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Santiam Wagon Road Trail System

Janet Jacobsen

THE TRIP REPORT FOR THE SANTIAM WAGON ROAD BUS TRIP on page five nudges one to consider exploring the trail by foot. The last Obsidian wagon road hike was in 2008. Leader Pat Hutchins wrote, “We had two cars-full, we were able to leave one car at the Mountain House and start our trip through history from the Sevenmile trailhead and AND WALK DOWNHILL FOR SEVEN MILES!” The hike, including the House Rock section, was led by Anne Dhu McLucas and Velma Shirk in 2000 and 1998 respectively. Scott Hovis led a 2009 snowshoe trip for an overnight stay in the Fish Lake Remount Depot cabins. You can search out these trip reports through The Report Page on the Obsidian website.

The Sweet Home Ranger District Trail Guide lists each wagon trail section with a brief description. With a car shuttle, one could combine several sections or perhaps hike the total 19.5 miles with elevation of 1,500–3,200 feet. If you would like to lead a hike on the historical road after mosquito season, contact summer-trips@obsidians.org

Mountain House to Latiwi Creek Road—3.3 miles. “Probably the most intact piece of the original wagon road, this segment will provide you with a true sense of what early travel was like.”

Latiwi Creek Road to Sevenmile Trailhead—3.3 miles. “This segment was immortalized in stories about the transcontinental auto race in 1905, when trees were attached to vehicles to slow down their descent on Sevenmile Hill.”

Sevenmile Trailhead to Tombstone Pass—4.2 miles.

Tombstone Pass to Hackleman Creek Road—6.5 miles. “...terrific views of Three Fingered Jack and the Old Cascades.”

Hackleman Creek Road to Fish Lake—2.2 miles. “Fish Lake Guard Station was a major stopover for early travelers on the wagon road.” Take time to tour the restored historic buildings! Check out The Friends of Fish Lake website at

Pisgah or Spencer Butte?

WHICH IS YOUR FAVORITE—SPENCER BUTTE OR MT. PISGAH? That was the theme for the Obsidian table at the Museum of Natural and Cultural History’s solstice celebration on June 20. Jim Northrop, Darko Sojak, and Steve Cordon fielded questions about the local summits and Obsidian activities. It wasn’t easy to decide in what jar to place your voting bean. Some said they were not familiar with either and chose not to vote. It was not a landslide victory for Spencer Butte with 40 beans and Mt. Pisgah with 38 beans. It was a fun interactive three hours. Photos prepared by John Jacobsen are now displayed on the Obsidian bulletin board at the Y.

Janet Jacobsen, Publicity Committee Chair

Help Wanted!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help fold, staple and mail out the monthly *Obsidian Bulletin*. The *Bulletin* mailing takes place at the Lodge ten times a year and requires about an hour each time. For more detailed information on the process, and/or to volunteer, contact Margaret Prentice at 687-5850.

Membership

Active.....	422
Honorary.....	6
Junior	8
Life.....	17
Total.....	453

Summer Camp Mammals In the North Cascades Ecosystem (NCE)

Jorry Rolfe

BESIDES COMMUNING WITH OTHER OBSIDIANS AT CAMP FUNKHOUSER and the occasional hiker along the trail, you can expect to meet possibly 75 mammal species in the wilderness this summer. Grizzly bears? There is a current draft impact statement about grizzly bear restoration, but it is unlikely that there is a viable population now. Gray wolves and lynx? They are threatened/endangered and have been documented in rugged terrain. Wolverines, river otters, cougars, black bears, and bobcat? They are associated with wilderness and are documented up there. Unfortunately, red fox and fisher have not been seen for years as they were trapped for fur. Bats? yes, there are 12 species in the NCE, all nocturnal insectivores living in mature forests. Hoofed mammals? Most common are deer, both mule and black-tailed, while elk, moose, and mountain goats are occasionally found. What's whistling? That is a hoary marmot seeing a predator such as a golden eagle or a coyote. Pika can be viewed on talus slopes. Want more local information? Pick up a copy of the Methow Valley Naturalist brochure for \$7 at the Mazama Store.

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2018 Board Nominees



JOHN COOPER

FOR THE LAST TWO AND A HALF YEARS I have been on the Obsidian Board. For most of 18 years I have been a member of the club. I initially joined the Obsidians to pursue my interest in mountaineering. I have led trips. I have participated in trail maintenance projects, and was on the winter trips committee. Currently I am chair of summer trips. I am a former owner of a cafe and bakery. Prior to this I was a child welfare social worker for the state and most recently was a bus driver for people with disabilities. I was on the board of a hiking club while living in Ireland. It would be an honor to continue serving on the Obsidian Board.

SHARON CUTSFORTH



I AM HONORED TO BE NOMINATED FOR A THIRD TERM on the Obsidian Board and, if elected, will continue to support the activities of all committees and the Obsidians in general. Learning about the work and the challenges of other committees has been helpful in relation to serving on the Byways By Bus Committee. As a committee member I have worked on trip planning and hospitality, served as secretary, trip leader and became Byways By Bus chair in October 2014. I enjoy creating the bus trip flyers and appreciate the work of the Publicity Committee in helping promote our bus trips. I have also been on the Membership Committee, the Safety Committee and have assisted with preparing mailings of *The Bulletin*. I joined the Obsidians after retirement in 2005, have gone on eighty-five bus trips and served as leader on fourteen. On these bus trips, I have made many new friends, seen many beautiful places in Oregon and surrounding states, and had the opportunity to learn about many things I might not otherwise have heard of. I am impressed by the number and scope of activities available through the Obsidians and the dedicated volunteer effort that makes the organization a success. As Obsidians we are blessed to have a beautiful Lodge (and grounds) in which to hold meetings and social events, and the opportunity to meet many interesting people.

Growing up on a farm in northwestern Wisconsin sparked my interest in the great outdoors; exploring the fields and woods, watching birds and animals, and enjoying the beauty of nature are interests that continue to be of great importance to me.



KATHY RANDALL

I HAVE ONLY BEEN AN OBSIDIAN SINCE MAY 2015, but I started hiking when I was four, and my first backpack was at the old age of six to Bagby Hot Springs! Since then I have hiked, climbed and backpacked all over the NW, as well as trips to California, Idaho, Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Maine, Hawaii, and B.C. My first climb was Mt. St. Helens in 1973 (via the now non-existent Lizard glacier route). My highest summit was last April of Mauna Kea (13,796 feet). But my favorite remains Mt. Adams! My climbing days may be dwindling, but my love of hiking will stay with me to the end. There is no better stress reliever than a hike on a beautiful day with good companions. I had friends who were concerned that I was hiking and camping solo after I found myself single in my mid-50s. Joining the Obsidians has been the perfect solution for that! I am grateful for the numerous friendships I have made in the past two years. I look forward to many more Obsidian trips to come. It is an honor to be nominated to serve on the board!

JULY BOARD NOTES

July 5, 2017

By John Cooper

Vice President John Cooper called the meeting to order. Other Board members present: Pat Esch, Maryanne Reiter, Todd Larsen, Sharon Cutsforth, Marci Hansen and Lyndell Wilken. Jorry Rolfe and Stewart Hoeg were also in attendance.

The Board approved the minutes for June.

Treasurer's Report: The Board approved payment of the bills.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Summer Trips (John Cooper): Through June 30 there were 82 scheduled trips of which 73 were completed. Of the 25 activities in June, other than hikes, two were get acquainted gatherings, two were bike trips, one water outing and an extended trip to a coast beach house. Fees of \$537 have been collected to date. There are 51 trips on the schedule that remain to be completed.

Climbs (Maryanne Reiter): During the month of June we had six climbs. One was cancelled due to weather and one was re-scheduled from May. Obsidians and Eugene Mountain Rescue sponsored an advanced glacier travel and crevasse rescue clinic on Mt. Hood for rescue members and Obsidian Climb leaders. A great weekend of technical rescue skills practice.

Highways and Byways By Bus (Sharon Cutsforth): Twenty three members and eight nonmembers participated in the June 14 bus trip, *Exploring the Santiam Wagon Road*: \$47.00 in fees were collected and forwarded. It was a very interesting trip and a beautiful mountain drive. There is space available on all remaining trips, including the July *More Food VI* trip.

Conservation, Science, & Education (Jorry Rolfe): The ExploraTalk with Mike Smith about the solar eclipse was very popular with 78 persons in attendance. The next one will be Tuesday, September 19 with Noah Strycker who will present on *Birding Without Borders*.

Publications (Lou Maenz): Mailing team - Don Baldwin, Pat Bean, Keiko Bryan, Clara Emlen, Joanne Ledet, Lenore McManigal. 200 total mailed (172 in town, 28 out of town) and a few to the downstairs lobby.

Entertainment (Lana Lindstrom): Thanks to Emily Rice for being in charge of the June potluck and Judy Adamcyk for presenting an interesting pro-

gram; \$33 was collected. The next potluck is September 22.

Membership (Diane Schechter): Two new member applications were presented for Board approval.

Publicity (Janet Jacobsen): On June 20 we hosted a table at the Museum of Natural and Cultural History Solstice Celebration. Hosts were Jim Northrop, Darko Sojak, and Steve Cordon. John Jacobsen did the photos for the display. The theme was to put a bean in the appropriate jar for your favorite: Spencer Butte or Mt. Pisgah. Spencer Butte received 40 beans and Mt. Pisgah received 38 beans. After the event the photos were posted on the Y bulletin board. There have been several requests from guests to schedule another Get Acquainted hike. We might consider scheduling one after summer camp.

Concessions (Carla Cooper): Total sales for June was \$76. A few members of our committee will be attending Summer Camp, so we are planning to offer some of our merchandise for sale there. Thanks to the diligence of our committee, our sales for the year total \$784.62.

Online (Wayne Deeter): The needed switch to SSL (encrypted https: access) for the Obsidian's Online Signup system was a bit rougher than expected, but is smoothly running now. Next we will be researching options for our email system.

Safety (Lyndell Wilken): Information was gathered regarding FireMed coverage for groups like the Obsidians. FireMed does not cover groups, just individuals and families. The FireMed contact said the Obsidians would have to contract with an insurance company in order to have coverage. For now each Obsidian member's personal insurance covers them in the case of an accident while participating in a club activity.

GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Lyndell Wilken brought up that FireMed only covers individuals and that Life Flight coverage varies depending where the accident occurs.

Maryanne Reiter brought up the need to monitor the Forest Service potentially requiring \$12 permit fees for many Three Sisters trailheads. A suggestion was made that the club contact Matt Peterson of the Forest Service for updates. The Board would like this issue to remain open for further discussion.

TRIP REPORTS & OTHER ACTIVITIES



Trail Maintenance

Alder Creek Restoration

May 19, 2017

Leader & Photographer: Mark Hougardy

Trail Maintenance: 10 miles, 1,000 ft. (Moderate)

THE WHYCHUS-DESCHUTES PROPOSED WILDERNESS is a rugged and beautiful landscape in central Oregon. Driving here requires a vehicle with high clearance, and some sturdy hiking shoes are necessary for the remaining distance. It is a place of weathered cliffs, cold streams, and rocky canyons. A



prominent landmark is Alder Springs. The main spring appears to spontaneously gush from the dry ground at an impressive 60 gallons per second. These cool waters flow a short distance into the picturesque Whychus Creek, and a few miles further join the turbulent waters of the Middle Deschutes River. These unique waterways provide spawning habitat for salmon and steelhead, and are central to all life in the area. This wilderness is prominent in fueling the region's robust outdoor recreation opportunities, tourism industry, and a high quality of life. The Whychus-Deschutes landscape is an asset, yet it lacks permanent protection. The purpose of this Obsidian trip was to learn more about the natural history, rebuild trails, fix up campsites, and remove some invasive plants that were taking resources from native species. We joined several other volunteers for an extended weekend of restoration work with the Oregon Natural Desert Association (ONDA). Animals we saw on this trip included two bald eagles, turkey vultures, several meadowlarks, a robin, a gemstone-colored Lazuli bunting, scores of butterflies, and two snakes. Sadly, we saw four deceased deer, victims of an aggressively cold winter. We worked hard on this trip, but seeing this land on a behind-the-scenes trip was worth every step. Members: Brad Bennett, Christiane Hougardy, Mark Hougardy, Jack Loe, Kathy Randall, Cindy Rice.

Trail Maintenance

May 31, 2017

Leader: Matthew Bell

Photographer: Pat Soussan

Trail Maintenance: 2 miles, 500 ft. (Moderate)

DEV FROM EUGENE PARKS AND OPEN SPACE met us at the Solar Heights Drive staging area with a truck filled with rocks and

gravel and a trailer filled with un-motorized wheelbarrows. Fortunately, there was a wheelbarrow for each of us. Fortunately,



the loads were not heavy. Fortunately, the root wad hole was nearby. Fortunately, all of us kept our wheelbarrows under control going downhill. We first filled the hole with rocks and then dumped load after load of gravel over the rocks. We watched Dev and Jim complete the last task, running the compactor back and forth over the gravel. It was a rewarding and fun project. It took 2 1/2 hours. Lemonade and cookies hit the spot. Jim Northrop was invaluable. He shoveled rocks/gravel into the wheelbarrows, carried heavier loads than the rest of us, and helped Dev lift the compactor into the wheelbarrow. Members: Clara Emlen, Betty Grant, Janet Jacobsen, Kathy Randall, Tom Rundle, Pat Soussan.

National Trails Day

June 3, 2017

Leader: Matthew Bell

Trail Maintenance: 2 miles, 500 ft. (Moderate)

THREE STALWART OBSIDIANS met at the main trailhead under threatening skies to celebrate National Trails Day. Dave, Tom and I hiked up the Main Trail towards the summit. We chipped, scraped, scooped, and swept gravel and other debris from the steps in the summit portion of the trail. Members: Matthew Bell, David Cooper, Tom Rundle.



Byways By Bus

Exploring the Santiam Wagon Road

June 14, 2017

Leader: Mary Ellen West

Photographer: Holger Krentz

THE SWEET HOME RANGER DISTRICT hosted 31 Obsidians and friends to begin our effort to discover the Santiam Wagon Road. Personal stories from the road made our day of history more fun. Marcia Morse, longtime Forest Service volunteer and student of the trail, shared her collection of pictures and stories including those from her own family

experiences on the wagon road. Lina Cheadle's 1910 letter to her son, Richard (later Mary Lee Cheadle's dad), told the story of a family trip on the road from Cascadia to Sisters and back. They walked a lot. Our thanks to Charlotte Skvortsov for typing the letter written to her grandfather. And thanks to Mary Lee Cheadle and Janet Jacobsen for sharing information and stories.



The original road from Albany to Sisters and beyond provided commerce in both directions. Today 19.5 miles of the wagon road are developed as a trail system starting at the Mountain House Trailhead to a terminus at Fish Lake. A bus stop at the Tombstone Pass entry to the wagon road had wonderful spring wildflowers and snow to enjoy. We stopped at Cascadia, one of the most popular locations, now a state park. From 1900 - 1941 it was a summer resort where people came for the *waters*. Mary Lee Cheadle remembers folks liking the mineral water and taking some home—the spring water is gone now, so no sampling. Our final stop was at the most popular road house at Fish Lake. Since the mid 1800s thousands of travelers along with their livestock, pack animals, and freight passed through here. Before the settlers, the native Kalopuya and Molalla Indians fished, hunted, and gathered huckleberries here. By 1905 the U.S. Forest Service had an outpost here, and later it was a remount depot until 2005. Efforts at historical interpretation, preservation, and landscape restoration are the focus now. Rolf Anderson, the President of Friends of Fish Lake and Jim Denney, a McKenzie River Ranger District summer employee, shared their knowledge and enthusiasm for the area, buildings, and history. We concluded our day walking on the Santiam Wagon Road. Members: Thomas Adamcyk, Ethel Allen, Bill Arthur, Barbara Beard, Paul Beard, Paula Beard, Barbara Bruns, Mary Lee Cheadle, Sharon Cutsforth, Jack Ewing, Joella Ewing, Sharon Gadowski, Esme Greer, Joel Greer, Betsy Halpern, Janet Jacobsen, Jim Northrop, Don Payne, Judy Phelps, Margaret Prentice, Velma Shirk, Barbara Wallace, Mary Ellen West. Nonmembers: Richmond Cross, Betty Dickerman, Alice Krentz, Marilyn Lynch, Shirley Bolles, Jane Carpenter, Earl Kropf, Charlotte Skvortsov.



Bike Trips

12 Bridges

June 6, 2017

Leader: Richard Hughes

Bike: 26 miles, 450 ft. (Moderate)

THE WEATHER WAS PERFECT IN THE MID-SEVENTIES. We stopped at each of the seven named bridges as riders took

turns reporting on their assigned bridge. Many were surprised that the Frohnmayer (Autzen) Bridge was built in 1970 at a cost of \$175,000 to carry utilities (steam) across the Willamette River. The idea of people and bikes using the bridge was an afterthought. The bridge is 667 feet across and was the first pedestrian/bike structure in the area. The most recent bridge built is the Delta Ponds Bridge in 2010 at a cost of \$5.2 million and is 760 feet across. Also the group rode on Eugene's only cycle-track on Alder Street. Next year this same concept will be incorporated on West Amazon Drive providing bi-directional bike travel adjacent to one another. The ride ended at Hideaway Bakery where we enjoyed a well-deserved lunch. Members: Richard Hughes, Lana Lindstrom, Jim Northrop, Guy Strahon, Judy Terry. Nonmembers: Sue Ten Pas.

Willamette River Bike Path

June 22, 2017

Leader: Tom Rundle

Photographer: Meg Stewart Smith

Bike: 25 miles, 180 ft. (Moderate)

WE STARTED FROM THE NORTH END OF THE GREENWAY BRIDGE riding north past three of the Delta Ponds and noted some



western pond turtles sunning on a log. We continued to the north end of the loop at the Owasso Bridge and then back past the south end of the Greenway Bridge to the Campbell Center. From there we passed the old EWEB complex, crossed the Autzen Bridge and rode along the Willamette River to Island Park. We made a brief stop at the historic RR station in Springfield, then followed the new Mill Race Trail out to Clearwater Park for lunch. On the return, we stopped to photograph some wildflowers and the industrial area north of the Mill Race. At the I-5 bridge we rode along the Canal Path, through Alton Baker Park, and back to the starting point. A cool breeze throughout the day made this a pleasant and easy 25-mile trip. Members: Mary Marshall, Tom Rundle, Meg Stewart Smith. Nonmembers: Barbara Orsi.



Boat Trips

Fish Lake

June 18, 2017

Leader: Ellen Sather, Asst Leader: Lana Lindstrom

Photographer: Daphne James

Kayak: 3 miles, (Easy)

AFTER CANCELLING THE PREVIOUS WEEKEND DUE TO RAIN, we had perfect weather for our kayak trip to Fish Lake. The

temperature was in the low 80s, offset by a nice breeze. The water level was high making it easy to launch our boats. As we headed to the far end of the lake, we saw goldeneye ducks



followed by their small fuzzy chicks. Unfortunately, there was a downed log which blocked us from exploring the stream. We also saw geese and an osprey; viceroy butterflies and a charming slithering snake joined us as we rafted up to eat lunch. Two kayakers saw a large number of frogs frolicking on the beach. We saw the snowy top of Mount Washington as we paddled back to shore. As leader I decided to show everyone how to gracefully exit from their kayaks as I fell off the side of mine and ended up in the lake. There are many to thank for setting up this special trip. Lana Lindstrom met some of the participants in Eugene. Daphne James, Rich Romm and nonmember, Stuart Trenholme loaded 4 kayaks into Daphne's pick-up, making an easy transport to and from Blue River. My back thanks them. We all went home with big smiles on our faces. Members: Barbara Aten, Patricia Esch, Sharon Friedland, Richard Hughes, Daphne James, Lana Lindstrom, Emily Rice, Rich Romm, Ellen Sather, Diane Schechter. Nonmembers: Joe Sanders.



Climbs

Middle Sister

June 24, 2017

Leader: Maryanne Reiter

Assistant Leader & Photographer: Laura Osinga

Climb: 18 miles, 5,300 ft. (Moderate)



WE HAD A FINE CLIMB and were able to stay cool until the hike out. Eight Obsidians hiked into high camp (7,200

feet) on Saturday and found a great spot that accommodated all of us. We spent the rest of the afternoon relaxing and melting snow for drinking water. We arose early on Sunday, hiked up to the saddle, and set a fixed line up the steep snow of the North Ridge. Soon after, we all stood on top; the views and weather were all outstanding. After numerous summit treats, we headed back down to camp, packed up, and hiked out. Members: Kellie Green, Daniel Manning, Laura Osinga, Maryanne Reiter. Non-members: Kana Moll, Zane Andrews, Dan Claric, Blake Andrews.



Hikes

Whole McKenzie River Trail

May 22, 2017

Leader: Mike Smith

Photographer: David Lodeesen

Hike: 26.6 miles, -1,600 ft. (Difficult)

FOUR OF US DID THE WHOLE MCKENZIE RIVER TRAIL on the hottest day of the year. Fortunately, we started before seven and had nice cool weather for about half the hike. Sahalie and Koosah falls were both dealing with voluminous amounts of water, and the trail just north of Blue Pool was widely flooded with one stream crossing that was unanticipated. Blue Pool



actually was being filled from above which we hadn't seen before. We had lunch about two to three miles past Trail Bridge and then walked...walked...and did I say walked some more, until we finally crossed the road to Belknap Springs. We had a break there and another an hour later. I hated to make people move after five minutes, but it was hot and we weren't moving when sitting. Additionally, we actually were near the end. We finally rolled in just after four, drove to the other car, returned to the Springs, and soaked for a long time in the pool. The hike could be done the other direction, with a key exchange, which would mean more climbing on the second half—an interesting challenge. Members: Marguerite Cooney, David Lodeesen, Lynn Meacham, Mike Smith.

Elijah Bristow State Park

May 27, 2017

Leader & Photographer: Darko Sojak

Hike: 2 miles, 10 ft. (Easy)

THREE FRIENDS ENJOYED A SHORT, NEARBY HIKE in a beautiful park. The weather was perfect. We encountered several bunnies, quail, and turtles, and in the shady areas around the creek,



when the Oregon Electric Station was completed, we could have traveled the three miles to the cemetery on the trolley at a cost of five cents. It was a pleasant morning, one to be repeated next year. Members: May Fogg, Barbara Gunther, Janet Jacobsen, Jim Northrop, Kathy Randall, Darko Sojak, Dorene Steggell, June Sutterfield.

Silver Falls State Park

June 1, 2017

Leader: Brad Bennett

Photographer: Daphne James

Hike: 7 miles, 800 ft. (Moderate)

TEN OF US STARTED FROM LCC AT 7:00 and drove the 1.5 hours to the 9,000-acre Silver Falls State Park, the largest state park in Oregon. We parked at the South Falls Day Use Area where there was a light rain that lasted only 20 minutes. A short time later we



mosquitoes. We noted foxgloves, Scotch broom, California poppies, daisies, mariposa lilies, lupine, wild onions and many more flowers. Members: Myron Cook, Kathy Randall, Darko Sojak.

Mt. Baldy Sunrise

May 28, 2017

Leader: Darko Sojak

Hike: 2.8 miles, 750 ft. (Easy)

OUR EARLY MORNING REWARD WAS A BIRDSONG CACOPHONY.

The hike was pleasant and energizing, but low marine fog prevented us from seeing the sunrise. Members: Mark Hougardy, Janet Jacobsen, John Jacobsen, Darko Sojak.

Masonic Cemetery to Obsidian Lodge

May 28, 2017

Leader: Janet Jacobsen

Photographer: Darko Sojak

Hike: 6 miles, 800 ft. (Easy)

ESTABLISHED IN 1859, THE EUGENE MASONIC CEMETERY is a welcoming place to visit on Memorial Weekend. We began our walk on city streets and trails up to the Obsidian Lodge and Hendricks Park at 9:30. We were back at the cemetery in time to



stroll past the graves and read the biographies before *Taps* was played at noon at the Public Square. Our last stop was Hope Abbey, the mausoleum built in 1913. The Eugene Masonic Cemetery Association greeted us not only with their knowledge, but with cake and cold beverages. They have accomplished so much since they started the restoration 22 years ago. Back in 1914

were peeling off a layer. The lodge/cafe was built in 1930 by the CCC work program. After buying parking permits and taking a bathroom break, we headed for the South Falls Overlook just a short walk on the trail. Looking down with a panoramic view of the 177-foot falls was a great way to start out our 800-foot elevation hike, including 10 falls: 177-ft. South Falls, 93-ft. Lower South Falls, 30-ft. Lower North Falls, 178-ft. Double Falls, 27-ft. Drake Falls, 106-ft. Middle North Falls, 31-ft. Twin Falls, 136-ft. North Falls, and 65-ft. Upper North Falls where we ate lunch, and the 134-ft. Winter Falls. After hiking down and behind the South Falls, the first of four falls that we were able to hike behind, we continued our seven-mile loop hike to the other nine falls. The temperature was mid-60s with overcast skies, but the sun did show itself from time to time. I told the group that at the North Falls parking area there would be a bathroom and there was one when we got there. The only problem was the Park Service was doing a one-day maintenance on the footbridge blocking our access. The last waterfall on our hike was Winter Falls, an option I gave to everyone as it was a hike downhill and back. Janet said she was going to hike down to see it and without hesitation we followed her. All 10 hikers saw all 10 falls, great weather, great group, the best of times. Returning to the lodge/café, we each got something to drink and watched a short video about the park history. Members: Brad Bennett, David Hawkins, Janet Jacobsen, Daphne James, Evelyn Nagy, Jim Northrop, Tom Rundle, Cari Soderlund, Nancy Whitfield. Nonmembers: Suzanne Cieutat.

Get Acquainted Ribbon Trail Hikes

June 3, 2017

Leader: Janet Jacobsen

Hike: 2.5 miles, 300 ft. (Easy)

FIRST HIKE 10:00: FIVE MEMBERS GREETED SIX GUESTS at the Obsidian Lodge for the morning Ribbon Trail hike to Hendricks Park. Cold lemonade and homemade muffins refreshed while guests learned about our historic lodge and upcoming events. During introductions Jorry and Mike gave a special invitation to the Solar Eclipse ExploraTalk. Thanks to Jane Hackett who handled registration and guest packets and guarded the lodge during the hike. Guests found out about the hike from the Obsidian website flyer, in *The Register-Guard*, and on the Y bulletin board. Members: Carla Cooper, Jane Hackett, Janet Jacobsen, Jorry Rolfe, Mike Smith. Nonmembers: Jolene Siemsen, Richmond Cross, Clarence Townsend, Jan Danforth, Tina Fodrie, Tina Currin Duvaul.

SECOND HIKE 2:00: SEVEN MEMBERS GREETED SEVEN GUESTS at the Obsidian Lodge for the afternoon Ribbon Trail hike to Hendricks Park. During introductions guests mentioned that for years they had wanted to find out about our club. When they read about the Get Acquainted Hikes, they knew it was time to find the Lodge and learn about our hikes. After the hike lemonade and homemade applesauce bread refreshed while guests learned more about our historic lodge, hikes, and upcoming events. No one was in a hurry to depart. Our Lodge Chair, Dave Cooper, was the last one to leave locking the gate around 4:00. Guests found out about the hike from the online flyer, the Y bulletin board, and *The Register-Guard Week-End Guide* published the day of the hike. Thanks to the members who participated in the two Get Acquainted hikes and made it fun! Members: Carla Cooper, David Cooper, Steve Cordon, Jane Hackett, Janet Jacobsen, Darko Sojak, Nancy Whitfield. Nonmembers: Michelle Cordon, Vicky Hanson, Suzanne Cieutat, Michael Bailey, Kay Bailey, Linda Sage, Margot McDonnell.

Mt. June via Lost Creek

June 11, 2017

Leader: Kathy Randall

Photographer: Pam Symond

Hike: 6.2 miles, 1,868 ft. (Moderate)

THE WEATHER DIDN'T EXACTLY COOPERATE FOR OUR HIKE. The temperature was in the low 40s as we hit the trail. There was a



thick fog covering the treetop canopy, with drippy raindrops occasionally reaching ground level. These conditions meant we had the trail all to ourselves! The group quickly separated into

two segments hiking at different speeds. The lower section of trail had quite a bit of coralroot in bloom. Nearly everyone reached the summit. They were rewarded with NO views and a smaller than usual display of wildflowers (small patches of penstemon & sedum, plus a few larkspur, avalanche and fawn lilies). The clouds started to break apart as we neared Highway 58 on our way home. Members: Keiko Bryan, Marguerite Cooney, Alan Curtis, Janet Jacobsen, Lynn Meacham, Kathy Randall, Jorry Rolfe, Randy Sinnott, Darko Sojak, David Strutin, Leigh Williams. Nonmembers: Pam Symond, Jennifer Lane.

Brice Creek

June 15, 2017

Leader: Lyndell Wilken

Photographer: David Lodeesen

Hike: 8 miles, 600 ft. (Moderate)

ELEVEN HEARTY OBSIDIANS MET ON A RAINY MORNING to head to the Brice Creek Trailhead for an eight-mile trek along the beautiful green waters of Brice Creek. The group was rewarded with new lush vegetation and the ambiance of old growth on a misty northwest day. Pictures were taken of the rocky waterfalls



and maidenhair ferns. Evidence of gold mining from the late 1800s could be seen along the way. Current mining claims could be identified by signs posted on trees near the creek. After lunch part of the group followed a side trail to Lower Trestle Creek Falls. Mike Smith shared that the falls are named after a railroad trestle that spanned the area in the boom years of logging. Rain subsided for most of the hike, leaving everyone pleased that they had made the trip. Members: Lynda Christiansen, Jane Hackett, John Hegg, David Lodeesen, Mary Marshall, Tom Rundle, Mike Smith, Cari Soderlund, Meg Stewart Smith, Lyndell Wilken. Nonmembers: Lamonte Smith.

Yachats Beach House

June 16, 2017

Leader: Scott Hovis

Photographer: David Lodeesen

Hike: 8 miles, 0 ft. (Moderate)

ON A RAINY OVERCAST FRIDAY, seven Obsidians left Eugene to gather at the leader's oceanfront home in Yachats for a weekend of hiking. By three that afternoon, six Obsidians had gathered and headed out for a six-mile hike back through town, continuing south on the OCT (Oregon Coastal Trail) towards Cape Perpetua. Under cloudy misty skies, the Obsidians turned around at the Amanda Statue after presenting an offering of flowers to this memorial site. We headed back to the beach house in Yachats in time for happy hour as the seventh Obsidian arrived. Later we

shared a potluck dinner as we relaxed and enjoyed the ocean view from our dining table. It was a pleasant night sleeping as the waves crashed against the rocky shore. We arose in the



morning for a quick breakfast, grabbed our hiking packs, and walked to the bus stop about 1/4 mile away for the 9:20 bus to Waldport. We began our beach hike south back to our accommodations in Yachats. The day started out overcast, but clearing with temps in the mid-50s. We were hiking along at low tide so the beach was expansive. About an hour into our hike, the sun was shining nicely and temps rose to the mid-60s. We stopped for a few pictures at the ancient redwood tree stump, Big Stump. A sign there claimed the stump had been carbon dated to be 1700-1800 years old. Apparently, redwoods grew in this region of coastal Oregon at one time long ago. We continued to the Beachside State Recreation Site where we lunched and used the facilities. The sun grew more intense and most lathered up with sunscreen. On we hiked as we crossed many freshwater creeks flowing into the ocean. Some of us removed shoes while crossing, while others waded through, oblivious to water-logged shoes. As we approached Yachats, the hike left the beach and continued on the higher ground OCT. After a mile the OCT passes right in front of the beach house. We finished our hike just after 1:00 as the day seemed to be getting hot, even though it was only about 70 degrees. The hike was very pleasant, starting out cool and warming nicely under bright sunshine and no wind at all. We spent the afternoon lounging on the deck watching the ocean churn against the rocky shoreline. That evening, we walked to the nearby Adobe Restaurant for a fine dinner overlooking the ocean, a most fitting end to a great hike on a perfect coastal day. Another night sleeping while the ocean waves lulled us to sleep and a fine gourmet breakfast cooked up by the hike leader before we all departed on our ways. Members: Marsha Barr, Keiko Bryan, Marguerite Cooney, Scott Hovis, David Lodeesen, Evelyn Nagy, Jorry Rolfe.

Erma Bell and Otter Lakes

June 18, 2017

Leader: Tom Rundle

Photographer: Kathy Randall

Hike: 8.5 miles, 820 ft. (Moderate)

NICE WEATHER. NO WIND. Hordes of mosquitoes and a few ticks. Half a mile in, the leader walked past the intersection for the Otter Lake Loop and unintentionally continued to Lower Erma Belle Lake. So we walked back to the intersection and began the loop to Otter Lake where we had lunch. Continuing on, we faced a 600-foot elevation gain on an unmaintained trail mostly covered with snow. There were swamps and bogs from snowmelt and six major stream crossings. Using GPS we were

able to stay close to the trail without actually seeing it except for short segments. All of the intrepid hikers bushwhacked through



this mess for about four miles with cheerful determination for a round trip total of 12.4 miles. Members: Rob Boese, Barbara Gunther, Kathy Randall, Cindy Rice, Tom Rundle. Nonmembers: Barbara Orsi, Clarence Townsend, JoDee Martin.

Erma Bell Lakes

June 18, 2017

Leader: Joella Ewing

Photographer: Pat Soussan

Hike: 5 miles, 350 ft. (Easy)

LOVELY SUNNY DAY, A LITTLE TOO WARM FOR ME, but lovely just the same. Saw one eagle and heard several birds. Heavy spring torrents fueled the two water falls between Lower and



Middle Erma Bell Lakes that are a few yards off the main trail. We cleaned the trail of small blowdown. Jane counted six fallen trees on the trail before the lower lake and four more between the lakes; all could be cut through with a sturdy handsaw. Members: Joella Ewing, Jane Hackett, Pat Soussan.

Mt Pisgah Summer Solstice

June 20, 2017

Leader: Janet Jacobsen

Hike: 4 miles, 1,000 ft. (Moderate)

WITH SOARING TEMPERATURES PREDICTED, all of us appreciated the refreshing 7:00 start time for the longest day of the year. We took the Incense Cedar Trail to see the new interactive nature

exhibit and then made our way to the top avoiding trails with overflowing poison oak and grass. At the sighting pedestal we celebrated the solstice with carrot muffins overflowing with fresh strawberry sauce. Members: Jennifer Baer, Hilary Fisher, David Hawkins, Janet Jacobsen, Caroline Moore, Jorry Rolfe, Dorene Steggell.

Marion Mountain

June 24, 2017

Leader & Photographer: Daphne James

Hike: 11.2 miles, 2,000 ft. (Difficult)

WE HIKE UP MARION MT. in the Mount Jefferson Wilderness on an exceptionally warm and windy June day. Although the Detroit Rangers advised me the trail would be snowed-in at 4,000 feet, as I discovered earlier in the week when I scouted, there was virtually no snow. As an added bonus, the occasional mosquito we encountered was blown away in the breeze. The



trail started out in lush forest then skimmed along tranquil Lake Ann where geese floated by and new beargrass and just budding rhododendrons graced the shore. The trail continued on to Marion Lake and our first dramatic view of Three Fingered Jack rising above the sparkling water. Clear blue skies made for spectacular mountain views throughout the day. We crossed the bridge at the lake inlet and started up the trail to the mountain. Here the trail was rocky and we had to watch our footing and avoid the temptation of looking down at Marion Lake and across to the emerging views of Mt. Jefferson. The views were a constant distraction and four hikers, that I know of, took harmless tumbles later in the day. Following our next junction, we went through a burn area where there were a number of small blowdowns and a bit of brush which our hikers aptly climbed over. A couple of our hikers are Scorpion volunteers and were counting the trees and anticipating coming back with their saws. Thank you to all those who do trail maintenance. After our final .8 miles and 400 feet, we came out to the breathtaking summit with its expansive views from Mt. Hood to Three Fingered Jack. Here we found shade among the trees and enjoyed our lunches while partaking in typical Obsidian conversations: identifying various landmarks, spotting places we have been, and planning trips to come. The trail and company could not have been better for another great Obsidian day in the wilderness. Members: Marguerite Cooney, David Cooper, Steve Cordon, Daphne James, David Lodeesen, Lynn Meacham, Evelyn Nagy, Mike Smith, Cari Soderlund.

Gordon Meadows To Gordon Lakes

June 25, 2017

Leader: Kathy Randall

Hike: 8.3 miles, 1,250 ft. (Moderate)

THE WEATHER WAS BEAUTIFUL, though the 85+ degree temperature was warmer than we would have liked. This trail skirts multiple huge meadows, several of which were in full bloom and quite spectacular! Thankfully, for the most part, the trail stays in the shade of the forest. There were only a few patches of snow left, and almost NO mosquitos! We lunched at the larger of the Gordon Lakes where Jane, Rebecca, Barb & June enjoyed a refreshing swim among the fish and newts. This was after gathering enough water to douse a hot smoldering fire some careless campers left behind. Of note, this trail has far more elevation gain than the Forest Service website led me to believe (it stated only 200 feet of gain). I believe that is just for the Gordon Meadows trail connector. From the main trail to the lakes there were numerous ups & downs, some which were moderately steep. I believe the total elevation gain for this hike is somewhere between 1,200 and 1,500 feet. The group agreed it was a good hike and look forward to doing it again, perhaps in the fall next time. Members: Rob Boese, Rebecca Eastwood, Barbara Gunther, Jane Hackett, Holger Krentz, Kathy Randall, Tom Rundle, Darko Sojak, June Sutterfield. Nonmembers: Paul Flashenberg.

Iron Mountain Redux

June 26, 2017

Leader: Tom Rundle

Hike: 8 miles, 1,800 ft. (Moderate)

A RELATIVELY COOL DAY WITH A LIGHT BREEZE made this a pleasant hike. We crossed two small patches of snow on the north side of Iron Mountain and a few blowdowns that were easy to get across. Wildflowers galore—an amazing variety of species and colors. We kept to a moderate pace and there were many stops along the trail for photography, rest, and water. After a steep climb to the summit we enjoyed lunch in the sunshine and great views of the snow-covered Sisters. Then we hiked down through shady groves to the trailhead parking area. Members: Jacquie Fern, Esme Greer, Joel Greer, Diantha Hull, David Lodeesen, Jack Loe, Emily Rice, Tom Rundle. Nonmembers: Suzanne Schultz, Heidi Zola.

Amazon Headwaters/Spencer Butte

May 24-June, 28 2017

Various leaders: Steve Cordon (5/24)

David Strutin (5/31)

Brad Bennett (6/7)

Steve Cordon (6/14)

Darian Marray (6/21)

Mike Smith (6/28)

Hike: 6.2 miles, 1,530 ft. (Moderate)

THE HIKES BY DATE WERE: **May 24:** Members: Steve Cordon, Janet Jacobsen, Daphne James, Michael King, Vern Marsonette, Jim Northrop, Jorry Rolfe, Rick Sanford, Mike Smith, Cari Soderlund, Dorene Steggell, Tommy Young. Nonmembers: Dan Russell. **May 31:** Members: David Cooper, Steve Cordon, Nancy Hoecker, Janet Jacobsen, David Lodeesen, Jim Northrop, Jorry Rolfe, Mike Smith, Cari Soderlund, Gary Spizizen, Dorene Steggell, David Strutin, Tommy Young. Nonmembers: Dan Russell, John Fleischli. **June 7:** Members: Brad Bennett, David Cooper, Steve Cordon, Janet Jacobsen, Daphne James, Lana Lindstrom, David Lodeesen, Jorry Rolfe, Tom Rundle, Cari

Soderlund, Gary Spizzen. **June 14:** Members: Steve Cordon, Hilary Fisher, Richard Hughes, Michael King, Lana Lindstrom, David Lodeesen, Carla Lyon, Caroline Moore, David Reinhard, Tom Rundle, Mike Smith. Nonmembers: Vicky Hanson, Dan Russell. **June 21:** Members: Jennifer Baer, Carla Cooper, David Cooper, Steve Cordon, Hilary Fisher, Janet Jacobsen, Michael King, David Lodeesen, Carla Lyon, Caroline Moore, Darian Morray, Jorry Rolfe, Mike Smith, Cari Soderlund, Dorene Steggell, Tommy Young. **June 28:** Members: Steve Cordon, Betty Grant, Nancy Hoecker, Michael King, David Lodeesen, Carla Lyon, Caroline Moore, David Reinhard, Mike Smith, Cari Soderlund, Dorene Steggell, David Strutin, Tommy Young. Nonmembers: Michelle Cordon.

Blanton Heights to Spencer Butte

June 4 and 11, 2017

Leader: Mike Smith

Hike: 9 miles, 1,800 ft. (Moderate)

June 4: Members: Marguerite Cooney, David Lodeesen, Mike Smith. **June 11:** Members: David Lodeesen, Mike Smith.

Pisgah Sunset

June 8 and 19, 2017

Various leaders: Mike Smith (6/8)

Janet Jacobsen (6/19)

Hike: 3-4 miles, 1,000 ft. (Easy)

June 8 (full moon): Members: Marguerite Cooney, Janet Jacobsen, David Lodeesen, Mike Smith. **June 19:** Members: Rick Ahrens, Marguerite Cooney, Carla Cooper, David Cooper, Janet Jacobsen, David Lodeesen. Nonmembers: Vicky Hanson, Nancy Coddington.

Upcoming Bus Trips



National Parks of the Southwest

September 10–22 (Sun 9/10–Fri 9/22)

Leaders: Sharon Cutsforth, Jim Northrop

Cost: \$1,557 (\$1,583 nonmembers)

Reservations & checks: Sharon Cutsforth, 746-4929

There are a few remaining spaces open on this amazing trip with Augie and Char Bergman.

Please call Sharon for complete itinerary.

Fall Color – McKenzie River & Belknap Springs

October 3 (Tues)

Leaders: Barbara & Paul Beard

Cost: \$68 (\$70 nonmembers)

Reservations & checks: Judy Phelps, 726-0118

Obsidians and friends will leave Shopko parking lot at 8:00 AM for an exciting and relaxing day along the McKenzie River. The refreshing clear water, the occasional rapids and forested banks make this a beautiful drive any time of the year. We are hoping there will also be some fall color along the way. Our route will take us along the river as much as possible. Crossing the McKenzie at Armitage Park we will make our way to Waltherville via McKenzie View and other back roads. Our first stop will be at EWEB Park on Leaburg Lake; here we will have a coffee break and time to explore the grounds a bit. Our destination today will be Belknap Hot

Springs Resort where we will enjoy a BBQ lunch provided by the Beard family. We have reserved the Great Room for comfortable lunching and visiting with friends. **Lunch and use of the room are included in trip cost.** There will be ample time for touring the grounds, enjoying the hot pools, or taking a walk along the river. If time allows we will travel on up the highway for a stop at the beautiful Sahalie Falls, near the headwaters of the McKenzie. We will arrive back in Eugene by 5:30 PM.

Christmas Lights at Shore Acres

November 30 – December 1 (Thurs–Fri)

Leaders: Barbara & Paul Beard

Cost: \$174 (\$178 nonmembers)

Reservations & checks: Judy Phelps, 726-0118

We will load bus at 8:30 AM and depart at 9:00 on this trip to see the spectacular colored lights display in Shore Acres State Park. Our route will take us down I-5 to Hwy. 38, through Drain, Reedsport, and down Hwy. 101 to Coos Bay. Bring a sack lunch to be enjoyed at one of the stops along the way. We hope to see some of the resident elk at the Dean Creek Elk Viewing area. There will be a few more pull-off stops prior to arriving at the Mill Creek Casino in Coos Bay, our overnight destination. Following early check in and dinner (included) we plan to leave before 6:00 PM for Shore Acres via the Charleston area. Entry cost to the park is also included in cost of the trip. There will be ample time to tour the lighted grounds, enjoy the animation and see the decorated house. Christmas goodies will be shared on the way back to the Casino. Allowing time for a leisurely breakfast at the Casino, we will load the bus at 9:00 AM and depart at 9:30 on Friday. We will travel north on Hwy. 101 with a stop at Old Town Florence on the waterfront. There will be time for some holiday shopping and lunch (on your own) before departing for home around 2:30 PM. Heading inland on Hwy. 126, we expect to arrive back at Shopko by 4:30 PM.

Bus trip information is also available on the Obsidian home page: www.obsidians.org

Contact information: bustrips@obsidians.org

Sharon Cutsforth, Bus Committee Chair, 746-4929

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11 Tue	More Food VI Bus West.....343-5492	9 Sat	Divide Lake Hike D Cooper..... 868-5427
12 Wed	Amazon Headwaters Hike M Rundle653-0741	10 Sun	Southwest National Parks Bus Cutsforth..... 746-4929
14 Fri	Mt Jefferson- Milk Creek Climb D Harris521-5807	10 Sun	Mt Thielsen Climb Hansen 360-852-2041
14 Fri	Blacklock Point Coast Backpack M Hovis731-3412	15 Fri	Mt. Jefferson/Berley Lakes Bk Pk M Hovis..... 731-3412
15 Sat	Olallie Mountain Hike M Randall.....844-5916	15 Fri	Carl Lake Bk Pk M Randall 844-5916
16 Sun	Yapoah Crater Geology Hike D Rundle.....653-0741	16 Sat	Broken Top Climb Hamilton 343-6550
19 Wed	Amazon Headwaters Hike M Cordon.....513-3452	17 Sun	South Sister Hike D Blumm..... 228-0217
20 Thu	Belknap Hot Spring Hike M Stewart Smith.....913-5464	19 Tue	Birding Without BordersExpl Tik
22 Sat	Mt Adams–Mazama Glacier Climb D Huseman..743-3658	20 Wed	Croatia's Natural Wonders Ext Trp Sojak 799-9199
22 Sat	Three Fingered Jack Geology Hike D Rundle653-0741	21 Thu	Yoran Lake/ Lils Lake Loop Hike D Bennett..... 359-5198
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26 Wed	Trail Maintenance Trl Mnt M Bell 503-884-8829	30 Sat	National Public Lands Day Trl Mnt M Bell . 503-884-8829
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		7 Sat	Four-In-One Cone Hike M Smith 520-488-9569
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		17 Tue	The Oregon Desert Trail ExploraTalk
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5 Sat	Duffy Lake Hike M Terry345-0720
9 Wed	Amazon Headwaters Hike M Cordon.....513-3452
12 Sat	Scott Mountain/Benson Lake Hike D Wolling.....345-2110
13 Sun	Black Crater Hike M Baer431-0767
13 Sun	Mt McLoughlin Climb Van Winkle 615-686-4402
15 Tue	The Wife Hike D Rundle.....653-0741
16 Wed	Amazon Headwaters Hike M Smith 520-488-9569
19 Sat	Mt Washington Climb Hansen 360-852-2041
19 Sat	Goodman Creek Hike D Terry345-0720
23 Wed	White Mountains, CA Ext Trp M Curtis.....345-2571
23 Wed	Amazon Headwaters Hike M Cooper868-5427
27 Sun	Fawn Lake Loop Hike M Sojak799-9199
28 Mon	John Muir Wilderness Bk Pk D Adey520-9285
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