Tabor Space dining room is located in the basement of the church and is accessible from the sidewalk on the west side of church.Please use the parking lot just west of Tabor Space across the street. Be courteous when parking on the neighborhood streets and do not block resident's driveways.
The Tabor Space Café sells coffee, pastries, and other light fare and will be open during the sale.
Thanks!, Jeff Lawton

Events

Dec 2 (Mon) Winter Wonderland Walk at PIR—Class A

Walk the Winter Wonderland on the Portland International Raceway and see a great light display with Debbie Ralls and Celine Stroinski. 2 miles, rain or shine. Bring $6 and a 'can' of dog food to donate. Kids under 12 are free. Trails Club hike fee will be waived because of this. Well behaved leashed dogs ok. (There will be a walk-only evening at the Raceway - no cars) Max station, Yellow line, Delta park / Vanport, at least a quarter mile from gates if you choose to get there that way.
Meet: 6 PM PIR at the entrance where the tents are.
Leader: Celine 503-239-6950.or celine5760@aol.com

Attention

Beginning December 04 Wed. morning hikes will convene in front of Friendly House on NW 26th Ave between NW Savier St and NW Thurman St. It is approximately 2 blocks from the present meeting site.

Dec 04 (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: Friendly House on NW 26th Ave between NW Savier St and NW Thurman.St
Leader: Kathy Pollock, 503-753-0560, or pollockkathy@ymail.com

Dec 06-08 (Fri-Sun) Tyee Open—Host Only

Tyee will be open Friday 8 pm to 3pm Sunday. This is a host only weekend,so bring your own food .Drinks provided. Depending on interest I can lead a hike (maybe too early for snowshoe) from the lodge to Trillium Lake, leaving about 10am. Remember warm weather equipment, its that time of the year. Register With Paul Cutter 360-260-1673 or paulcutter1958@gmail.com

Dec 11 (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: Friendly House on NW 26th Ave between

NW Savier St and NW Thurman.St
Leader: Ray Amsinger, 503-442-9228, rayamsinger@hotmail.com,

Dec 14 (Sat) Oregon City History Hike —Class A
In 1844 Oregon City was the first incorporated community west of the Missouri River. The first Provisional legislature in Oregon Territory met here in 1843. We will walk about 5 miles round trip with 300 feet elevation gain visiting several interesting and historical sites. Our final stop is optional, but the Singer Hill Café is well worth a visit for the hanging gardens and art gallery, if not for a late lunch. Bring a snack or lunch and water. Dress for the weather. Depart: Gateway Park and Ride at 9:00 AM. Drive about 27 miles round trip. Or meet at the front door of Carnegie Public Library at 9:30. The library is at Washington St. and 7th St. in Oregon City. Restrooms are available downstairs in the library. Leader: Carolyn Jenkins 503-422-6456.

Dec 18 (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: Friendly House on NW 26th Ave between NW Savier St and NW Thurman.St
Leader: Terry Dewhurst, 503-846-0530, ldewhurst@comcast.com

Dec 25 (Wed) Morning NO HIKE, MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

Dec 27-Jan 01 (Fri-Wed) Nesika Open - Host Only
Nesika Lodge will be open for 5 nights at New Years. This is a "host only" event, so bring food that is pot luck oriented. No hike for this listing, but others will be leading a New Year's Day hike. If you want to hike in with someone, I will try to connect you with someone to hike in with. No indoor running water. Out houses will be used. We all have to share stoves and help carry in water. Also, limit is 15 per night so register early. If you come up for the day you don't need to register. The lodge will be warm and welcoming. Fee for day use is $2.00. Bring a sleeping bag, warm clothes, instep crampons or micro spikes. Shoe chains are not recommended. If you want to hike to Larch Mountain on Sunday with the group bring a pack, snow gear, good snow shoes, poles, and 8 hours of energy. Include lunch, emergency gear and 10 essentials (flash light). We will be leading daily hikes in the basin. We will have a movie night. No alcohol. Just bring your New Years spirit of love of life.
Register with Linda Conrad at: 360-837-3787 or email lcgrconrad@aol.com

Dec 30-Jan 2 (Mon-Thur) New Year's at Tyee
Join us for a New Year's celebration at Tyee Lodge. The family friendly event includes Movie Nights (Mon & Wed) and Games and Dancing Night on New Year's Eve (Tues). We will be snowshoeing to enjoy the fireworks at midnight on New Year's Eve! Paul and Callista Snively will be your Host/Cook. For dinners, we are having Salads with Mini Pizza (Mon), Turkey Feast (New Year's Eve) and Ham (Wed). Breakfast will be included. Hot Homemade Soup and Sandwiches for $5 or bring your own lunches. Bring snacks for New Year's Eve to share. Plan on having fun in the snow, sledding, XC, snowshoeing or relaxing in the lodge by the warm fire.For registration and more information regarding this family friendly event contact Callista Snively at tyeelodgeevent@gmail.com.
Registration begins on Dec 1st and is open to the first 44 registered by email and closes on Sunday, Dec. 15th. Early registration is recommended. Looking forward to seeing you at Tyee Lodge during New Years!

Jan 1 (Wed) New Year's Day Hike to Nesika—Class B
Begin the new year in a fun and healthy way. Join friends, old and new on this traditional trek to our gorge home located high above Multnomah Falls. Prepare for any weather. The trail may be naughty or nice, so be sure to bring trekking poles and YakTraks (or similar traction devices) for your boots. Bring a lunch to enjoy while we warm ourselves in front of the huge, stone, fireplace. Hike: 8 miles w/ 1,800' elevation gain Drive: 30 r/t miles Depart: 8:30 from Lewis & Clark State Park (I-84, exit 18) Leader: Kelly Marlin, mazamamama@frontier.com or 503-665-6778

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. TriMet buses 15, 17 and 77 service is nearby.
Wed Morning Hikes meet at Friendly House on NW 26th Ave between NW Savier St and NW Thurman.St
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. TriMet bus 47, 2 and 89 service is nearby.

Trails Ahead

Cascade Prime Timers and Trails Club at Tyee Lodge. Jan 8-10 (Wed-Fri), 2014
Two nights and three days at Tyee Lodge located at Government Camp on West Leg Road 0.5 mile above Mazama Lodge. Overnight Wed & Thu Jan 8 & 9. Meals: Wed: Dinner, Thu Breakfast and Dinner, Fri: Breakfast. Bring your own lunches. Bring sleeping bag, toiletries, towel and washcloth. Cost: $40 for TCO members, $50 for non-members. Meet 10 AM at Restroom on east side

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of Government Camp or 10:15 AM on Timberline Road. Hosts: Pete & Elaine Nelson and Nancy Overpeck. Reservations/more information: email or call Pete by Sunday, January 5. petermvnelson@yahoo.com (H) 503-591-0160.

In Memoriam

Janet Wagstaff Squier
May 5, 1920-Oct. 29, 2013

Janet Squier, a golden member who joined the club immediately after World War II, died at Rose Villa on October 29th at the age of 93. She is survived by her husband, Lee, and all her children.

As a youth Janet Wagstaff participated in a girls group led by Stella Arnspiker ("Spike"). Spike spurred her interest in hiking and skiing and introduced Janet to the TCO where she was introduced to her husband, Lee, in 1946 on the TCO ski bus. They were married 1½ years later.

Janet liked to climb and supported the building of Tyee. She attended all the years of Kiddie Kampers with some or all of her 5 children, served on the Blazer committee, hiked, skied (cross country in her later years) and helped organize the annual Easter egg hunt. She deeply valued the camaraderie she shared with so many other Trails Clubbers.

Summary of Board Minutes

Trails Club of Oregon
Board of Trustees Meeting
November 5 2013

Richard Gaunt called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM. All board members and the Administrative Assistant were present with the exception of Lisa Osburn. Barbara Jones, Glen Conrad, Joan Miller, and Art Stangell also attended Bill Yandon moved and Callista Sniveley seconded approval of the October meeting's minutes.

Following a short discussion it was decided to hold the December Board meeting at 6 PM on Sunday, December 8 at Richard's home

Administrative Assistant—Virginia said she had continued with her routine duties. She sent out annual meeting notices to the membership via email. Postcards were sent to the members who don't have email. She said she needed only a little over a dozen post cards which in her words suggests some possibilities for the electronic *Blazer* as the default form.

She contacted Nancy Overpeck who has agreed to function as the Memorial Endowment Committee chair.

Treasurer's Report—Cindy

Cash Balance at	10-31-13	$6,556.86
Beginning balance at	10-01-13	$2,263.45
Deposits		1,139.04
JP Morgan Chase Deposit		10,000.00
Checks/Withdrawals		-6,845.63
Ending balance at	10-31-13	$6,556.86

Additional transfers from JP Morgan Chase have been used to pay taxes and insurance. Art questioned if we have to pay real property tax to Clackamas County on Tyee since we have only a lease hold. Cindy will check this out.

Vice President's Report—Bill reported no significant changes to the calendar.

Membership Report—Calista had 14 first readings and no second readings.

Linda DeLucia
Mollie J. Peters
Daniel A. Van Rossen
Bob Pitzer
Terri L. Pitzer
Severt Lawyer
Russ Hunt
Krin Hunt
Callista Hunt (Junior member)
Dmitri Hunt (Junior member)
Karsten Hunt (Junior member)
Barbara Oakes
Jennifer Sedik
Barrett Sedik (Junior member)
All Have applied for membership,

Trips Report—Jeff says Wednesday Morning hikes are all we have scheduled for December. He continues to work to get hikes scheduled on Meetup. There are 284 folks signed up with Meetup. There will be a meeting on November 19. He and Bill are working with a couple of potential leaders for hikes and ski trips.

There was an approximately $400 surplus from the Alpine Outing. Club policy is to apply such surpluses to equipment for the outings.

Publications—Phil was gratified by the quick turnaround from the printer on the latest *Blazer.* Joan, Jeff, and George all volunteered to review the next issue.

Social—In Lisa's absence there was no formal report. The Rose Villa space is reserved for the annual meeting. An Adventures in Time Travel program is on December 21.

Lodges—Glen says that Nesika is prepared for the winter. The backpacking seminar was a success with more than 50 attending the seminar and 46 staying overnight. He anticipates adding one more bay to the woodshed next year. George reported Tyee is ready for the winter. The most recent work weekend had 30 people. The snow gates have been locked. No word yet on changes to parking this winter. It was recommended that we get exact car counts at events this winter to help determine our requirements in the future. Tyee projects for the near future include floor work in the kitchen and men's rest room and road work on the drive later this winter or spring.

Unfinished Business—Art and George are still investigating how other organizations handle their liability insurance.

New Business—Richard reviewed the annual meeting program. Carlene St. Thomas and Jeff are putting together a gear sale at Tabor Space for Jan. 18. Virginia and George will attend the next Columbia Gorge Coalition at Cascade Locks. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Merrill Hugo, Secretary

Let's Talk About It

Recreation User Groups Meeting #2
Tuesday, November 12th, 2013, 4-7 pm
Cascade Locks Community Center

Purpose:
Columbia Gorge recreation user groups came together to discuss the future of recreation in the Columbia Gorge and determine if there is value in creating a coalition of user groups to expand our effectiveness. This was the second of three scheduled meetings. The first one was on Oct 15 with 24 attendees representing 20 user groups.
Meeting Summary:
Twenty-three people representing 13 different user groups were in attendance. Nearly half the attendees were new and had not been to the first meeting. More water sports enthusiasts were represented than the first meeting. No biking groups attended the meeting. The meeting began with acceptance and no discussion of the meeting #1 summary. Michael Lang, Friends of the Columbia Gorge Conservation Director, gave a 30-minute powerpoint presentation on the political landscape of the Gorge. He gave a brief overview of the National Scenic Area (NSA) Act, recreation funding sources, the political landscape and the need to work together to protect our common interests. We have a political environment that could be favorable for funding future recreation projects if we work together toward common goals.
He provided an overview of the Oregon State Parks (OPRD) recreation planning process (timing and potential outcomes). Then he outlined the upcoming review of the NSA management plan, which is supposed to be carried out in 2014 by the U.S. Forest Service and the Columbia River Gorge Commission.
In the first meeting, these were the three common challenges mentioned that most groups face:
1. Protection/stewardship of existing recreation sites
2. Recreation enhancements, improved access (land/water)
3. Better coordination/communication with agencies
In small groups, we answered the questions: What makes sense? What doesn't make sense? What's missing? And we were asked to rank the common challenges in order.
Discussion led to:
• #3 (Communication) is a tool to achieve #1 & #2 (protection and enhancements)
• Communication with Gorge communities and within the coalition should be added to #3.
• Education to the recreation users about stewardship and protection is missing under #1 • Unanimously the group agreed that all three are important at different times as a response to current conditions – therefore it is difficult to rank them.
After much discussion on how to move forward collectively with a shared vision, a group of five volunteered to craft a vision statement that will be emailed to the group prior to the next meeting along with the agenda. The group selected to frame the values and vision around:
1. Maintain
2. Enhance
3. Communication & education (better communication leads to better coordination and it's one step further)
Next steps
The group wants to learn from OPRD about their planning process and how this group can collectively engage in this process. FoCG has invited them to attend. We will also continue to discuss a shared vision and a potential of this coalition, and where we go from here since this is our last scheduled meeting.
Critical Questions/Thoughts
• How could different sized and funded organizations be fairly represented?
• How would the coalition work?
The next meeting is Tuesday, December 10, 4-7 pm at the Cascade Locks Community Center and Oregon State Parks planning staff has been invited to attend.

Michael McCloskey Speech

When we gathered at the 2013 FWOC Conference it became apparent that the many accomplishments over the years are never absolutely secure. It required a lot of intense work to promote wilderness, protect wetlands, State Parks, National Parks, water and air quality, to list only a few. However, it still takes a considerable effort to monitor all these issues to preserve them for the future. I was so impressed with the presentation he made at the conference I would like to share it with you and hope it will stimulate a few to participate in the Trails Club of Oregon's efforts to be an influence in present and future issues that threaten the environment we all love.
George Milne

CHANGES AFFECTING ENVIRONMENTALISM
Michael McCloskey Sr. Policy Advisor
Leavenworth, WA
September 14, 2013

While the environmental movement has accomplished much over the past half century, much has also changed in the environment in which it operates.

Some even think we are not a movement, which they feel should be characterized by protests in the streets. However, I submit a movement is defined by having clear beliefs, organizations to promote it's beliefs, and followers who will exert themselves regularly to get it's beliefs adopted.

Now any movement that persists over time will experience both better and worse times. The movement in this country has been manifest for a century and a half, with bursts both of progress and times when it must defend its gains. The fact that it sometimes moves into defensive phases does not mean that the movement is declining or

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disapppearing; it is just in a different phase. At any time, it can emerge again into a phase when it makes progress.

Let's Look at the] Changes in the Issues

Over the past half century, shifts have occurred in the way we see conservation issues. At one time, our outdoor interests were organized around the theme of recreation, with an emphasis on esthetics. Now the emphasis is much more on habitat and protecting biodiversity. Not only are species protected under the Endangered Species Act, but also sub-species, populations, minimum viable levels, and biological communities. And before communities can be impacted, public agencies must investigate all the components that might be affected. We now value forests not just as biological communities, but also because they can sequester or store carbon.

While over this time we have not changed the definition of wilderness, the focus in proposing boundaries for wilderness areas has shifted from setting forth plans for compact areas to providing protection for surviving fragments of wild land.

And we have liberated ourselves from the grip of industry propaganda and no longer believe that we must be tied to old patterns of resource consumption, with us relying less now on industrial forestry, mining and drilling on demand, cowboy-type grazing, and abusive ocean-fishing.

And environmental issues have evolved immensely over this time: from being introduced as a set of novel issues, to coping with a widening array of pollutants, including toxic chemicals, to dealing with endocrine disrupting chemicals that can affect the process of reproduction.

Now we are to trying to hold back the tide of climate change which has evolved from being just a prediction based on computer models to the facts that are materializing around us: disappearing Arctic ice, the Greenland icecap shrinking, Antarctic ice shelves breaking up, and glaciers melting and seas rising. Measured levels of greenhouse gasses have gone from 350 parts per million to 400 parts per million, with even more in the offing.

And many proposed sources of alternative energy are no longer untried laboratory projects. They are appearing around us as they are being commercialized: wind generators in large arrays; factories producing solar products that are being installed, sometimes feeding the grid [via net metering]. Hybrid vehicles are an everyday reality, with electric vehicles now being produced.

And the flip side of this progress is that coal is quickly becoming a less important source of energy, with as many as 160 plants turned back: old ones that are finally closing and proposals for new projects that have been turned down.The increased availability of natural gas from "fracking" has played a role in making this possible, but activist opposition from our movement has also been important.

End of part one. Look for part two in the Jan. Blazer







Wed. Morning Hikes By Ken Kane and Phil Jackson

Membership Notes

If you have any feedback, positive or negative, about the following individuals who have received their first readings, 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.

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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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