JANUARY 2011

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Peninsula Wilderness Club meets on the second Monday of every month at 7 pm at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Perry Avenue in East Bremerton. The public is cordially invited.

# CLIMBING AND TREKKING IN THE HIMALAYA

Monday, January 10th, 7pm Presented by Craig Anderson

Our guest speaker for January, Craig Anderson, will be presenting a slide-show of his 3 climbs in the Himalaya: Hiunchuli, Dhaulagiri and K2, with a few shots thrown in of a 3-month trek in Tibet, Nepal and India in 2007-08.

Craig grew up in Bremerton and graduated from East High School. He began climbing with the Explorer Scouts in 1962 and took the Basic Mountaineering course at Olympic College, hiking extensively in the Cascades and Olympics. He joined the Peace Corp in 1969 following college. While a Peace Corp volunteer, he led the first ascent of Hiunchuli in the Annapurna Himalaya - one of the most difficult technical trekking peaks in Nepal. He subsequently joined the expedition to Dhaulagiri in 1973, and the American K2 expedition in 1978.

After K2, Craig taught science in the Central Kitsap School District for 25 years before retiring. Nowadays, he can be found trekking in Asia, fly fishing, or playing tennis at the Bremerton Tennis and Athletic Club. In the spring of 2011, Craig will host a trek around Dhaulagiri, in Nepal, sponsored by <u>Grand Asian Journeys</u>.



# Monthly

MAP: Monthly Activity Planning Meeting at 7 pm & PWC Board Meeting at 6 pm

Thursday, January 6, 6 & 7 pm Contact: Paul Dutky, 479-2683

Discuss club business and help schedule outings at Paul's house in Bremerton. All members are invited to attend either

or both meetings.

January Potluck

Friday, January 28, 6:30 pm Contact: Tom Leurquin, 206-842-5906

Visit with fellow PWCers at Tom's home near Winslow on Bainbridge Island. Bring an entrée or side dish to share. As host, Tom will provide the dessert.

| <u>Date</u> | Outing / Meeting                       | Contact                                    |
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| 1/1         | New Year's Day Beach Hike, Fort Warden | Venita Goodrich, 360-471-0522              |
| 1/1         | New Year's Day Paddle, Liberty Bay     | Cori Donnelly, 360-697-2368                |
| 1/2         | Sea Kayak Trip Planning Workshop       | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683                   |
| 1/6         | PWC Board Meeting 6 PM                 | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683                   |
| 1/6         | MAP Meeting 7 PM                       | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683, pdutky@gmail.com |
| 1/8-9       | Sourdough Mountain Ski Ascent          | Kevin Koski, 360-373-7429                  |
| 1/9         | Pool Session at YMCA for paddlers      | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683                   |
| 1/10        | PWC Monthly Meeting                    | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683                   |
| 1/14-17     | Cross Country Ski in the Methow Valley | Emily Grice, 206-842-7883 / Paul Dutky     |
| 1/22-23     | Winter Camp on Mt Rainier              | Brian Steely, 360-297-3825                 |
| 1/23-29     | Ski Big White                          | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683                   |
| 1/28        | PWC Potluck                            | Tom Leurquin, 206-842-5906                 |
| 1/9         | Pool Session at YMCA for paddlers      | Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683                   |

Over 80 people came to the last PWC meeting and witnessed our honoring Joe Weigel for his 20 years of service as Program Coordinator - finding speakers for every meeting for that entire run.

Joe responds:

### THANK YOU!!

To the officers, board and all members of the PWC, I want to say,
"Thank you" for acknowledging my work over the years, with the presentation of the framed, Don Paulson photograph.
It will be treasured and is truly appreciated!



# **Outings**

# **A Word About Outings**

All PWC outings and other activities are open to anyone, but if you enjoy our company and what we do, we would like you to become a member. The persons sponsoring trips should not be considered instructors or leaders. If you are unsure of your abilities, discuss the trip thoroughly with the organizer. Each participant is responsible for his or her own comfort and safety on any outing. Always carry the 10 essentials.

# **Please Call Early**

As a courtesy to the sponsor of an outing in which you are interested, please try to call at least two days before the trip for single-day outings, and as soon as possible for overnight outings. This allows the sponsor time to make necessary arrangements, or alternate plans, should a trip be canceled for some reason. Your consideration will be greatly appreciated.

### **Pet Policy**

Please leave pets at home when attending PWC outings unless the trip is specifically listed as welcoming them.

# The WEBSITE: A Source for Outings

Remember that trips can be listed on the website under Last Minute Trips. If you don't see something that interests you in the newsletter, check the website for additional trips. Or, if you are doing an outing that was planned after the deadline, use the website to post the information. This can now be done in THREE ways: you can fill out the form online, or you can call or email the info directly to the Webmaster, Jay Thompson, 360-307-0037 or <a href="mailto:pwcadmin@pwckitsap.org">pwcadmin@pwckitsap.org</a>. Alternatively, you can call or email Paul Dutky at 360-479-2683 or <a href="mailto:pdc.qdmin.com">pdutky@gmail.com</a> to get the outing listed on the PWC calendar online.

### Fort Warden Beach Hike

Saturday, Jan. 1

Contact: Venita Goodrich, 360-471-0522

Join Venita for a leisurely beginning to the New Year with a beach hike at Port Townsend's Fort Warden State Park. Call Venita for specifics of when and where to meet.

### **Liberty Bay Paddle**

Saturday, Jan.1

Contact: Cori Donnelly, 360-697-2368

Cori and Mike will launch from Oyster Park in Poulsbo at 11 am.

Following the paddle, drive to Cori's house nearby on Liberty Bay to enjoy a group potluck. Cori will have hot soup. Bring entrees, snacks, desserts, salads etc. of your choosing.

The address is 16407 Lemolo Shore Drive, Poulsbo, WA.

### Sea Kayak Trip Planning Workshop

Sunday, Jan. 2

Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683

Paul Dutky, Charlie Michel, Bob McBride, Scott Hagerty, and Tom Henning will give this free workshop. No materials are needed, but your laptop if you have one, and any tide book, current books, or navigational maps you use to share with those present. You will need paper and pen to do simple calculations and take notes.

- \* Mapping tools reviewed: Maptech, TOPO!, Garmin Basecamp, Google Earth, and others.
- \* Tide and current tools: Captain Jack's, Ports and Passes, Tidelog, the online Tide and Current Predictor, Puget Sound Current Guide, Washburn Tables, and others.
- \* Understanding Current using it to advantage.
- \* Anticipating adverse weather
- \* Human Factors how to coordinate a paddle and make it a safe one

# Sourdough Mountain Ski Ascent

Sat & Sun, Jan. 8-9

Contact: Kevin Koski, 360-373-7429,

This is a typical Kevin North Cascades ski adventure. Advanced to Expert ski mountaineering skills are required. Leave Friday night and camp by the car. Ski in, set up camp, summit, and ski out the next day. Sourdough Mountain is on the north side of Mount Diablo.

### Kayak Pool Session at the YMCA

Sunday, Jan. 9

Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683

Time: 10:00 am - noon

The Bremerton YMCA has begun a two-month pilot program for kayakers. Pool sessions will occur from 10am to noon on *Jan 9, Jan 30, Feb 13 and Feb 27*.

There is no more productive way, and no more fun way, to learn kayak skills like re-entry, the roll and steep braces than playing in a warm pool. This is a terrific opportunity. Two hours is ideal. All kayakers are welcome, white water boaters, sea kayakers, members, non-members. No reservations are required, yet.

Rates: There will be a YMCA Member Fee (\$8) and Non-Member Fee (\$15) which includes the entire two hours.

### **Cross Country Ski the Methow Valley**

Fri., Jan. 14 - Jan. 17

Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683 Emily Grice, 206-842-7883

There may be room for one more person in Emily's cabin. Give Paul or Emily a call, and if there are no openings we'll put you on a waiting list. Openings may yet occur.

# **Outings**

# **Hurricane Ridge Ice Axe Skills Practice**

Saturday, Jan. 22

Contact: Doug Terry, 360-550-7911

Join Doug for ice axe skills practice in Lisa's bowl, next to the Hurricane Ridge Lodge. If you get cold or wet, you can just step inside.

Depart Poulsbo Church of the Nazarene at 8 AM, and don't forget to bring your ice axe!

### Winter Camp Overnight Mt. Rainier

Saturday, Jan. 22 - Sunday, Jan. 23 Contact: Brian Steely, 360-297-3825

Join Brian on this winter camp overnight on the shoulder of Mount Rainier. Brian will climb from Paradise and camp at either Panorama Point or below Camp Muir, depending on conditions. Snowshoe or ski, all are invited.

## Ski Big White

Sunday, Jan 23 - Saturday, Jan 29 Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683

Big White is a family-oriented ski resort near Kelowna. We plan on 5 days of ski in / ski out fun. We'll cook most of our own food, and it is easy to ski back to the condo for lunch. There is a large groomed cross country trail system, as well as a huge lift-served downhill area.

# Olympic Hot Springs/Boulder Lake Overnight

Sat/Sun, Jan. 29-30

Contact: Doug Terry, 360-550-7911

Doug plans to hike the new trail to Olympic Hot Springs and set up camp. Then hike towards Boulder Lake and return for a well-earned soak in the hot springs.

Round Trip distance from the parking lot to the hot springs is 4.8 miles, with 400 foot elevation gain.

If snow closes the road, the destination will shift to Lake Angeles for a day hike on Saturday.

Depart Poulsbo Church of the Nazarene at 8 AM

# Kayak Pool Session at the YMCA

Sunday, Jan. 30

Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683

Time: 10:00 am - noon

See description above for Jan. 9

# Winter Overnight on Mazama Ridge

Sat/Sun, February 5-6

Contact: Doug Savage, 360-698-9774

This is an intermediate cross country ski trip to Mazama Ridge, where camp will be set up. Options include skiing higher onto the Paradise Glacier below Cowlitz Rock - a spectacular trip with good visibility.

# Winter Overnight on Mt. Pilchuck

Sat/Sun, February 5-6

Contact: Kevin Koski, 360-373-7429

Join Kevin on this winter camping expedition. He will try to arrange to camp in the Mt. Pilchuck fire lookout, but failing that, will camp nearby.

### Yellowstone XC Guided Ski Tour

Sunday Feb. 6 - Thursday, Feb. 10

Contact: Megan Thompson, 360-871-6014

Join Megan for Yellowstone winter skiing and yurt camping.

# **Cross Country Ski Hurricane Ridge**

Saturday, Feb. 12

Contact: Doug Savage, 360-698-9774

This is an intermediate cross country ski trip to Hurricane Hill from the Hurricane Ridge Visitor Center.

Call Doug so he knows you plan to come. There may be last minute road closures or other circumstances that could alter plans at the last-minute.

# **MTTA Yurt Overnight**

Sat., Feb. 12

Contact: Doug Savage, 360-698-9774

The yurt is heated, has a full complement of kitchen supplies, an outhouse, and small mattresses on the floor for sleeping.

### Winterfest at Mt. Baker Ski Area

Friday, Feb. 18 - Monday, Feb. 21 Contact: Paul Dutky, 360-479-2683

Winterfest is the PWC's traditional winter President's Day Weekend getaway. This year's trip to Mt. Baker is almost booked. We've added a second cabin a mile from the first for latecomers.

### MTTA Copper Creek XC ski overnight

Saturday Feb. 26-27

Contact: Doug Savage, 360-698-9774

Ski to Copper Creek hut and spend the night. The hut is heated, has a full complement of kitchen supplies, an outhouse, and a loft with small mattresses on the floor for sleeping. On the groomed trail above the hut spectacular views of Mt Rainier are possible on a nice day.

### March 2011 Grand Canyon Hike

Sunday Feb. 27 - Sunday March 13 Contact: David Boyde, 360-692-9325

Dave's trip is full, but call if you'd like to be placed on a waiting list.

### Club News

### PWC Welcomes New Members...

Autumn Salamack of Port Orchard, Jennifer Horner of Bainbridge Island, and Todd and Donna Hale of Allyn.

### **PWC Host**

Are you a new member or guest? Look for the PWC Host, identified by a Host name tag 15 minutes before the General Meeting and during the break. The Host can answer questions and point out PWC trip sponsors that share your interests. Cathy Palzkill will be the January Hostess.

### PWC Online...www.pwckitsap.org

Go to the website to find upcoming trips, trip reports, photos. a discussion forum, and more.

# December's tech-talk: John's Minute

John Knott spoke about iodine tablets for water purification on hiking trips, and the use of ascorbic acid to neutralize the iodine taste.

### **Door Prize**

At the December meeting, the club gave away numerous gifts this holiday season including four fleece hats, and two books. Emily Grice contributed two additional hats she had hand knit: one of wool, and the other of finely knit polyester for use under a hat or helmet.

# **Meeting Refreshments**

Thanks to all who have brought snacks to meetings. This month, contact Venita Goodrich @ 360-471-0522 if you would like to bring snacks to the next meeting.

### We Need You!

Each month the club's MAP meeting and potluck dinner are in need of volunteer hosts willing to share their home for an evening. If you can handle a small home invasion, please contact the club secretary, Emily Grice, at 206-842-7883.

### Sponsor an Outing

If you are planning a trip, let us know about it! Come to the MAP meeting to discuss your trip, or submit trip descriptions to the PENWICLE by contacting Karla Piecuch at penwicle@hotmail.com or 206-313-3584. Planning a lastminute outing? No problem — post your trip on the PWC website under Last Minute Trips, or on the PWC Calendar.

# **Scrapbook Photos Wanted**

Sue DeArman is looking for photos of PWC activities. Please include your name, details of the trip, and people and places in the pictures. Electronic photos are welcome, too. Contact Sue at 360-697-1352 or dearmans@comcast.net

### **Update Your Email Address**

Contact Venita Goodrich to update your email address and other contact information. Contact Venita by email at vmnotbf@comcast.net, or call 360-698-9774.

# Club Business

### **Trip Reports & Photos Wanted**

Do you have a great story to share about a recent trip? Karla is looking for trip reports to print in the PENWICLE. Please send trip reports & photos to Karla at penwicle@hotmail.com

# Joining the PWC or Membership Renewal

The PWC General Meeting is held the second Monday of each month, 7 pm, at the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in East Bremerton. To join or renew, please see form on back of newsletter. Receive a discount on select merchandise or services at the following businesses with your PWC membership, but check with vendor for details:

- ◆ Olympic Outdoor Center, Port Gamble
- ◆ Vertical World Climbing Gym, Bremerton
- ◆ Silverdale Cyclery, Silverdale
- ◆ Commander's Beach House B&B, Port Townsend
- ◆ Ajax Café, Port Hadlock
- ♦ Kitsap Sports, Silverdale
- ◆ Jackie's Marine and Kayak Sales, Brownsville
- ◆ Poulsbo Running, Poulsbo

New members will receive a membership card with their New Membership packet. All members can pick up a card at the monthly meeting.

# Address Changes and Member Address-**Phone List**

Address changes should be sent to Venita Goodrich at Peninsula Wilderness Club

P.O. Box 323

President:

Bremerton, WA 98337-0070,

or email vmnotbf@comcast.net, or call 360-698-9774. Members should also contact Venita if they wish to receive a new membership directory.

### **PENWICLE Submissions**

Submissions to the PENWICLE must be received by the Friday after the General Meeting to insure a place in the next issue. Contact Karla Piecuch at penwicle@hotmail.com or 206-313-3584.

360-479-2683

### Officers and Staff Paul Dutky

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The Peninsula Wilderness Club is an informal organization for persons interested in active outdoor pursuits. Main activities include hiking, backpacking, mountain climbing, rock climbing, and skiing. All outings, from casual hikes to technical mountain sports, are initiated by individual members. These members are volunteers who generously offer to make minimal arrangements so an outing can take place. They do not accept responsibility for the safety or care of any participant. The PWC does not conduct instructional programs and members are expected to have whatever clothing, equipment, skills, and physical conditioning are appropriate for the outing they wish to join. Members are expected to practice responsible environmental stewardship and must accept that there are dangers and a risk of injury in most outdoor activities.

Dues are \$25 per household per year. Send a check or money order to:
Peninsula Wilderness Club
P.O. Box 323
Bremerton, WA 98337-0070

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