FRIENDS OF THE COLUMBIA GORGE

SUMMER 1991 NEWSLETTER

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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends:

In the past eight months I've had the opportunity to meet many of you, and to visit with many foundations and supporters. Two questions that I'm often asked are, "Why are the Friends still around?" and "Wasn't our job over once the legislation passed?"

Senator Dan Evans of Washington State best addressed these questions when he concluded a 1986 hearing in Washington, D.C., the year the National Scenic Area Act passed, with the following remark:

"You can pass the strongest piece of legislation in the world, and if people think it is strong enough that they can quit being vigilant, they are crazy. It always requires that."

This is a powerful message. Without the vigilance of our organization, and of each one of you, the Act will not be enough. The National Scenic Area must have a strong and effective Permanent Management Plan (yet to be adopted), responsible planning in the Gorge to adopt strong county ordinances, a stalwart Gorge Commission that properly implements the Plan, and the Friends along with other protection-oriented citizens to stand vigilant.

Our organization has proven itself to be a determined and hardy bunch. We can't let down now. As we enter the next decade of Gorge protection, we must make a vigorous commitment to going forward. Let's work to increase our membership, to develop effective relationships with Gorge residents, to continue communications with the U.S. Forest Service and the Columbia River Gorge Commission, to monitor development activities through a strong land use counsel program, and to build educational projects so essential to long term Gorge protection.

The Friend's first Executive Director Bowen Blair, stated in a 1987 Yakima Herald-Republic interview: "Although the new National Scenic Area Act is an important milestone, it will be meaningful only if it is implemented to provide the best possible protection for the Gorge...let's make sure the magic spell of the Gorge is never broken."

The only way we can keep that vow is to be ever vigilant. It is your continuing generous support and help that makes this possible.

I'll see you at the Picnic,

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FINAL CALL for The Shire Summer Picnic

Telephone: (503) 241-3762

Date: Sunday, July 28th Time: 11 to 4 p.m.

The Shire is a private nature preserve on the Washington shore of the Columbia River, just across from Multnomah Falls. The green lawn is perfect for picnicking, and it slopes down to a beautiful bay, just right for swimming. Bring your family, friends, beach balls, binoculars for birdwatching, and a big picnic basket.

This will be the last time the Friends Annual Summer Picnic will be held at The Shire. Members who have not yet been to this marvelous spot are in for a treat. It is not open to the public and it is a rare opportunity to visit this serene place.

Hikers who enjoyed the Spring Saturday Hike Series are encouraged to bring their photographs from those hikes. Please see special insert for activities and directions.



Balsamroot of the Gorge. Photo: Ken Denis

11th Annual Hiking Weekend is a Big Success

The Annual Gorge Hiking Weekend gets better and better thanks to the leadership of our committee chair, Julia Ferreira, and the continuing enthusiastic support of dozens of outdoor clubs and environmental organizations who love the Gorge as much as the Friends.

Over 3,500 people, an unprecedented number, participated in 52 trips. This included 36 bikers, 10 horsemen, 20 rafters, and 14 wheelchair participants. 1,600 Volkswalkers had the unique opportunity to walk on the closed lane of the Scenic Highway in the waterfall area. The volkswalk on the abandoned segment of the Scenic Highway from Hood River to the Mosier Tunnels was a nostalgic experience for nearly 700 more, many of whom remem-

bered childhood trips in the family car along that evercurving roadway.

We thank all of our trip leaders and volunteers, who are too numerous to list, for providing such a variety of interesting and scenic trips for the public to enjoy during the Gorge Hiking Weekend.



Julia Ferreira, Hiking Weekend Chair. Photo: Marilyn Burke.

MANAGEMENT PLAN BACK ON TRACK

After a six week delay, the process for adopting the Permanent Management Plan for the National Scenic Area is back on track. The delay resulted from a lawsuit filed by Klickitat County, the City of Washougal, SDS Lumber Company, Klickitat County Livestock Growers Association, Ellett Construction Company and Dan Gunkel against the Columbia River Gorge Commission and the U.S. Forest Service. The Friends of the Columbia Gorge intervened in the suit on behalf of the Gorge Commission and the Forest Service.

On May 2, 1991, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington issued a preliminary injunction temporarily prohibiting the Commission and the Forest Service from continuing work on the Permanent Management Plan. On June 14, 1991, the Court dismissed the lawsuit and the final stages of the Permanent Management Plan are now being completed.

Plaintiffs alleged that the Gorge Commission must comply with the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and prepare an Environmental Impact Statement discussing the environmental consequences of the Management Plan, as well as an analysis of the economic impacts. The Court rejected the Plaintiffs claims and held that the Commission is not subject to SEPA because it is not a state agency, but the product of an interstate compact between Oregon and Washington.

Plaintiffs also alleged that the Forest Service had not complied with the applicable provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and the National Forest Management Act because it had not analyzed alternatives to the Management Plan. The Court concluded that these challenges were raised prematurely since there was no final document yet. Accordingly, the court dismissed this portion of the case, but gave permission to Plaintiffs to raise the issue again after the Plan is final. To do so, a new lawsuit must be filed.

Plaintiffs have not yet decided if they will file an appeal of this decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Public Involvement Continues

The present schedule calls for the release of a new draft on July 12. This document will contain both Special Management Area and General Management Area Plans. There will be a 75 day public review period during which time written comments will be accepted. There are also three open houses and three public hearings scheduled. The Commission will consider the public comments and make necessary changes. The Commission anticipates adoption of the Plan this October.

We urge you to attend the open houses, write letters and/or testify at the public hearing in support of strong Gorge protection.

Our Education Outreach Program continues to meet with Gorge residents to involve protection-oriented citizens in the inplementation of the National Scenic Area Act. We must insure strong protection and identify Gorge leaders who will work for the preservation of the Gorge.

We ask you to join us in our efforts. For more information please contact our Education Outreach Coordinator, Tamra Lisy, (503)241-3762.

Public Open House and Hearing Schedule

Open Houses:

July 30. 4-9 p.m.; Corbett Middle School, Crown Point Highway, Corbett.

August 1. 4-9 p.m.; Wind River Middle School, Hot Springs Ave., Carson.

August 8. 4-9 p.m.; Mid Columbia Medical Center, 1700 E. 19th St., The Dalles.

Public Hearings:

September 10. 1-9 p.m.; Mid Columbia Medical Center, 1700 E. 19th St., The Dalles.

September 12. 1-9 p.m.; Clark County Public Utilities Auditorium, 89 'C' St., Camas.

Invited Testimony Only:

September 18. 1-9 p.m.; Wacoma Center, 902 Wasco Ave., Hood River.

UPDATES

The Dalles Interchange

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has proposed construction of a full interchange northwest of The Dalles, providing access to and from I-84 near Chenoweth Creek. The present access is a limited interchange providing only an eastbound exit and a westbound entrance.

The Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC), including the Friends of the Columbia Gorge, met May 30, 1991 to discuss recommendations to the Oregon Department of Transportation. ODOT presented two alternatives:

Alternative 1 is partially located within the General Management Areas of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area and outside The Dalles Urban Boundary.

Alternative 2 is located east of Chenoweth Creek just inside The Dalles Urban Area.

The CAC voted to recommend Alternative #1 but to carry both alternatives forward for study. Kristen Pecknold, Friends of the Gorge legal counsel voted against this recommendation. FOCG believes an interchange brings a proliferation of commercial development along its course. Therefore, we support an interchange within The Dalles Urban Area, not within the National Scenic Area.

The CAC voted to recommend Alternative #1 because it may be less costly since local government agencies and concerned citizens may donate lands and provide materials. Also Wasco County has agreed to maintain at its expense segments of Highway 30 that the State has been maintaining.

Despite this recommendation, ODOT will <u>not</u> begin preliminary engineering work on Alternative #1 because it believes it is a high risk alternative. It impacts the Historic Scenic Highway, various land use issues, and the National Scenic Area. ODOT considers Alternative #2 to be a lower risk because it appears not to impact that portion of the Scenic Highway listed on the National Historic Register, and it is inside The Dalles Urban Growth Boundary.

Friends of the Gorge will continue to support an alternative that exists within the Urban Area.

• Correction • • • •

In the Spring 1991 Newsletter we made an error in the name of the photographer of the beautiful Gorge photos. The photographer is Ken Denis not Ken Davis. Ken, thank you for you contributions and your sense of humor!

Squally Point/Tooley Lake

Squally Point/Tooley Lake is three miles west of The Dalles and includes one of the last remaining dunes of the east Gorge. It is home to unique plant communities and to numerous wildlife, including bald eagles, Lewis' woodpeckers, and great blue heron. (Please see the Spring newsletter for a more detailed description.) The Forest Service originally recommended that a 1,000 person day-use windsurfing park be located at Squally Point with parking at Tooley Lake, connected by a tunnel under I-84 and the railroad tracks.

The Friends of the Gorge and others were successful on April 22, when the U.S. Forest Service announced their decision to downgrade the Squally Point/Tooley Lake area. We applaud the Forest Service for making this decision after thoughtful consideration of individual, agency, organizational, and tribal concerns. Among those who urged little or no development were the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, the Native Plant Society of Oregon, the Mazamas, Friends of the Columbia Gorge, the Oregon Department of Forestry, Defenders of Wildlife, the Nature Conservancy, the Columbia Gorge Audubon, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation, the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs, and the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakima Indian Nation. In addition we would like to thank the many individuals who wrote the Forest Service to ask that the area be protected.

The downgrade will allow limited public recreation in the Tooley Lake area. If public recreation is to occur in this area FOCG supports the creation of a wildlife viewing area.

Tooley Lake, which lies south of I-84, is one of the few bodies of water in the Gorge which can be reached by wildlife without crossing the freeway. Nearly 200 acres of undeveloped land south of Tooley Lake as well as the westernmost portion of the lake have already been purchased by the Forest Service. This potential habitat area, together with the fact that the lake can be readily viewed from the Scenic Highway without disturbing wildlife, makes it an ideal place for wildlife viewing.

Anyone who is interested in helping to research and draft a wildlife viewing area proposal for Tooley Lake is encouraged to contact FOCG Board Member Sherry Grove at (503)296-4169.



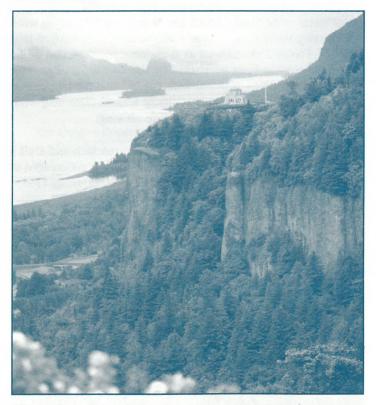
View of the Tooley Lake area, looking west. Photo: Sherry Grove

Reflections of the Gorge Home: A Love Story

Sandra Mershon, a Corbett resident and FOCG Board Member, actively works for the preservation of the Gorge and the Corbett area.

I felt so good, just driving. I was singing loud and feeling like the luckiest person in the world. I drove up to the Vista House at Crown Point, a place I used to go a lot before I grew up, got busy, and forgot to take quiet moments like this one for myself. Looking down on the familiar view, the sweeping expanse of what Katie and Pat used to call "our river," I felt a surge of an emotion that I can only vaguely describe despite the intensity of its effect. It was delightful and delicious: a delectation in belonging, being rooted...deeply rooted like the the ancient cedar in the canyon by my house.

Somehow, when the hillside was logged before the turn of the century, the cedar tree escaped destruction, and now it stands taller than any other tree near by. More than a few years ago, I walked through the canyon the first time to the base of the tree. Much younger then, but not much smaller, I hugged the tree, trying to reach my arms around its trunk. I think maybe three or four of me could have completed the circle. Impressed by its formidable size, I remember thinking what an old tree it must have been. And so it was, and is. All these years it has stood, nurturing itself on the decaying mulch and deep waters of the Corbett hillside.



The familiar yet spectacular view of Crown Point. Photo: Ken Denis

Like the old tree, I too, am sustained by the many layers of lives, hopes, dreams, and disappointments that make up the history of Corbett, a small, stubborn community at the western edge of the Columbia River Gorge. Being a fifth generation member of a Corbett family means more than having my name on a road or knowing most of my neighbors, even though that is certainly part of it. It also means driving past the Sandy River and knowing in which bend of the river my great-uncle drowned when he got a cramp in his leg. It means knowing the spot in the field at the Corner of Mershon and Chamberlain Road where my great-grandfather was killed when the boulder he was trying to bury rolled in the hole on top of him. It means the old shack, outhouse and all, where my father lived until his father, my grandfather, built the house that I grew up in and that my parents live in still. There is a kind of romance in having this sort of salt-of-the-earth past, and I am grateful for it.

The other day, my husband and I went for a walk. We didn't walk along the road, but instead cut through the fields and woods of my childhood to the old cemetery about a mile south of my parents' house. As we walked, I told him the story of my brother, who at about the age of three had wandered off through the tall grass of the fields alone with our dogs. I told him how my mother, sick with worry, was so relieved when she called the dogs and they led her through our field and into the next one to where my brother was.

In the cemetery, we perused the epitaphs, many which I remembered from the hours I spent there as a child making up stories about the lives of the people buried there. There was a story about the baby that had lived only seven days in January, 1897. I imagined that he was born healthy enough, but during a harsh cold winter. It was difficult to stay warm in the relentless east wind and the baby had become ill. I pictured the distracted grief of the mother as she stood at the graveside on the hilltop cemetery in the gray January weather, mourning the child that had lived just long enough to be named Joseph. And I thought that it must have been something like that when my grandmother's second baby, the baby before my father, died sometime in the early 1920's. Only he had lived longer. He was over a year old, but during a cold spell he had taken ill and had died suddenly. I shared these stories with my husband, both of us enjoying the warmth and closeness that happens when people participate in one another's lives by sharing secrets.

When I was a teenager, I used to fantasize about escaping from this hick town. I wanted to live somewhere --- anywhere else, and now I wouldn't give it up for anything. I've travelled some, and have lived other places, but I've always known where home was. Sitting up there at Crown Point watching the sun set, thinking about what I have and have not been able to provide for my children, I couldn't help but feel that by raising them as the sixth generation of our family in Corbett, I was giving them a rare and wonderful gift. I have been able to give my children "home," a scarce thing in our modern world. Of the many things my parents gave me, I think a sense of home has meant the most, and I love them for it. My children may not realize their good fortune now, and may as teenagers scheme of leaving. But they, as I am, are indeed, among the luckiest people in the world for no matter where they go or where they live, they will know home. And, who knows, maybe someday they will thank me for it.

Feature Hike of the Quarter



With Don & Roberta Lowe

> Aldrich Butte

An impressive panoramic view from Aldrich Butte. Photo: Ken Denis

This quarter's feature hike is along the southernmost section of Washington's Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) and old roadbeds to Aldrich Butte. The view from its large summit extends east down the Gorge past Dog Mountain and a respectable distance to the west. It is almost as impressive as the panorama from awesome Table Mountain, just above to the north, but enjoying it involves only two-thirds the distance and one third the uphill. Aside from the exceptional perspectives of the Gorge terrain, a bird's-eye view onto Bonneville Dam and a sighting of Mt. Adams, the route itself is varied and attractive. Understandably, people who are climbing Table Mountain along PCT (instead of taking their chances along the contested route from Greanleaf Slough) can't help but consider the portion described here as a stretch to be dispensed with as quickly as possible, instead of savored. The round trip to Aldrich Butte is 11 miles with a total elevation gain of about 1,500 feet, with always gentle to moderate grades.

You can begin the trail at several locations, however the recommended site is to begin at the Bonneville Trailhead located 2.0 miles west of the Bridge of the Gods. Coming from the west on Washington 14, this parking area is between the 39 and 40 mile posts.

From the Bonneville Trailhead parking area, walk past the gate and along a road to a small wooden sign marking the start of the Tamanous Trail 27. Traverse up the open slope, enter woods and after 0.5 mile turn left where you

meet the PCT. Travel above the first of the three lakes you'll pass, come to a large, but coy, sign whose purpose is to soften any possible wrath over the logging you'll soon be passing. Where you come to a road, angle to the right as you cross it and descend along a trail past Gillette Lake, which might make for some good swimming later in the summer. Cross the inlet on a bridge, farther along cross a cleared swath for a gas pipeline and from the other side follow an old road bed for 200 feet before gently angling off to the right on the resumption of the trail. Traverse above the third lake, cross a large bridge over Greenleaf Creek and come to a viewpoint that is an excellent preview for the summit extravaganza. Along this section you'll travel through two additional rocky, more open areas (the first being the slopes at Gillette Lake) that offer pleasing contrasts to the prevailing lushness. Pass above a spring on the downside of the trail and a bit over 0.1 mile farther come to an old roadbed that crosses the tread. Turn left. If you come to a bridge you have missed this junction and will have to backtrack. Be assured that the tread along the old roadbed becomes very good after a couple of hundred feet. Cross a stream where the road has washed out and about 0.5 mile from the PCT come to a fork at Carpenters Marsh. Turn right and after about 200 yards, just beyond where the road completes its curve to the right, be looking left for a road. Follow it up about 0.5 mile to the summit of Aldrich Butte, the site of a former lookout. Unfortunately, the many wildflowers were at their peak the first week in June, but the view is always here to enjoy.



Successful Spring Saturday Hikes



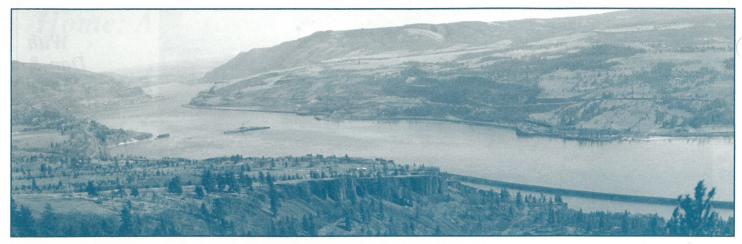
A very successful Spring series of Saturday hikes has just been completed. The Gorge scenery and wildflowers were spectacular and, although people in Portland/Vancouver may be surprised, we never had rain. The hike leaders were great; knowledgeable in their various fields and willing to answer questions and identify wildlife.

Our purpose was to show off the Gorge, and we did--to an astonishing number of people! Attendance averaged 40 and many

repeat hikers were attracted, some from as far away as Yakima, Eugene and England. The only disappointment expressed by hikers was that the series had to come to an end. Many urged the Friends to continue these hikes next Spring.

A special thank you goes out to Julia Ferreira, who worked very hard to coordinate these wonderful outings! Participants are encouraged to bring their photographs to the summer picnic at The Shire, July 28. See article on page 1.

WILDFIRES IN THE GORGE



View from Catherine Creek, located in Klickitat County, looking to the east Gorge. Photo: Ken Denis.

Wildfires have scorched hundreds of acres in the east Gorge in the last three years. These human-caused fires will increase unless the Forest Service and Gorge Commission take a stronger stand on fire prevention.

In August of 1988, a train-caused fire charred 160 acres of land along the Columbia River between The Dalles and Mosier. Two weeks later, a fire in a burn barrel leapt out of control and climbed the slopes of Tooley Terrace by Squally Point, burning 75 acres of open woodland. In October, 1989, fire raced up a steep hill at Underwood, Washington, destroying a fruitpacking shed and setting ablaze acres of wildlands above. Wildfire struck Rowena, Oregon, in July, 1990, igniting several acres of trees and threatening numerous homes.

High winds combined with the semi-desert environment make the east Gorge a tinderbox during the summer months. The recent invasion of western pine beetles has killed a third of the ponderosa pines on some slopes, creating additional fuel in the form of dried needles on hundreds of trees. The stage is set for a major fire season in the near future, and increased recreation and residential usage may well light the match.

The Oregon Department of Forestry (O.D.F.), responsible for fighting fires on most Oregon Gorge lands, has called on the Columbia River Gorge Commission to rethink its recreational intensity zones and residential recommendations in the east Gorge. In a letter to the Gorge Commission, the O.D.F. stated:

The Department is very concerned about the siting of any dwellings in fire prone areas (and much of the Gorge is fire prone).

O.D.F.'s Central Oregon District, whose fire protection responsibility includes much of Hood River and Wasco Counties, stated:

It appears that your preliminary designations have addressed the recreational concerns within the Gorge. Unfortunately, it appears that these designations were not assigned to the land with the thought that an increase in wildfires will occur due to the increased number of people using the facilities that might be allowed within many of the zones that you have created. The fire danger increases rapidly within the Gorge as you progress to the east. Public use areas should be located in areas where barriers to fire spread currently exist. For example, any intensive recreational development outside of an urban area should be limited to areas north of I-84. The highway acts as a barrier to fire spread.

The land use designations should not allow the location of intensive uses to occur near the base of steep slopes or in exposed areas where the famous Gorge winds would allow a fire to spread rapidly toward existing structures or threaten resource lands.

For these same reasons, the proposed recreation suitability (sites) should be modified so that the areas southwest of Mosier and between Mosier and The Dalles allow only (lower use) developments. Most of the (present) areas are on wind exposed sites or near current rural residential areas. Adding concentrated developments with their increase in the number of people will increase the potential for the start of a potentially catastrophic wildfire similiar to southern California.

The Draft Management Plan contains fairly strong language for fire protection in some instances, but it needs to apply this language to all structures consistently throughout the east Gorge. The Commission and the Forest Service also need to take wildfire hazard into consideration when locating recreational and residential areas.

The primary goal of the National Scenic Area Act is to "protect and enhance" the special attributes of the Gorge. Protecting this beautiful place from the increased threat of human-caused wildfires is clearly a duty of the agencies involved. If you are concerned about this issue, please let the Commission and the Forest Service know.

The Oregon Department of Forestry has an educational brochure available titled: "How to protect your home from wildfires," Please call their office to obtain a copy, (503)296-4626. The Washington Department of Natural Resources also has information available to aid in diminishing the risk of fire. Please call W.D.N.R. at (800)562-6010.

What's Happening in the Gorge

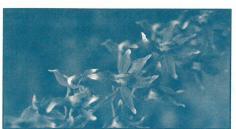
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10th. Columbia Gorge Audubon Society membership meeting. All interested people welcome. Care Corner, Hood River, 7:00 p.m. Program: Bill Bakke will talk of the problems facing native fish fauna in the Northwest. Contact person, Laurie Smith, (503)386-6396.

20th. Walk of Hope. 3rd Annual Housing for People fundraiser to support emergency shelter, food, and affordable housing for the Hood River and Mid-Columbia area. \$20 registration. For more information call, (503)386-3230 or (503)386-1133.



Larkspur. Photo: Ken Denis

20th - November 15th. Maryhill Museum will feature Contemporary English Craft Exhibit. Over 100 items, inspired by the late 19th century, representing 80 craft people. For more information call, (509)773-3733.

26th - 28th. Columbia Gorge Bluegrass Festival at Rock Creek Recreation Center in Steveson, WA. All day event. For more information call, (509)427-5460.

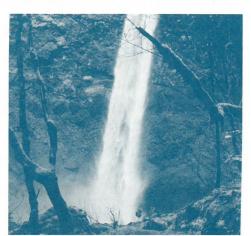
28th. Friends of the Columbia Gorge Annual Summer Picnic at The Shire. Please see insert invitation for details.

3rd - 17th. Creative Arts Community at Menucha, Corbett. Sit on the edge of the Gorge and play while attending residential workshops enjoying watercolor, photo, writing, and ceramics. For more information call, (503)760-5837 or (503)234-6827.

6th - 31st. The Dalles Art Center presents "The \$100 Show," all pieces will sell for \$100 or under and are donated by local artists. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., gallery is located at 220 E. 4th St., The Dalles.

14th. Columbia Gorge Audubon Society Annual Potluck Picnic. Contact Laurie Smith for more information, (503)386-6396.

25th. Maryhill Museum. Family Fun Day. Puppet Show featuring: Rymchimchi, a tale from Poland. Please call for more information, (509)773-3733.



Elowah Falls Hike, April 27, 1991. Photo: Gayle Hammond.

11th. Columbia Gorge Audubon Society membership meeting. All interested people welcome. Care Corner, Hood River, 7:00 p.m. Program: Bingen Lake wildlife inventory and improvement project. Contact Brigetta Van Der Raay for more information, (509)395-2252.

14th. The Dalles Riverfront Music Festival: Antique Car Show- Food Fair. Riverfront Park and Downtown, The Dalles. For more information call, (800)255-3385.

14th - 15th. The Annual Huckleberry Festival in Bingen, WA. Fun for all ages! Festivities begin 11 a.m. Contact person, Bev Moore, (509)493-3936.



On top of windy Mitchell Point, May 11, 1991. Photo: Jan Collins.

If you know of upcoming events that we should include, send a note with a brief description and the date. c/o FOCG, Tamra Lisy, 319 S.W. Washington, #301, Portland, OR 97204. Deadline for Fall newsletter is September 9th.

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Friends of the Columbia Gorge shall vigorously protect the scenic, natural, cultural, historic and recreational values of the Columbia River Gorge, encourage compatible economic development within the urban areas, and educate people about the Gorge in order to gain the public support necessary for effective implementation of the National Scenic Area Act.

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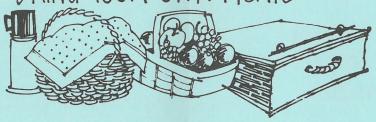
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Thank you!

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Join Us For A Hike To CAPTURE The Gorge

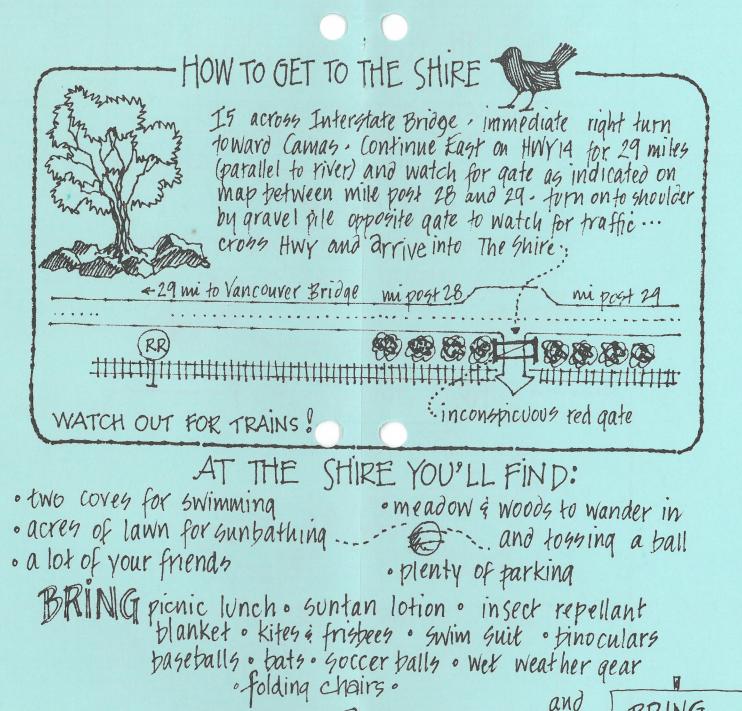
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