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THE MOUNTAIN EAR

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The Monthly Newsletter of The Rocky Mountaineers



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The Mountain Ear is the club newsletter of The Rocky Mountaineers and is published near the beginning of every month. Anyone wishing to contribute articles of interest are welcomed and encouraged to do so- contact the editor.

Membership application can be found at the end of the newsletter.

ABOUT THE CLUB:

Mission Statement:

The Rocky Mountaineers is a non-profit club dedicated to the enjoyment and promotion of responsible outdoor adventures.

Meetings and Presentations:

Meetings are held the second Wednesday, September through May, at 6:00 PM at Pipestone Mountaineering. Each meeting is followed by a featured presentation or speaker at 7:00 PM.

Activities:

- ☐ Hiking
- ☐ Backpacking
- ☐ Alpine Climbing & Scrambling
- ☐ Peak Bagging
- ☐ Backcountry Skiing
- ☐ Winter Mountaineering
- ☐ Track Skiing
- ☐ Snowshoeing
- ☐ Snowboarding
- ☐ Mountain Biking
- ☐ Rock Climbing
- ☐ Canoeing & Kayaking
- ☐ Rafting
- ☐ Kids Trips
- ☐ Terracaching/Geocaching

February Meeting

Great Burn Presentation

We have a great program scheduled for our April meeting. Vickie Edwards, Wildlife Biologist with Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, will have a slide show about a ten day backpack she took last summer along the spine of the Great Burn on the MT.-IDA border. She hiked with a friend, Beverly Dupree, from the Great Burn Study Group. They hiked from Granite Pass to Hoodoo Pass, and took many side trips to nearby peaks and down into lakes. She thinks, counting side trips, that they roughly covered about 70 miles. She was studying mountain goat populations as part of this hike, and found interesting evidence of their habitats. More recently she has been working hard with teams that are combating the diseases that have struck Bighorn Sheep last winter, and can answer questions about that. She also has been involved with the people that got the State of Montana to purchase many thousands of acres of former Plum Creek Lands in the Fish Creek drainage. She is planning to talk about the State Park which is planned in the Fish Creek area, and will try to answer questions. This should be a very informative meeting, and it is free and open to all. Come to **Pipestone Mountaineering at 7 PM on Wednesday, April 14th**, to hear all about it.

Our monthly business meeting preceeds the presentation and will begin at 6:00. All are welcome to attend this as well.

President's Message - April 1st, 2010

Well, we've hit our limit for registration for the GrizzlyMan Adventure Race! 300 racers are registered and all 50 states are going to be represented on April 17th out at Lubrecht Experimental Forest! Woohoo!April Fools! Actually, with race day 16 days away, we have 95 registered racers and it's shaping up to be a great course this year with the lower snow levels. Sponsors have, again, stepped up and been incredibly generous. We have so many prizes to give away it's unreal. Also, for the second year running, Missoula Bicycle Works has given us a full suspension Kona mountain bike to offer as the grand prize! We have so many prizes from REI and Pipestone Mountaineering that I'm having a hard time resisting the temptation with this box in my apartment! There will be lots of raffle items for volunteers and racers alike. So, if you have something planned for April 17th, cancel it and come out to the GrizzlyMan Adventure Race and join in the fun!

www.grizzlymanrace

Joshua Phillips, President

Cover Photo: Gunsight Mountain from Sperry Glacier Basin. Glacier National Park. SummitPost.org photo.

The Rocky Mountaineers 50th Anniversary

Hopefully, everyone is aware that our club, The Rocky Mountaineers, is celebrating our 50th anniversary this year. We are having a big party, to celebrate, on May 15th. Many details need to be firmed up, but we have reserved the Larry Creek Group Site near the Charles Waters Campground, which is often called the Bass Creek Campground. It looks like it will be potluck, but there will be plenty of food and beverages. It will start early in the afternoon. Everyone who ever had any association with the Rocky Mountaineers is invited. We'd love to see you.

This fifty year celebration inspired me to do some research. It was a list Dave Line made, a list of officers through 1977 that made me think that no one had expanded this list up to the present time. This project turned out to be not as straightforward as I thought it would be. The list actually should be called a list of times when changes in names of officers appeared in the newsletter. Often the newsletters do not say that an election was held, and here are the new officers. It appears that in the early days, elections were held in September, or in the fall. Things seem to be pretty regular for several years. Well, there was one year that there was a chair of an executive committee, and no mention of the other committee member who would be equivalent to Vice President. And there are blanks the first couple of years about who was the editor. For many years there was a committee putting out the newsletter, not just one editor. There wasn't room to record all the names. There were a few times that there were more than one Vice President. Sometimes there were other positions, such as Refreshments, Trip Coordinator, and Room Setup. If anyone tries to continue this list into the future, I believe a column should be added for Webmaster, starting with Alden Wright in 2005.

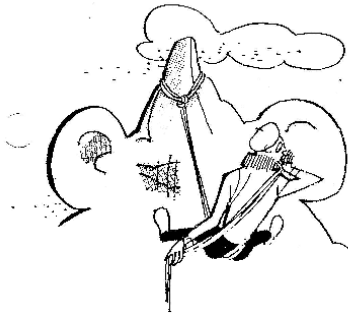
It looks like Arnold Finklin has the record for the longest serving officer in one position, being Treasurer for 13 consecutive years, starting in 1979. Julie Kahl (Warner) would be a close second, except there was one year I served as Treasurer while she was President. There are some interesting things about Presidents. I think the Bylaws would have always allowed someone to serve two consecutive years, but it wasn't until 82-84 that Ilona Hruska actually did so. Carol Butterbaugh was the first woman President in 75-76. Things got even more confusing in the mid 1980's. It became even harder to determine which month the election was held in, or even if there was one. Around this time, elections seem to be usually held in the spring, instead of the fall. Perhaps there was a decision to have biannual elections which is unknown to our present group. This was also the time when it seems most Presidents were serving three, instead of two years. One man even served four years. This was followed by a few years when only two people were trying to fill all five positions.

Where would the club be today, if people like Steve and Forest had not volunteered to help the above two? Recently, things seem to be getting back to the way the bylaws would say the club should be run. However, an election should be held this May, and a search is going on for a new President and Editor, so we all hope someone will step up and volunteer.

Former officers are the ones most welcome at the Fifty Year Party, so please, everyone, take some time scanning the list, and if you see some familiar names, contact them and tell them about the date, time place, etc.

Date	President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer	Editor
60-61	Gardner Miller	Tom Collins	Luan Laymon	Luan Laymon	
61-62	Sam Braxton	Gary Hall	Pat Patton	Pat Patton	
62-63	Gary Hall	Tom Choate	Charly Choate	Charly Choate	Sam Braxton
63-64	Sam Braxton	Scott Tunnoch	Martha Ward	Gary Hall	Gary Hall
64-65	Pete Hall	John McCammon	Martha Ward	Sam Braxton	Virginia Vincent
65-66	Tom Mitchell	Bruce Johnson	Martha Ward	Fred Thurman	Virginia Vincent
66-67	Bruce Johnson	Jim Claar	Karen Bergh (Hall)	Martha Ward	Virginia Vincent
67-68	Ray Bruenninger	Jerry Moore	Jackie More	Dave Line	Dotty Lowe
68-69	Keith Yale (chair)		Jackie Moore	Dave Line	Barbara Honkala
69-70	Dave Line	Bill Myers	Rhonda Bjelland	Bob Benson	Barbara Honkala
70-71	Bill Myers	Al Day	Adele Wolff	Adele Wolff	Virginia Vincent
71-72	Al Day	Jane Benson	Mary Thurman	Adele Wolff	V. Vincent
72-73	Jim Ullrich	Bill Ballard	Mavis Lorenz	Chas. Hamma	Sue Bemlen
73-74	Bill Ballard	Andy Butcher	Florence Murray	Chas. Hamma	V. Vincent
74-75	Dave Line	Bob Benson	Annette Walker	Chas. Hamma	Florence Elliot and others
75-76	Carol Butterbaugh	George Howe	Kay Lyons	Myra Howe	Florence Elliot and others
76-77	John Walker	Dave Hohl	Karen Fogg	Myra Howe	V. Vincent
77-78	George Howe	Larry Clawson	Tom Lukomski	Kay Lyons	V. Vincent and others
78-79	Jerry Kogan	Jim Schultz	Sharon Howe	Sue Brownlow	V. Vincent and others
79-80	Myra Bair	Katherine Peterson	Les Ojala	Arnold Finklin	Myra Bair, V. Vincent
80-81	Sharon Howe	Jim Ullrich	"Andy" Beals	Arnold Finklin	M. Bair and others
81-82	Bob Holden	Budd Jordan	"Andy" Beals	Arnold Finklin	Jean Doerr, Ann Steffens
82-83	Ilona Hruska	Bill Morgan, Chas. Hamma	"Andy" Beals	Arnold Finklin	Bob Benson
83-84	Ilona Hruska	Dan Weinstein, M. Yale	Mary Jane Robinson	Arnold Finklin	Ethel MacDonald and others
84-85	Art Gidel	Cindy Anderson	M. J. Robinson (Burns)	Arnold Finklin	Ethel MacDonald and others
85-86	Art Gidel	John Pierce	Martha Yale	Arnold Finklin	Lois Crepeau and others
86-87	Ralph Flockerzi	John Pierce	Martha Yale	Arnold Finklin	Mary Ambrose, Sharon Lukomski
87-88	Ralph Flockerzi	John Pierce	Martha Yale	Arnold Finklin	Mary Ambrose, Sharon Lukomski
88-89	Ralph Flockerzi	Peter Dayton	Nancy Braun	Arnold Finklin	Peter Dayton, Carol Anderson
89-90	Dave Pengelly	Steve Niday	Colleen Hunter	Arnold Finklin	Peter Dayton
90-91	Dave Pengelly	Steve Niday	Colleen Hunter	Arnold Finklin	Peter Dayton
91-92	Dave Pengelly	Peter Dayton	Colleen Hunter	Arnold Finklin	Peter Dayton
92-93	Art Gidel	Rick Murney	Dave Pengelly	Dave Pengelly	Peter Dayton
93-94	Gerald Olbu	Rick Murney	Dave Pengelly	Dave Pengelly	Peter Dayton
94-95	Gerald Olbu	Dave Siemens, in Sept.	Dave Pengelly	Dave Pengelly	Peter Dayton
95-96	Gerald Olbu	Dave Siemens	Dave Pengelly	Dave Pengelly	Peter Dayton
96-97	Gerald Olbu	Len Broberg	Dave Pengelly	Dave Pengelly	Peter Dayton
97-98	Matt Grandy	T. Sabol, Steve Schombel	Julie Warner	Julie Warner	Gerald Olbu
98-99	Matt Grandy	Tony Sabol, S. Schombel	Julie Warner	Julie Warner	Gerald Olbu
99-00	Matt Grandy	T. Sabol, Steve Schombel	Penny Palm	Julie Warner	Tami Reschke (Sabol)
00-01	Penny Palm	Tami Sabol	Tony Sabol	Julie Warner	Tony Sabol
01-02	Julie Warner		Steve Schombel	Julie Warner	Steve Schombel
02-03	Julie Warner		Steve Schombel	Julie Warner	Steve Schombel
03-04	Julie Warner		Steve Schombel	Julie Warner	Steve Schombel
04-05	Steve Schombel	Julie Warner	Julie Warner	Steve Schombel	Steve Niday
05-06	Steve Schombel	Forest Dean	Julie Warner	Julie Warner	Steve Niday
06-07	Steve Niday	Forest Dean	Frank Kleschen	Julie Warner	Steve Niday/Lorraine Riedl
07-08	Steve Niday	Forest Dean	David Wright	Julie Warner	Forest Dean
08-09	Joshua Phillips	David Wright	Julie Kahl (Warner)	Steve Niday	Forest Dean
09-10	Joshua Phillips	David Wright	Julie Kahl	Steve Niday	Forest Dean

Research and Contribution courtesy of Steve Schombel



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T'ang Dynasty packframe
(around 684 A.D.) from
a temple carving at
Ch'ang-an, China
The pack frame legs are
long enough to keep the pack
out of the dirt when it is
resting on the ground. The
forward overhang shelters from
rain and snow. Any guesses
about that object on a string--
fire holder for charcoal, smudge
pot for mosquitoes or compass.
-from an old Sierra Club Bulletin



Snow
Freezing flakes
Cold, biting, shapely
Winterland of white
Flakes —
Brooke Johnson



From February 1967

It is important for the climber to learn and use
the proper signals.



From November 1962

UPCOMING TRIPS AND ADVENTURES

Trip Notes:

Please contact the trip leader for more information regarding any listed trips.

Mileage listed is round trip mileage. Elevation listed is gain only. For information on Class Rating see below:

Class Rating System

CLASS 1 – HIKING Mostly on trails, but may also include some easy cross country travel.

CLASS 2 – EASY SCRAMBLING Rugged off trail hiking, no hands required.

CLASS 3 – SCRAMBLING Use of hand to ascend some sections of rock. Little to no exposure; a fall would not likely cause serious injury.

CLASS 4 – CLIMBING Easy climbing, great exposure; a fall would quite possibly cause serious injury. Use of a rope and protection at times possible.

CLASS 5 – TECHNICAL CLIMBING Use of rope, protection and belay are a must.

CLASS 6 – AID CLIMBING Use of equipment to support your weight as you climb.

Fri-Sun, April 2-4 – FREEZEOUT LAKE (Near Choteau)

Rating: easy hike -maybe on snow, standing- maybe in snow, could be windy

Description: We will probably get accommodations in Choteau, MT (Gunter Hotel?), car pooling and group lodging available. Your own food. The Wild Fowl Refuge has roads to important viewing sites and causeways that can be walked. Can just come for 1 or 2 days, if you wish. Most birds are snow geese and some swans & cranes.

Special Equipment: The birds may be a long ways off -binoculars, spotting scopes, cameras & tripods, dress for wind & cold

Leader: Julie Kahl 406-543-6508, jawkal@hotmail.com

Sunday, April 25 - TRAPPER PEAK (Bitterroots)

(Date may possibly change, so check the "Upcomming Trips" section of the <http://www.rockymountaineers.com>.)

Rating: Class 2-3 terrain, *Distance:* 14 miles, *Elevation:* ~5000'

Description: Trapper Peak is the highest peak in the Bitterroots at just over 10,000 feet. We will start considerably below the summer trailhead so the vertical climb will be around 4500-5000 feet. Skis and skins are the usual equipment, but snowshoes or snowshoes/snowboard is also possible. Given the low snowpack, we may be hiking on dirt for a considerable part of the trip. We will leave south Missoula at 6:30 am. There is no avalanche danger and the ski down is intermediate.

Leader: Alden Wright 243-4790 (until 6 pm), 542-1966 (home) or e-mail at trapper@wrightmontana.net

Fri-Sun, April 30-May 2– GUNSIGHT MTN / EDWARDS MTN (Glacier National Park)

Rating: Class 3, *Distance:* 18 miles, *Elevation Gain:* 7700 ft

Description: This will be a 3 day trip to attempt a two-fer of Gunsight Mountain and Edwards Mountain in Glacier National Park. Trip would involve hiking and skiing up the Gunsight Pass Trail to the Sperry Glacier area on a Friday, then attempting these two peaks on Saturday/Sunday and then heading out. Both are 9000'+ peaks. Conditions and temperatures will dictate some of the gear needed, but we would likely be treating this as a winter camping and climbing trip.

Special Equipment: Ski's or snowshoes; ice axe; crampons (possibly); winter camp gear.

Leader: Forest Dean - 240-7612 or mtnear1@gmail.com

Sunday, May 16- ST. JOSEPH PEAK (Bitterroots)

Rating: Class 3, *Distance:* 11 miles, *Elevation Gain:* 4500 ft

Description: What better way to wrap up our 50th Anniversary Party than a climb! This day after the party I plan to head from the campground up to the Little St. Joe trailhead. From there, this climb will take us up to the summit of Little St. Joe (9033') and then along the ridge that connects to St. Joseph Peak (9587'). The route is class 3 all the way, although lingering snow could make some sections interesting. An ice ax and crampons may be handy.

Special Equipment: Ice axe; crampons (possibly).

Leader: Forest Dean - 240-7612 or mtnear1@gmail.com

Fri-Sun, June 25-27- MT. SAINT NICHOLAS (Glacier National Park)

Rating: Class 5-6, *Distance:* 27 miles, *Elevation Gain:* 6000 ft

Description: A three day trip to climb what may be the most impressive looking mountain in all of Montana. We will start on Friday morning at Walton Ranger Station and hike into and up to the "Salvage Mountain" area. The following day will be the attempted climb via the Northeast Ridge Route (via the Great Notch). The final 1000 feet of climbing is technical class 5 and possibly 6. On Sunday, we will hike out. Climbers need to be very familiar with rock climbing and must have familiarity with climbing in Glacier. I am not serving as a guide or instructor. Group size will be limited to four climbers.

Special Equipment: Technical climbing gear, harness, helmet, etc.

Leader: Forest Dean - 240-7612 or mtnear1@gmail.com

TRIP FORUM

Interested in learning to mountain bike? Alden Wright will offer free beginner or intermediate level instruction in cross-country mountain biking. Contact him at alden@wrightmontana.net or 243-4790 or 542-1966 to arrange a time and place. Preferred time is 6:30 on a Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday evening for a lesson and short ride.

Bitterroot Grand Traverse This will be Year #3 of the one day trip that links five 9000' Bitterroot Peaks. We will begin in the early morning hours by headlamp and hike up the Little Rock Creek drainage. From there, we will traverse the summits of El Capitan, The Lonesome Bachelor and the West, Middle and East Como Peaks before returning to the trail and hiking out. About a 20 mile trip with 12000' of elevation gain (and loss). Look for a date in late July or sometime in August. Forest Dean- 240-7612- mtnear1@gmail.com

Swan Crest Traverse Much like the trip listed above. I am interested in a route that begins at Holland Lake, ascends to the Swan Crest, then follows (more or less) that Crest south before descending to the Morrell Falls area. This would be a point to point. I have never been up in this area....on the map, some of this crest looks very very narrow and steep. The first attempt would likely be more exploratory in nature, but who knows? Maybe it will go! Any feedback from people who have been on portions (or all?) of this would be appreciated. Due to a lack of water (well, probably no water) along this route, my goal will be to try and accomplish it in as little time as possible. Distance is approximately 20 miles. Again, likely a late July or August attempt. Forest Dean- 240-7612- mtnear1@gmail.com

Transceiver? I don't need no stinkin' transceiver.....

Avalanches are serious business. There's no doubt about that. If you haven't seen films like A Dozen More Turns or The Fine Line, check them out and you'll see what I mean. I've attended a few avalanche courses, which I highly recommend, and triggered one myself, so I have a healthy fear. But when I stumbled across this quote from John Muir, I couldn't help but share it:

“When the avalanche started I threw myself on my back and spread my arms to try to keep from sinking. Fortunately, though the grade of the canyon is very steep, it is not interrupted by precipices large enough to cause outbounding or free plunging. On no part of the rush was I buried. I was only moderately embedded on the surface or at times a little below it, and covered with a veil of back-streaming dust particles; and as the whole mass beneath and about me joined in the flight there was no friction, though I was tossed here and there and lurched from side to side. When the avalanche swedged and came to rest I found myself on top of the crumpled pile without a bruise or scar. This was a fine experience...This flight in what might be called a milky way of snow-stars was the most spiritual and exhilarating of all the modes of motion I have ever experienced. Elijah's flight in a chariot of fire could hardly have been more gloriously exciting.” – John Muir

[And after the wind, the avalanche, the earthquake, the fire]... a sound of sheer silence. – Elijah

Taken from: Muir, John “Spiritual Flight.” Meditations of John Muir. Ed.Chris Highland. Berkeley, CA: Wilderness Press, 2009, 33.



Contributed by Chris Dunn.

TRIP REPORTS

March 6- Boulder Peak (Bitterroots)

Chris Williams, Robbie Liben and I, met around 6am to drive south past Darby. After leaving the trailhead we quickly came across a lookout point maintained by the West Fork Ski Club. This took us all by surprise and we started to wish we had spent the prior evening in the lookout prior to the climb, but that's how it goes. After climbing to the first of the three bumps that lead to the summit we made a decision to head down. Given our overall lack of avalanche understanding, and many a loud whump from the snow underfoot, I think this was a wise choice. Finding the car in the dimming light proved to be our next challenge, but after a tortuous 45 minutes of side hilling we managed to find our way out and home. *Shawn Bennett*



Boulder Point Lookout. Peter Dove photo.

March 13- Snow Shelter Field Day – Lolo Pass

Chris Dunn, Chris Williams, accompanied me and Peter Dove to Lolo pass on a very sunny March morning. We quickly found out way into Packers Meadow where we decided to begin making camp/shelters. After building trenches, a snow cave and a huge quinzee we spent a great evening around the fire roasting sausages, pondering, laughing and making way to many bad jokes. *Shawn Bennett*



Chris Dunn, Peter and Shawn relaxing. C. Williams photo.

March 13-14- Chief Joseph Pass (Bitterroots)

Only 3 people went on this ski weekend, Steve Schombel and David & Julie Kahl, they stayed in a beds only cabin at the Sula Store. Steve got up there first and skied to the warming hut and the Lost Trail Loop. It was chilly and windy, with about 3 inches of new powder snow on top of good, ungroomed (recently) packed



snow. Julie and David skied to the warming hut, then linked a few trails together to finally come out the Lost Tail Loop to the parking lot. Snow conditions were perfect for runs on the more difficult trails like the Whoop-pee Trail. They went back to the cabin with dreams of a perfect run down Banshee in the morning. It seemed as though the snowmobiles were louder than normal, and it tuned out that the Lost Trail ski area was sponsoring a hill climb event with qualifiers on Sat. and the main event on Sun. They went to the Broad Axe Restaurant for a leisurely dinner by a wood fire, but only saw a few deer for wildlife. Julie and Steve soaked in the (too hot) hot tub and all remembered to set their clocks back.

Sunday was hot and sunny and Steve went to fish his way back to Missoula, starting in the East Fork behind the Store. David & Julie went back to the Chief Joseph ski area and had a thrilling run down the perfect conditions on Banshee. However the slog back up to the parking lot became torturous as the day warmed up and snow stuck in large clumps to the bottom of their skis. By mid afternoon they were homeward bound also. Perfect conditions on the fast trails are a rare thing of legend and Chief Joseph didn't disappoint. *Julie Kahl*

March 27-28- Bass Peak (Bitterroots)

On a beautiful spring day, six of us started up the Bass Creek trail at 1:00 PM. Joining me were Rob and Linda McLeod, Paul Jensen, Chris Dunn and Shawn Bennett. We hiked on foot the first couple miles then eventually converted to skis or snowshoes. Enjoying the day, we all took our time heading back to Bass Lake. Linda was just along for a day hike, so she turned back at the second junction of old jeep road and trail. The rest of us headed back to the lake, crossed it and ascended to a low pass on its south side. Arriving here around 6:30, we set up camp. We dug out an area to make a fire then sat around eating, drinking and being merry while we fed the flames. With a near full moon on a warm cloudless night, around 10:30 a few of us decided to go for a short ski. The moonlit landscape was spectacular! Finally around midnight we hit the sleeping bags. The next morning we awoke to sunny skies again, had a quick breakfast and Rob, Paul, Chris and myself began the final 1600' ascent to Bass Peak. From the camp, we ascended up the east ridge of the false summit to Bass Peak's northeast, then cut across the snow covered slopes on the east side of the peak (at about the 8000-8200' level). A short but steep and icy couloir led us up to the south ridge about 300' below the summit. From there it was a relatively easy ascent to the top. We all arrived at different times, choosing our own slightly different routes and speeds across the slopes below. A quick descent back to camp (Rob even managed to ski right off the summit and all the way back) and the time was around noon. We packed up and headed back across the lake and down the valley arriving out between 3:30 and 5:00. (Shawn had hiked out earlier choosing to forego the climb of the peak). A fine and relatively easy summit and trip it was. Round trip mileage was 21 miles and we climbed about 5100'. Shawn impressed us with his campfire creations and ability to sit in the fire without too much bodily harm; Chris with his shirtless pose on the summit; Paul and Rob with their choices in food (bratwurst, hot dogs, other stuff). Me, I just took it all in and enjoyed their company and good times. Quote of the trip? "It's good to be out of your mind sometimes". That it is, my friends, that it is. *Forest Dean*

Rocky Mountaineers Merchandise

Short Sleeve T-Shirt	\$13.00 (\$17.00 non-members)
Long Sleeve T-Shirt	\$18.50 (\$23.50 non-members)
Caps	\$18.00 (\$23.00 non-members)
Fleece Beanie's	\$16.00 (\$20.00 non-members)
Stickers	\$ 1.50
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The Rocky Mountaineers- Minutes - March 10th 2010

1. Call to Order: 6:10 PM
2. Attendance: Joshua Phillips, David Wright, Steve Niday, Julie Kahl, Alden Wright, Chris Dunn, Shawn Bennett, David Kahl
3. Treasurer's Report: \$737.66, Paid \$256.00 for the Apgar group site, for Glacier Classic, 2 nights, 24 people, 7 vehicles
4. GMAR: 81 Registered, from 10 different states, everyone should volunteer
5. Slate of officers
 - A. Yes
 - 1) Julie Kahl -anything including newsletter editor
 - 2) Shawn Bennett -anything except president
 - 3) Alden will continue as webmaster
 - 4) Steve Schombel will continue as speaker arranger, but still wants suggestions
 - B. Maybe
 - 1) Joshua Phillips VP?
 - 2) Steve Schombel? Forest Dean?
 - C. No longer want to serve in current position
 - 1) Forest Dean as newsletter editor
 - D. Other possibilities
 - 1) Paul Jensen? Tom Hanou?
 - 2) We will look through membership lists for other possible candidates
6. 50th Anniversary Party
 - A. We have the site all night
 - B. Suggested to have an afternoon event for older members, and an evening gathering for anyone who wants to attend
 - C. Pot luck
 - D. We will discuss it more over e-mail

E. Promotion

- 1) Ads in Missoulian & Independent -no, but it should be in the Mountain High Column
- 2) TV talk features -MCAT, Montana Today (KECI), KPAX -no
- 3) Sunday Streets "booth" for \$5, the weekend before, maybe -if someone wants to do it on their own
- 4) Go through cd's and get old members' names -Steve S. & David Wright

7. Wilderness Essentials Class, David Wright will check on it

8. Briefly discussed the scope of our "Special Achievement Award" category

9 Adjourn 6:58 PM

THE ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual Membership Fee: \$10.00 for electronic newsletter

Note: Membership includes all members of a family or household.

Make checks payable to 'The Rocky Mountaineers' and send to:

The Rocky Mountaineers, PO Box 4262, Missoula, MT 59806

Name: _____

Additional Family Members Names: _____

Address:_____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone (optional):_____

Email: _____

Additional Email (optional): _____

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