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# Annual Chemeketan Meeting

All members are welcome to attend the January 17th, 2018 meeting, 6:00 - 9:00 PM. It will be held in the Mongolia Room at the Broadway Commons, 1300 Broadway St. NE, Salem

*The Chemeketans are a group united in a common interest in outdoor activities.  
Application for membership may be made after completion of two qualifying trips with the club.  
For information and forms, contact [chemeketans.org](http://chemeketans.org)*

# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Trip Participation

It is your responsibility to determine from the description of distance, altitude, terrain, trail and possible weather conditions, whether you, your children, and your guests can fully participate. The leader may refuse to take anyone not properly equipped or who is judged incapable of making the specific trip. All valuables should be left at home or carried with you - not left in a vehicle at the trailhead. Dogs/pets are not permitted.

## Guests (Non-Members)

A guest under 18 years of age must provide a signed RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK to the trip leader if he/she is not accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

## New and Renewing Member Dues

Adults \$20 and Juniors (under age 18) \$3. Annual subscription to print bulletin \$20. The membership year starts January 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Trip Essentials

Participants should wear appropriate foot gear and clothing (no jeans), carry lunch, water, rain gear, warm sweater/jacket, and the following essentials:

Extra food/clothing/water	Solar blanket or ground insulation pad
Flashlight/extra battery	First aid kit
Insect repellent	Candle
Pocket knife	Sunglasses/sunscreen
Toilet paper/trowel	Whistle
Lighter/matches in waterproof container	Small shovel

## Mileage Reimbursement for Drivers

To reimburse drivers for vehicle operation costs, the suggested donation is \$0.09 per mile per person to the driver.

## Trip Meeting Points

IKE	Ike Box, 299 Cottage St. NE- SW corner of Cottage and Chemeketan streets.
RAS	Rite Aid South, south Commercial, behind bus stop
CCC	WEEKENDS ONLY – Green Parking Lot (lot off Cooley Dr off Lancaster Side)
RLC	Redeemer Lutheran Church at 4665 Lancaster Dr (corner of Hayesville Dr – but never on Sunday)
SKM	Use PAR. WARNING: Cars parked here will be towed.
RPR	Roth's Portland Road, 4746 Portland Road NE (park in northwest corner on Portland Road)
PAR	State Motor Pool Park and Ride lot on Airport Road
FMN	Fred Meyer North west side of lot (River Road side)
SAF	Safeway West Salem, use Capital Manor exit from 22. Park on Edgewater -- southwest corner
MBI	Minto Brown Island Park (1st parking lot on right as you enter island)

## Hiking Trip Ratings

**EASY:** Max. 5 miles round trip, elevation gain less than 1000 feet.

**MEDIUM:** 6 - 10 miles round trip, 1000 - 2000 feet elevation gain.

**HARD:** Long, strenuous, and difficult.

## Hike Coordinators:

December Hiking: Rick Cooper, 503-362-9719,

[cooperrm50@gmail.com](mailto:cooperrm50@gmail.com)

Midweek: Elizabeth Seibert 503-315-8785

[jseibert@willamette.edu](mailto:jseibert@willamette.edu)

## Snowshoe Trip Ratings:

The difficulty of a snowshoe trip is dependent upon a number of variables: principally length, elevation gain, snow conditions, and the number of people able and willing to break trail.

**EASY-** Generally not over 5 round-trip miles with up to 500 feet of elevation gain.

**MEDIUM-** Generally over 5 round-trip miles up to 8 with over 500 feet of elevation gain up to 1000.

**HARD-** Generally over 8 round-trip miles with over 1000 feet of elevation gain.

## Backpacking and Climbing

Information for current backpacks/climbs is included in this bulletin. For full schedules and details see...

**Backpacking:** For all trips, see the April bulletin or [Backpack schedule](#) on the website

**Climbing:** See the [Climbers page](#) for information on the Climbing Program and links to detailed information on all climb activities.

The use of an asterisk\* on climb-related activities indicates that the activity is available to first-year climbers.

## Membership and Bulletins

The best way for prospective members to begin learning about the Chemeketans is to view **Become a Member** ([chemeketans.org/membership.asp](http://chemeketans.org/membership.asp)) and **Who We Are** ([chemeketans.org/who\\_we\\_are.asp](http://chemeketans.org/who_we_are.asp)) on our website. You may also contact the Membership Secretaries at [chememb@chemeketans.org](mailto:chememb@chemeketans.org) (use an unambiguous subject line and include a snail mail address and phone number) or mail requests to: Chemeketans Membership Secretary, P.O. Box 864, Salem, OR 97308.

## Bulletin Editors

Send email about The Chemeketan monthly bulletin to:

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This issue was edited by Joel Zak

The January bulletin will be edited by Carol Soderberg.

## Bulletin Submission Due Dates

Please submit your bulletin articles by the FIRST day of the preceding month.

## Submit an activity or "We Were There" report

Use the following link to access the form online:

<http://chemeketans.org/forms.asp>. If you do not have internet access, ask a friend or the hiking coordinator to do this for you. You may also call, email, or send your write-ups directly to the editors at their home addresses.

## GENERAL INFORMATION, *continued*

### Send Outing Pictures

Email pictures from your outing and/or Include pictures with your bulletin articles. We can include them in the monthly bulletin. Editors do reserve the right to publish photos based on available space, image content and quality. If you have questions about image submittal please contact the bulletin editors, we're happy to help.

Email pictures and questions to: [bulletin@chemeketans.org](mailto:bulletin@chemeketans.org)

### Bulletin Ads

A Chemeketan member may place one small non-commercial ad per year in the **Chemeketan** bulletin, free of charge; for example, offering outdoor equipment for sale. Ads will be placed in the bulletin but are subject to available space. Ads must be sent via email directly to the editors and must be received by the first of the month preceding the month in which they are to be published.

### The Chemeketan Trip Leader Guide

is available here: [Trip Leader Guide](#).

### Thunderbird Lodge

To reserve the Chemeketan cabin on Whitewater Road, contact Bill Wylie: [bnpwylie@yahoo.com](mailto:bnpwylie@yahoo.com), 503-378-0315. Information about the cabin can be found here: [Thunderbird Lodge](#).



### Discount Vendors

The stores listed below will honor your Chemeketan membership sticker with a discount:

- **Salem Summit Co.**, 240 Commercial St., Salem 503-990-7304 - 10% discount
- **Oregon Mountain Community**, 2975 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, 503-227-1038 - 10% discount.
- **The Mountain Shop**, 1510 NE 37th, Portland, 503-288-6768 - Discounts: Members 10%, Climb Leaders 15%, Class Participants in session 15%, 30% on rentals. No discounts on service work or sale items.
- **Next Adventure**, 426 SE Grand, Portland, 503-233-0706 - 10% discount.
- **US Outdoor Store**, 219 SW Broadway, Portland, 503-223-5937 - 10% discount.
- **Peak Sports**, 207 NW 2nd, Corvallis, 541-754-6444 - 10% discount.
- **Redpoint Climbers Supply**, 800-923-6207, 8283 11th St. Terrebonne -10% discount.

### Chemeketan Store Merchandise



A variety of Chemeketan merchandise is available from the Chemeketan store. To order and for details contact Roz Shirack at [rozshirack7@gmail.com](mailto:rozshirack7@gmail.com). The inventory includes:

Chemeketan T-shirts	\$12
• Adult navy S, M, L, XL	\$10
• Women's navy S, M, L	\$15
• Adult charcoal long-sleeve S, M, L, XL	
Bandanas, light blue or black	
Bandanas and T-shirts are also available at: Salem Summit	\$6
Thunderbird embroidered patch, , red, 3"	\$2
Thunderbird pin, 1"	\$1
Adult T-shirts from prior outings M, L	\$5
Child short-sleeved T-shirt, light blue with thunderbird on front, sizes 10-16	\$3 (price reduction)
Mt. Adams 2001 patch, 4"	\$2
Thunderbird red and blue decal, 3"	\$.25

### Chemeketan Website Resources

Click the links below for:

- [Chemeketan website](#)
- [Backpacking Schedule](#)
- [Council Meeting Minutes](#)
- [Annual Outing Information](#)
- [Climbing Program and Schedule](#)
- [Archived bulletins from June 2010 to present](#)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Next Council Meeting***  
 Wednesday, December 6th at 6:30 p.m.  
 LifeSource meeting room  
 2661 Commercial St. SE, Suite A  
***All club members are welcome.***

***Back Row - I to R***  
 Craig Blanton  
 Ann Hanus  
 Mike DeLaune  
 Bruce Patterson  
 Ralph Hall



***Front Row - I to R***  
 Eileen Harder  
 Susan LaTour  
 Ted Gaty  
 Fletcher Adelman

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***The following are proposed changes to the existing Chemeketan bylaws. These changes will be voted on during the January 17th, 2018 annual meeting.***

## Proposed Changes to Chemeketans Financial Bylaws

Chemeketans Council is proposing several changes to current bylaws. There are two issues with current Chemeketans financial bylaws:

**Issue 1:** The current bylaws state that the club Treasurer receives and pays out all monies of the club. In the past, however, Outing and Climbing committees were delegated authority to receive and pay out monies related to their committee activities. The proposed bylaws change permits Chemeketans Council to adopt rules that permit such delegation while maintaining Council's oversight responsibility.

**Issue 2:** The bylaws state that monies of the club shall be paid out only by check signed by two authorized signers. This creates a problem because some organizations that Chemeketans does business with only accept credit card payments or payments drafted directly from a checking account. We have dealt with this situation in the past by asking club members to make payments from their own payment systems and then reimbursing the members by check later. The proposed bylaws change permits Chemeketans Council to adopt rules that permit payments of club funds using other payment methods in addition to checks.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, continued

Notes:

\* In the following proposed bylaws change deleted language is denoted by ~~strikeout~~ and added language is in **bold**.

\* Chemeketans membership will be asked to approve the proposed changes at the January 2018 annual meeting.

\* Please contact Michael DeLaune, Chemeketans Treasurer, if you have questions or comments on the proposed bylaws changes.

### Proposed Bylaws Change

Section 5: **Financial Management.** ~~The Treasurer shall receive and hold all monies of the Club, keep fair and faithful records of the same, and disburse such funds under the direction of the Council.~~

**5.1 Collection of Monies.** The Treasurer shall collect all monies due the Club, except such as these By-laws make it the duty of the other officers or committees to collect. All other officers and committees collecting money shall pay the same over to the Treasurer regularly.

**5.2 Expenditure of Monies.** The Treasurer shall pay out money of the Club only on checks signed by any two of the following officers of the Club: President, Treasurer, or Recording Secretary. Said checks shall be drawn on the treasury at the authorization of the Executive Council.

**5.3 Delegation of Responsibility.** **Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections 5.1 and 5.2, Executive Council may adopt rules that delegate money collection and money payment responsibilities to one or more individual committees. In such cases, Executive Council shall exercise oversight responsibility by requiring an annual audit conducted by an auditor approved by the Executive Council and periodic financial reporting by such committees to the Executive Council.**

**5.4 Additional Expenditure Methods.** **Notwithstanding the requirement of subsection 5.2, Executive Council may approve by rule additional expenditure and revenue collection methods including but not limited to credit card, electronic funds transfer, and online bill pay.**

**5.5 Financial Reporting.** The Treasurer shall make a written report at the Annual Meeting of the condition of the funds of the Club, including receipts and disbursements since the Treasurer's last report, and shall be ready to report at each meeting of the Council when called upon to do so.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS, continued***

### **Bulletin Editor Needed**

The Chemeketans are looking for a new volunteer co-editor for the bulletin. You would share editing duties with 2 other editors and would be responsible for the monthly bulletin every 3 months. A good understanding of Microsoft Word would be helpful. You would receive training on the process of creating a bulletin. Please contact the bulletin editors if you are interested at [bulletin@chemeketans.org](mailto:bulletin@chemeketans.org)

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### **Chemektan Board Election Results**

The election results were as follows:

Eileen Harder, Shonee Langford and Bill Wylie were elected to the 2018 Chemeketan Council. Forest Gil was elected as First Alternate. On behalf of the Chemeketans, I'd like to thank all our nominees sincerely for their dedication to our organization's future.

### **A Call for Volunteers**

**Silver Falls State Park** is looking for volunteers for its upcoming Christmas Festival. The Festival is Saturday, December 9th from 11:00 to 4:00. Volunteers are needed to help visitors with children's crafts, wreath making stations, and similar activities. (Typically, this festival sees about 5,000 participants!) They also have a nice lunch for volunteers. Interested? Contact Lou Nelson at 503-581-4155. -Prepared by Mike Niemeyer

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS, continued**

### ***In Memoriam***

#### ***Kim Hyatt***

May 25, 1933 – October 5, 2017

Continuing Chemeketan Member since April, 1960

Life member, Kim Hyatt, passed away in his sleep the morning of October 5 after suffering increasing medical problems during the past year.

Kim had been an outdoors person all of his life and joined the club with a special interest in mountain climbing (eventually getting his 18-Peak award). Kim also loved hiking, biking, backpacking and downhill skiing in addition to participating in many Annual Outings and Cabin adventures. A specialty of his was leading Kim's Kar Kamps (as one participant called them) where campers spent a week at a base and hiked every day in the area. Locations stretched from the Southwest to British Columbia.

Kim contributed to the club in many leadership areas; chairing an assortment of committees and spending 15 years on the Council, with 6 of them as President. As a map-wise person, he was responsible for locating a number of Outing sites over the years. Even through his illness, he continued as Cabin Reservations Chair until the end of 2016.

Kim enjoyed outdoor photography and sometimes presented 2-projector shows for Picture Night. He was an avid reader, a musician, and a writer of both prose and poetry. Among other things, he produced a History of the Chemeketans from its inception in 1928 until 1983.

Much as he loved outdoor activity, which he shared with his wife Paula and daughters Karen and Gwen, he had not been able to participate for the last few years. The family asks that you remember him as he was in those many active years. Share among yourselves or with them a memory from a favorite trip or an anecdote about an experience with Kim. Paula would be delighted to hear some of those stories.

*"We miss him but the memories will remain."* - Paula Hyatt

#### ***DOROTHY DUNGEY***

February 10, 1926 – October 17, 2017

Member 1980-2010

Long-time Chemeketans may remember her as Dorothy Fish when she joined in 1980. Dorothy and Sylvia Williams had a standing joke that they would follow Paula Hyatt on any hike whether she knew where she was going or not! After she married Ralph Dungey, they continued to go on many trips including being regulars on Kim's Kar Kamps. Dorothy backpacked, led hikes, and served on the Council 1982-84. At various times she was Membership Chair, Miscellaneous Events Chair (twice), Hiking Committee Chair and then Dawdlers in 1966-67. She was a strong hiker and a delight on any trip.

Dorothy went on many Annual Outings. There seemed to be a mystery at the Asperkaha Outing in 1984 when every evening suddenly five of the group would get up and leave campfire. Those who knew them well knew the answer: they had to have their evening card game before going to bed! Those card games and the friendships continued for many years at home as well as at Outings.

Those who had so many adventures with Dorothy will really miss her now. Her physical problems eventually stopped her from hiking but she and Ralph continued to walk together. Dorothy was a good person, leader, and companion and a very important contributor to our Club. -by Mary Liepins

## November - December 2017 CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER

Date	Day	Location and Activity	Activity Type	Leader
Nov 29	Wed	Santiam Pass Area XC-SKI	X-Ski	Bill Caldwell
Nov 29	Wed	Audubon Nature Reserve Restoration	Other	Lee Slattum
Nov 30	Thu	Center 50+ Lunch	Other	Lee Slattum

### DECEMBER

Date	Day	Location and Activity	Activity Type	Leader
Dec 2	Sat	Mulkey Ridge	Hike	Ken Ash
Dec 3	Sun	Stahlman Point	Hike	Eileen Harder
Dec 6	Wed	Audubon Nature Reserve Restoration	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 7	Thu	Center 50+ Lunch	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 8	Fri	Climber's Annual Potluck - Rock Boxx 630pm	Climb	Mike Pennington
Dec 9	Sat	Cascade Head	Hike	Vivienne Torgeson
Dec 10	Sun	Peavy Arboretum	Hike	Bill Wylie
Dec 12	Tue	SE Portland Churches	Hike	Carol Soderberg
Dec 13	Wed	Audubon Nature Reserve Restoration	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 14	Thu	Christmas Second Thursday at Gilgamesh	Other	Joanne DeMay
Dec 14	Thu	Center 50+ Lunch	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 16	Sat	Beach walk	Hike	Randy Selig
Dec 16	Sat	Santiam Pass XC Starter	X-Ski	Bruce Moffatt
Dec 17	Sun	Winter Solstice and Silver Falls	Hike	Mary Coleman
Dec 20	Wed	Audubon Nature Reserve Restoration	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 21	Thu	Center 50+ Lunch	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 27	Wed	Audubon Nature Reserve Restoration	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 28	Thu	Center 50+ Lunch	Other	Lee Slattum
Dec 30	Sat	Shellburg Falls	Hike	Mary Liepins
Dec 30	Sat	North Santiam	Snowshoe	Lee Slattum
Dec 31	Sun	McDonald Forest	Hike	Blanka Trunekova

### FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Day	Location and Activity	Activity Type	Leader
Jan 6, 2018	Sat	Santiam Pass Short Tour	X-Ski	Bruce
Jan 12, 2018	Fri	Picture Night: Backpacking in the Grand Canyon	Other	Marcia Hoak
Jan 13, 2018	Sat	Santiam Canyon	Snowshoe	Jean Gabriel
Feb 3, 2018	Sat	Potato Tour, from Hill to Bowl	X-Ski	Bruce Moffatt
Feb 4 - Feb 9, 2018	Sun-Fri	Sr. Ski Week/Diamond Lake	X-Ski	Ted Young/Marcia Hoak
Feb 10, 2018	Sat	Jean's Jewel	Snowshoe	Jean Gabriel
Feb 18, 2018,	Sun	Silver Falls	Hike	Debra Dawes
Mar 3, 2018	Sat	Maxwell Butte Trail System	X-Ski	Bruce Moffatt
Mar 24 - Mar 25, 2018	Sat-Sun	Wilderness First Aid - Silver Falls	Other	Mike Niemeyer
Apr 6 - Apr 8, 2018	Fri-Sun	1st Annual Hut to Hut Cascades Ski Trip	X-Ski	Bruce Moffatt



## WHERE AND WHEN

Refer to the General Information Page 2 for trip ratings, meeting locations and other important information. Trips leave promptly at the time stated so be there a few minutes ahead of time. RT= Round Trip, The use of an asterisk (\*) on climb related activities indicates that the activity is available to first time climbers.

### REPEATING EVENTS

**Every Monday at 10:00 AM**  
**KOFFEE KLATCH at the BEANERY**  
**BILL ANNING**

Come join the fun every Monday to help solve the worlds problems.

**Wednesday, November 29, DEC. 6, 13, 20, 27, at 9:00 a.m.,**

**AUDUBON NATURE RESERVE RESTORATION**  
**LEE SLATTUM 503-364-9325**

Like many of you, I am both a Chemeketan and a Salem Audubon member. I have volunteered to lead a restoration program at the Audubon Nature Reserve, located in West Salem on Eola Drive, behind Safeway on Edgewater. We work on a variety of projects: removing invasive plants and replacing them with natives, picking up litter, constructing and maintaining trails, mowing grass, and tending growing beds. At 11:00, we quit and head to McDonald's on Wallace Road to drink coffee and have a good visit. Into our sixth year, we have accomplished much with our collaborative effort.

**Thursday, November 30, DEC. 7, 14, 21, 28 at 11:30 a.m.,**

**CENTER 50+ LUNCH**  
**LEE SLATTUM 503-364-9325**

Into our eighth year, our chemeketan and guest lunches continue at the City of Salem's newest Senior Center, the Center 50+, at 2615 Portland Road NE. Lunch is served between 11:30 and 1:00. The cost is \$5.00 if you are 50 or better; \$6.50 if you are younger. Drop in for some good food, conversation, and a chance to do some networking.

**Wednesday, November 29, Departing at 8:00 a.m.,**  
**SANTIAM PASS AREA XC-SKI**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: BILL CALDWELL 503-385-6494**

Ski somewhere in the Santiam Pass area (Hwy 22) depending the snow conditions. Call a day or two before trip for details. If conditions are poor, we can plan on another date to go. Trip will not go if weather or road conditions are bad. Moderate pace.

RATED: MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 170 miles, X-SKI dist 7 miles, Elev. 800 feet.

**Saturday, December 2, Departing at 8:30 a.m.,**  
**MULKEY RIDGE HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: KEN ASH 503-507-7844**

The trail is just west of Corvallis. It is not difficult but will

probably be muddy in spots. We will have lunch after at American Dream Pizza or The New Morning Bakery. (Group choice) Moderate pace.

RATED: EASY, Driving dist RT 90 miles, HIKE dist 4 miles, Elev. 500 feet.

**Sunday, December 3, Departing at 9:00 a.m., PAR,**  
**STAHLMAN POINT HIKE**  
**EILEEN HARDER 503-508-4950**

Stahlman is one of my favorite "close to home" hikes. Short and sweet, it is a constant uphill on a beautiful wooded trail with the pleasant surprise of a beautiful view at the very top. This time of year there could be snow at the last portion of the trail; we will see when we get there! There's a very short scramble on rock at the top. Be prepared for cold and wet, but we'll hope for pleasant and dry.

Leader will e-mail those that register a few days before hike with updated weather/trail conditions. Please e-mail leader(esharder@gmail.com) to register. Moderate pace. RATED: EASY-MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 106 miles, HIKE dist 4.6 miles, Elev. 1340 feet.

**Friday, December 8,**  
**CLIMBER'S ANNUAL POTLUCK**  
**ROCK BOXX 630 PM CLIMB**  
**MIKE PENNINGTON**

**Rock Boxx, Friday Dec 8th @ 630pm**

All Chemeketan climbers welcome. Feel free to bring family or significant others. Entry is free for all. Climbing is free for members and any guests 15% off. Bring your favorite dish to share. If you'd like a drink, partake in their Taphouse above the climbing area (open 6-10pm).

**Saturday, December 9, Departing at 8:00 a.m.,**  
**CASCADE HEAD HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: VIVIENNE TORGESON 503-859-2211**

We'll hike from the Cascade Head trailhead on Three Rocks Road, out and back. The initial portion of the trail is steep and muddy but we'll have spectacular ocean views starting about half way up, weather permitting. Dress for chilly, windy conditions. If the forecast is lousy we'll look for an alternative destination. Moderate pace.

RATED: MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 110 miles, HIKE dist 5.0 miles, Elev. 1200 feet.

**Sunday, December 10, Departing at 8:00 a.m.,**  
**PEAVY ARBORETUM HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: BILL WYLIE 503-378-0315**

We will do the Powder House Loop Trail on this site of a Civilian Conservation Corps camp from the 1930's. Moderate pace.

RATED: EASY, Driving dist RT 50 miles, HIKE dist 5 miles, Elev. 900 feet.

## WHERE AND WHEN, continued

**Tuesday, December 12, Departing at 9:00 a.m.,**

### **SE PORTLAND CHURCHES HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: CAROL SODERBERG 503-507-0867**

This route will take us by eleven religious institutions in some very walkable southeast Portland neighborhoods. In addition we'll explore Lone Fir, Portland's first cemetery. We'll be stopping along the way at the points of interest where I'll have some information to share with the group on each of them. At about mile 2.5 we'll take a coffee break to warm up on what will probably be a chilly day at Palio in Ladd's Addition. We'll have lunch at the Laurelhurst Market at around mile 5. Please register with the leader by noon the day before the hike. Slow pace.

RATED: EASY, Driving dist RT 90 miles, HIKE dist 6 miles, Elev. 300 feet.

**Thursday, December 14, Departing at 6:00 p.m.,**

### **CHRISTMAS SECOND THURSDAY AT GILGAMESH JOANNE DEMAY 971-237-9775**

Put this on your calendar! Rain, shine, snow, ice, nothing will keep us from Gilgamesh this December for 2nd Thursday. 2065 Madrona Ave SE in Salem. We have a large table reserved for holiday feasting and cheer.

RATED: EASY.

**Saturday, December 16, Departing at 9:00 a.m.,**

### **BEACH WALK HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: RANDY SELIG**

Enjoy the beach at Newport. Weather permitting we will walk 5 to 7 miles on the beach and retire to a warm lunch or snack spot. Bring snacks, water and be prepared to cross some streams and keep your feet dry. Will scout, haven't been there in a year. Moderate pace.

RATED: EASY-MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 60 miles, HIKE dist 6 miles, Elev. 0 feet.

**Saturday, December 16, Departing at 8:00 a.m.,**

### **SANTIAM PASS XC STARTER X-SKI**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: BRUCE MOFFATT 541-908-2371**

If you are just getting started cross-country skiing or have been skiing for a while and would like it to feel easier come on out and improve your skills. We will use the groomed trails at Hoodoo Ski Bowl (snow allowing ) to increase your confidence and efficiency. Pack for the weather and bring a lunch. Call the leader for meeting place, recommend packing list and any other questions. Slow pace.

RATED: EASY, Driving dist RT 180 miles, X-SKI dist 4 miles, Elev. 100 feet.

**Sunday, December 17,**

### **WINTER SOLSTICE AND SILVER FALLS HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: MARY COLEMAN 971-343-1004**

Let's get out with our friends and celebrate the Winter Solstice by hiking the Silver Falls loop. After the hike, we will head to leader's house in Silverton for hot soup, beverages and whatever else shows up! If you'd rather skip

the hike and just party, come over about 1:00 p.m. Call or email mcolemanj@gmail.com with questions. We will hike in the rain, but will reconsider the hike portion if the trail is too icy. Moderate pace.

RATED: MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 50 miles, HIKE dist 7.2 miles, Elev. 800 feet.

**Saturday, December 30,**

### **NORTH SANTIAM SNOWSHOE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: LEE SLATTUM 503-364-9325**

Snow conditions permitting, we will do an easy snowshoe in the Santiam Canyon. Snow levels will determine where we go, but one strong possibility is a relatively flat and scenic route along the Santiam River. I have three pairs of loaner snowshoes and enough ski poles to accommodate most heights. If you are a strong snowshoer and want to come along as a mentor, that's fine, but don't expect to be allowed to charge ahead of the group. Afterwards, we expect to stop at a restaurant for a bite to eat. Slow pace.

RATED: EASY, Driving dist RT 150 miles, SNOWSHOE dist 5 miles, Elev. 300 feet.

**Saturday, December 30,**

### **SHELLBURG FALLS HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: MARY LIEPINS 503-363-6385**

Our route will be somewhat dependent on weather, but the hike always begins on a gravel road. We'll plan to hike a clockwise loop using Shellburg Creek and August Mountain trails after passing Shellburg Falls and the campground. We'll hope for one of those clear winter days, but be prepared for the possibility of rain and also mud in some areas. Moderate pace.

RATED: EASY-MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 50 miles, HIKE dist 5.7 miles, Elev. 740 feet.

**Sunday, December 31, Departing at 9:00 a.m.,**

### **MCDONALD FOREST HIKE**

**PRE-REG W/LDR: BLANKA TRUNECKOVA 503-409-1606**

This will be our traditional New Year trip and potluck. The hike leader Bill Wylie will set the destination. We will meet at Blanka's house and together drive for the hike. We plan to be back around 3:00PM. If you wish to attend just the potluck, you are welcome to do so.

Be prepared for the weather, bring your boots, hat, gloves and sandwich. Do not forget water. Moderate pace.

RATED: MEDIUM, Driving dist RT 60 miles, HIKE dist 8 miles, Elev. 400 feet.

## WE WERE THERE

### Hoyt Arboretum Hike, October 27



It was beautiful clear and sunny day and the fall colors on the trees and puddles of fallen leaves were jewel like including the pictured ginkgo tree. We started out by doing 2.5 miles of the warren of trails on the west side of Hoyt Arboretum including Fir, Spruce and Bristlecone Pine. Then we crossed over to the east side of the arboretum and took the Wildwood Trail to join up with the Macleay Trail which got us to the Washington Park Rose Garden where there a surprising number of roses still in bloom. We walked out of the park into the Nob Hill neighborhood and to the Elephant Deli which is like an Emerald City of prepared food. We sat on the sunny patio and thoroughly enjoyed our delicious lunches. After lunch we walked a short distance to the Providence Park MAX station and took it back to the Washington Park station. From there we just had a short walk back to our starting point. Participants included members Sylvia Dawson, Kathy Annese, Ellen Simpson and leader Carol Soderberg.

### Shellburg Falls Loop, October 29

Three Chemeketans, members Susi Rose, Vera Wicks and leader Ralph Hall hiked a loop at Shellburg falls looking for fall colors and some sunshine. Oh well, at least it didn't rain but the foliage and the company were brilliant.

### Salem Halloween Afternoon Hike, October 31



Lucky number 13 of us started this hike at 4 PM and had a wonderful time wandering around Bush Park itself and the Bush Park neighborhood enjoying the changing fall colors and looking for houses decorated for Halloween and trick-or-treaters getting an early start. Then we headed over to the Fairmount Hills neighborhood and checked out the seemingly deserted Governor's Mansion. We continued to wander those streets until we saw a particularly well decorated home where the owner invited us to stop and explore his array of spooky ornaments.



As we were leaving there I saw a fire engine with its lights on moving slowly down Fairmount Ave. Following it were a stream of at least 100 trick-or-treaters and their parents. Unbeknownst to us we had stumbled upon the Fairmount Halloween Parade. Some of our hike participants were in costume which may have encouraged someone in the parade to throw us orange Mardi Gras beads. Then an attractive woman who was walking in the parade and was dressed as a cowboy approached us and started a conversation. We were all a little flummoxed and it took a minute for most of us to realize that she was Governor Kate Brown. She was so friendly and fun! She told us that the reason that the mansion had seemed deserted is that they were participating in the parade but that they were headed back to the mansion where they had 450 pieces of candy ready for the onslaught of trick-or-treaters. After the parade had literally passed us by we headed back to our starting point amazed at our good luck in getting this special surprise.

Participants included members Pam Wasson, Kathy Annese, Rosanna Wilson, Ellen Simpson, Janelle Bothe, Nanci Chambers, Lin Crimshaw, Greda van Veen, Bev Hassell, Judi Morris, Judy Voelker, Bill Voelker and leader Carol Soderberg.

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The following is a **special report** by Jean Gabriel, the Trail Maintenance Coordinator.

### Chemeketan Volunteer Trail Crews Complete Massive Clearing of Maxwell Snow Park Routes



Just in time for winter sports, Chemeketan trail crews recently completed an extensive project to clear routes in the Maxwell Snow Park. The project began in July of this year and involved 8 trips working on various segments to cut and remove logs, cut brush and put up additional blue diamonds. No chain saws were used; all the logs were cut with cross-cut saws or heavy duty folding saws. Major sections of a 6-mile loop route were cleared. The route includes both the Mt. View Shelter and the South (lower) Shelter, a route that has been dubbed “the two-shelter loop”, plus the first .7 mile of the Maxwell Butte Trail. The trips were led by Jean Gabriel, Chemeketan Trail Maintenance Coordinator. Recently, Jean was interviewed by another member to get her thoughts on this experience.

Q: How did you get interested in working on the routes in the Maxwell Snow Park?

A: Well, I noticed over the past few years while snow shoeing in the park that there seemed to be more and more logs to step over or around. Then, in December 2016, I led a snowshoe to the South Shelter and found it frustrating. We had to keep detouring around logs and then had trouble staying on route because the blue diamonds were few and far between. I thought to myself, something has to be done or this route will be lost. So, when I met with the Forest Service in early 2017, I suggested that our club focus on this, and they supported the idea. I knew the routes were log-jammed, but the conditions were even worse than I realized. After I scouted the route and counted the logs, I scheduled additional trips to tackle the project this year.

Q: It sounds like a big project – what level of effort was involved?

A: In total, our volunteers put in 500 hours of time, including travel time, cut and removed over 300 logs, put up 20 blue diamonds, and brushed about 3 miles of trail. So, yes, this was a massive effort over several months.

Q: Why do you think this project was such a success?

A: Well, I think it was a combination of several things. First, we had a good turnout for every trip. I think people really got behind this effort and wanted to see it through. It also worked in our favor that the council approved the purchase of some new tools, which helped us get more done in less time. Another thing that really made a difference was the donation of a high quality 6-foot,



2-man crosscut saw to the club from Mark Wigg. On the first trip, we used the saw we cut out 49 logs with just six people. It takes less effort and less time to cut a big log with a double vs. a single buck saw. We also received a donated saw from Alan Van Winkle, and Steve Worley donated a saw to Lee Slattum who let us use it. Also, the Nordic Club heard about our project, and some of their members joined us on several trips, which was really helpful.



Q: Which trip was your favorite?

A: Ah, that would be the first trip that mosquitoes weren't buzzing around

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my ears and the temperature was less than 85 degrees. My favorite segment of the route was an .8 mile stretch that originally had 158 logs. It was just so rewarding to see the stark difference between the initial log-jammed route to the finished look where we reclaimed the original 12-foot wide road.

Q: What did you enjoy most about this experience?



A: You mean, besides feeding my addiction to cutting logs (she laughs)? I enjoyed seeing people working together as a team, strategizing about the best way to approach the cut and how to move the log off the trail. I have lasting memories of the smiles, the laughter, and the sense of satisfaction I saw in the faces of our volunteers. For me, it didn't seem like work, it was fun! I enjoyed taking care of the tools. For example, I made new covers for our saws, gave each saw a name, and wrote the names on the covers. Our family of saws that worked hard for us trip after trip included: Big Wigg (donated by Mark Wigg), Champion (my saw), Swede and Herculee (guess whose saws), and Little Skipper (club saw). They've earned a good sharpening before we use them again next spring.

Q: What do you want to say to all those people who helped with this project?

A: Thank you so much for volunteering your time! You made a difference that will benefit users of the snow park for years to come. I was really impressed with your work ethic and how you took pride in doing a thorough job of clearing the route. With just a bit of direction, you took initiative, took ownership, and turned it into a labor of love. I'm so proud of our accomplishment – we did it! I hope you get a chance to get out this winter and enjoy the open routes you helped to create in the snow park.

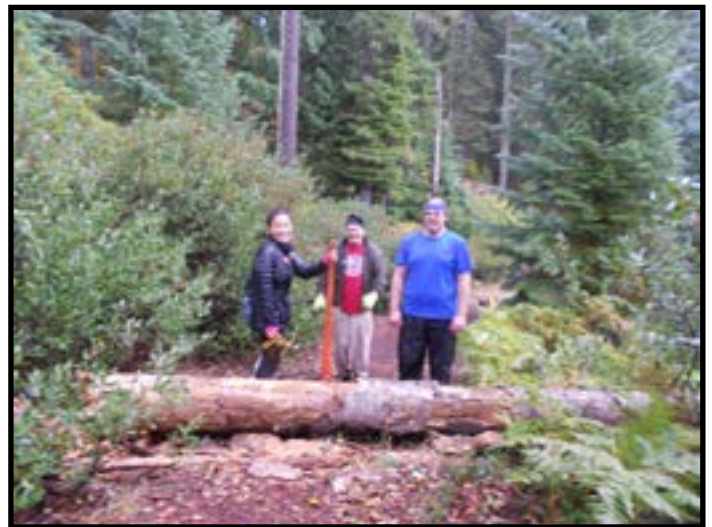
Q: What's on tap for next year?

A: Well, we didn't work at all on the most direct route from the parking lot to the Mt. View Shelter. So, next year I'd like to focus on that section. There's a long stretch where the brush is really overgrown and, even with snow, can be difficult to get through. Also, someone has cut the logs once in the middle of the route, but the log sections are still laying in the trail. So, I'd like to clear those logs out next year.

Q: Is there anything you would like to add?

A: Yes, I'd like to let people know that the Forest Service installed a stove in the South Shelter and put some wood in the shelter. The Saturday before they did this, our crew removed 22 logs that were blocking the road, which allowed them to drive directly to the shelter and saved a lot of time on the day of the installation.

My sincere thanks to the following people who helped with this project by participating in one or several trips: Tom Burke, Dave Foulger, Allan King, Lee Slattum, Dave Adleman, Bill Caldwell, Katy Dockter, Kathy Jensen, Jim Todd, Lois Wagner, Robert Wagner, Gary Westphal, Ron Allowitz, Jeanne Miller, Matt Rieke, Mark Wigg, Ken Ash, Jon Guido, Mark Olson, Jim Baske, Lon Johnson, Bill Tourtellotte, Nameun House, James Sealy, Ruth Scott, Jeff Starr, Christine Young, and John Hortsch. You made a significant difference!





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