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July 1990

PWC meets on the second Monday of every month at 7:30 PM at the Kitsap Unitarian Fellowship Church on Perry Avenue in East Bremerton. The public is cordially invited.

P.W.C. Picnic July 13th

he regular PWC monthly meeting for July will be a picnic at Scenic Beach State Park near Seabeck. This annual event promises to be great fun and will be an excellent opportunity to get to know some of the other PWC members. The celebration will begin at 5:30 PM, July 13th. The main course and soft drinks will be provided courtesy of PWC, other dishes will be potluck style. Please bring veggie dishes, desserts, chips and dip, etc. For the energetic, and for those who don't eat too much, there will be a volley ball court set up. Hope to see you there.

Saturday July 14th: Ic

Lake of the Angles

at 479-8460.

Saturday, July 14th: John Knott will be making a day hike to Lake of the Angles, a wonderful place near the Hamma Hamma River in the Olympics. The hike is about 3.8 miles one way with a respectable 3300 feet gain in elevation, including some minor rock scrambling. PWC members interested in joining this strenuous but beautiful hike should give John a call at 478-0476.

If you can give Doug a hand on this worthwhile project, please give him a call

Upcoming Activities

Green Mtn. Trail Restoration

Tuesday, July 17th, (and July 18th if needed): Doug Savage will need some help to restore the overgrown trail to the Green Mountain rock climbing site. The maintenance work will consist mainly of cutting back the underbrush which has grown over the trail. Since this trail is so close by, Doug plans to meet at the trailhead after work about 5:30 PM.

Grand Ridge Trail

Saturday, July 21st: Joe and Kathy Weigel will be hiking the Grand Ridge trail from Deer Park to Obstruction Peak in the Olympics. Joe and Kathy hope to organize two parties starting from opposite trail heads and exchanging car keys near the midway point making a one way traverse possible. Call Joe or Kathy at 871-0291 if interested in going along.

Team work is essential; it allows you to blame someone else

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES (continued)

Hike to Royal Basin

Saturday, July 28th and Sunday, 29th:
Doug Savage will be going on an overnight
hike to Royal Basin in the Olympic
National Park. PWC members are
welcome to come along. There
will also be an optional climb
of Mount Deception. Give
Doug a call at 479-8460 if
interested.

Mary Suetterlein claimed the prize. Mary joined the club in April and it was the first PWC meeting she had attended. Congratulations Mary, what a great

welcome gift. Thanks
Judd for the
generous donation.

PWC T-Shirts

The PWC T-Shirts have

been ordered and are expected to be available at the July Picnic. The price per T-Shirt is \$9.00 and can be paid for with a check or exact cash at

with a check or exact cash at the Picnic. An extra two dozen shirts have been ordered for future requests. Please claim your T-Shirt by the August

meeting or make arrangements otherwise with Jim Groh (779-5421).

Interested Members Meeting

Doug Savage will be hosting this month's interested members meeting at his home in Illahee. The meeting will be at 7 PM Monday, July 9th. Interested PWC members are encouraged to come. Upcoming events and

trips will be planned. Those who need directions to Doug's house, can call Doug at 479-8460.

Special Note:

The Peninsula Wilderness Club will be presenting a free slide show featuring the work of nature photographer Pat C'Hara. The event will be November 8th at the Central Kitsap High School and will be open to the public. Pat O'Hara has a long list of credentials. He has been featured in numerous books and magazines, and his work has graced calendars, greeting cards and posters. Mark your calendar; this is one event you won't want to miss.

Door Prize Winner

The Mount Constance Mountain Shoppe donated a wonderful door prize for last month's drawing. There was considerable excitement generated when it was announced that the door prize was a Whisper Lite backpacking stove. An elated



Spring Fling at Garrison Springs

By Alice Savage

Incredible is the only way to describe the spring flowers in the hills around Garrison Springs Lodge north of Ellensburg. The June 8-10 weekend brought six of us for another visit with Jennifer Stein and her wonderful gourmet cooking.

This time we were treated to barbecued chicken, barbecued salmon, and on Saturday night we all took turns cranking an old fashioned ice cream maker which turned out delicious ice cream.

We could not complain about the weather. It rained Saturday night but during the day it was mostly sunny with clouds at times, perfect weather for traipsing around the mountain meadows. Three people brought bicycles. There are many good mountain roads and trails to enjoy bike riding.

The variety of flowers blooming this time of year is unbelievable with masses of blooms covering the meadows making a beautiful sight.

It was fun to see how different the lodge looked without the four feet of snow we found on our February ski outing. It was great to drive right up to Jennifer's yard this time and not lug a heavy pack up for three miles. For those of you who missed this outing, another ski trip is planned for February, 1991.

EDITOR NOTE: Many thanks to Jennifer for her hospitality and the guided tours of the beautiful mountain meadows.

New PWC Member

The membership of the Peninsula Wilderness Club extends a warm welcome to new member Ron Johnston. Ron is primarily a skiler but hopes to try a little

hiking this summer.

If you are interested in joining the Peninsula Wilderness Club, the membership dues are only \$12.00 a year for an individual or family. Membership entitles you to a 10% discount at the Mount

Constance Mountain Shoppe, a copy of our monthly publication, "Penwicle", and a shot at the door prize each month. For more information about the club, feel free to call one of the telephone numbers listed on the back page of this newsletter. To join, just come to the next monthly meeting and sign up. You may also mail your dues to our Post Office box.

Shi Shi Beach Hike

The PWC outing to Shi Shi Beach south of Neah Bay was a big success. Thirteen PWC'rs made the 2.5 mile jaunt down the muddy trail to the beach and the extra mile along the beach to Petroleum Creek where we made camp. Luckily, the weather wasn't anything like the gloomy forecast. In fact, some of our group were nursing sunburns by Saturday evening.

The minus tides each morning provided excellent opportunities for tide pool exploration as well as exposing numerous caves, tunnels, and archways at Point of

Shi Shi Beach Hike (continued)

the Arches. We collected muscles and later steamed them over the camp fire. After dinner we all gathered around a bon fire on the beach and made smores and popcorn.

The surf was high and Lynn's son and nephew were prepared with wetsuits and surfboards. It looked like fun, but the rest of us had to settle for playing in the waves, letting them chase us up the beach.

Despite the minor sunburns and some raccoon thievery during the night, a good time was had by all.

Don Paulson

Some of it, plus the rest of it, is all of it.



Bulletin Board

For Sale. One person tent, Sierra Designs. Like new, \$50.00 Call Ted Wiles at 876-5718

Biking Partner Wanted. Can ride Sunday and Monday anytime, or mornings Tuesday through Saturday. About 40 miles per day. Call Rob Little, 598-3080 (work).

Hiking/Biking Partner Wanted. Want partner for hikes, mountain biking or road riding. Have Tuesdays and every other Sunday off. Bev Nieves, 779-2216 (work) or 698-3155.

Need Address. Does anyone know Charles Felts' current mailing address? His last PWC newsletter was returned. Call Jim Luddon at 373-0431.

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Reopen Peshastin Pinnacles!



Pinnacles Park Coalition

Trust for Public Land/Pinnacles Fund 506 Second Avenue, Suite 1510 Seattle, Washington 98104 206/587-2447 Many of you have already heard that there are some promising efforts underway that may open up Peshastin Pinnacles to climbing once again. The purpose of this flyer is to tell you what's going on and let you know how you can help make climbing at the Pinnacles a reality.

For those of you who haven't climbed at the Pinnacles, the area is a unique outcrop of 200 foot high sandstone slabs just east of Leavenworth. For three decades the Pinnacles were a popular area for climbing, especially early season since the Pinnacles were often warm and dry long before other Washington climbing areas.

Unfortunately in 1986 the private owners of the Pinnacles were forced to close the area to the public because of concerns over liability. After many years of negotiations the owners of the Pinnacles have now agreed to self them for a reasonable price! And the Washington State Department of Parks and Recreation is seriously considering acquiring the Pinnacles for a future park. The Trust for Public Land, a national non-profit conservation organization, will acquire the Pinnacles and hold it for a future park site if \$60,000 can be raised by mid-August when the purchase option expires. These funds are essential to cover appraisal

costs, legal and survey work, construction of new and environmentally sensitive trails and other site preparation. All of this work must be completed before the Pinnacles can be reopened to the public.

Major donations are now being solicited for the Pinnacles Fund. REI and the American Alpine Club's Access Fund have each contributed \$10,000 towards this goal. Although donations are being sought from other outdoor retailers the backing of the climbers themselves, who will be the major users of the area, is essential.

We need your help!

First, write to the Washington State Parks Commission and urge them to establish a state park at the Pinnacles as soon as possible. (Mr. Jan Tveten, Director, 7150 Cleanwater Lane, KY-11, Olympia, WA 98504.) Second, show your support for reopening the Pinnacles by sending your tax deductible contribution of \$100, \$50, or whatever you can afford to:

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