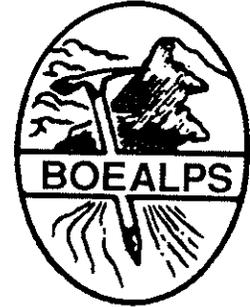


# ALPINE ECHO

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Photo: Mt. Francis (Foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Shawn Paré

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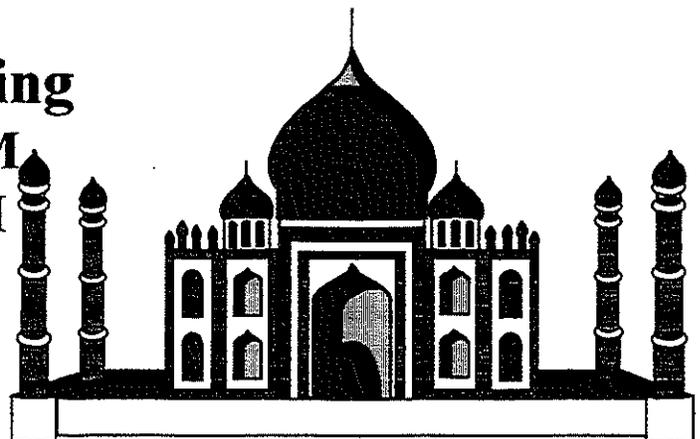
From Dan Goering 67-32

## January General Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 4 7:30PM

Refreshments at 7:00PM

Oxbow Rec. Center



Mike McGuffin - *Exploring Turkey*

Dan Goering and Len Kannapell - *City of Rocks*

## *BELAY STANCE*

### New Front Cover Photo

Out with the old, in with the new - welcome to 1996, as hope springs eternal in the brand new year. The printing presses in Kent have come through in the clutch, and have produced the new front cover photo of Mt. Francis and Mt. Hunter in Alaska, courtesy of Photography Chair Shawn Paré. If all goes well, the same photo will be used for the 1996 ECHO, with each month a different color. Well, that's the dream...

### Membership Renewal and Dues Blues

With that healthy Christmas bonus, save a bit for the really important things in life - inside is a membership renewal form, so just fill it out and send in your dues at these low, low 1996 rates: \$10 for Boeing employee individual/ \$15 for Boeing employee family and \$17 for non-Boeing individual/ \$22 for non-Boeing family. Please: do not forget to sign the waiver on the back.

### 1996 Basic Class Notice

My, how swiftly moves the new year - inside is a notice for the Basic Class, which runs slightly earlier than in recent years - tell your friends about it and spread the good word. And if you yearn for adventure at a higher technical level, don't forget the Boealps Intermediate Climbing Class, led by the intrepid Mike Bingle.

### Photo/Slide Scanning Capability

Our hard-workin' Everett Copy Center has the ability to digitally scan photos or slides and paste them in the ECHO for very little cost - so if you have a trip report, consider submitting a print or slide along with it. Or if you just happen to have a good print/slide, send it in to Shawn Paré, and if there is room, we'll put it in. No damage is done to photos or slides in the process, and we promise a prompt return to the owner.

### This Issue

Executive board meeting minutes and a listing of new books purchased by club librarian Katie Rusho. Shawn Paré has also included some excellent information on mountaineering photography in his Photo Box column. Anyone interested in the preservation of our precious few remained old growth trees should take the time to read J. Kirby's Conservation Corner article describing the recent "logging without laws" legislation.

Contributing editor Tom Rogers has been busy, be sure to read about his adventures from the North Face of Mt. Shuksan.

### Next Issue

Hopefully dozens of trip reports while you are poor and broke in January, recovering from Christmas.

### Cover Illustrations

There are always unsung heroes - many thanks to Melony McGuffin for her numerous front cover designs, which really add a nice touch to the ECHO. Perhaps she is paid by the co-editor...

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**FEBRUARY ECHO DEADLINE IS JANUARY 18th**

# January 1996

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday   |
|--|--|---------|--|--|---|--|
|  | 1<br><br>New Year's Day           | 2       | 3  | 4<br><br>Club Meeting | 5<br><br>Full Moon           | 6  |
| 7  | 8  | 9       | 10   | 11   | 12  | 13<br>Last Quarter   |
| 14   | 15<br><br>Martin Luther King, Jr. | 16      | 17<br><br>Board Meeting | 18<br>Echo Deadline  | 19  | 20<br>New Moon   |
| 21   | 22   | 23      | 24   | 25   | 26<br><br>X-Country Ski Trip | 27<br>1st Quarter<br><br>X-Country Ski Trip |
| 28<br><br>X-Country Ski Trip | 29   | 30      | 31   |  |   |  |

# February 1996

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
|--|---|---------|--|---|---|---|
|  |   |         |  | 1<br><br>Club Meeting            | 2<br><br>Groundhog Day | 3   |
| 4<br><br>Full Moon                             | 5   | 6       | 7  | 8   | 9   | 10  |
| 11   | 12<br>Last Quarter<br><br>Lincoln's Birthday | 13      | 14<br><br>Valentine's Day | 15  | 16  | 17<br><br>Snow Camping at Paradise |
| 18<br>New Moon<br><br>Snow Camping at Paradise | 19<br><br>President's Day                    | 20      | 21<br>Ash Wednesday  | 22<br><br>Washington's Birthday | 23  | 24  |
| 25<br>1st Quarter  | 26  | 27      | 28   | 29  |   |   |

**ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD  
THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES...**

**X-Country Ski Tour - Amebilis Mountain**

**January 20, 1996**

This is a fun ski tour with a forest service road winding almost to the top. About one half of the trip is out of the trees with the last quarter mile through gentle clear cut and forest. Length is approximately 4 miles with an elevation gain of 2000 feet.

Contact: Steve Edger

285-6864 (H)

**North Cascades X-Country Ski Trip**

**January 26-28, 1996**

Elden Altizer's annual Mt. St. Helen's trip at the Anderson Lodge has headed North - and this time it's headed by (gulp) me. Boealps has a reservation for Friday and Saturday night at the Westar Lodge (4 miles outside of Winthrop on the W. Chewuch Road), which has 7 double beds + 16 single beds to sleep 30, and we have permission for 10 more on the floor for a total of 40. The Methow Valley Sport Touring Association maintains over 175 km of groomed trails (beginner to advanced) in the pristine wilderness, including hut-to-hut skiing - trails fees are \$12/day or \$26/weekend (Friday through Saturday). We provide the pancake breakfast on Saturday and Sunday and spaghetti dinner on Saturday - you provide your own beverages and lunches. Families and children welcome.

Contact me via e-mail or the phone number listed below, and I'll send you a page with more detailed information. To make a reservation, send me a check for \$20/adult or \$16/child (covers Friday and Saturday lodging), payable to Boealps - this is on a first-come, first serve basis, so get your reservation in soon. Include a phone number where you can be reached in case we are filled up. A Friday morning take-off from Seattle is my plan of action.

The most frequently asked question: *Is there a hot tub?* The answer: *YES!*

Contact: Len Kannapell

kanpx00@ccmail.ca.boeing.com  
361-7523 (H)  
1015 N.E. 126th St.  
Seattle, WA 98125

**Paradise VI - Winter Camping on Rainier**

**February 17-18, 1996**

The show/snow must go on - federal budget permitting. The annual Stonebreaker outing is upon us. Time for more fun in the snow with climbing, skiing, sledding, snowshoeing, igloo building, and competitive camp building during the day, with moon gazing by night. (Wait - isn't that a new moon weekend?) The game plan is per usual, a short hike from the parking lot to a camp away from the crowds. Boealpers may bring novices, but must be responsible for their proper care, grooming, feeding, equipment and safety. Families are welcome, children under 8 not recommended. The trip is being coordinated by the Conder substitutes this year. Limit 24, call early to reserve your spot.

Contact: Bob Conder

526-2970 (H)  
544-9460 (W)

| <b>BOEALPS Echo</b>             |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Activity Submission Form</b> |                   |
| <b>Trip Title:</b>              | <b>Trip Date:</b> |
| <b>Description:</b>             |                   |
|                                 |                   |
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| <b>Trip Sponsor:</b>            | <b>Ph: (H)</b>    |
|                                 | <b>Ph: (W)</b>    |
| <b>Send to: Bob Conder</b>      |                   |
| MS 2L-75                        |                   |

## December 1995 Executive Board Meeting

Thursday December 14, 1995

The board discussed the equipment checkout system outlined by Dan Costello (past Equipment Chairperson) at the November Board Meeting. Silas Wild (present Equipment Chairperson) generally approved of the plan. He suggested that, instead of three equipment rooms, three homes be used. This would allow more flexibility for checking equipment out and back. Basically the plan would be to keep an assortment of the club's equipment at three locations (one in the North end, one in the Central area and one in the South end). When the equipment is picked up it will be signed for, and when it is returned (the following week) it will be inspected. The pros and cons will be discussed at a general meeting.

The goals of the Education committee were also discussed. The board agreed with the goals presented last month by Ken Johnson, and helped set a course of action for him. However, the board did not offer much help, so anyone interested in helping contact Ken.

Janet Oliver attended the meeting, and plans for the upcoming Basic Climbing Class were laid out. Janet will be submitting notices to the Echo with all the details.

A discussion about the "Home Page" will be held at the January Board Meeting. Hopefully a comprehensive policy can be developed to at that time.

J. Kirby the Conservation Chairperson has been very active at researching issues for the club (many of the topics were at the request of club members). He will be sharing what he found out, in Echo articles.

A comment was made during the meeting about an activity listed in the December Echo. The activity appeared to be an advertisement. The activity was not closely considered before publishing. Everyone at the Board Meeting agreed that commercial advertisements do not belong in the echo.

Chris Rudesill mentioned that Mountain Rescue is looking for volunteers. Anyone interested can give Chris a call.

## Learn to Telemark

Wednesday evening lessons in January at Ski Acres. Meet at 6:30 PM at the base of the lift just North of the lodge. For more information, call Max Limb at 827-5934

Donations to help pay for the care of Brian Nelson, the only survivor of the trio who fell on the Winthrop Glacier accident at Mt. Rainier in August, may be mailed to the Brian R. Nelson Fund at Key Bank, Yelm Branch, P.O. Box 574, Yelm, WA 98597.

## Basic Climbing Class 1996

The Basic Climbing Class will be held from Feb. 28th to May 22nd. Orientation will be held on Wednesday Feb. 21 at 7:00 PM in the Customer Services Building # 11-14 in the cafeteria. The class consists of Wednesday night lectures and outings every weekend. Though MOFA (Mountaineer Oriented First Aid Class) is not required to take the class, it is strongly recommended. For more information, see the notice later in this issue.

## Call For Basic Class Instructors

If you would like to instruct for this year's class and did not instruct for the 1995 class, contact Janet Oliver at 271-7911. Everyone who instructed last year will receive a commitment form by the third weekend in January. If you have not received the form by the end of January, please let Janet know. If you have never instructed for the Basic climbing Class and would like to, contact Janet to receive information and an application. MOFA and a commitment to 50% of the class's outing is required for all new instructors. Please leave a message, if you don't reach Janet directly, as to who you are and where to send any information. It is necessary to know how many instructors there will be for this year's class before Feb. 21st so don't delay.

This Echo includes a poster for this year's class. Please take it, make copies of it and post it anywhere that is appropriate.

### **Library News:**

Newest books added to the Boealps Library - Ready for checkout at the January General Meeting! Please remember to return books you have checked out previously! (I,m supposed to say that 'cause I'm the Librarian!) - Happy Holidays! Yours Truly Katy, Trusty Librarian.

- \* Camp 4 - Recollections of a Yosemite Rockclimber, Steve Roper
- \* Everest: The West Ridge, Thomas F. Hornbein
- \* Beyond Risk - Conversations with Climbers, Nicholas O'Connell
- \* K2 The Story of The Savage Mountain, Jim Curran
- \* The Burgess Book of Lies, Adrian and Alan Burgess
- \* Big Walls, John Long and John Middendorf
- \* Climbing Anchors, John Long
- \* Sports Endurance, Scott Tinley
- \* Mountain Search and Rescue Techniques, W.G. May
- \* On Top of The World, Five Women Explorers in Tibet, Luree Miller
- \* A Hard Day's Summer, Six Classic North Faces, Solo, Alison Hargreaves
- \* Climbing Ice, Yvon Chouinard (This is the second copy of this book purchased for our library - the other one mysteriously disappeared! It isn't a cheap book....Hopefully we'll have this one around for a while!)
- \* Adventure of Caving, David R. McClurg
- \* Degrees of Difficulty, Vladimir Shatayev
- \* Exploring the (British Columbia) Coast Mountains on Skis, John Baldwin
- \* Touching the Void, Joe Simpson
- \* The Crystal Horizon, Reinhold Messner
- \* The Boardman-Tasker Omnibus (high-altitude, non-fiction) Four Novels in One Big Book!: Savage Arena Everest the Cruel Way by Joe Tasker and The Shining Mountain and Sacred Summits by Peter Boardman
- \* Mountain Fever, Historic Conquests of Rainier, Aubrey L. Haines
- \* The Canadian Mountaineering Anthology, Bruce Fairley
- \* Cloud Dancers, Portraits of North American Mountaineers, Jonathan Waterman
- \* Mountaineering Literature, A Bibliography of Material Published in English, Jill Neate (Reference book, not for check-out)

## ***THE PHOTO BOX***

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EQUIPMENT:

By Shawn M. Pare'

Photography in mountaineering presents many challenging aspects not found in everyday photography. The first challenge faced by the mountaineering photographer is in the selection of a camera. There are many things to consider in the selection of a camera that a climber may not realize for his first purchase. Unfortunately, there is no one perfect camera for all climbers and many trade-offs must be made in the selection, all based on the wants and needs of the climber.

The advantages and disadvantages of the different cameras you are likely to find in the mountains are listed below:

Disposables - In the last couple of years I've seen more and more of these in the hills. They are very light, compact, and easy to use. They are also relatively cheap and if you destroy one, you're only out a little more than the cost of a roll of film. Picture quality is poor to good and they only shoot prints. You can get ones that will take panoramics and I know people that have taken them along with their other higher priced camera for this reason alone. This may be a good alternative for you if you only plan on taking pictures once in a while and you don't want to buy a camera.

Rangefinders (Instamatics) - These have gained much popularity over the last ten or so years with many new enhancements and are the most popular camera for use in mountaineering because of their light weight, compact size, and simplicity of use. Prices in this group range from around \$60 to \$500 or more and most offer good picture quality. Things to look for when buying in this group include large buttons for use with gloved hands, a built in lense cover to protect the lense when shoving the camera in and out of your pockets, and a robust design that does not have flimsy components that could break with rough use. Also look for one that is small and light as many of the more expensive models have been increasing in size and weight lately which could be the difference whether you pack your camera when trimming back those extra ounces for that killer route. Zoom lenses can be nice but decrease speed, increase camera complexity, and decrease picture clarity. Water proof cameras tend to be heavier and have poorer picture quality but tend to be more durable and often have nice large buttons. Another essential feature is the ability to turn the flash on or off.

SLR's (Single Lense Reflex) - These are the most popular cameras on the market for serious photographers. Their use in mountaineering is limited as they are relatively heavy, complex, bulky, and expensive. Prices for the body alone start at \$150 and go to well over a \$1,000 for the more advanced models. On top of that, you have to buy lenses, flash units and a host of other equipment greatly increasing cost. They do give the photographer much creative leeway in exposure settings, lense selection, and light metering. Unlike the instamatics, they are hard to locate for easy access while climbing but with special cases and or harnesses can be attached to your chest, your waist belt, or around your waist. Some thought needs to be given on this matter beforehand as attaching the camera in this fashion allows it to get in your way or create a safety hazard. You could also stick the camera in your pack but, if you do, it will stay there.

Medium and Large Format cameras - These cameras use larger film sizes than the standard 35mm film used in the other cameras mentioned. They tend to be heavy, bulky, and very expensive and are aimed at the professional market. They are rarely used in mountaineering but if you have to have high quality poster size blow ups, this is what you will need.

I own two different types of cameras, a 35mm SLR and a 35mm instamatic. The 35mm SLR comes in great on trips with excellent photo opportunities such as expeditions to Nepal or Africa or even local climbs where weight is not a big issue. However, for typical local climbs, I carry a small instamatic. Over the years I've found out that very cheap cameras can take good pictures and that no matter how expensive and sophisticated a camera is, it won't give you good pictures if you don't know how to use it. It is not what you have, but how you use it.

If you have a topic that you would like to know more about or have any questions about photography in general give me a call or send me a note and I'll do my best to answer them for you. If you send me any pictures, slides, or negatives for the ECHO cover, the Photo Album, or the monthly photo contest be sure to label them with your name and what the item(s) is/are being submitted for. You can send items to my company mailstop at 0Y-20 or send them to my home address at 2625 169th St SE, Bothell WA 98012.

## CONSERVATION CORNER

by J. Kirby

On Saturday, December 9, committee member Paul Pyscher and I attended a conservation meeting in Everett focusing on critical issues affecting the Mt. Baker - Snoqualmie National Forest. The issue which clearly dominated the conference was the resumption of old growth logging under the "Logging Without Laws" rider attached to the 1995 Rescission Act. Basically, the rider prevents public access to the courts to enforce environmental laws in connection with timber sales covered by the rider. Let me briefly explain its history and dire environmental ramifications.

President Clinton vetoed the budget reducing bill the first time it came to him, stating that the logging rider "would basically direct us to make timber sales to large companies subsidized by the taxpayers". However, Clinton signed the bill when it came back to him with minor changes to the rider. Political pressure on Clinton to sign was great, as bundled together in the bill was Oklahoma City disaster relief aid, and funding for some of Clinton's pet programs.

The rider, sponsored by our very own Senator Slade Gorton, was promoted as a way to cut fire-scarred or bug-infested salvage timber nationwide to foster forest health. However, the rider's reach extends well beyond mere salvage logging. It allows the taking not only of burned or diseased trees, but also trees "imminently susceptible to fire or insect attack," including "the removal of associated trees". Basically, anything made of wood.

Besides salvage logging sales, the rider covers two other types of federal timber sales: 1) sales within the area of the Pacific Northwest covered by the Northwest Forest Plan (Option 9 - the compromise forged from Clinton's timber summit); and 2) sales previously offered or awarded under Section 318 of the 1990 Appropriations Act. Freeing up Option 9 sales under the rider effectively eviscerates Clinton's Forest Plan. That means clearcuts without streamside buffers to protect fish.

But the most egregious provision of the rider deals with section 318 sales. The rider orders the Forest Service to release for logging, under their originally advertised terms and conditions, all timber sales offered or awarded before July 27, 1995 "in any unit of the National Forest System ... subject to Section 318." Section 318 sales are by definition those sales prepared in 1990. Of 7.3 billion board feet of timber sold under Section 318, only about 470 million remain uncut. When initially discussed by Congress, Senator Gorton and other backers of the rider stated that it would only apply to Section 318 sales.

However, as soon as the rider became law, the timber industry filed suit against the Forest Service arguing that the law's reference to Section 318 only delineates the geographic scope of the rider, which actually requires release of all timber sales offered between 1990 and July 27, 1995 in the National Forests of Oregon and Washington. Senator Gorton, despite his earlier statements to the contrary, backed the industry interpretation in a letter to the Administration. On September 13, 1995, Federal Judge Hogan agreed with the industry interpretation and opened the way for release of at least 246 million board feet of healthy old growth above Section 318 sales. More sales are expected.

To compound the outrage, the industry also argues that a provision in the rider barring sale of those units in which an endangered bird species is "known to be nesting" requires actual physical evidence of the nest. In the case of marbled murrelets, which nest very high in the forest canopy, scientists have only rarely been able to locate nests and rely on the presence of the bird in an area to conclude that is where they live.

The Administration says it was duped and has appealed, but the 9th Circuit has refused to grant an injunction against the logging. In the meantime, old growth logging has resumed in Oregon and, much closer to home, in the Olympic National Forest. Because the rider leaves virtually no legal recourse for citizens opposed to the logging, many have resorted to civil disobedience, and over 100 people have been arrested thus far. As testament to the real aims of the rider, although the Forest Service has made available thousands of acres to salvage logging, it has not gotten a single offer over the past three months.

Fortunately, many members of Congress also feel outraged over this subterfuge by the timber industry and its congressional stooges. On December 7, Representative Furse (D-OR), joined by over 30 co-sponsors, including Jim McDermott (D-WA) introduced legislation to repeal the "Logging Without Laws" rider.

If you care about keeping these last remaining remnants of old growth forest intact, you must make your voice heard now. I have included a list of phone numbers and addresses of all Washington congressional representatives. Call them. Call Patty Murray and request that she sponsor legislation in the Senate to repeal the rider. Call President Clinton and urge him not to sign any budget agreement without a repeal of the rider attached.

## WASHINGTON STATE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

### SENATORS

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U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
(202) 224-2621 phone  
(202) 224-0238 fax

Senator Slade Gorton (R)  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
(202) 224-3441 phone  
(202) 224-9393 fax

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(202) 225-3524 fax

**2nd Congressional District**  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
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(202) 225-4420 fax

**3rd Congressional District**  
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(202) 225-3478 fax

**4th Congressional District**  
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(202) 226-3251 fax

**5th Congressional District**  
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**7th Congressional District**  
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**8th Congressional District**  
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## Friends and Choices

**Mt. Shuksan 9131 ft, August 19-21 1995**  
**Climbers: Tom Rogers, John O'Callahan**

For the entire summer John and I had been planning a week long trip into the Bugaboos of Canada during the last week in August, during the one summer month that can always be counted on to be dry and warm. Well not this year. The day before we were to leave John called the local ranger and was duly informed that they had received a fresh dump of 2.5 ft of snow (this would change to 5 ft by the end of the week). With the Bugs ruled out, we scrambled for some alternate plans. John suggested the Grand Tetons but I wasn't up to the drive (this discussion would continue for the entire week). The weather looked as if it was improving so we decided to head for Squamish and try some challenging routes on the apron (Snake and the South Buttress). The weather was looking great as we left Saturday morning, but by the time we arrived in Squamish it was raining. During our wait we climbed some of the local crags near Burger -n- Fries. We checked the Apron at 12:00 but the rock was still wet so we abandoned Squamish until later days and departed for West Vancouver's Lighthouse Park.

After a short hike to the base of the shore line we came upon one of the most scenic climbing areas imaginable. The climbs are situated along the sea cliffs of Juniper Point with sailboats and jet skis roaring by, admiring the climbers on the steep granite faces surrounded by the sea. This would be a great location for a family picnic. The routes here are mostly short top roping climbs of 40 ft or less. The climbing is 5.6 to 5.11 +, however, the moist salt water air lends itself to slippery holds and smooth rock. It was here that I first began to notice a change in my ever faithful climbing partner John. Up to this point in time he and I had been pushing our limits at about the same point, but the difference was becoming more pronounced. John has always been able to put himself into a very narrow frame of mind and focus on the climbing as it lies ahead; but now he was combining it with a high level of conditioning over the past year. Then for good measure he added an aggressive attitude. John was climbing very well. John was preparing for a trip to Chamonix France in two weeks. He had arranged for some challenging climbs (by our standards) with an individual in France. John had mentioned that he hoped to stretch his limits as he would only be following and not leading (rules of the individual). He on the other hand was nervous, not quite sure if he was up to the challenge. From here we drove back to Bellingham, having dinner and decided what to try next.

We decided to attempt the North Face of Mt. Shuksan as this was one of his choice climbs on the "list". It should provide some great sustained moderate ice and snow climbing for several thousand feet. After some discussion he convinced me, somewhat unwillingly, to agree to it. I have always been more conservative than John in my climbing choices, but nevertheless I decided to give it a try. We decided to camp along the side of the road along Chuckanut Drive, but this was no easy task. About 2 hours later we found a little spot we felt was safe from drunk drivers and sleepy heads and were sound asleep. After having breakfast at a nearby pub and drying our sleeping bags at the local Laundromat, we headed for Mt. Shuksan. Driving along the Mt. Baker highway we started becoming concerned about our timely progress, as it was already near noon and we still had at least one hour of driving and an infamous bushwhack of unknown proportions ahead of us. We arrived at the trailhead at about 13:00, quickly sorted our gear from the Squawmish washout, packed our food, grabbed a set of rock nuts, six ice screws, four snow pickets, our ice tools and took off at 13:30. We were sort of anxious by now as we felt we were beginning far too late and were risking an evening bushwhack.

We looked at the map and Beckey's approach description and headed down the trail. About one mile and 1/2 hour later we decided that something was terribly wrong. We were not finding any of the milestones suggested by the book. So we turned around and continued back along the trail searching for the trail. As it turned out the map and the route description was out of date. The primary milestone which is given to locate the start is the lowest ski lift. However, there is now a newer and even lower ski lift which is positioned just in the right place to screw someone up. So be warned, go to the lowest ski lift lodge and turn right-- this is the correct trail. We were now 1 hour and 2 miles behind and almost within spitting distance of the car, not a good start. After reaching a clear-cut, we could see our approach options: straight up the valley bottom or up through

timber and then onto a long narrow ridge (access the left hand notch which can be seen from the clear-cut). The valley bottom would be an option as it leads to a ledge system which bypasses most of the difficulties on the lower North Face. This ledge system was climbed by Ken Johnson a few years earlier when it was entirely snow filled. He said it had some exposure but was okay. Some protection maybe required on the traverse to gain the upper face. The ledge system was nearly snow free and appeared to bypass approx. 1,000 ft of the lower face. We decided to attempt the lower face via the standard route as we anticipated some sustained mixed climbing here.

After dropping into the valley, we traversed across into deep timber and continuing down along a poor trail and steep brush. When we approached the creek bottom the brush became unbearable. Almost a true gauntlet. As we crossed the streambed I was stung by some vicious, but now dead, S.O.B. bee, of which I am allergic. I quickly popped several pills and hoped not to fall asleep on the bushwhack ahead. We were able to find a good stream crossing about 25-40 yards down stream via a large log (I recommend finding it by accessing the actual stream path at some convenient point near the waterfall).

Once across the stream we decided to try the valley bottom approach to gain the lower face saddle, but shortly thereafter gave up, due to a wall of slide alder and devils club. So we headed up the timbered slopes (keep to the right, not straight up), picking the path of least resistance, which was still very resistive. There were no trails or indications of the most sane direction in which to head. We just reached ahead, and above, took a large handful of slide alder and devils club (which was pointing straight down hill towards us) parted the sea of green, pulled like hell and climbed one step higher. Several hours later we neared the ridge top. The variety of expressive language I heard from John that day was both interesting and entertaining. The bushwhack was so bad I commented that I was going to climb the North Face no matter what, short of being crazy. Approaching the ridge we noticed how this was premiere bear country, dense brush and thousands of berries. The piles of bear scat were becoming more frequent so we made a lot of noise to warn the locals we were near. Thinking we could avoid the last bit of elevation gain to the ridge, we traversed along a gentle heather and huckleberry slope, which turned into a not so gentle heather slope. It wasn't too bad-- you wouldn't die but you wouldn't stop either for about 500 feet. The ridge would have been much faster. John and I were nearing our high camp when suddenly he turns around with this terrible look of fear on his face and starts to run towards me. I asked him, "John ?...," his reply, "BEAR!" Just then I also saw the large black bear which was causing my partner some concern: and it was only 20 yards away. I promptly raised my arms to scare the bear away (I read this somewhere) and it worked. I was to find out later that some bears interpret this gesture as a challenge and attack-- oh well, you learn something everyday. We reached our high camp about 2 or 3 minutes later.

The proximity and closeness of our camp to an allegedly very hungry pre-hibernating bear would cause us concern for the rest of the evening. From our camp we had running water and excellent views of the route. We also scoped out the route along the Northwest Arete. It looked like an interesting climb except for the hanging glacier at its termination. Our bivy spot would be a great camping spot for a weekend except for the approach. We walked over to the edge of the ridge and marveled at the rugged Price Glacier with Nooksack Tower above it and Price Lake and its glacier icebergs below. The views were awe inspiring. When getting some water from the nearby stream we noticed the beauty and the soundness of the rock. Its texture reminds one of gritty sandpaper with pretty white swirls rolling along its contour. This is without a doubt the best friction type rock I have ever found (John too). We admired the broad face noting the path of our route and the snow finger, high above, as it narrowed to a point, then back onto the broad snow face. I thought, 'would we be able to exit there?' 'Would we be able to cross the moats which lie ahead?' we would know tomorrow. John was getting that excited look in his eyes again! He laid back in his sleeping bag, commenting on how awesome the route looked, on how he was finally going to get in some challenging climbing, on how he hoped we would get some good mixed ice and rock climbing. I listened--I thought--and got nervous.

Our plan was to get up early at 03:00 and start climbing by 03:30 (02:30 climbing may have been more appropriate) so that we might avoid any mid morning rock or ice fall. In a momentarily jarring instance we were awakened from our sleep by a huge rock slide from high on the face. The thunder seemed to last for an eternity; I wondered if we would experience the same tomorrow? I hoped and prayed not. Forcing the negative thoughts from my mind I rolled over and fell back to sleep. Suddenly John shouted at me to wake up, it was time to go, it was 06:00, damn. Rushing out of our bags and scrambling into our gear we were climbing by 06:30. I could see Mt. Baker in the distance with its upper portion entirely shrouded in clouds; the sky on the horizon had a slight

hue of red, and looking directly over head I could see the heavily broken clouds coming off the North Face quickly. Watching them our heads were turning to track their movement. I commented to John that the weather was questionable (the earlier projected weather forecast was bad also) and it seemed to suggest a repeat of our infamous ascent of the North Ridge of Mt. Baker the summer before in which we were forced to climb during a very intense storm. John listened and duly noted it would be okay. Sensing John was tiring of my observations I timidly remarked how the upper portion of the North Face was lit up from the sun and could therefore cause some rock fall or induce poor snow and ice conditions. Once again he replied the same. It's not that I didn't want to do the climb-- I just like to discuss things very well before getting myself into a situation that I will have to deal with. In my style of climbing, I try to anticipate and understand the situation I am committing myself to and then mentally prepare for it and finally accept it. From this point on I am generally okay with the risks involved. If I find myself in a bad position, I try to deal with it as required, but I never knowingly walk into a risky situation just for the fun of it. I have never wanted a climb that badly nor do I ever expect to. I have too much to lose. John and I continued to discuss the pros and cons of continuing on given the time and the current weather conditions and the risks involved; we then agreed to proceed on and re-evaluate later.

The first step of my crampons onto the glacier ice was greeted with a resounding sinking feeling as my feet gently sank into the soft snow beneath. This was not a positive sign. As we traversed near the base of the hanging glacier the consequences of a fall were becoming more pronounced. Images of the shear wall of rock beneath the glacier lingered in my thoughts. Due to the shallow angle of the traverse we continually fouled the rope along the crevasse edges and various rock islands which resulted in much wasted time as I was forced to climb into some of the crevasses to free the rope. John and I were both becoming irritated at these occurrences and finally decided to climb with a taut rope. Once on the hanging glacier the angle steepened and the footing became progressively worse. After we crossed a narrow snow bridge I was becoming increasingly less willing to continue as my crampons were not biting well through the soft snow. I yelled to John that the snow conditions were terrible and that we shouldn't continue. John just kept on climbing, hoping to continue on through default. He was very determined to climb this route, he was primed and ready, and in the proper mental frame to do it. He was not going to stop short of it being dangerous (based on his scale of risk). I was well aware of John's modus-operandi; which is, climb on and Tom will follow. With every passing step I wondered how to tell John that I wasn't into the climb without letting him down. I so much wanted to fulfill my commitments. But to make things worse I began to go through my mental "family exercise" which happens during some of my more interesting climbs (even during the car ride and approach). I was having images of my newborn son, Christopher, smiling at me as he reached for the safety of my arms; I thought of my wife working for the next twenty years trying to raise and support my son; I heard my mother telling me "remember Tom no man will ever love him the way you will". I looked towards John as he methodically placed each foot in front of the last and suddenly shouted "John I'm done and I'm going down-- now"! He turned around and looked straight at me. His disappointment was evident from the grim expression outlined by the lines of his face. I could imagine his frustration and disappointment as he realized my commitment to continue was gone as was the summit. With his head hung low, he asked to continue to a rock island above so we could discuss the issue further. I agreed. The burden of disappointing him was tremendous, I was definitely the reason he would not continue upward to the summit. I am not accustomed to quitting on my teammates; but I felt a disservice would be done by continuing. It would not be wise to continue climbing in an environment in which I was not comfortable. I believe one climbs similar to how one feels, both physically and mentally. Many times before I've read and heard serious climbers comment on how their inner spirit had spoken to them and they subsequently turned around. I'm not trying to imply that I know what I'm speaking of, but I could tell the conditions were poor, and all the cards were not lining up. Besides one must be responsible for oneself. I was listening to my inner self and it was definitely saying to bail.

Upon reaching the rock island John and I began to once again discuss my reasons for not continuing. He asked for mine: I replied that "the snow conditions were horrible, the crampons were not taking purchase, it was supposed to be a semi steep and exposed ice climb that required sure footing, the sun was fully on the slope above, potential rock fall, the weather was looking bad and was expected to turn worse by the end of the day, the wind were blowing hard, it was very late in the morning, we could still backoff easily, there were only two of us and there was no margin for error and that I was not training for Chamonix". John looked at me in

disbelief and replied sarcastically “you’re totally pessimistic”! Are you afraid for your life or what”? I lost my cool at this point and snapped back, cussing a few choice words at my friend, partially in anger and no doubt due to pride. Afraid, I thought, hell I’ve been shot at in Central America by guerrillas and have dropped down waves in surfing which would have made him piss his pants. I just was looking to get home in one piece. I reminded him of what was at risk, and the great cost of any mistake. He agreed, and then suggested we continue to the top of the rock band several hundred feet above to find a good bivy spot to wait out the weather and hopefully climb again the next morning or that evening when the snow froze again. If it rained or got too nasty we could rappel off. He also reminded me of the hellish bushwhack ahead if we turned around; but I told him that it would be a pleasure and that I would smile the entire way down. Then John paused for a moment with a look of horror on his face. “You’re not going to write about this climb in the Echo are you”? “No”, I replied, ‘are you crazy”? His idea about bivying was a pretty good option but my mind was set and our civility towards one another was far gone. We were both pissed by now, so I just turned around, not caring, and begin to descend.

Once we reached our high camp we unroped and went our own ways; John grabbed his lunch and wandered over to a high point on a knoll, he stared at the mountain for the next 1/2 hour. Not a word spoken between us. Later we packed up and began the bushwhack. This time we used the ridge top to avoid the steep hill side and were blessed with interesting views and a leisure foot path. The descent of the timbered slope was worse than the ascent. It reminded me of a cartoon character (me) sliding down the steep slope on his butt, hitting every devil club along the way. There were some very steep and exposed cliff bands which may even require some major rappels if the ground were wet. There were no foot paths to follow we just looked for the safest path of least resistance and hoped for the best. Eventually John and I got separated in the dense brush, as he was going his way and I, mine. Shortly hereafter I managed to box myself into a cliff band thereafter wishing I had a rope to rappel with. But I didn’t so I resorted to using my ice tools and front pointing along the dirt filled, fern needled, slope. Finally at the bottom of the creek we could once again see Mt. Shuksan, heavy clouds enveloped the upper north face and the summit block. I mentioned it to John but left it at that.

Back at the log crossing, John went across first, sliding along with the tree between his legs, when all of a sudden he started to wobble back and forth, with strange noises emanating from his mouth. I watched with great intrigue as he started to lose his balance, then just before he fell into the raging water below, he gained his composure. Evidently John had been just challenged to a log pole crossing duel with a highly confused mouse which ran straight in between his legs and wasn’t giving up until he reached the other side. John was slightly freaked (I think he’s afraid of intimate contact with little mice). I thought it was totally hilarious. Back into the brush for the final portion of the bushwhack. We even managed to get slightly lost before we finally emerged from the timber into the clear-cut and the road home. It had taken us a hard 5 hours from high camp to car. To look at us you would have thought we were a pair of junkyard dogs who had just lost the fight of the century. My clothes were torn into shreds and my arms were bloody with cut and scrapes and several dozen bug bites. But we were both glad to be back and were beginning to resume our friendship.

This was a difficult article to write since it involved some sensitive moments between John and I. Oftentimes we never read about such trying times between friends or climbing partners unless it is in some mountaineering novel. I thought about the narrative of this climb for some time but was unsure how to proceed without making myself look like a wimp and John a driven nut. After much thought I came to the conclusion that these types of experiences do occur in the mountains, between the best of friends, and at the least opportune moments and probably more often than not. In retrospect, John was within his technical ability; he understood the consequences of his actions and was climbing safely at a level he was choosing to climb within. I, on the other hand, established the limit of risk that I was willing to accept that day under the given conditions. After all, climbing involves some risk. The conflict arose when the desire and drive to complete the climb became unbalanced between us. There’s an old Chinese proverb I often think of when climbing: “He who sacrifices his conscience to ambition, burns a picture to obtain the ashes”. The fact is John and I can climb the mountain tomorrow or the next day; it’s still there and we’re still here. Not even a mountain is worth a friendship or a life.

# 1996 BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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## RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name(s)), certify that I am aware of all the inherent dangers of mountaineering, including but not limited to the hazards of traveling in mountainous terrain, accidents, or illness in remote places without medical facilities, the forces of nature, and the actions of participants and other persons.

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I further state that I am 18 years of age or older and legally competent to sign this release (or in the event that I am a minor, my parent or legal guardian must sign this release), that I understand these terms are contractual and not a mere recital, and that I have signed this document as my own free act. The terms of this agreement shall serve as a release and indemnity agreement for my heirs, assignees, personal representative, and for all members of my family, including any minors.

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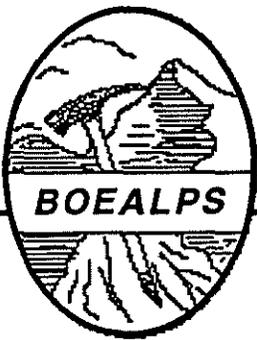
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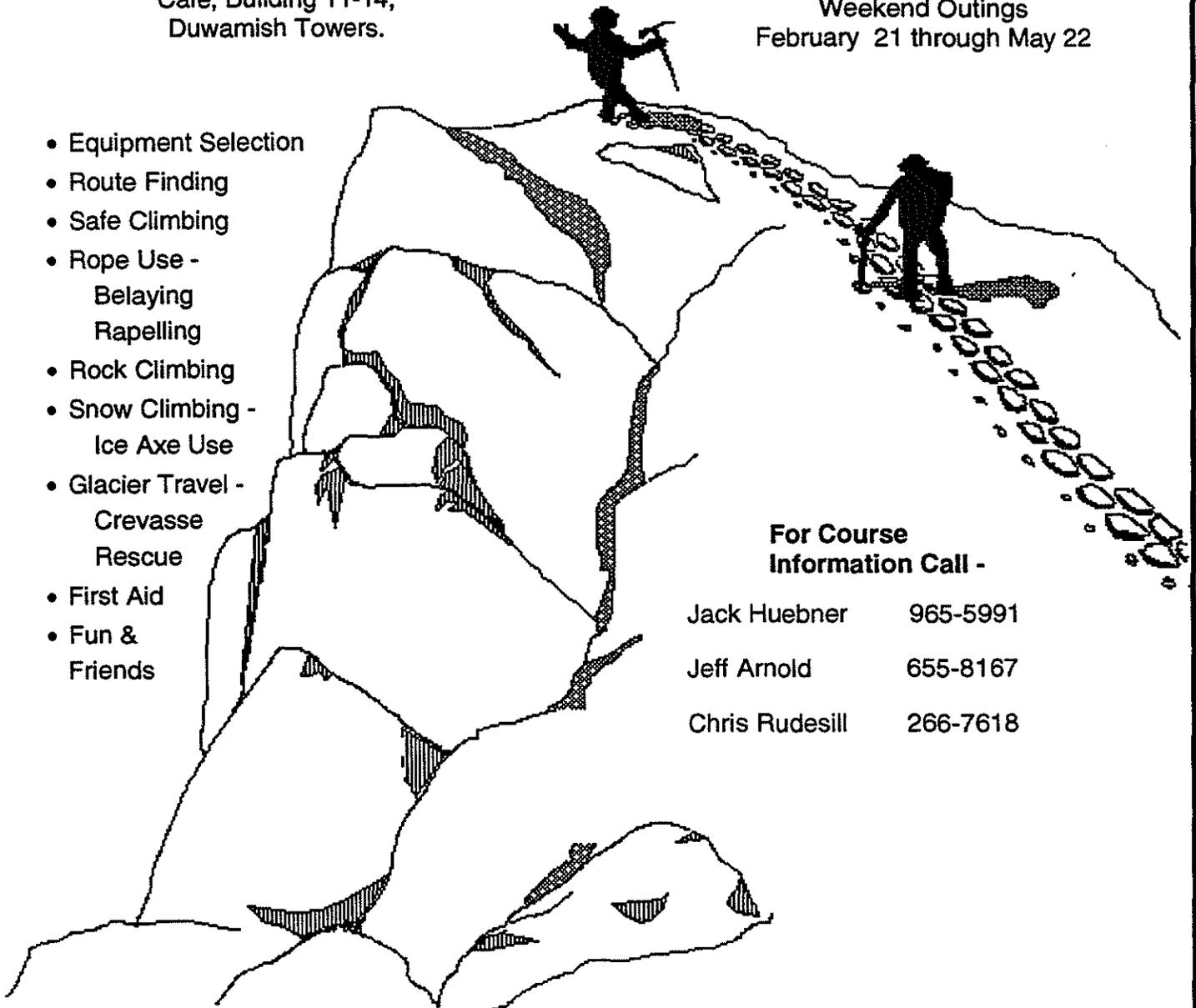
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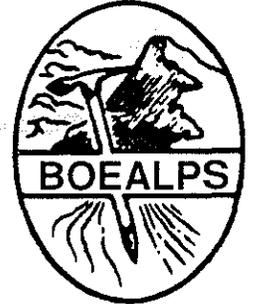
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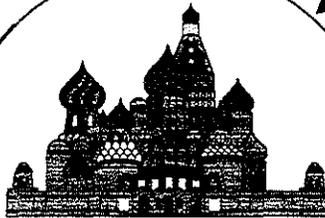
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From Dan Goering 67-32

February  
General Meeting  
Thursday, Feb. 1 7:30PM  
Refreshments at 7:00PM  
Oxbow Rec. Center

*Alex Berrulis - Climbing  
in Russia*



& John O'Callahan  
Chamonix Climbs

## ***BELAY STANCE***

### **Basic Class Notice**

The Basic Class notice has once again been included in this month's Echo. Head instructor Janet Oliver requests that everyone post the notice in and around their workplace. Note that the orientation and registration date shown on the Basic Class notice distributed in last month's Echo was incorrectly shown as February 21, the correct date is February 28, 1996. Please make this correction to any notice you see posted.

### **In This Issue**

The Basic and Intermediate climbing classes will be starting up soon, be sure to check out the information contained in this month's issue, pay special attention to the call for instructors. All prospective students should pay special attention to the fact that the equipment auction will no longer be held in lieu of a club meeting, it will instead be held prior to the March 13th basic class meeting. See inside for further details.

Secretary Dan Costello has included the minutes of last month's executive board meeting, be sure to give it a once over, especially if you're interesting in the Boealps Homepage.

Dan Goering is sponsoring a MOFA refresher course for those of you holding current MOFA cards. Space in the class is limited so, sign-up early. Shawn Pare has submitted the third installment of his Photo Box column, Shawn has put together some tips on lighting as well as information regarding the upcoming Photo contest and the Boealps photo album. Applications are now begin accepted for the Agris Morrus Memorial Grant, see inside for details, as well as a short history of the grant. Ken Johnson and Jim Prostka are sponsoring the infamous aid climbing seminar this year, all those interested in a little construction work are encouraged to attend.

The heft of this issue is due to the rigorous work of our contributing editors; Brad Walker, John O'Callahan and yours truly. You may also note some added graphics work thanks to Scott Saufferer and Melony McGuffin at Piston Graphics. We're still inching up the learning curve on the graphics, thus far we can only do slides, but print scanning is on the horizon.

### **Membership Renewal and Dues**

Don't miss out on a single issue of your Echo, send check or money order along with the enclosed membership form to Mr. Goering today.

### **Next Issue**

Keep those stories coming, and send pictures we'll handle them carefully and return them within the next twelve months or whenever I clean out my briefcase - whichever comes first.

### **Article Submittals**

A special thanks to everyone who submitted articles as everything was electronic. I can also receive files via E-mail at [mmcguffinn@aol.com](mailto:mmcguffinn@aol.com).

From the respective desks of your fearful editors,

Len Kannapell/Mike McGuffin

**MARCH ECHO DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 22ND**

## BOEALPS AID CLIMBING SEMINAR

After a year off, this blasphemous seminar is being resurrected to torment the souls of free climbers everywhere. Come and be seduced by the evil joys of the Black Art of aid climbing. Stand in etriers! Bounce test dubious nut placements! Hang from manky bat hooks! Horrify your friends and family! Take part in an activity that is sure to discourage even the most tenacious insurance salesman!

Instructors Ken Johnson and Jim Prostka (veteran El Cap wanna-bes) will be your "bad influences".

On a more serious note, the workshop will cover clean (hammerless) aid techniques and equipment. Advanced nut placements, testing, hanging belays, hauling, cleaning, and following will be covered. These skills can be added to your 'bag of tricks', and standing on pro will increase your ability to place clean protection while free climbing.

There will be an evening lecture/seminar on Tuesday, February 20th at the Everett Rec Center and the workshop will be at Index on Sunday, February 25th. Participants must have had some exposure to setting up anchors and fifth class rock climbing.

To register, or ask questions, contact Ken Johnson at:

johnsonk@colorado.ds.boeing.com (preferred)  
397-5337 (pager - I dare you to try to call me at my work #)

### Slug Kingdom

(shamelessly ripped off from Possum Kingdom by The Toadies)

make up your mind  
come climb some aid with me  
at index in the rain  
at index in the rain  
on my rope

I'm not gonna lie  
I'm not gonna lie  
my neophyte  
my belay slave, be my belay slave, yea!

I'm not gonna lie  
we won't be free climbin'  
on some clean free route  
I'll show you some dark secrets

and I promise you  
I'll belay you well  
my sweet novice  
so help me Harding

don't be afraid  
I don't mean to scare you  
so help me walling

be my belay slave  
be my belay slave  
do you wanna climb?  
do you wanna climb?

I can promise you  
you'll stay adrenalized  
with bat hooks  
and and tie-offs  
forever

## AGRIS MORRUS MEMORIAL GRANT

Applications are currently being accepted for the 1996 Agris Morrus Memorial Grant. The grant is offered each year to help meet the expenses of a worthy climbing endeavor attempted by Boealps members. Past grants have been awarded for trips ranging from the Cascades to the Himalaya. The trip's sense of exploration and level of challenge for the applying climbers is more important than the technical difficulty of the objective in awarding the grant. The size of the grant(s) is at the sole discretion of the Board of Trustees, but is generally around \$100.00.

The grant is offered in memory of Agris Morrus, a long time club member and active climber, who lost his life while leading a group of Basic Class students up Lundin Peak on May 9, 1982. The only application requirements are that you are a Boealps member, you attempt the climbing trip, and, if awarded the grant, that you write a letter of thanks to Agris' father. Additional information about Agris and the fund is enclosed in this Echo.

Applications may be in letter form and must be submitted by April 12, 1996 to:  
Pam Kaiser @ M/S OR-EU or 2625 169th ST SE  
Bothell, WA 98012

## CALL FOR BASIC CLASS INSTRUCTORS

All the commitment forms have been sent to last year's instructors. If you have not received one, it's probably because I didn't have your correct mail stop. Please contact me (Janet Oliver) at (206) 271-7911 before Feb. 19th. If you want to instruct and never have, please contact me at the above same number.

## 1996 BOEALPS INTERMEDIATE CLIMBING CLASS

The Intermediate Climbing Class is currently being organized for the 1996 climbing season. This is the class's tenth year. This course is being offered for those who have basic climbing skills and the desire to learn what is involved in climbing some of the more technical and remote routes in the Cascades. In addition to having completed the Basic Course (or showing equivalent experience), students must be in good physical shape and be active in climbing outside of an instructional framework. This does not mean that prospective students have to be super climbers - the ability to climb low fifth class rock on top-rope and negotiate a 40 degree snow slope with confidence is adequate.

The course will cover the following areas in a seminar format:

- leading technical rock climbs
- mountain safety and self rescue,
- snow and ice climbing techniques.

The remainder of the course will be spent climbing some of the Northwest's finest alpine routes, such as the West Ridge of Forbidden Peak and the North Face of Mount Maude. The instructor-to-student ratio is close to one-to-one, which allows personalized instruction.

The course will run from mid-March through the end of August, requiring about two weekends per month. Further class details, specific dates, and a course application can be obtained by asking for an information packet. Requests for information packets must be received by February 23rd, and completed applications must be received no later than March 1st.

Send requests for student information packets to Mike Bingle at

mgb7444@aw101.iasl.ca.boeing.com (preferred)  
or M/S 19-MH (next)  
935-3992 (last - home phone).

### CALLING INTERMEDIATE CLIMBING CLASS INSTRUCTORS

The Intermediate Class Kickoff meeting will be held January 30th. All individuals wishing to help out this year are invited to attend. The agenda will consist of fine-tuning the format of the class, agreeing on class dates, reviewing instructor qualifications and responsibilities, and deciding on the members of the Class Steering Committee.

Previous class instructors and students will automatically be sent a meeting notice no later than January 18th. If you are a past instructor and haven't received a notice, or if you would like to help out for the first time, drop a note to Mike Bingle. Or just show up - Round Table Pizza, 5111 25th Ave NE, 6:30PM.

We are looking forward to another great year with the class - come along and be a part of it!

### EQUIPMENT AUCTION

This year the equipment auction will be held before the Basic Climbing Class on Wednesday March 13th from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. The goal is to give club members a chance to sell good gear that they no longer want and outfit our new club climbers at the same time. This auction is open to all club members whether selling or buying. This will be held in lieu of the regular meeting auction. The auction will be held informally as an open market. Come bring your stuff with price in mind and wheel and deal.

### MOFA REFRESHER CLASS!

Is your MOFA card nearly expired??? Then this class is for you! Graduates of the refresher course will receive new American Red Cross CPR and Standard First Aid cards plus a new Mountaineers MOFA card. The refresher course instruction is completed in 12 hours instead of the standard 24, but to be eligible, you must hold a current (not expired) MOFA card!

Dates: February 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22  
Time: 6:30 - 9:30 pm  
Location: Customer Services Center Cafeteria (just south of Oxbox Rec Center)  
Cost: \$26 per student + \$7.50 if you've lost your red MOFA text since last time  
Class Size: 16 students  
Requirements: You must hold a current (not expired) MOFA card  
Instructor: Dan Goering

To sign up, contact: Dan Goering MS 67-63  
Phone: (h) 364-6783  
(w) 234-5778  
email: djgb00@cmail.ca.boeing.com

## JANUARY 1996 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday January 17, 1996

The majority of this meeting (a really long time) was spent discussing the BOEALPS Homepage. Besides the Board members, Chris Pirson and Rob James (the creators of the Homepage) attended the meeting. Jake Davis from Boeing Recreation was there to answer questions (as best he could) about Boeing's position. Also, Eric Ingalsbe attended the meeting, and presented some concerns about the Homepage.

The discussion focused on the following:

- What are the guidelines for the information put onto the Homepage?
- Who's responsibility is it to see that the Homepage follows the guidelines?
- To what extent is permission needed from trip leaders and article authors?

Details of the discussion will be reviewed by those in attendance to ensure accuracy, and then presented at a General meeting

Discussion of how to implement the Homepage (who edits, who pays, etc.) were set aside until the Homepage's format is set.

Other matters discussed at the Board meeting were:

- There will be no Auction this year. There will be a gear swap and sell for club members and students before one of the Basic Class Wednesday night sessions. Janet Oliver will put an announcement in the Echo.
- BOEALPS received the same amount of money from Boeing this year as last year. It was not as much as we asked for.
- The library will now be kept in a lockable cabinet in the General meeting room.
- Janet Oliver is looking for a place to store the Basic Class equipment while the class is not in session.
- The equipment checkout system which utilizes three equipment rooms was given a green light, and will begin to be phased in.

The next Board meeting will be March 15th.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

For Sale:

Marmot Gopher -20° Sleeping Bag      David Flemming 294-0070

- Gore-Tex
- Fully seam-sealed
- Size: regular
- \$200.00

REI "Big Wally" Down Parka              David Flemming 294-0070

- Gore-Tex
- Hood
- XL
- Very Warm
- \$200.00

Northface Arrowhead Tent                David Flemming 294-0070

- 4 season
- 2 person
- Low Profile
- Approx. 7 lbs
- \$250.00

# February 1996

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday             | Saturday  |
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|  |   |  |   | 1<br> Club Meeting                               | 2<br>Groundhog Day | 3   |
| 4<br>Full Moon<br>                             | 5   | 6  | 7   | 8  | 9                  | 10<br>Mt Fuji<br>                  |
| 11<br>Mt Fuji<br>                              | 12<br>Last Quarter<br>Lincoln's Birthday<br>Mt Fuji | 13   | 14<br>Valentine's Day   | 15<br>Board Meeting<br>                          | 16                 | 17<br>Snow Camping at Paradise<br> |
| 18<br>New Moon<br>Snow Camping at Paradise<br> | 19<br>President's Day                               | 20<br>Aid Seminar Lecture<br> | 21<br>Basic Class Orientation<br>Ash Wednesday<br> | 22<br>Echo Deadline<br>Washington's Birthday<br> | 23                 | 24<br>Pratt Mountain<br>           |
| 25<br>1st Quarter<br>Aid Seminar at Index<br>  | 26  | 27   | 28<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>                      | 29   |                    |   |

# March 1996

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|  |        |   |   |   | 1      | 2<br> BC @ St. Edwards      |
| 3<br> BC @ St. Edwards                       | 4      | 5<br>Full Moon<br> | 6<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>                   | 7<br>Photo Contest<br>  | 8      | 9<br>BC @ Mt. Erie<br>      |
| 10<br>BC @ Mt. Erie<br>                      | 11     | 12<br>Last Quarter  | 13<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>                  | 14  | 15     | 16<br>BC @ Stevens Pass<br> |
| 17<br>BC @ Stevens Pass<br>St. Patrick's<br> | 18     | 19<br>New Moon  | 20<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>Spring begins<br> | 21<br>Echo Deadline<br> | 22     | 23<br>BC @ Snoqualmie<br>   |
| 24<br>BC @ Snoqualmie<br>                    | 25     | 26<br>1st Quarter   | 27<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>                  | 28  | 29     | 30<br>BC @ Devils Peak<br>  |
| 31<br>BC @ Devils Peak<br>Palm Sunday<br>    |        |   |   |   |        |  |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### Climb Mt. Fuji in Winter!

February 10-12, 1996

Join Ambrose Bittner on a winter attempt of Mt. Fuji and help him train for his Patagonia trip. There are no glaciers on this mountain, but it will be just as cold and windy as Mt. Rainier in winter. Avoid the summer crowds. Sleep on 150 square feet of tatami mats in Ambrose's apartment before and after the climb. Go for the adventure and spend the money!

Contact: Ambrose Bittner

Ph: 011-81-282-25-0829 (H) (also a fax)

Ph: 011-81-282-22-0541 (W)

email: 76360.1276@compuserve.com

### Pratt Mountain

Trip Date: February 24, 1996

Come along for a snowshoe trip up 5099' Pratt Mountain, located a few miles west of Snoqualmie Pass. This is a non-technical peak, and should permit good views of peaks north of Snoqualmie Pass.

Contact: Dave Stephens

774-1396 (H)

865-4118 (W)

### Paradise VI - Winter Camping on Rainier

February 17-18, 1996

The show/snow must go on -- federal budget permitting. The annual Stonebreaker outing is upon us. Time for more fun in the snow with climbing, skiing, sledding, snowshoeing, igloo building, and competitive camp building during the day, with moon gazing by night. (Wait - isn't that a new moon weekend?) The game plan is per usual, a short hike from the parking lot to a camp away from the crowds. Boeaplers may bring novices, but must be responsible for their proper care, grooming, feeding, equipment, and safety. Families are welcome, children under 8 not recommended. The trip is being coordinated by the Conder substitutes this year. Limit 24, call early to reserve your spot.

Contact: Bob Conder

526-2970 (H)

544-9460 (W)

bob@bcfsfse.ca.boeing.com

| BOEALPS Echo              |            |
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| Activity Submission Form  |            |
| Trip Title:               | Trip Date: |
| Description:              |            |
|                           |            |
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| Trip Sponsor:             | Ph: (H)    |
|                           | Ph: (W)    |
| Send to:                  | Bob Conder |
| bob@bcfsfse.ca.boeing.com | MS 2L-75   |

# THE AGRIS MORRUS MEMORIAL FUND

## BACKGROUND

Agris Morrus was born in Latvia in 1941, the scene of bitter battles between German and Russian troops during World War II. He spent his early years in a displaced persons camp in Germany before coming to Longview, Washington with his family in 1949. He received his degree in Engineering from the University of Washington, then joined Boeing.

He took the BOEALP'S Basic Climbing Course in 1974. Not only was he by far the strongest student but also one of the most popular; both with his fellow students and his instructors. His quiet manner, his willingness to always do far more than his share, and his unforgettable smile left their mark.

After the class ended, he climbed virtually every weekend, with instructors, classmates and others. While he quickly demonstrated his ability to successfully climb at ever-higher levels, he seemed equally happy being on modest routes with companions of mediocre abilities and stamina.

Less than two years after finishing the Basic Class, he was invited to join some of his instructors and other veteran climbers on a McKinley climb. Though he had only a fraction of the experience of the other party members, he pulled the heaviest sled, led the toughest pitches, carried the heaviest pack, and always did far more than his share of camp chores. Returning from the summit, the team members gave him a book inscribed, "to the most inspirational member of the 1976 McKinley expedition."

He began instructing in the BOEALP'S Basic Course in 1977, generously sharing his energy and enthusiasm with students and his fellow instructors. Unlike some of the other instructors, he would patiently follow the slowest students down from the summits, occasionally carrying their packs atop of his. He cheerfully took the least popular routes; and, on more than one occasion, assisted in evacuating students with injuries or fatigue.

On May 8, 1980 eight teams from the Basic Class set out from Narada Falls and Longmire aiming at virtually all of the Tatoosh Range summits. When Saint Helens erupted the sky suddenly turned black, as did the ash-covered snow. All the climbers and instructors quickly forgot their summits and thought only of a quick descent. All, except for Agris. He kicked steps straight up to the top of a steep ridge at an incredible pace, "just to see if I could get a better view."

In 1982 Agris decided to take a sabbatical from teaching to accomplish some other goals. One of these was to run in the Boston Marathon, his first ever marathon. His goals were to finish in less than four hours, and within the first two thousand; he accomplished both. On a Sunday morning just two weeks later he showed up at Snoqualmie Pass, volunteering to fill in for a missing instructor and take a team up Lundin Peak. The summit rocks were covered with a very thin layer of frozen fog. Within just a few feet of reaching a solid anchor where he could safely belay the rest of his party to the summit, he slipped, and disappeared into the white-out far below.

A few days later more than a thousand of those who had been privileged to have known Agris gathered for a memorial service. Not only were there hundreds of climbers, but also his skiing friends, his bicycling companions, his fellow workers from Boeing, and hundreds of friends of all ages from the Northwest Latvian community. Many of these wanted to contribute to "something to help us remember Agris;" by the end of the evening well over a thousand dollars had been left on a table. That is how the Fund began, very spontaneously and very emotionally.

Over the years the Fund has grown, through additional donations and through appreciation. Each year applications are considered for a grant or grants from the Fund. Those applications which best exemplify the spirit in which Agris climbed, and where such a grant might significantly support the attainment of a challenging mountaineering objective, have been awarded financial assistance.

## **THE PHOTO BOX**

on  
**IF EVER A SUNNY DAY:**

By Shawn M. Pare'



*Photo by Tom Rogers*

I would like to thank Marty Jolly, Tom Rogers, Pam Kaiser, and Len Kannapell for their submissions for the Echo cover. There were many good entries and it was hard to pick a winner. The winning photo on the Echo cover was picked by a committee (the contest was not rigged). If you think you have a cover page photo, don't throw it out as we will be picking a new candidate again sometime this summer.

I haven't yet received any submissions for the new Boealps photo album, although Kevin Mejia has submitted some slides of the 1994 Basic class Red Team for the Photographer's records. If you have some good slides that record club events and you no longer wish to keep them, send them to me for inclusion in these historical records.

Start rounding up your slides and prints, or dust off your camera as you only have one month until the photo contest. It should be hot this year with many great prizes to be given away. Anyone with comments or improvements that they would like to see should get a hold of me within the next couple of weeks so we can work them in. The categories I'm thinking of include those listed below and one extra category open to both slides and prints for the most embarrassing (you can get in trouble with this one) photo.

### Slides

Mountain Scenes  
Nature Scenes  
Sunsets & Sunrises  
Climbing  
People

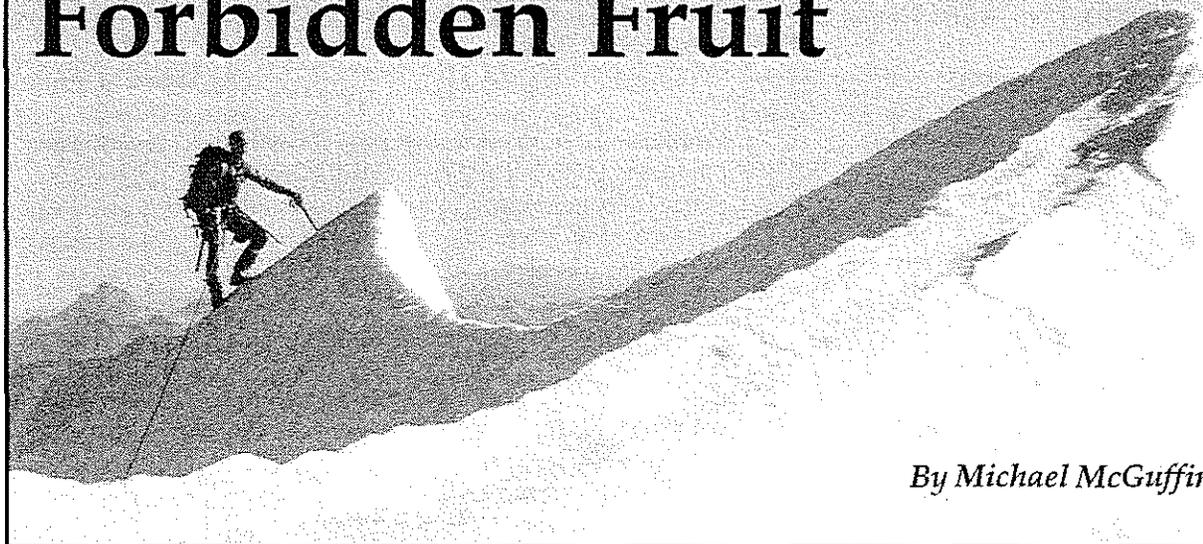
### Prints

Mountain Scenes  
Climbing  
General  
Black & White

Tips - Lighting for picture taking is best when the sun is low on the horizon. Have subjects remove hats when the sun is high. The photographer should always keep his back to the sun but if you find yourself shooting into the sun, use a flash to capture your subjects expression.

If you have a topic that you would like to know more about or have any questions about photography in general give me a call or send me a note and I'll do my best to answer them for you. If you send me any pictures, slides, or negatives for the Photo Album, or the monthly photo contest be sure to label them with your name and what the item(s) is/are being submitted for. You can send items to my company mailstop at OY-20 or send them to my home address at 2625 169th St SE, Bothell WA 98012.

# Forbidden Fruit



By Michael McGuffin

Photograph by Scott Saufferer

*The weather was unusually warm for October as I followed the rope up Forbidden Peak's Western Ridge. Scott was in the lead and moving fast, the rope's incessant tug never allowed a moment to absorb the hard-earned view. Finally a wedged stopper slowed the pace, while trying to extract the stubborn piece I glanced over my shoulder and first saw Forbidden Peak's immense North Ridge.*

*That first image, a gray spine of rock stretching down from the summit like the tail of a sleeping dragon, became embedded in my memory. With time, the image in my mind's eye grew hazy, as though seen through a veil, that memory had become a dream. An ancient Jewish proverb likens an unfulfilled dream to a worm in the heart, climbing the North Ridge was no longer something I merely wanted to do, but was now something I that had to do.*

It's late September and the morning chill vaporizes my breath as Scott and I fill the gasping microbus with steaming coffee mugs and climbing gear. Sadly, this well rehearsed routine will be the last performance of the season. In six days my wife, Melony, and I leave for Istanbul, when we return the Cascades will, with any luck, be resting under their first blanket of winter snow.

We're bound, once again, for the steep valleys and craggy ridges of Washington's North Cascades, our plan is an ascent of Forbidden Peak's hidden North Ridge. Just getting to the route will require a full day's hike, and includes crossing a fifth class ridge, once at the base of the 0.7 mile long ridge two established options exist. One possibility is to gain the ridge near its terminus and continue along the ridge crest on fifth class rock to the summit. A tempting alternative, first climbed in 1973 by John Teasdale, gains the ridge's rocky spine at its midpoint via a steep snow and ice slope clinging to the rock above the Forbidden Glacier. We opt for the 1973 route, ice tools, pickets along with a couple of screws are added to the gear list

When it comes to climbing partners there's no person that I'd rather be in over my head with than Scott "the piston" Saufferer. My most wonderful and most miserable climbing experiences have been in the company Scott. Our shared experiences are so extensive that the pre-climb preparation only required a few words; "I'll bring breakfast, you bring dinner, pick me up on Saturday," the rest was understood.

Scott and I are an odd couple, I am reserved, he is outgoing, I am cautious, he is bold. This morning our different personalities show within the first thirty minutes. After getting the bus up to highway speeds Scott mentions that he needs to make a few business calls and asks me to take over the driving. I agree, and wait for him to pull off on the approaching exit ramp.

"OK, ready to switch?" Scott asks as he drives by the exit.

"You should have just pulled off at that ramp" I reply, not looking forward to getting the VW up to highway speeds from the shoulder.

"No we don't have to stop - hurry up, get behind the wheel" he says, and casually walks to the rear of the van.

I dive over the gear shift spilling coffee while trying to keep the drifting bus between the white lines. "Christ Scott" I yell, but he's already on the phone, a finger in his unused ear.

After a roadside breakfast of burnt corned beef hash and industrial strength coffee we arrive at the trailhead and begin the process of dividing and packing our gear. Scott had recently embraced the 3S's of alpine climbing - Speed, Stamina, and Skill. With the enthusiasm of an evangelist he had reduced the contents of his pack to only the barest of essentials, even rock shoes were left at home. Honestly, I tried to convert, but moments before leaving the house I lost faith and tucked my size sevens into the bottom of my duffel bag. I try to hide my transgression, but Scott catches me transferring the contraband into my backpack. "No way dude, weight is our enemy", he says before shoving my slippers under the back seat of the bus. "Oh well, at least he didn't batter the back of my hand with a wooden ruler" I mumble to myself and continue shoving gear into the unexpectedly heavy pack.

Shortly after leaving the van we meet two University of Washington students descending the old mining road which serves as the entrance to the Boston Basin trail. They are clean shaven and smell of soap and Speedstick, Scott quizzes them about their early retreat, I stand in the background saying nothing. We find out that while changing a tire earlier that morning the jack had slipped, dropping the car on an unsuspecting hand. The increased swelling and discoloration had convinced them to spend the afternoon in a hospital rather than climbing a mountain.

The trail up to Boston Basin would give any survivor of jungle warfare flashbacks. We cling to muddy roots and dew soaked vegetation while pulling ourselves up the muddy overgrown path. Occasionally Forbidden Peak would reveal herself through a break in the thick forest, but it isn't until we reach Boston Basin that we clearly see our objective, although our route remains a mystery.

Viewed from Boston Basin, Forbidden Peak has a forgettable face, appearing as nothing more than a high spot on a long ridge extending from the hulk of Mt. Torment to the rock pile known as Boston Peak. East of Forbidden Peak's summit the ridge makes a distinct, and very visible, transition from solid orthogneiss, the color of wet cement, to a heap of rust-streaked rubble. Centuries of rock-fall along this line of natural weakness has formed Sharkfin Col, the passageway over this natural wall. Below the col lie two pitches of crumbling rotten rock, the first forty feet of which is scantily protected 5.7, is the crux of our route.

Despite the good weather Scott and I are alone in the Basin, red and orange sparks dot the hillsides, the first sign of the approaching autumn inferno. As we approach Sharkfin Col I begin to make out what I at first believe is a huge rock laying on the surface of the glacier. Closer examination reveals a fully loaded climber's pack, and a single line of nearly melted footsteps. After imagining several scenarios explaining the abandoned pack, most involving death of it's owner, I nervously start up the crux pitch. Each step up the unprotectable rock is accompanied by a detailed description of the difficulties inherent to climbing rock in mountaineering boots. Twenty feet above Scott I search for a protectable feature, finally managing to wedge three cogs of a Camelot behind a loose flake.

I'm fully aware that the cam isn't likely to hold a fall, but none-the-less I find great comfort in that one inch strip of nylon and four ounces of aluminum. I continue up the pitch, finally exiting into a rubble-strewn gully. The rock ahead is definitely loose, but not technically difficult, I'm glad to be above the crux. During my preoccupation, the owner of the backpack has arrived. He introduces himself as Pat O'Brien, he had intended to solo the North Ridge, but decided against climbing this pitch unroped. In search of a consolation prize he dropped his pack and climbed neighboring Sahale Peak. Pat shares some good advice for the route ahead, and although he never asks for a belay he readily accepts the offer to tie into our rope.

We quickly reach the col where Scott knits together our two ropes and quickly disappears down a muddy gully and onto the Boston Glacier. Pat follows, leaving me alone to contemplate the groaning nylon anchor. Soon it's my turn, up until now retreat was just a matter of turning around, once I drop over this edge we will have to climb a mountain to get home. Trying not to muse over the wisdom of my decision, I drop to the glacier and pull down the ropes. We are now committed, or at least probably should be.

The North side of Forbidden Peak takes a dramatic departure from it's somber South side. Acting like a colossal steam shovel, glacial erosion has carved huge basins exposing three razor sharp buttresses extending to the summit like the legs of a photographer's tripod. From this vantage one easily sees why this mountain, first climbed and subsequently named by the patriarch of North Cascade climbing, Fred Beckey, has come to symbolize mountaineering in this region. The summit of this classic

Peak is reserved for climbers, shattered glaciers and steep snow and ice and razor -sharp ridges serve as gendarmes, defending the summit from the unsuspecting and ill prepared.

We reach the base of the North Ridge at dusk and watch in silence as the sun descends behind Primus Peak. The cool evening air is stirred by a light wind, reminding me of Iowa autumn nights and my postcard childhood in middle America. The sky above the Borealis Glacier ignites into a psychedelic blaze, orange melts into red beneath a sapphire sea. The sun reluctantly yields to the night, gasping a final breath before submerging beneath the jagged horizon. The darkness is complete, like the inside of a carnival house of horrors, I feel that I will at any minute pass through a velvet curtain, and return squinting to the summer sun.

The enveloping darkness intensifies my feelings of isolation. My face grows numb, and the pounding in my chest accelerates. I imagine the heinous injuries which could befall us tomorrow; jagged exposed bone, embedded ice tools. My thoughts recklessly jump to the prospect of an unforecasted storm, the route whitewashed with ice. "Concentrate on lighting the stove", I say to myself, "concentrate on lighting the stove."

Our dinner is eaten in silence and even though it is only nine o'clock I bid Scott goodnight and scramble up a rock pile to my sleeping bag ten yards away. Despite the long approach I'm not tired, and spend the next half hour gazing wide-eyed at a perfectly choreographed astronomical ballet. After a fitful night I am glad to get out of my nylon prison, which I've somehow managed to twist around myself like stripes on a barbers pole. After a breakfast of granola and coffee, we wave good-bye to Pat who still lies nested behind a bathtub-shaped pile of rocks.

We traverse the Forbidden glacier to the base of the route, Scott crosses a partially collapsed snow bridge, and continues, with businesslike determination, up the fifty degree slope. The snow grips steel as Scott daggers up the face running a full rope length between pickets. At the anchor we transfer gear, and I begin the next pitch. The clumsy pickets clank against my leg, making me sound like an armored knight's going into battle. The three foot long aluminum stakes bite securely into the slope, I place them with just enough spacing to save face. My calves burn as I dig in my tools for an anchor and belay Scott up. The morning sky is a sheet of blue, unfortunately here on the West side we remain trapped in the shade where my sweat cools quickly.

We move steadily up the slope, swapping leads until Scott crests the ridge and walks a corniced tightrope, finally reaching the base of the rocky backbone leading to the summit. The morning sun warms our faces as we watch Pat move steadily up the fifth class lower North ridge. I marvel at how quickly he moves unencumbered by rope and rack. Soon we are once again a trio, but Pat quickly plays through as we pack our tools and crampons. The remainder of the route is purely rock, and the once indispensable snow and ice gear becomes nothing more than bulky dead weight.

The summit disappears into a cotton candy cloud as Scott takes the first. While predominately blocky and well-protected, the route keeps our attention with several near vertical sections. Rope drag is a constant problem, and significantly limits the length of our running belays. After about two hours on the rock, I lookup to see Pat waving from the summit, we are still three pitches away. The clouds dissolve as we climb up a final gully exiting onto the summit, Pat greets us with a smile and re-frozen chocolate covered espresso beans.

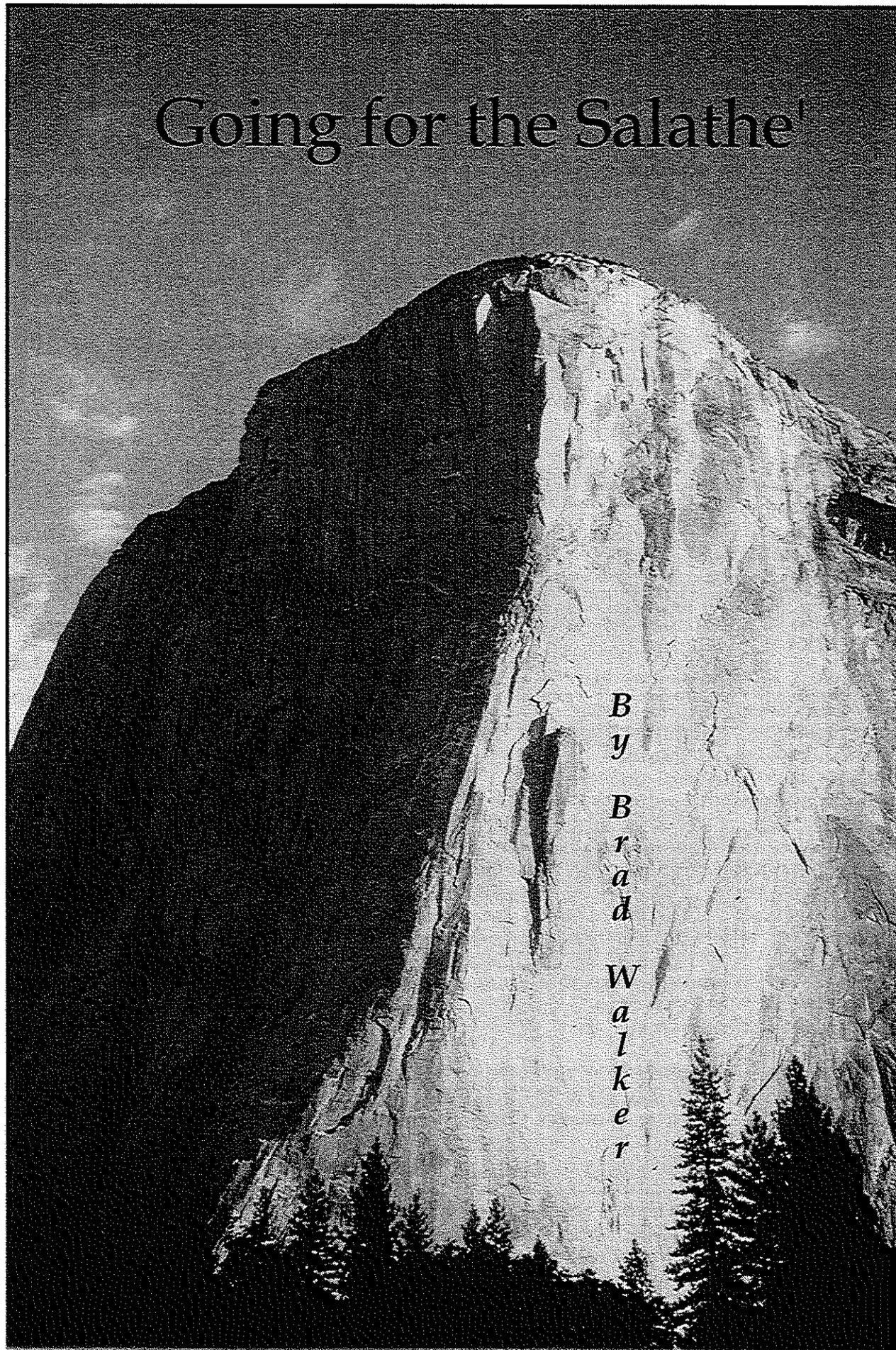
We begin our descent by down climbing the hyper-exposed West Ridge, once again Pat is in the lead. Several hundred feet down the ridge we find an anchor and rappel along the ridge crest eventually making a double rappel down the North side. We coil the ropes and begin connecting a series of ramps aiming for the saddle which marks the base of West Ridge. My hands grip every hold a little tighter as I move along the exposed face without the benefit of ten and half millimeters of security tied to my waist.

From the saddle we down climb a gravel pile leading to the crooked snow finger which forms Forbidden Peak's traditional ascent route. We set up a rappel, and follow the rope into a deep moat which requires stemming between vertical rock and overhanging snow, Scott grades the stressful rappel R4. When I reach the end of the rope I'm nearly doing the splits, desperately trying to avoid a thirty foot headfirst pendulum into a rock wall. While I struggled with the first rapel, Pat managed to set a second anchor and begins another rappel while I retrieve the first rope. After two rappels we transfer our faith to axe and crampons and begin to down climb the gully towards the relatively flat Nameless Glacier.

I imagine skiing this slope and attempt to link telemark turns as we glissade down the ancient glacier and into the heat of the Boston Basin. We bask in the sun for a while before changing into shorts for the hike home. I walk down the trail with a new acquaintance, who I'll probably never see again, and a cherished friend, who in four weeks will stay awake until one o'clock waiting to welcome Melony and I home from Turkey.

# Going for the Salathe'

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Jim and I had been on the go for twelve hours since the alarm went off that morning. I headed out of the belay into a steep corner. Things began to look up. The climbing was going well here. There was an abundance of fixed protection. I felt sure that this pitch would not be as horrifying as Hollow Flake. I clipped into some old pitons and worked my way up thirty feet. I was now standing below one of the most intimidating features on this big stone. Jutting out thirty feet horizontally from me and eighteen hundred feet above the ground loomed the dreaded Ear. I was eager to get moving. We still had two demanding pitches ahead of us.

The darkness began to close in. I wedged myself up inside the chimney until I could reach a fixed hexentric. I clipped a long runner into the peice for rope drag hoping it was bomb-proof. This would certainly have to do as I stared down and out the bottomless chimney. I continued on using a technique that had worked on most chimneys. It



*The author takes a break...*

flared downward and quickly began to tire me out. I didn't like the idea of having to thrash my way up another wide pitch. There seemed like no other choice. I spotted a fixed pin out towards the lip. That became my goal. Finally, after squirming, scratching, and sliming around I made it to the rusty piton. I breathed a sigh of relief. I could see the way through the last few moves and finished climbing up. Rounding over the top I came to a foot-wide ledge with an array of bolts and plenty of exposure. What a spectacular belay spot this was! The location made for an easy haul with the bag hanging totally free from the wall. This was not a place I wanted to spend the night though, as the Japanese team had done two days before! In addition to jumaring up the overhanging rope Jim had to also claw his way through the Ear. This was not turning out to be a very fun evening. The Ear was now standing up to it's reputation for both of us. We had another two hundred feet of steep granite to go before we could call it a day. On top of that it was now totally dark and for some reason my headlamp just went out...

Climbing the Salathe Wall on El Capitan had been a dream of mine for quite some time. I had last looked up at it while traveling through Yosemite Valley to climb Half Dome. The route appealed to me as one to climb because of the ethical standards used by Royal Robbins to establish it in 1961. Also the Salathe looked like a wild line. Only thirteen bolts were used to ascend it's thirty -four pitches! I knew it would be a serious undertaking that required a lot of effort. I also knew I would need a partner who shared my vision to ascend this big stone. I approached Jim early in the spring. I could tell right away by that Prostka grin and the look in his eye that the fire had just been lit!

We started collecting information and getting into a regular workout schedule so we would be ready to tackle this big wall. We practiced aid and multiple-pitch climbing on routes such as the Grand Wall in Squamish and the Town Crier and Japanese Gardens at Index. Our training program was a good investment in getting conditioned and working out the details. However, preparing to climb a three thousand foot face is a difficult thing to simulate. On the first of September after five months of preparation we loaded the car and were ready to hit the road.

Running on adrenaline, fueled by enthusiasm we made the sixteen hour drive straight through to California. At about five A.M. we pulled off just inside the park and got a few winks before driving into the Valley of Yosemite. After we passed several stands of pine charred from the fires five years ago we began to enter steeper terrain. Granite walls swept away all around us. We wound down to the Merced river and past Bridalveil falls where we got our first view of El Capitan. We pulled off for a while to admire its' beauty and scope out its' multitude of facets. There were several people on the Salathe wall. We could easily make out key features like the Ear, Block, and El Cap Spire. After the grand viewing we drove around to lush green El Cap meadows. We decided to hike up to the base and see what was happening lower on the route.

As we made the hike in, this imposing wall loomed over our heads. It made me feel buzzed inside. There were no signs of climbers and no stashes of gear. This was a good sign for us. Only the litter of tin cans and shit bags were to be found. Considering the pace of our road trip we probably needed to sleep. But we were here and both psyched and wanted to get started on the climb. So we carried up some water and then fixed the first two pitches on the Freeblast.

We met a fellow named Don who had just come down from climbing a route named Zodiac. He had started out solo. After three days he teamed up with another couple and finished topping out. Don was certainly of the wall-rat mentality. His typical response to most things was different versions of "killer-dude!". How "killer" something was depended on how scary the situation was or what gear was required to make the move. He talked a lot, offering us lots of advice. Some that was maybe useful. It was fun chatting with him. Soon we went our separate ways. His sage advice however was "climb until you drop, make it to the top, and stay friends in the end". I liked that bit of advice and figured that we would manage fine on our own.

Our overall plan was to climb up the Freeblast, haul our bags the next day, and then blast off for the top. The Freeblast earned it's name when a Jim Bridwell team free-climbed the first ten pitches back in the Yosemite heyday. We spent our first day fixing pitches until just after dark. At our bivy at the base we met two Spanish climbers. They were also planning to do the Freeblast in order to setup to climb the Shield. We offered to let them get a jump start on our fixed ropes since they planned to move quickly.

Next morning we slid our jumars up the first two pitches with our Yosemite arsenal and four ropes in tow. The climbing was straightforward and fun until I encountered the groove pitch. Most of the rock here was fairly low angle but polished and featureless. I managed to get up a thin crack that had seen a lot of hammer bashing. Somehow I made it over a short overhang. I thought my worries were finally over when I saw a series of bolts on the face above me. Working through the bolt field I experienced severe rope drag, despite back-cleaning several clips. Finally at the top of this forever long pitch I ran out of bolts to pull on and had to make it up. Friction overcame fear as I made the clip into the belay. Jim led onward through a traversing pitch displaying some fine free moves. This put us one pitch below the Half Dollar. An enjoyable 5.9 dihedral pitch later placed us at the Dollar belay. While we were there three lightly equipped

speed climbers moving simultaneously caught up to us. We persevered while they thrashed their way around us. Jim's lead took us out and around through the awkward slot paying tokens to the chimney gods of Yosemite. The sun was diving over the valley rim. We still had a couple of pitches to go plus descend 150 feet to Heart Ledges. I scrambled up a 5.7 pitch in the waning light. As I belayed Jim up total darkness began to set in. The headlamps were switched on and Jim made quick work of the last section to Mammoth Terraces. It was 11:00 P.M. when we set down on a wide ledge for our first rest. The sky was now getting bright with the full moon. The air was cool and still. Falling asleep there would have been too easy. With 600 feet of granite yet to descend we traversed over to the rappel station. There we found our two Spanish friends already nestled in for a good night's sleep.

Rappelling into darkness can be an exciting venture. But since you can't see anything it mellows out the exposure. I muttered this to myself as I finally came to the end of a full length rap where I clipped into a bolt. Jim proceeded on down. We managed to find the main anchor station where a couple of ropes were already tied off. Eagerly we added our own to the lot. From there on down setting up the fixed ropes was pretty straightforward. When you've been on the go all day, feeling tired though, it's easy to trip up. So we took extra caution in setting up the rappels. All went smoothly going down. Amazing how good flat ground feels when you've been hanging in your harness all day.

A third of the route was now climbed. Our fixed ropes hung from Heart ledges. We woke up at the base after a short night's sleep, with the light of day streaming down through the pines. Today would be a rest day. We still had to prepare for the remainder of the climb by organizing our gear. So we headed off to a more picturesque setting by driving up to Glacier Point. The air felt cool there. The views of Half Dome and the Valley were staggering. After taking in the vantage point like every good tourist, we found a pleasant roadside pull-out to begin sorting out the gear. By the time the sun began to drift down through the pines we were all packed up to climb a wall. We headed back down to the Valley floor arriving just as the sun was fading on El Capitan. Tomorrow we would commit to climbing our way up that giant rock.

The next morning we awoke in darkness. The air was cool and still. We gulped down a quick hearty breakfast before shouldering our loads for the carry in. Once at the base I remained to pack the haul bag while Jim shuttled packs back to the car. Meanwhile, two other climbers arrived toting a stuffed yellow haul bag plus all the other usual big wall stuff. Their names were Juan and Gonzalo and they were from Colombia. They were also planning to climb the Salathe Wall. We quickly agreed that all four of us could bivy together if necessary, but probably wouldn't need to given the number of ledges. We shared a great respect for the Big Stone. Juan and Gonzalo also believed in camaraderie to help each other make it to the top. They later offered us a rope to use for lowering out the haul bag. We gladly accepted. Since their bag was already packed and a great deal lighter than ours, I told them to go on ahead and start off up the fixed lines.

Soon we were off jugging up our own ropes, hauling the bulging pig behind us. It went a lot better than I thought it might but you couldn't deny gravity's pull on our cans of food and water. By noon we were doing the final haul up to Heart ledges. The temperature was really starting to crank up. We sat there snacking on our lunch as we began to bake. The sun's intense reflection felt like it was coming into focus right where we sat. We were sitting in a granite oven. I didn't like idea of just sitting there to bake so I motivated to lead out the next pitch. Some awkward friction with circuitous climbing finally brought me to the short crux and on up to Lung

ledge. The ledge was much cooler and provided plenty of room to bivouac. We decided to haul the gear up to there and spend the night. It was a good thing too because it took us the rest of the day to clean this awkward pitch and haul up the pig. The evening was pleasant with the hue of light washing across the Valley. We heard our Colombian friends nestling in above us. Tomorrow would be a big day to climb nine demanding pitches in order to spend the night on El Cap Spire.

The alarm went off at 5AM. We quickly got organized and ready to roll. First, we had to move our operation up an easy 4th class pitch which is never easy with a big fat burrito-bag. I heard the skilled Colombian Juan struggling and wailing earlier on Hollow Flake. I wondered how tough it must be. His partner had hollered down "no pro, he had to run out the entire pitch." I thought to myself I won't have that problem, not with my Big Bro and Big Dude protection. Jim lowered me out around the corner wedging myself into the base of the off-width. It felt secure at first. I wiggled myself up to place the Big Bro. I could really feel the vertical start to pump me out. I fiddled around placing the expando-tube chock in this long and wide crack. I planned to save my Big Dude cam for later when things got really desperate. Desperate came sooner than I thought as I struggled up the endless off-width. There was no place to plug in the Dude. This thing was wide, steep, and threatened to spit me off at every move. I felt I'd never climbed an off-width before. I knew that I could not fall - that became my mantra. Falling was really not an option. I yelled down to Jim for reassurance. By the time I got a technique working I was almost ready to puke. I reached to the top of the ledge and finally pulled myself over. The rock was sticky and reeking of urine, but I didn't care. I had overcome a big obstacle and that horror of a pitch was behind us.

Jim proceeded to follow the pitch on jumars making it look like a safe aerobic workout. Soon we were staring up at the next 5.7 pitch. It was another wide one, a flaring chimney. It looked like it might offer more opportunities for protection than the last, so Jim led off valiantly. But soon he encountered awkward stemming and sketchy protection. After negotiating some tricky loose rock climbing out onto the face, he was soon at the belay. Another uncherished pitch behind us. The next portion of the route offered some rewarding climbing with a short 5.10 crux capping off the long pitch.

Even though we had been on the go constantly since early that morning, the sun was making its inevitable track across the sky. It was marking the day at mid-afternoon. The hairball pitches combined with the weight of the pig were taking its toll on our drive. By now we could clearly look up the wall to get a good view of the Ear. I wondered what lay in store for us on that Yosemite 5.7 pitch. It had been my experience on big walls before that the easier grade pitches are often more harrowing than the harder technical ones. They always seem to make up for their deceptive grade by being more mental, more exposed. Certainly no part of the big stone was to be taken for granted.

Jim was now busy propelling himself up the next line of weakness, combining some free moves with mostly continuous aid. I managed to escape some sun exposure by wedging myself between the haul bag and the wall. About an hour later Jim was at the belay. I hurriedly juggled up to clean the pitch. A quick transition of the rack and I was ready to get on with the dreaded Ear.

This day of climbing was going to call for more hard work before it was over. After some serious aerobic activity and prying on a jammed piece Jim joined me at the cramped belay. Headlamps were switched on to make sense of the tangled web of ropes and gear. Since I had a chance to recover and in order to save time I racked up for the next aid pitch.

The A1 pitch started out overhanging and awkward. Knowing it was long I fully loaded up with gear. It took a while to adjust to the darkness. Finally getting into a rhythm, moving up 70 feet, I paused to look down. A reflection of the moon was dancing on the Merced River. The air was cool and still. I felt like I was in a time warp. The moon's light had a calming effect on me. The crack began to get narrow. I was glad we had brought many small camming units. I no longer felt apprehensive about placing a dicey piece. I just wanted this pitch to be over. Finally after what seemed like an eternity I reached a belay which featured a nice bench seat.

Jim reached the belay a while later still groggy from belaying the long A1 pitch. The next few moves looked wide, awkward and were rated "Yosemite 5.9". As the twilight grew brighter Jim pointed out that it had taken five hours to do the last pitch. I guess I had been in a time warp.

Soon we were at the Alcove. Juan and Gonzalo heard us stirring and hollered down to see how we were fairing. They asked us if we wanted to come on up to the Spire. We decided not to move, resting our bodies in the relative security of the Alcove. We no more than took off our harnesses and the alarm went off signaling 5AM!

Our hands were stiff and sore from the previous days of battering on granite. Our bodies were exhausted from the long days of climbing. It came as no surprise when Jim said with a grin that this would probably be our high point. I knew that was the obvious truth, but all I wanted to do now was sleep.

We woke up to the bright sun beaming down on us. Juan and Gonzalo hollered down again to see what our plans were. The most difficult sections were probably behind us. Though we did not plan for the extra day we needed to complete the climb. Our energy for going up was torched as well. We signaled that we were heading down. They asked if we had any water to spare as they were down to two liters! We graciously supplied them with our spare rations and wished them the best of success. We were finished climbing the Salathe.

Considering our awesome location we wanted to enjoy the vantage point. So we climbed the next pitch, a classic 5.6 chimney, to gain the top of El Cap Spire. The view from twenty-one pitches up was spectacular. The top of the spire was relatively flat and spacious. A place where really controlled hackysack would be in order. We delighted in spending the night there, taking in the sweeping panorama and enjoying the cool breezes.

The next morning we gathered up our possessions and departed, leaving the serenity of the spire. We still had our work cut out. Jim saddled himself with the full rack, looking like a character from Terminator. I took on the pig, riding the wild boar down the wall. When we finally touched down, it was a hot ninety degrees. We had climbed hard and returned safely. We had not made it to the top, but our biggest accomplishment was becoming good friends. We had been on this adventure, going for the Salathe, a long time. Now it was over. Now we were going home with fond memories and an ever greater respect for El Capitan.

Salathe Wall, El Capitan

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## Chamonix Mont Blanc

I had visited Chamonix once before, about eight years ago, in January's prime ski conditions. Throughout the week, we would catch the teleferique (tram) from the valley floor in the cold, dark mornings under low clouds; within minutes the tram would burst through the clouds into brilliant sunshine revealing steep rock spires, sharp ridges and towering peaks covered in ice and snow against the blue sky. Skiing in powder snow above the clouds in the Chamonix valley has been surpassed by no other ski area I have been to. Upon my departure from the surrounding Mt. Blanc mountain range, I was left with only one choice: to get involved in climbing.

Chamonix is a lively, clean and historical Alpine town in the valley between the steep walls of the massive Mont Blanc range and a smaller (yet, great skiing) range to the north. Here, one can relax, reflect and indulge in the tranquility, culture and cuisine of the Haute Savoie region or, within hours, push the body's physical and mental limits on sublime granite faces or severe ice routes. It's not easy to be bored here with spectacularly scenic hiking, swimming, mountain biking, and paragliding to name a few popular activities. The mountains permeate every aspect of life; they seem to beckon, to challenge, to inspire. One can well imagine how Chamonix became the birth place of alpinism and extreme sports.

Early last summer, I decided that I would return to Chamonix for a week -- part of a September trip to several European countries. I decided that if I wanted significant climbing in the short time available, I'd have to pre-arrange a partner. Although I had never thought about hiring a guide before, I finally rationalized that this was the place and time where it would be worth my while. In hindsight, it worked out well - not only did I get to do some fun climbs during a week of mixed weather, but I also learned about other great routes in the Mont Blanc range (for future reference) and I got to hear about the region's history and people through my guide's stories and by meeting some of the local people.

I arranged for a guide before I left the US. Antoine (my guide) and I talked about my climbing ability and what I would like to do. I knew I would be following Antoine when we climbed, so I told him that I wanted to do some routes that would challenge me. He promptly sent me an itinerary for 4 or 5 days of climbing with a rest day in between. Upon first reading it, I thought that perhaps he had been drinking too much French wine when he wrote it. A one-day climb recommendation went like this: "Piller Gervasutti, Mont Blanc du Tacul, 4248m from Cosmiques hut or Chamonix. 23 pitches plus 10 pitches of mixed, plus 4 rock pitches on top. Total 37 pitches (27 technical) - 5.10a, mostly 5.7, 5.8, 5.9 (enduro), length 4000 ft. Sharp needle summit, big abyss." I thought "37 pitches up to 5.10a, with pack, all above 13,000 ft in one day! Ha, there's no way!" We never got to do that climb because of the occurring weather and conditions but in retrospect, knowing Antoine's climbing style and pace and the assessibility to some of the routes in the Alps, combined with the superb granite rock, I think climbs along those lines are very possible and would be great.

I flew into Geneva on September 1. The drive to Chamonix is only a little more than an hour (this way is much faster than flying into Lyon, France). The sun was bright and the peaks were spectacular, but it was cold in the valley; I could see my breath. The town was really quiet - apparently the weather had been terrible the previous week and cleared out most of the August-vacationing Europeans. August is usually the busiest month there, while September quietens down and the weather is still mild so the climbing can be excellent. I dropped off my gear in the hut or "refuge" where I stayed the week for \$15 a night (including a healthy rustic French breakfast). The hut is about 8 miles from Chamonix heading toward Switzerland, at the end of the valley that runs west-to-east. Every night new people (mostly hikers and a few climbers) would come through - French, English, German, Irish, and a few other Americans. A lot of them were doing the "Tour de Mont Blanc" which is a hike all the way around Mont Blanc (hut to hut) and takes about 10 days and something over 30,000 feet of elevation changes. Most were nice enough except we did have "window wars" at night. When 10 people sleep in the same small room it can get really nasty if the doors and windows are closed. I had an ally in Antoine who also needed to have the room's one window open for fresh air, so he battled many times in the wee hours of the morning trying to win our case. Luckily, for most of the week the old wooden hut wasn't full.

My plan for the first few days, to recover from jet lag, was to relax in town, explore the region (short hikes) and just enjoy the area once again. Antoine was climbing with several other Colorado rock jocks anyway. I basked in the sun

at outdoor cafes and wasted no time in gorging on pastries and cafe creme. The town is colorful in September with flowers everywhere - hanging in terraced pots on the buildings, on the sidewalks, on the cafe tables. The mood is upbeat with an energy inspired by the surroundings. Often I would lean back and squint my eyes in the brilliant sun in an effort to stare at the towering spires of brown granite - Les Aiguille du Midi, du Plan, du Peigne, des Grands Charmoz - and even higher snow covered peaks - Gouter Ridge, Mt. Blanc du Tacul, Mt. Maudit - and the cascading, heavily crevassed glaciers snaking their way for almost 12,000 vertical feet to the valley floor where I sat. It felt good - no worries. Later, another American traveler and I did some sightseeing on the long "Mer de Glace" glacier (reachable by a small train which I highly recommend to anyone visiting Cham). It swings down from Mt. Blanc in front of the huge 5000 ft vertical walls of the Grands Jorasses (with one of the most technical classic routes in the Alps, Walker's Spur), and then down by one of the most striking pillars in the Alps, the 4000 ft Les Drus (again, classic technical routes up to 5.11 climbing).

When I told Antoine how impressed I was with Les Drus, he mentioned that he had soloed it (35+ pitches) back in '91 and it was one of the most satisfying climbs he has ever done. He did bring a few pieces of pro and something like 4mm rope for the 5.11 crux moves and in case he had to rap. I started to wonder what climbing with Antoine would be like. Actually, it turned out to be safe and fun climbing with him. He is of the speed philosophy: go light, be efficient, climb quickly, descend quickly, and then relax (eat and drink) and recover for the next climb. In the Alps, this philosophy works very well since a lot of the approaches are easy. The Teleferiques (cable cars) whisk you up high (the Aiguille du Midi tram takes you from Chamonix at around 3,500 ft to 12,500 ft in about 45 minutes), although they are pricey at up to \$40 a trip. And there's a Refuge system that includes huts scattered around the mountain range way up in the glaciers which are superb starting points for some of the big routes. There's a reservation system for these huts and in the peak summer months (usually until early September) they are staffed and some even provide meals with food flown in by helicopter.

Unfortunately the weather turned out to be mixed during my week there. The 5-day detailed mountain forecast, which was posted daily in the morning by "La Maison de la Montagne," predicted a massive storm to hit the mountains by mid week followed by mixed sun and clouds with showers. "La Maison de la Montagne" is the climbers center in Cham which houses "Les Guides des Hautes Montagnes" (an historic and the largest guide service which mainly hauls people up Mont Blanc) and climbers' information rooms for weather (all the latest high tech computer equipment from which they showed me the clear, warm weather that the Pacific Northwest was getting that week!) and routes (many detailed route descriptions and write-ups but mostly in French). Since the weather outlook was grim, Antoine and I discussed options. One was to drive 8 hours down to the Verdon (somewhere near Aix-en-Provence in southern France) which has 14- to 17-pitch Limestone routes in magnificent gorges. However, with the easiest routes there being sustained 5.10 for 14 pitches, I figured that I would be wasted after one day and not be able to enjoy the rest of the week. After considering several other options, we both agreed to stay in Cham and climb when possible during weather breaks. Antoine was definitely my asset: he knew the region like the back of his hand and was a lightning fast leader which meant that if a short good weather window opened up we could do a route up high.

So on Monday, under a low cloud ceiling, we went off to do some ice practice on the Glacier des Bossons, reviewing technique and climbing seracs. In the evening, as the sun came out, we headed toward some bolted rock routes in the valley near the Swiss border. The multipitch 5.8 to 5.10 face climbing in this area is great. And it was a good opportunity to check out each other's capabilities and climbing styles. Antoine was graceful on the rock, placing every hand and foot thoughtfully and deliberately at a steady pace. He led with a 100 m rope which shortened climbing time considerably. I quickly learned to follow, in the interest of speed, by maintaining upward movement without hesitation on the difficult moves.

After an overcast and gloomy Tuesday morning, the weather started to clear so we quickly caught the Aiguille du Midi tram with the intention of doing the Rebuffat route on the south face of the Aiguille du Midi. It was my first time taking the two stage tram up to the "Midi" at 12,500 ft. and I just stared out the window in amazement as we breezed up the steep north walls of the Mont Blanc range. We got a bird's eye view of many excellent routes - Frendo Spur, Peigne, Plan, ... From the top, decked out in winter gear, we walked for half an hour down to the base of the climb. The classic and very popular south face of the "Midi" had no one on it - a first for Antoine to be on it alone - probably due to some ice in the cracks and the fact that it was already 2:00 p.m.

We left our ice and snow gear at the base of the rock and using Antoine's "lightening quick" philosophy, we didn't even take water (of course no packs) on the route. Antoine led off with the 100m rope on the solid granite. The Rebuffat route turned out to be superb (8 normal length pitches of 5.8 to 5.9 with some short 5.10 sections near the top). Most of the climb was on a thin crack system. The first pitch led from the glacier up around a corner to a belay ledge under a roof. A delicate face traverse led to a finger crack that ascended for several of the finest rock pitches I have done to date. The rest was a mix of delicate face climbing and a variety of finger and hand cracks, some filled with ice in just the right spot to offer an extra challenge but not enough to stop Antoine. The end of the last pitch was the most psychologically challenging even for the follower, as it is an unprotected 30 ft on a 5.9/5.10 corner from which a fall would result in an ugly pendulum into an abyss on one side or some bouncing and scraping on rock on the other side. I knew Antoine wanted to climb the route quickly so I pushed myself. Although I enjoyed the challenge of speed climbing, I would have preferred to slow down and just savor the route and the views.

When we reached the summit at 4:30 PM, Antoine seemed concerned about the time. We needed to move it if we were to catch the last tram down to the valley. Our raps down the face were the fastest and most efficient I've ever done. Even so, and with our practically running back uphill at 12,500 ft to the tram station, we missed the last one by 10 minutes. The time was 5:50 p.m. We found an open stairwell in the station that was fairly warm to spend the night and were soon joined by a couple of Brits in the same predicament. As we settled in for the night on very empty stomachs (only breakfast that day) and no sleeping gear, we traded climbing stories and work stories since one of them worked for Airbus Industrie in Toulouse as an engineer for British Aerospace. That night I woke up at about 2:00 AM with a headache and feeling sick to my stomach from the altitude. I made it through the night without upchucking and was greeted the next morning by postcard-perfect views of an incredible sunrise and several inches of new snow. Clouds blanketed the valleys at about 8000 feet. We could see the Italian Alps, the Swiss Alps including the distinctive Matterhorn and the rounded dome of Mont Blanc next to us but to me the most impressive was the "Grands Jorasses" whose sheer 5000 ft face is an incredible sight. Apparently the ridge climb along the top of the Grands Jorasses to the Dent du Geant (Rochefort Ridge) is only in the 5.7 or so category and is spectacular, but it is a bigger climb in terms of approach and commitment (one that needs a decent weather window).

We caught the first tram at 8:30 a.m. and by 10:00 we were gorging on pastries and cafe au lait in Chamonix (not exactly a hearty meal but one is without options for breakfast in France). I picked up a Herald-Tribune and read about the casualty toll in the French Alps this summer. It was lower than last year, according to the article, with 85 deaths and nearly 800 injuries! Antoine thinks that the accessibility to the highly technical routes in the Alps tends to lure people who aren't prepared for temperamental weather and sour conditions that can turn the Alps into an isolated and deadly environment. That and other factors combined with the sheer quantity of people who climb in the Alps result in high casualties. It doesn't seem to faze them though.

After lunch that day, since any chance of getting a full day of climbing was gone, we headed up the valley and over a pass toward the Swiss border (Villorchine) to do an 8 pitch rock climb in the warmer valley air. It turned out to be another thoroughly enjoyable route: 3 pitches of 5.7/5.8 slabs like the apron in Squamish followed by steeper 5.9 with some 5.10 moves mixed in (including overhangs but mostly a mix of face and cracks).

Toward the end of the week the predicted storm released its fury on the area so climbing in the mountains was out of the question. On Thursday, I browsed, ate and read in the comfort of the animated Cham cafes while it poured rain. But above 5,000 ft, it was dumping snow on all those superb rock routes. On Friday, while it continued to rain, Antoine and I drove to Verbier, Switzerland to visit a friend. We took along our rock gear as he swore he knew an area that remained dry even in the rain. He was right. It was a big overhanging cliff that was perfectly dry. Of course the easiest route was 5.10. In the afternoon, I managed to struggle up 2 routes and belay Antoine on another 5.13 route which was the first I saw him struggle on. Even the best have limits! Verbier, a big ski town, was dead at this time of year. And the prices in Switzerland are ridiculous. I wasn't so impressed and was glad to head back to France.

For the weekend, the weather was supposed to clear but we knew there would be a lot of fresh snow up in the mountains. Since both Antoine and I are avid skiers, we discussed climbing Mont Blanc with skis and skiing down in the fresh powder. Antoine had stoked me with stories of skiing in the winter from the 15,770 ft summit to the town,

down around 3,500 ft. It was tempting but the unknowns and risk of avalanche, crevasses, etc. proved to be a bit high. So we opted to do a short, relatively easy ridge climb on Saturday to check out the conditions.

On Saturday morning, we caught the first tram up to the peaks under clear blue skies, cold temperatures and 2 feet of new powder above 7000 ft. Everything was white; even the vertical rock was plastered with rim ice. The views were stunning. Under these conditions, the climb we did, the "Arete des Cosmiques," was by far the most rewarding and satisfying of the week. Normally a 5.6/5.7 ridge route, it turned into a mixed climb with some challenge requiring us to use crampons and ice tools to pull us up the ice and snow covered rock in places. We were the first on the route in the fresh snow with only one other team far behind (very rare for what is normally a very popular route). In several places, we had to traverse across steep chutes that were loaded. I remember wallowing waist high in snow, barely able to move upward as the snow would collapse and cave in with every step. It was amusing but also serious enough to create an air of urgency for getting across quickly. The rest of the route was just sheer exhilaration. The end of the ridge ends back at one of the observation decks at the Aiguille du Midi; when we popped up from a 5.7 section to the ridge crest 40 feet from the deck, it was filled with tourists staring and snapping photos of us, certainly the most bizarre end of a climb I have ever done. I suppose to a non-climber, the backdrop and the exposure of the faces on either side of the ridge (the level of difficulty of the route wouldn't mean much to the casual tourist) and all that fresh snow must have made an impressive sight. Anyway, we climbed onto the deck with ice tools and crampons and at about 3:00 p.m. were whisked back down to the warm valley floor below.

Before we left the high peaks that day, we used binoculars to check out a classic ice route, a thin ice couloir through rock on the "Triangle du Mont Blanc du Tacul" (a big rock/snow and ice face of triangular shape). It was steep enough to be one of the few snow free routes. Some of the other slopes were already avalanching. On Sunday morning we made sure we were on the first tram to the top. Even so the climbing community was out in force now that the good weather had returned. We could only hope to be the first on the route as there was no way we would follow a team up the narrow ice chute. The route consists of variable angled ice pitches: 1 & 2 are 45 to 50 deg, 3 is about 60 deg., 4, 5 & 6 are 70 to 80 deg, and 7 is back to 45 deg. It is a great climb to practice leading on ice as the belay points are bolts in the rock next to the ice. We got to the base of the route with no one else in sight and we were primed to climb. As Antoine led off to the first belay, another French team arrived and promptly one of them took off on the route before I left. I pondered how this was going to work - there wasn't room for two teams side by side and I sure didn't want to be the second team with broken ice chards and dinner plates shattering down the couloir. Antoine skipped the first belay and anchored to the second. When I got to Antoine, the Frenchman was on my heels, wanting to cruise by (I wasn't going slow either). Antoine and he argued in French and finally Antoine just took off up the route. It turned out that we were faster overall, but we sent quite a load of ice down the chute as we placed our tools and shattered the ice. But these French climbers were tough because they just kept following. Antoine later told me that encounters like that can happen a lot on certain routes in Chamonix. Popular routes get very busy and people just pass without extending any courtesy - sometimes tempers flare. Anyway, it's always nice to be in front, and the route was thoroughly enjoyable - mostly plastic ice and great views of other sharp granite needles on snow and ice plastered ridges with the warm, green Chamonix valley far below. At the top, instead of walking around the avalanche prone slopes, we opted to rap the route. By 5:00 p.m. we were back in the valley drinking beer, basking in the sun, revelling in the festive-like atmosphere that prevails in Chamonix during sunny weekends and enjoying that self-contentedness that comes after a superb climb. My week in Chamonix was at an end but I couldn't get myself to leave on Monday. By Tuesday the rain had returned and I finally got on a train with my packs and headed west toward Lyon and then south. It didn't stop raining until I got to the south of France late in the evening.

For anyone who's interested in checking out the routes in the French Alps, I recommend two books: "The Mont Blanc Massif - The 100 Finest Routes" by Guston Rebuffat (in the Boealps library) which has great photos and history of the routes, and a set of pocket size route description books called "Mont Blanc Massif - Selected Climbs," Vols. I & II, by Lindsay Griffen. I believe the Boealps library has a number of other valuable books covering this part of the world also. Check out the 30+ pitch ice climbs on the north faces of Les Courtes and Les Droites, the inspiring rock routes on Les Drus and on so many other Aiguilles, and the long mixed climbs on Les Grands Jorasses and elsewhere. Additionally, there are at least several other Boealpers who have climbed here (and in other parts of Europe) who are a great source of information.

John O'Callahan

# 1996 BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Read and complete the waiver on the reverse side of this form. This is required for membership.)

Please print: Name (Last, First MI) \_\_\_\_\_ Mail Stop \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

New Member? Yes / No (circle one)

**EMPLOYEE MEMBERSHIP** (check one)

\_\_\_\_\_ **INDIVIDUAL** (Boeing employee or Dependent)

Dues \$10.00

\_\_\_\_\_ **FAMILY** (Boeing employee or Dependents)

Dues \$15.00

\_\_\_\_\_ **RETIRED** (Retired Boeing Employees, includes Family)

Dues \$5.00

**NON-EMPLOYEE MEMBERSHIP** (check one)

(Only non-employees/families who have been members prior to 9/93 may continue their membership)

\_\_\_\_\_ **INDIVIDUAL FRIEND OF BOEALPS** (Non Boeing Employee Renewal Only)

Dues \$17.00

\_\_\_\_\_ **FAMILY FRIEND OF BOEALPS** (Non Boeing Employee Family Renewal Only)

Dues \$22.00

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR DUES.**

Note: Club membership is only for those who sign up as an individual member, or are listed on the back of this form as dependents of a member with a family membership.

(Make checks payable to **BOEALPS**)  
 Send application, signed waiver, and dues to:  
**Dan Goering**  
 M/S ~~67~~ 67-63  
 or  
 15002 9th Place N.E.  
 Seattle, Wash 98155

Additional information for membership database - optional but appreciated!

\_\_\_\_\_ Year joined BOEALPS. How often do you climb? \_\_\_\_\_

Enter the year for any courses completed.

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| _____ BOEALPS Basic           | _____ BOEALPS Intermediate      |
| _____ Mountaineers Basic      | _____ Mountaineers Intermediate |
| _____ Ice Climbing Seminar    | _____ Avalanche Awareness       |
| _____ Aid Climbing Seminar    | _____ Rock Leading Seminar      |
| _____ First Aid / CPR         | _____ MOFA                      |
| _____ Other (please describe) | _____                           |

GET INVOLVED: Are you interested in organizing or leading an activity or outing?

\_\_\_\_\_ Ice Climbing  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Snow Climbing  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rock Climbing  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Alpine Climbing  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name(s)), certify that I am aware of all the inherent dangers of mountaineering, including but not limited to the hazards of traveling in mountainous terrain, accidents, or illness in remote places without medical facilities, the forces of nature, and the actions of participants and other persons.

I understand that it is not the function of the activity leaders to serve as the guardians of my safety, I also understand that I am to furnish my own personal equipment and I am responsible for its safety and good operating condition regardless of where I obtained it. I understand and agree that neither the Boeing Employees Alpine Society (BOEALPS) nor its officers, agents, operators, instructors, leaders of club sponsored activities, other assistants and the Boeing Company may be held liable in any way for any occurrence in connection with club activities which may result in injury, death, or other damages to me. In consideration of being allowed to participate in club activities, I HEREBY PERSONALLY ASSUME ALL RISKS in connection with said activities, and I RELEASE the aforementioned club, officers, agents, operators, instructors, activity leaders and assistants, from any harm which may befall me while I am engaged in club activities, including all connected risks, whether foreseeable or unforeseeable. I FURTHER AGREE TO INDEMNIFY the forementioned entities and Company and persons from any liability, claims, and causes of action which I may have arising out of my enrollment and participation in this club.

I further state that I am 18 years of age or older and legally competent to sign this release (or in the event that I am a minor, my parent or legal guardian must sign this release), that I understand these terms are contractual and not a mere recital, and that I have signed this document as my own free act. The terms of this agreement shall serve as a release and indemnity agreement for my heirs, assignees, personal representative, and for all members of my family, including any minors.

I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY BY READING IT BEFORE I SIGNED IT.

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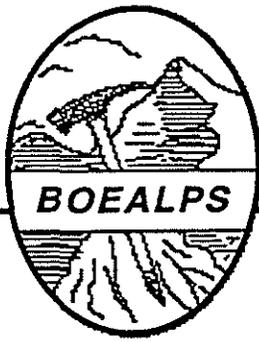
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# BOEING EMPLOYEE'S ALPINE SOCIETY

## 1996 MOUNTAINEERING COURSE

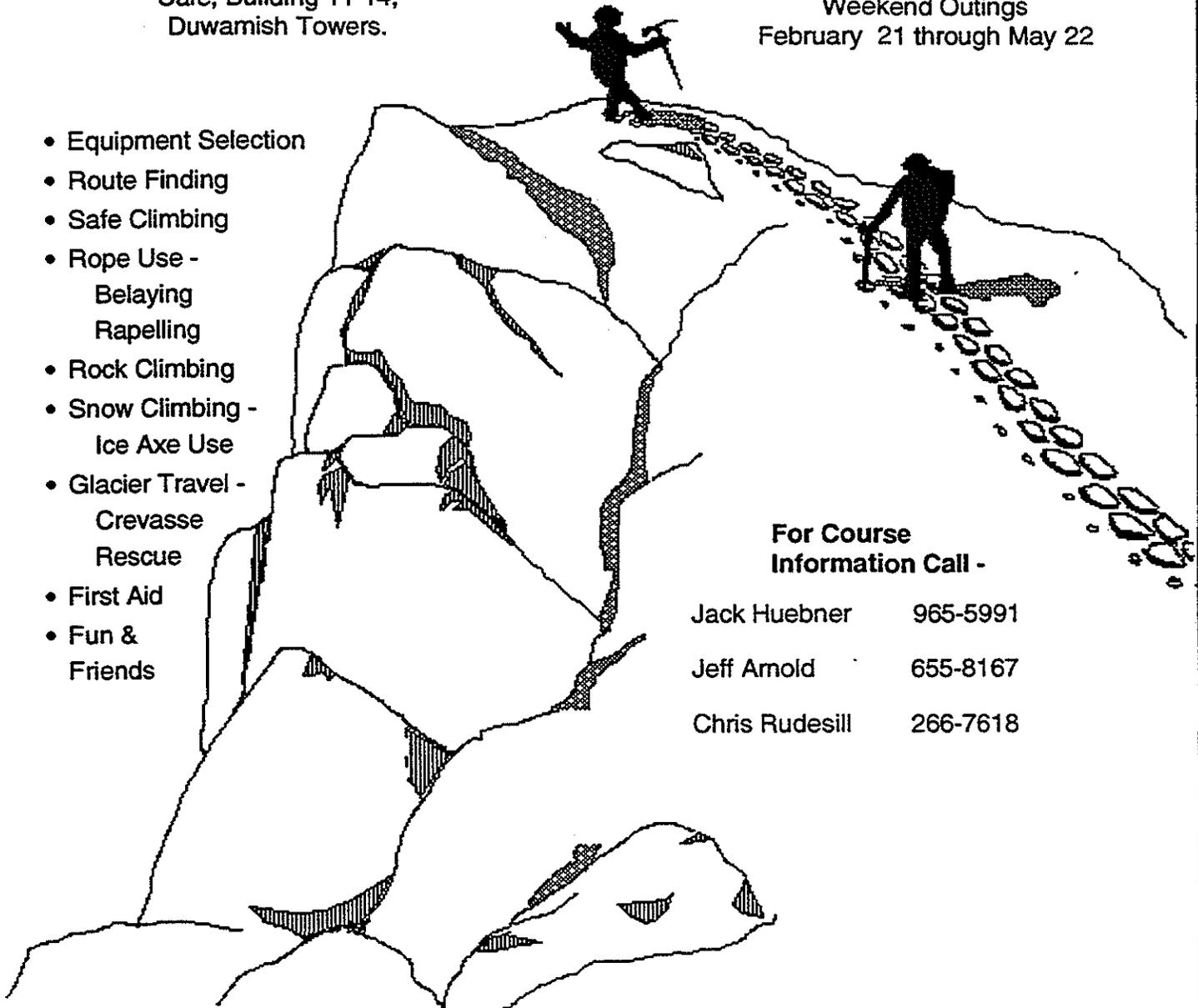
### ORIENTATION & REGISTRATION

Wednesday, February 28, 7:00 p.m.  
Customer Service Building  
Cafe, Building 11-14,  
Duwamish Towers.

### CLASS MEETINGS

Wednesday Evenings  
Plus  
Weekend Outings  
February 21 through May 22

- Equipment Selection
- Route Finding
- Safe Climbing
- Rope Use -  
    Belaying  
    Rapelling
- Rock Climbing
- Snow Climbing -  
    Ice Axe Use
- Glacier Travel -  
    Crevasse  
    Rescue
- First Aid
- Fun &  
    Friends



### For Course Information Call -

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Jack Huebner   | 965-5991 |
| Jeff Arnold    | 655-8167 |
| Chris Rudesill | 266-7618 |

Boealps also offers a Intermediate course, Contact: Mike Bingle 662-4929

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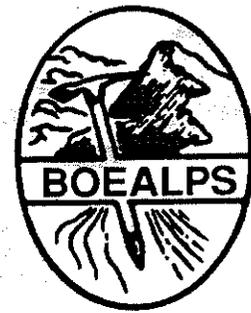
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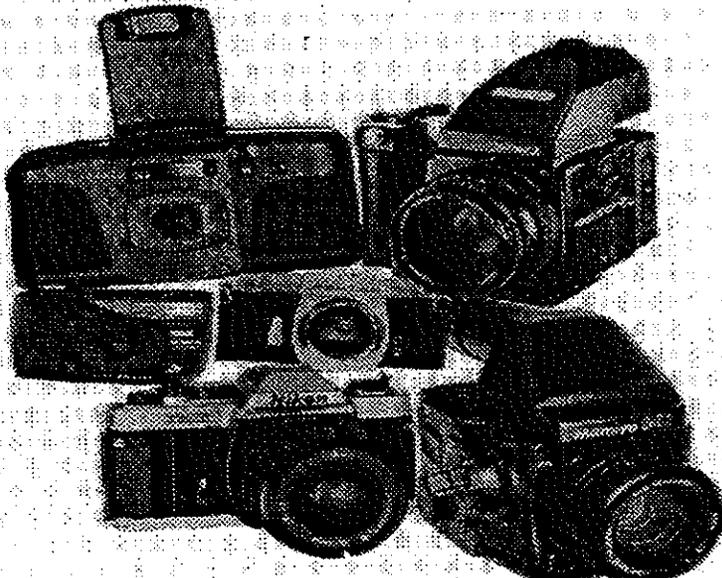
## BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY

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Photo: Mt. Francis (foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

From Dan Goering 67-63

## Annual Photo Contest



### March General Meeting

Thursday, March 7 7:30 pm  
 Photo contest signup 6:30 pm  
 Oxbow Recreation Center

## **BELAY STANCE**

### **March Photo Contest**

As the strangest of winters continues with this vast assortment of wind, rain, snow, meltout, monsoon, and occasional brilliant sunshine, there is one constant out there: the utter joy of the **Annual Photo Contest!** Indeed, it is time to sift through your collection of prints, slides, and daguerrotypes (for the chronologically-challenged Boealper) and get them ready for the March 7 contest. Photography Chair Shawn Paré has a page covering the rules and regulations in this issue, so check it out. Volunteers for helping run this event are always needed - contact Shawn.

### **Activities Submission to the Homepage**

If you can't seem to get off your can and submit an upcoming activity on time for the **ECHO** deadline, fear not: you can submit an activity to the Boealps Homepage editor Chris Pirson at [pirson@eskimo.com](mailto:pirson@eskimo.com), who can then put your ad on the Homepage. However, not everyone has access to the Homepage yet, so please use the Activities form when possible.

### **Agris Murrus Fund Reminder**

For those of you considering applying for a grant from the Fund, an excellent one-page write-up can be found in the February 1996 **ECHO**.

### **Equipment Auction Reminder**

So maybe you've spent untold thousands on climbing gear which you've never used more than once and think you're saddled with this expensive heap for life - there is a way out. Preceding the Basic Class meeting on March 13 at the Customer Service Building (by the Duwamish), you can buy/sell items from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to sell your equipment as well as find some great deals on other items. More info in last month's issue.

### **Temporary Equipment Check-Out Change**

The inveterate Equipment Chair Silas Wild will be off on a Patagonia adventure February 27-April 2; thus, equipment checkout for the month of March will be handled by Dan Costello and Jack Huebner. A list of items that each has is not currently available, so contact either Dan or Jack for info. Starting in April, the club equipment will be divided into thirds and stored at three convenient locations: north (Dan Costello), central (Silas), and south (Jack Huebner). The updated equipment list at each location will be in the April **ECHO**.

### **Missing Equipment**

Equipment Chair Silas notes there are still two items missing from the inventory: **one pair each of Sherpa and Tubbs snowshoes**. If you have either item, return them to Jack or Dan immediately. Remember: it is **your** responsibility to return borrowed club equipment; not doing so jeopardizes equipment check out for everyone. 'Nuff said.

### **This Issue**

Board minutes by Dan Costello. Conservation by J. Kirby. An article on saving Spider Meadow by Elden Altizer. And three gems in the rough for trip reports: Ken Johnson and Ambrose Bittner's ascent of the Northeast Corner of Mt. Baring (a little while ago), Mike Bingle's night-time climbing in the Squamish (appropriately titled "Dad's Night Out"), and once again, from Boealps' very own Japan correspondent Ambrose Bittner, a winter ascent of Mt. Fuji.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**APRIL ECHO DEADLINE IS MARCH 21st**

# March 1996

| Sunday   | Monday                           | Tuesday                             | Wednesday                                  | Thursday            | Friday | Saturday  |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------|---|
|  |                                  |                                     |  |                     | 1      | 2<br>BC @ St. Edwards                             |
| 3<br>BC @ St. Edwards  | 4                                | 5<br>Full Moon                      | 6<br>Basic Class Lecture                   | 7<br>Photo Contest  | 8      | 9<br>BC @ Mt. Erie                                |
| 10<br>BC @ Mt. Erie  | 11<br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 12<br>Board Meeting<br>Last Quarter | 13<br>Basic Class Lecture                  | 14                  | 15     | 16<br>BC @ Stevens Pass<br>IC @ Horseshief Buttes |
| 17<br>BC @ Stevens Pass<br>IC @ Horseshief Buttes<br>St. Patrick's | 18                               | 19<br>New Moon                      | 20<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>Spring begins | 21<br>Echo Deadline | 22     | 23<br>BC @ Snoqualmie<br>Knox Peak                |
| 24<br>BC @ Snoqualmie<br>Red Top Mountain                          | 25<br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 26<br>1st Quarter                   | 27<br>Basic Class Lecture                  | 28                  | 29     | 30<br>BC @ Devils Peak<br>IC @ Mt. Erie           |
| 31<br>BC @ Devils Peak<br>IC @ Mt. Erie<br>Palm Sunday             |                                  |                                     |  |                     |        |   |

# April 1996

| Sunday   | Monday                           | Tuesday | Wednesday                                 | Thursday                      | Friday           | Saturday                             |
|--|----------------------------------|---------|---|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
|  | 1<br>April Fools Day             | 2       | 3<br>Full Moon                            | 4<br>Club Meeting<br>Passover | 5<br>Good Friday | 6                                    |
| 7<br>Daylight Savings—set ahead 1 hour<br>Easter | 8                                | 9       | 10<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>Last Quarter | 11                            | 12               | 13<br>BC @ Devils Peak               |
| 14<br>BC @ Devils Peak                           | 15<br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 16      | 17<br>Basic Class Lecture<br>New Moon     | 18<br>Echo Deadline           | 19               | 20<br>BC @ Tatoosh<br>IC Snow Outing |
| 21<br>BC @ Tatoosh<br>IC Snow Outing             | 22<br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 23      | 24<br>Basic Class Lecture                 | 25<br>1st Quarter             | 26               | 27<br>BC @ Leavenworth               |
| 28<br>BC @ Leavenworth<br>IC @ Vertical World    | 29                               | 30      |   |                               |                  |                                      |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### Knox Peaks [47.21.974n 121.09.603w]

**Saturday, March 23**

Ski and/or mountain bike to an attractive pair of summits along the French Cabin - Thorp Creek divide. 5203' Hard Knox is an especially rewarding climb along a dramatically corniced ridge; while Easy Knox involves a potentially dangerous ascent of a steep powder bowl (exceptional skiing or radical biking!) 7 hours, 3600' gain, Shock Wave Ratings 5.4 & 5.1 (moderate), avalanche beacons may be required.

Contact: Lizard

865-3783

[lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com](mailto:lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com)

### Red Top Mountain [47.18.113n 120.45.579w]

**Sunday, March 24**

Shred the summit snows of Red Top Mountain! Ride the long 9-mile approach to Red Top on a well compacted snowmobile trail, and optionally carry bikes to a decrepit lookout with fantastic winter views. An early start is required, so please plan on arriving the night before. Skiers welcome. 6 hours, 3400', SWR 5.0.

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### Little Tahoma

**April or May**

Little Tahoma, East Shoulder (Whitman Glacier) from Paradise. Weekend depending on weather and party members. Glacier travel with class 3 rock near the summit. Basic class graduate or better.

Contact: Eric Bennett

(h) 742-4706 (after 9:30am)

(w) 266-2040 (2:30pm - 1am, m-th)

### BOEALPS Echo

#### Activity Submission Form

Trip Title:

Trip Date:

Description:

Trip Sponsor:

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Bob Conder

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## February 1996 Executive Board Meeting

Thursday February 15, 1996

The meeting was held at Pam Kaiser's home.

In attendance at the meeting were: Silas Wild, Pam Kaiser, Shawn Pare, Victor Yagi, Eric Ingalsbe, Dan Costello, Rob James, Jake Davis, Chris Pirson, Ken Johnson, Dan Gruich, Mike McGuffin, Len Kannapell.

The minutes from the January board meeting were accepted into the records with the correction of adding Ken Johnson's name to the list of attendees.

### Homepage:

- The attendees reviewed the Homepage Guidelines Jeff Arnold drafted. A couple suggestions were made. The suggestions will be forwarded to Jeff, and the Guidelines will be "finalized" at the next board meeting.
- It is rumored that Garith Beal saw a pointer to the BOEALPS Homepage on the Boeing Homepage. Chris Pirson will check it out.
- Enable for people to join the club through the Homepage, it was suggested to put the Membership Chair's name, mailstop and E-mail address on the Homepage. The Membership Chair was not present to comment.

Extra Echos were requested for handing out to Basic Class Students (new members). Mike McGuffin will get 50 copies to Pam Kaiser.

The Board agreed John Fosberg could advertise the sale of a friend's gear in the Echo.

Boeing Security has imposed the condition that non-Boeing employees attending the Basic Class classes at the Customer Service Cafeteria, will have to have their social security numbers registered with Boeing Security. Also, the orientation had to be moved to the Oxbow Rec. Center because of Boeing Security.

Jake Davis reported that none of the other clubs had space to store Basic Class equipment during the off season. Jake suggested requesting budget for storage in next year's budget.

Shawn Pare will write-up how he is organizing the Photo Contest. He is using Dan Gruich's input. Dan ran 1994's and 1995's contests.

### Equipment:

- The request by Silas Wild, Ambrose Bittner and Michael Frank to take Club equipment on there trip to Patagonia was approved. The elected Board members must approve the checkout of equipment for more than two weeks.
- Silas reported the purchase of an X-15 ice hammer. There was mention of buying equipment to be used on expeditions only.
- Dividing of the equipment between the three equipment rooms has begun. Jack Huebner has prepared a Equipment Checkout Slip for the new system.

Tentatively the June Campout will be at Eight Mile Campground on July 8th and 9th, and the July General meeting will be at Marymoor Park.

Silas requested that his meeting notices be sent by E-mail.

The next Board meeting will be March 12th at Victor Yagi's home.

## ***THE PHOTO BOX***

on

### THE BOEALPS ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

By Shawn M. Pare'

Start rounding up your slides and prints, because once again it's time for the Boealps Annual Photo Contest to be held at this March's general meeting.

First, Second, and Third place prizes will be given out for each of the categories listed below. It should be hot this year with many great prizes to be given away.

#### Slides

Mountain Scenes  
Nature Scenes  
Sunsets & Sunrise  
Climbing  
People

#### Prints

Mountain Scenes  
Climbing  
General  
Black and White  
People

#### Slide and Print category

Most Embarrassing photo - (embarrass yourself or your favorite climbing partner)

#### How to enter:

\*Show up at 6:30 pm if you plan on entering any slides or prints.

\*Entry forms will be provided at the meeting.

\*Your name should appear on each entry. For slides write on the frame, for prints attach a note to the back.

\*Each person may have up to 2 entries per category.

#### Rules:

\*Do not enter photos that have won in previous years.

\*You must be the actual photographer of your entry.

\*All entries must be of club interest.

Any final arbitration rests with the club photographer whose decision is final. First, Second, and Third place prizes will be limited to two per person for each. Prizes not collected will be given out in a random drawing for all persons who made entries. All winning photos will be held by the club photographer (with permission) for inclusion in the Echo.

If you would like to help out with this year's photo contest call me at (W) 342-7134 or (H) 483-0548.

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## **Conservation Corner**

Update on "Salvage" Logging

by J. Kirby

The fate of old growth forests and threatened marbled murrelet sea birds took a turn for the worse on January 19, 1996 when U.S. District Judge Hogan in Eugene ruled that the U.S. Forest Service has protected too much old-growth timber, further expanding the scope of the so-called "timber salvage rider".

The rider directs the Forest Service to release all of the sales that were blocked to protect the murrelets - unless the birds were "known to be nesting" there. At issue in the timber industry's lawsuit was the interpretation of that phrase. The timber industry, our Sen. Slade Gorton, and five GOP lawmakers insisted that this meant the agency had to find the actual nests there. According to the Fish and Wildlife Service, this was almost impossible to do with a bird that nests high in old trees and flies to and from them at dusk and dawn at high speed.

Hogan ruled that the birds must be seen or heard in the timber slated for sale. Environmentalists fear past survey information may be incomplete, forcing stands where the birds live to be opened for sale. The Northwest Forestry Association estimates the ruling will release about half of the 51 timber sales blocked because of the marbled murrelet. Whether the birds are actually nesting in these stands or not it seems clear that their habitat range will be diminished.

On the positive side, this newest attack on our remaining ancient forests has spurred the environmental community into action, sparking civil disobedience and protest rallies. On Saturday, 24 Feb. I attended a rally in Westlake Park to protest the salvage logging rider. Although I didn't see any of my fellow Bealpers there, I did see many concerned, inspired young people which was good to behold. The latest word is that our own Sen. Patty Murray has agreed to sponsor legislation in the Senate matching Rep. Furse's House bill to repeal the salvage logging rider. To my mind, this growing confrontation between Murray and Gorton is taking on Star Wars proportions: will Princess Leia be able to withstand and defeat Darth Vader? Stay tuned. In the meantime, call or write Patty to let her know she has your support.

Senator Patty Murray  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
(202) 224-2621 phone  
(202) 224-0238 fax

[source: Seattle P-I 1/20/96]

## **Help Save Spider Meadow**

By Stephanie Taylor, Public Affairs and Project Coordinator  
The Trust for Public Land

Three hundred acres leading into Spider Meadow, one of the most popular destinations in the Glacier Peak Wilderness, are threatened by logging. The Trust for Public Land (TPL), a national land conservation organization with the mission of saving land for people, has negotiated an agreement to purchase the property and protect it from imminent logging. However, TPL needs additional funds to help preserve the property.

Spider Meadow is located north of Lake Wenatchee, about 25 miles up the Chiwawa River Road near the townsite of Trinity. Once a copper mine, the threatened property was bought in 1994 by a logging company with plans to capitalize on its investment by harvesting the old-growth timber. The property had been on the Wenatchee National Forest's wish list for a number of years, but the limited funding allocated to the forest had gone to purchase other threatened parcels.

When the logging company applied for permits to harvest the timber, the Forest Service wanted to purchase the site to avert logging and protect Phelps Creek and Spider Meadow. However, the Forest Service could not obtain funding quickly enough and looked to TPL for interim protection of the land. Because of the overwhelming support for Spider Meadow, TPL jumped right in.

Although TPL has been successful in negotiating an agreement to purchase the 334 acres, the route into Spider Meadow is still far from secure. The only way the Trust was able to reach an agreement to purchase the property from the logging company was to agree to pay the top range of the property's value. The Forest Service is unable to pay TPL's full cost, and so TPL needs to raise approximately \$120,000 to make up the difference and cover the expenses involved in completing the transaction.

TPL has launched a private fundraising campaign for Spider Meadow similar to the effort undertaken to protect the Peshastin Pinnacles, now a state park dedicated to rock climbing because so many people stepped up to help TPL with the acquisition. A Friends of Spider Meadow committee has been formed to lead TPL's fundraising effort, and many conservation and outdoor organizations and individuals have expressed willingness to help. Challenge pledges are in place that will match gifts for Spider Meadow on a 1:1 basis.

The next step will be to ask Congress to appropriate \$730,000 needed from the Land and Water Conservation Fund to purchase the property. Garnering the government funds to add the Spider Meadow parcels to the Glacier Peak Wilderness Area will require an enormous effort. The Washington congressional delegation needs to hear from the 2,000 to 3,000 hikers who use the trail every year and from the many outdoor, wilderness, and other organizations that are helping TPL secure Spider Meadow.

Friends of Spider Meadow committee member Ira Spring says, "I'm ready to pull out my pen and write to senators Gorton and Murray and representative Hastings, urging their help in saving this Northwest treasure." We hope you'll also pull out your pen and help save Spider Meadow with your checkbook and letters.

To make a gift for Spider Meadow, please write your check to the Trust for Public Land and mark it for Spider Meadow. Send your tax-deductible contribution to TPL at 506 Second Avenue, Suite 1510, Seattle, WA 98104. To find out more about how you can help with the campaign to SAVE SPIDER MEADOW, call Stephanie Taylor at the Trust for Public Land (206) 587-2447 or via e-mail (Steph\_Taylor@tpl-nwro.ccmil.compuserve.com).

### 1996 BOEALPS INTERMEDIATE CLIMBING CLASS

The Intermediate Climbing Class is currently being organized for the 1996 climbing season. This is the class's tenth year. This course is being offered for those who have basic climbing skills and the desire to learn what is involved in climbing some of the more technical and remote routes in the Cascades. In addition to having completed the Basic Course (or showing equivalent experience), students must be in good physical shape and be active in climbing outside of an instructional framework. This does not mean that prospective students have to be super climbers - the ability to climb low fifth class rock on top-rope and negotiate a 40 degree snow slope with confidence is adequate.

The course will cover the following areas in a seminar format:

- leading technical rock climbs
- mountain safety and self rescue,
- snow and ice climbing techniques.

The remainder of the course will be spent climbing some of the Northwest's finest alpine routes, such as the West Ridge of Forbidden Peak and the North Face of Mount Maude. The instructor-to-student ratio is close to one-to-one, which allows personalized instruction.

The course will run from mid-March through the end of August, requiring about two weekends per month. Further class details, specific dates, and a course application can be obtained by asking for an information packet. Requests for information packets must be received by February 23rd, and completed applications must be received no later than March 1st.

## Dad's Night Out

I'd driven up in the morning with Ruth and the boys to enjoy the Intermediate Class' end-of-year party. Not many people showed up; but, what the heck, we'd have a great time anyway. I had a date with a three-year-old, a seven-year-old, two fishing poles, Ruth, and a lake. That was tomorrow; today was for climbing. Ken got there late in the morning and climbing at the Little Smoke Bluffs all afternoon hadn't satisfied his itch for the clean rock and good climbs that Squamish offered. Come about 4 o'clock he started talking about maybe doing a little night climbing, and wouldn't I like to come along. After dinner, when everyone headed off to bed, we harnessed up and headed for the apron. Dad's night out.

It had been hot in the afternoon. The rocks had soaked up their load of heat and were now, slowly, giving it back. It made for a luxurious belay spot; legs draped over the tree with my back against the rock. Ken led off, to begin with. Right a few feet on the rough granite, then up to the first bathtub. After the pro was in, I clicked off my headlamp and started to enjoy the evening. I was a rookie night climber, but the master was steadily drawing away up the first pitch of Diedre. I was going to enjoy this.

The bobbing light disappeared over the edge that marks the start of the second pitch. Sixty meter ropes allow you to link the first two pitches of Diedre into a single pitch. A short time later I hear "off-belay." Time to rock and roll. Wait a minute! I've never climbed this technical stuff in the dark before. This should be interesting. Hell, this is dangerous. Nervous trepidation starts up as I contemplate the launch. "Belay on." Man it's dark out here. Well, maybe if I turn on the headlamp things would be a little easier. There we go, much better! Check the harness. Check the knot. check the shoes. check the belay. Got all the gear? Let's do this thing. "Climbing." "Climb."

The nervous trepidation lasted all of ten feet. Hey, this is pretty fun. Warm rock, no crowds. I like it! Winding my way up the slabs, I learn the first lesson of night climbing. Be sure to look exactly where you're going to place your hands and feet because when you look away they disappear. Other than that, it seems just like during the day. At least as far as following goes, we'll have our chance at leading here shortly. In what seemed like no time at all, I'm on the easy ramp heading over to the monster bolts which mark the end of the first pitch. The second pitch starts with a few moves over a pronounced edge and over a face. A few more moves, a stroll down the big ledge, and the pitch ends at a belay below the dihedral that marks this route. Ken is there, sitting in the dark, loving life.

After swapping gear and a brief chat, it's my turn on the sharp end. I launch off on one of my favorite routes anywhere. It's a low angle book with great holds, and the crack in the corner eats protection. Since I'm still a tad bit nervous about this night thing, I stitch up the route, placing protection everywhere possible. The world steadily shrinks into the tiny circle of light shed by my lamp. I cruise along until I reach the big step two thirds of the way up the pitch. Wow, that didn't seem to take long. Then again, maybe it did. Who knows? Who cares? I storm over the step and head off towards the belay. I go along to where I think the belay should be, but it's not there. I've been over zealous on placing pro; I only have a few pieces left. I look up, nothing obvious. I look down. I don't think I passed it. Did I? I look up. I look down. Yo Ken, how much rope left? Plenty. I look up. I look down. How could I have blasted past it? I look up. I look down. No worries, I have enough to set up a belay. I look up. I look down. I'll keep going for a little longer; it has to be up there. I look up. I hope I'm right.

Not more than ten feet later I'm standing at the belay, tied off nice and comfortable. Night climbing lesson number two: you can't see it until you're standing on it. Be careful!

Light off. belay on. Ken storms up after me. Hey what's this, three more light down below, conversation too. Boy, I hope they aren't here to rescue us or some fool thing like that. I can see it now, motorist is cruising the highway and sees lights up on the rocks, assumes the worst, calls in the Mounties. Dad's night out goes down in flames. Couldn't be, these folks must be climbers too. Cool! Now there are multiple lights bobbing up the rocks. I like it. Ken arrives. Confirmed, there are three more night climbers on our route. The leader blitzed the first pitch in lightning speed. Hopefully we won't get run over. Probably not since they are a threesome.

## Dad's Night Out

Swap the gear. Swap the pack. Ken takes off on the next pitch, the most interesting of the route. If you trust your feet and use the hidden holds above your head, it's incredibly easy. If not, it's a grunt. Not difficult just awkward, you have to doubled over almost the entire way. Ken goes for easy, doubling over only to place pro. Light off again. Enjoy the evening, watch the stars, watch the cars, watch the bobbing lights both above and below. We're approaching half way and it's only been an hour on the route, not bad. Ken calls "Off belay" from above. Forced out of relaxed enjoyment mode, I prepare to follow. Light on. "Climbing." "Climb." I also opt for the easy method. Pure joy, as Beckey would say.

I climb up to Ken. We swap ironmongery. Should that be alloymongery? I take off on the last decent pitch of the route. A few face moves get around a roof just above the belay and then it's back in the book. Not much farther and the rock starts to lay back as the route heads toward Broadway ledge. This is where the crack starts to peter out. The higher you climb the easier it gets; of course, the protection gets skimpier too. After reaching the anchor, I settle in and start belaying. My mind wanders back a few years to the creation of what I call "Tom's almost memorial ledge." Just a few feet wide and less than a foot deep, Tom's ledge is the former resting place of a granite flake about the size of a giant sea turtle. I named it after Tom Gooch, who created the ledge in the first place. You see, Tom was climbing along one sunny afternoon and he decided to put a little pro behind this particularly fine looking block. Then he went to climb around it just like the one hundred thousand people who'd done this route before him. Only this time, while Tom was hanging onto the flake, it decided to move about four inches. Naturally this scared the pants off of poor Tom. After pushing the block back in place, Tom scampered around the now teetering block to the belay. The fact that the rock stayed in place was very fortunate for a whole host of people below Tom, including Ken and myself. If that block would have come off it would be a "memorial ledge." Later on, someone came back and finished the job when there wasn't anyone below. Now it's just a nice white rest spot. I ponder all this while belaying Ken and watching the stars.

We swap the alloymongery one last time and Ken starts the final lead. By this time, the crack has disappeared and we're following a groove up the rock. This is a completely run out pitch, not a piece of pro available until just below the top. Ken gets about fifteen feet up and there is this little pocket where maybe, just maybe, a piece will go. Miraculously, Ken gets a pretty good piece to stick. I've seen lots of folks try to place pro there, but this is the first successful piece. Twenty feet later the piece pops out, oh well. Light off. Our friends down below are hanging out on the big ledge at the bottom of the dihedral. So I watch the stars and cars. This is a great evening for a climb. One last off belay drifts down.

I prepare to depart, wishing we had a few more pitches. Easy slabs lead to the crux of the climb—getting onto Broadway ledge. It involves some interesting jamming and stemming over a 5.8 bulge. You can also opt for grabbing the tree root which makes it much easier. Of course the root is off limits! After extracting the pro I start up the crux, the bulge hides your feet, making it difficult to stem. I manage it and then walk onto the ledge. Ken tells me he grabbed the root. Night climbing lesson number 3: Be safe! If you can't see the move, do something else.

The descent off Broadway ledge, down through the forest, and over the bolder field goes without a hitch. As we walk back to the car the moon comes up behind the rocks. This makes it easy to sort gear and talk to the police officer, who wants to know what we're up to. He's looking for some over due climbers. "Don't you think this is dangerous?" he asks. Well, yes it is; but, we've done this climb several times before and are comfortable having a go at it. He drives off to continue his search. We load up the car and head for camp; ending one of the most enjoyable climbs I've done in recent years.

Daddy! Daddy! Are you ready to go fishing? OK. OK. Morning comes so early.

Climbers: Ken Johnson and Mike Bingle

## ***Mt. Fuji in Winter***

**3776 meters (12,240 feet)**

I have been accused in the past of not leading enough club climbs. So, I thought to myself, what a perfect club climb! A famous peak, but not too difficult, and it is far enough away that no one (meaning cheap Boeing engineers) will come! And, I could advertise it with really short notice to make sure! Actually, I wanted to do a training climb for my upcoming trip to Patagonia, so when you live in Japan what could be better than Mt. Fuji in winter. I had been training a couple of good friends (Bruce the Englishman, and Jeff the Canadian) here to be mountaineers and they were more excited than me to do this climb. We borrowed crampons, ice axes, ski poles, boots and clothing for this trip from a Japanese climbing acquaintance and set off in Anne's (Jeff's girlfriend) 400cc engined toy car on a Saturday morning.

About 4 hours and a mere 100 kilometers of frustrating traffic later we managed to get on a toll expressway. We should have been able to go really, really fast then since it was a good freeway without much traffic, but the car's overspeed alarm went off every time we exceeded 80 kph (50 mph)! Our plan to get to the base of the mountain and hike up to the 5th Station before dark had been ruined. I finally parked the car at about 6:00 p.m. after Jeff and Bruce got too tired to push it up the mountain's snow and ice covered access road (the wimps!). In the calm, cold night we changed into our climbing clothes, shouldered our packs, and I ran after Jeff and Bruce up the road and trail to the 5th Station. 2 hours and 1100 meters later we struggled through strong, freezing cold winds to reach the warmth of the only mountain hut open in winter.

Mt. Fuji must have about 100 huts at all levels of the mountain, each capable of sleeping about 100-200 people. In summer they are all full. Saturday night Satoh Hut was inhabited by about 50 people, most of which were taking a mountaineering course and wouldn't be climbing the mountain, thank god! Although we could have had a hot dinner at the hut for 3,000 yen (\$30) we brought our own food and munched on it in the cold kitchen while the Japanese drank beer and sake next to the fireplace. The matron of the hut must have took pity on us though, because she gave us some sake and hot green tea while we ate. As soon as we finished eating we joined the fireplace circle to warm up. Web.s.'d with the others for awhile and talked to one man who would be climbing the mountain for his 230th time the next day. He was 66 years old, and three years earlier had climbed the mountain starting from the sea. We were impressed to say the least.

The next morning we got up at 5:00 after a restless sleep and had breakfast. We put all of our clothes on in anticipation for the cold and wind, and filled our water bottles with hot water to prevent them from freezing during the day. We were climbing by 6:30, but I stopped for pictures a couple of times and once again found myself running to try and keep up with Jeff and Bruce. We had begun walking without crampons and ice-ax and were using ski poles to steady ourselves in the gusty winds. Someone had told us that this route was a pain because you always had to put on and take off your crampons. However, we found that we were able to climb without crampons all the way to the summit, much to Bruce's dismay since he had bought a new pair just for this climb!

We followed the summer route up the mountain, zig-zagging between the huts on

the partially snow-covered trail. When we stopped for breaks we hid from the winds behind the boarded-up buildings. A couple of times we passed tents which were pitched in improbable places, between buildings and snow drifts. As we got higher the winds seemed to get more gusty and stronger. Each time the trail approached a ridge crest we got blasted and struggled to keep our balance. We reached the crater rim at about 11:30 am and paused to eat and drink at the small, abandoned-for-the-winter, village of temples, souvenir shops, and restaurants. We left our packs there and walked around the crater rim to the other side where a manned weather station was perched on the true summit. We wondered if the inhabitants would let us in and offer us a hot cup of tea, but there was an intimidating "No Entry!" sign on the door so we didn't inquire. The view was beautiful. We could see the tall buildings in Tokyo and Yokohama, and the Pacific Ocean and other cities beneath us, as well as all of the Japan Alps. Mt. Fuji is a unique mountain because it is very high yet near so many towns and cities around its base. Looking at them so far below gives you a real feeling of elevation. In summer the weather is usually quite hazy and the views are ruined, but on this cold winter day the skies were perfectly clear.

After an hour on the summit I was feeling the elevation, which, combined with the exertion I had spent keeping up with Jeff and Bruce, was making me feel lousy. We decided to hoof it down, but now putting on our crampons (Bruce was happy) and keeping to the snow for a more direct descent. As we neared the bottom we had one route-finding challenge in which Bruce's and Jeff's instincts saved us from descending too far to the east (I should have known better). We reached Satoh Hut at the 5th Station at 3:10, spent 20 minutes getting more water and relieving ourselves and then rushed down the trail to the car which we reached at 5:00 p.m., tired, sore, and happy. This was my 2nd time to climb Mt. Fuji. I also did it in summer five years ago. It brings to mind the old Japanese proverb: "He who climbs Mt. Fuji once is a wise man. He who climbs it twice is a fool!" However, I think my motto for this climb should have been: "There they go and I must follow, for I am their leader!" I don't remember who first said it. Good job Bruce and Jeff! Maybe you should be going to Patagonia instead of me.

By Ambrose Bittner

## Mt. Baring's Northeast Corner

by *Ambrose Bittner* - non parenthetical text  
and *Ken Johnson* - ((parenthetical text))

The Northeast Corner of Mt. Baring is about as typical as your Western Cascade climbs come. It has everything, including a Devil's Club bushwack approach, steep cliffy forests, steeper brush, and wet rock even during dry weather. But, then there is the sustained climbing on generally sound rock, with the occasional overhangs and free-climbing as difficult as 5.10c.

The first two attempts on this route were in 1951 by Pete Schoening and Richard Berge. They had actually reached the crux after two days of climbing on their first attempt before turning around. However, the following year Fred Beckey, Tom Miller, and Berge were descending in the dark after another failed attempt, and Berge fell off a cliff and died. These early attempts had failed because it took too much time to aid the crux and the parties ran out of water. Finally, in 1961 Fred Beckey, Don Gordon, and Ed Cooper placed a key bolt after many hours of hand drilling. However, Fred Beckey had to descend to go to work in Seattle and only Don Gordon and Ed Cooper finished the route.

A second ascent was not done until 1983 when two Boealps members, Terry Miller and Bob Packer, completed the route, also aiding the crux pitches (see BOEALPS, the First Quarter Century for their story). The next year, however, the route was freed by Pete Doorish and rated 5.10c. Since then a few more free ascents had been completed, by the likes of Tom Hargis, Brian Burdo, and Jim Nelson. Pete Doorish also did the first winter ascent.

On a Saturday in August 1991 Ken Johnson and I arrived at the Barclay Lake trailhead. The morning mist and clouds that swirled around us were not very encouraging, but at 7:00 a.m. we started up the trail anyway, and before we knew it we were at Barclay lake. This was not good because we should have turned right somewhere before getting to the lake. However, the clouds and mist were clearing by this time, and when we looked up, the North Face of Mt. Baring towered above us. We backtracked a bit then charged into the thick Devils Club ((wearing shorts - ouch!)) and crossed Barclay Creek via logs.

That day we climbed and climbed and climbed; up a boulder field to a gulley, then left through steep cliffy forests ((roping up and belaying one 10 foot section - is this where Berge fell?)); up another gulley where we put our rock shoes on and roped up before we could surmount one 15 foot section of waterfall; ((this was followed by a totally wet friction pitch with almost no pro that ended in a belay from alders tenuously attached

to some mud clinging to the slab - yuccch!)); up nearly one thousand feet of the steepest brush I have ever climbed in rock shoes; and finally up some clean dry rock. This bit was only supposed to be 5.4, but Ken thought it more like 5.7. ((It may have been 5.4, but it was run out and this route was really psyching me out.))

We then wasted precious time before we decided that the big, broad, treed ledge contouring that part of the mountain was the "rising traverse" mentioned in the guidebook. ((As we followed this ledge, we could hear something knocking rocks off just out of sight ahead of us. We figured it had to be goats because of the tufts of fur that clung to the juniper branches. How the hell did they get up here? I was feeling that this was one of the most wild, exposed, tenuously inaccessible places that I had ever been to. And these animals actually live here!)) This ledge finally petered out to a 5.6 overhanging hand traverse. It was 2000 feet directly above Barclay Lake and we could watch and listen to the campers far below. This lead scared me, but Ken had me stop at the steepest place for the photo opportunity. As he snapped the picture, a rock came out from under my foot. I held on, but the rock hit nothing on its way to the bottom of the valley. ((I wish I had a motor drive on my camera - the mixture of shock, dismayed surprise, and anxiety on his face perfectly captured how I felt several times on this route)).

((After the traverse, we stood dumbfounded, wondering how to get up the vertical wet wall that confronted us. This, however, was nothing compared to our shock and confusion when we were suddenly greeted by a hearty, disembodied HELLO! We were amazed to look across a huge, bottomless gully to spy a climber hanging from a rope about 500 feet below the summit of the Dolomite Tower, a spectacular detached pinnacle below the North summit of Baring. We figured out that it was Pete Doorish cleaning and preparing a 1000' 5.11+ free route - truly spectacular given the setting and the effort to reach it. Pete had set up a camp on top of Dolomite Tower, and would live there for weeks at a time as he worked on the routes. We didn't talk to him any more, but we continued to watch him from our belays and marvel at the drive, vision, and commitment that this type of work obviously demanded. The sounds of the rockfall he created serenaded us for the rest of the day.))

Ken did the most amazing lead of the entire climb on the next pitch. Somehow he zig-zagged up a near vertical soggy moss wall--digging out cracks with his nut tool in order to place extremely questionable pro.

I followed terrified, as the only places he could put pro was at the corners of his zigs. I remember having to kind of lunge from one mossy, muddy handhold to the next, digging my fingers deep into the cold slime. I couldn't believe he had been able to lead it. At the top of the moss and mud pitch we found ourselves on the broad ledges of the second bench. We had been going up for 14 straight hours. This had been a difficult, stressful day and it worried us because the difficult climbing was still above. The sun was just setting as we unfolded our space blankets and settled down on a bed of soft heather. Soft breezes blew that night and rustled our blankets, periodically waking us up. The cold night invaded my sleep and I caught myself snuggling-up to Ken to keep warm. Ughh! I still shudder when I think of it! ((And I thought those were tremors of ecstasy!))

We woke early the next morning to sunny skies and improved attitudes. We crumpled up our space blankets, ate a few breakfast bars, and chugged some of the six quarts of water each of us had brought. The next section of rock was about 400 feet of up to 5.8 climbing. I don't remember too much about it except that it was very pleasant climbing on morning sun warmed rock, with route finding that was just a bit challenging. ((I remember this section well. One pitch climbed a seam that became a crack that formed the left side of a pillar. It was really cool to clip into some of the original pitons placed by Cooper and company - one was placed vertically in a groove in the rock, with the entire length of the piton visible (eye at the top of the groove, body pointing straight down vertically, sides of the piton held in place by nubbins that projected from the sides of the groove). Way manky! The belay for this pitch was at the top of the pillar, the only anchor points available being the crack that defined the back edge of the pillar and the tree that grew out of the crack. This was not my favorite belay - I got to savor the tremendous exposure while being able to feel the pillar tremble as Ambrose climbed up to me.))

The top of this was the third bench which we reached with renewed confidence. Above us were the three most difficult pitches of the climb.

Ken led the the first of the two 5.10 pitches, also known as the Terrible Traverse. He began high on the right side of the bench and traversed left for about 50 feet then went straight up over a bulge to a tiny platform where the single bolt had been placed 30 years before. The most difficult move for me was on this pitch. It required a long reach left for a small but positive hold while you held on with your right hand and smeared your feet on nothing but smooth, slightly-overhanging rock. Ken's long reach had definitely been an advantage here.

I joined Ken at the tiny belay platform, pushing sideways with my toes trying to stay in balance while we exchanged gear. ((The bolt at the belay had about 3/4

inch exposed due to rock that had fractured out, probably while it was being placed. It had taken Beckey 3 hours to place this manky thing - and it was the key to completing the climb! Next to it was a questionable knifeblade that had to be tied off, and I managed to fiddle in a couple of marginal TCUs. Another questionable belay! I had feared this portion of the climb right from the start. I had visions of Ambrose falling directly onto the belay anchors (a factor 2 fall) and the anchors disintegrating, sending us both tumbling into space for a thousand feet before being swallowed by the maw of a dark, bottomless gully. I knew that the crux was about 10 feet up, and I hoped against hope he would be able to get some good pro in. Usually I enjoy exposure, but the sunlight gleaming on Barclay lake thousands of feet below us gave me no comfort.))

I delicately moved past him to begin the crux pitch. This was the moment of truth for me. A couple of feet out I fiddled around trying to put something in a small pocket. A small camelot finally went in, but not securely. After a few aborted attempts I summoned the courage to go for it. My feet held and my fingers pulled without failing as I moved past the crux. Although the climbing was still difficult, I was enjoying it immensely and climbing as smoothly as I ever have on unfamiliar ground. ((Awesome climbing, Ambrose - smooth, collected, deliberate, graceful - a fantastic partner when the chips are down.))

After hauling the packs Ken followed me up. Although tired, I was on cloud 9. However, Ken was beat ((and demoralized by the mud pitches and bad belays)) and the last pitch looked pretty slimy and unpleasant. He didn't want to do it ((I was afraid of more wet vertical rock with no pro - my huevos were used up, my rat gorged)) so I volunteered ((thanks, Ambrose)). It turned out to be a great pitch beginning with a 5.8 overhang with bomber holds and good pro and finishing while delicately avoiding the slime ((Ken quotes the immortal Homer Simpson - Dogh! I should have lead it!)).

From the top of that pitch we were able to walk left to the summit ridge and scramble to the top. ((Rumor has it there is a fantastic 5.8 finish directly over the summit overhangs, but for once in my life I had had enough.)) We had made it and it was only 2:00 in the afternoon! After an hour on the summit enjoying the sun, we ran down the mountain and were back at the car at 4:30. ((A dream realized! My summit entry said it all - WOW)).

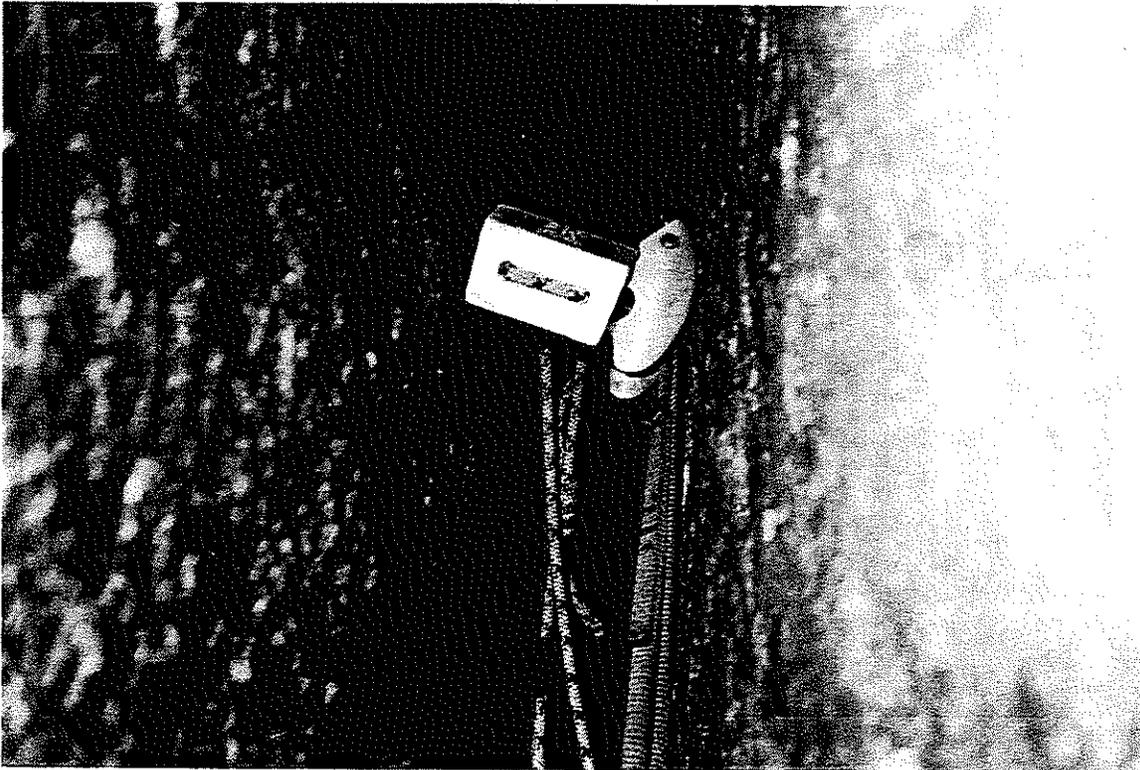
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### ***April General Meeting***

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## **BELAY STANCE**

### **Late March ECHO Arrival**

The season of spring is finally upon us; and though the season thus far has treated us to the long - forgotten phenomenon known as "sunshine," the Boealper conveniently forgets that April showers bring May flowers. He also wonders where the heck was his March issue. The editorial staff offers an apology for the late delivery of the March ECHO - to help expedite the process for upcoming issues, please send ALL ECHO inputs to Len via e-mail at kanlpx00@ccmail.ca.boeing.com (or check the Boeing White Pages) or send it to me at m/s 4C-07. Mike McGuffin and I will continue to put the ECHO together, and we'll do our best to get it to you on time. Remember: the preferred options for sending me trip reports/other input is 1) via a ccmil file attachment (I can take either MacIntosh or PC files) or 2) via a 3.5" disk (with name, m/s, phone, and software version used) and hardcopy. My software workhorse is Word 6.0c, so I can read most anything. As always, we promise a swift return of your disk. This will streamline the editing process and (perhaps) keep your editors happy.

### **Swap Table/Classified Ads**

Starting this month, you can sell your used equipment at the General Meeting by bringing your wares and hawking them during the "social half-hour" (7:00 to 7:30 pm) before the monthly meeting officially gets underway. This way, you don't have to wait for the once-a-year sale held in conjunction with the Basic Class. Further, we can place your ad (within reason) for selling your gear in the ECHO - include name, contact info, equipment specifics, condition, price. Both services are limited to members only.

### **Activities Submission to the Homepage**

A note of clarification from last month's issue: when sending an activity to Homepage Editor Chris Pirson at pirson@eskimo.com, also send it to Activities Chair Bob Conder so we can print it in the Activities-starved ECHO.

### **Agris Moccus Fund Reminder**

Well, we printed this last month but no one has yet responded. For those of you considering applying for a grant from the Fund, the deadline is rapidly approaching: **April 15**. Again, a one-page write-up can be found in the February 1996 ECHO. For more info, contact Past President Pam Kaiser.

### **Turn in Your Books**

Library Chair Katy Rusho requests all ye out there with club books signed out to turn them in to her ASAP so she can make a new updated list for your perusal. Further, work is underway to have all ECHO back issues available through the Boealps' library.

### **Equipment Notes**

Even more clarification: the complete equipment list, which will include items available at the north (Dan Costello), central (Silas Wild), and south (Jack Huebner) storage sites, will not be available until the May issue. In the meantime, continue to contact Dan or Jack for equipment checkout.

### **This Issue**

Board minutes by Dan Costello. The updated (and believe it or not, legible) membership roster. Photo contest winners and their accompanying slides/pictures. And not one lousy article, unfortunate since the March issue had a plethora of good ones. So put that pen to the paper or the fingers to the keyboard and get crackin' - we want quality and quantity, and shoot, we'll take the latter.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**MAY ECHO DEADLINE IS APRIL 18th**

# April 1996

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|
|   | 1<br>April Fools Day  | 2   | 3<br>Full Moon<br>                            | 4<br>Club Meeting<br><br>Passover | 5<br>Beach Hike<br><br>Good Friday | 6<br>Beach Hike<br><br>Cleman Mountain   |
| 7<br>Beach Hike<br>Cleman Mountain<br>Daylight Savings—set ahead 1 hour<br>Easter   | 8   | 9<br><br>Board Meeting | 10<br>Basic Class Lecture<br><br>Last Quarter | 11  | 12  | 13<br><br>BC @ Devils Peak               |
| 14<br><br>BC @ Devils Peak                        | 15<br><br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 16  | 17<br>Basic Class Lecture<br><br>New Moon     | 18<br><br>Echo Deadline           | 19  | 20<br><br>BC @ Tatoosh<br>IC Snow Outing |
| 21<br><br>BC @ Tatoosh<br>IC Snow Outing          | 22<br><br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 23  | 24<br><br>Basic Class Lecture                 | 25<br>1st Quarter   | 26  | 27<br><br>BC @ Leavenworth               |
| 28<br><br>BC @ Leavenworth<br>IC @ Vertical World | 29  | 30  |  |   |   |   |

# May 1996

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday   |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|
|  |  |  | 1<br><br>Basic Class Lecture        | 2<br><br>Club Meeting   | 3<br>Full Moon<br> | 4<br><br>BC @ Nisqually<br>Glacier<br>IC @ Smith Rocks  |
| 5<br><br>BC @ Nisqually<br>Glacier<br>IC @ Smith Rocks | 6<br><br>Whidbey<br>Beach<br>Ride       | 7  | 8<br><br>Basic Class Lecture        | 9<br>Last Quarter   | 10  | 11<br><br>BC Graduation<br>Climb<br>/ Trail Maintenance   |
| 12<br><br>BC Graduation Climb<br>Mother's Day          | 13<br><br>Intermediate Class<br>Lecture | 14   | 15<br><br>Basic Class Lecture       | 16<br>Ascension Day   | 17<br>New Moon  | 18<br>Armed Forces Day<br><br>BC Graduation<br>Climb /<br>Trail<br>Maintenance<br>IC @ Squamish |
| 19<br><br>BC Graduation Climb<br>IC @ Squamish         | 20   | 21   | 22<br><br>Basic Class<br>Graduation | 23<br><br>Echo Deadline | 24  | 25<br>1st Quarter  |
| 26<br>Pentecost  | 27<br><br>Memorial Day (Observed)       | 28<br><br>Intermediate Class<br>Lecture | 29   | 30  | 31  |  |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

**Little Tahoma** **April or May**  
 Little Tahoma, East Shoulder (Whitman Glacier) from Paradise. Weekend depending on weather and party members. Glacier travel with class 3 rock near the summit. Basic class graduate or better.  
**Contact: Eric Bennett** (h) 742-4706 (after 9:30am)  
(w) 266-2040 (2:30pm - 1am, m-th)

**Wilderness Beach Camp - Hike** **Apr 5,6,7**  
 Hike 3 miles from Lake Ozette Ranger Station to tree sheltered camp area on ocean. Hike parts of longest wilderness beach in contiguous U.S. Light rain gives interesting ambiance. Steady rain cancels. Would like to leave from Seattle or Edmonds (ferry) by 2 PM Friday.  
**Trip Sponsor: Jim Kissel** **Ph: (206) 631-1288**

**Cleman Mountain** **Saturday & Sunday, April 6-7**  
 Climb Cleman Mountain on two successive days by two very different routes. Saturday's 21 mile ride along panoramic Woodcamp divide carries a fairly strenuous 7.5 Shock Wave Rating; while Sunday's trip through Jones Canyon is an enchanting undertaking of more modest proportions -- SWR 4.9. Two day totals: 9300' gain, 35 miles, 12 hours saddle time.  
**Contact Lizard @ 865-3783** **lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com**

**Whidbey Island Beach Ride** **Monday, May 6**  
 Ride 30+ miles of inter-tidal beach from Admiralty Head to Whidbey Island NAS. High flotation paddle tires (Smokes, Magics, or Conti Pro 2's) recommended. An après-trip fresh water bike wash will be available at Fort Casey. Those riders interested in stretching this trip into a 3-day weekend should check the BoeAlps Homepage in mid-April for details.  
**Contact Lizard @ 865-3783** **lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com**

**The High Desert Peaks of the Great Basin** **May 30-June 16**  
 Bicycle the remote J-P Desert and climb all the 8000' peaks in Idaho's Silver City Range; explore the desolate YP and Diamond A Deserts and experience the utter isolation of Bruneau Canyon; attain nirvana (through dehydration and sheer exhaustion) atop the 10,000' summits of Nevada's Bull Run Mountains; and climb the highest, most remote BLM peak in desert America -- 12,087' Ibapah Peak in the Dry Creek Range of NW Utah.  
 A high clearance 4x4 with full recovery gear required; and a familiarity with basic desert survival skills is recommended.  
**Contact Lizard @ 865-3783** **lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com**

| BOEALPS Echo                              |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Activity Submission Form                  |                   |
| <b>Trip Title:</b>                        | <b>Trip Date:</b> |
| <b>Description:</b>                       |                   |
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| <b>Trip Sponsor:</b>                      | <b>Ph: (H)</b>    |
|   | <b>Ph: (W)</b>    |
| <b>Send to: Bob Conder</b>                |                   |
| <b>bob@bcfsfse.ca.boeing.com MS 2L-75</b> |                   |

## **AGRIS MORRUS MEMORIAL GRANT**

Applications are currently being accepted for the 1996 Agris Morrus Memorial Grant. The grant is offered each year to help meet the expenses of a worthy climbing endeavor attempted by Boealps members. Past grants have been awarded for trips ranging from the Cascades to the Himalaya. The trip's sense of exploration and level of challenge for the applying climbers is more important than the technical difficulty of the objective in awarding the grant. The size of the grant(s) is at the sole discretion of the Board of Trustees, but is generally around \$100.00.

The grant is offered in memory of Agris Morrus, a long time club member and active climber, who lost his life while leading a group of Basic Class students up Lundin Peak on May 9, 1982. The only application requirements are that you are a Boealps member, you attempt the climbing trip, and, if awarded the grant, that you write a letter of thanks to Agris' father. Additional information about Agris and the fund is enclosed in the February 1996 Echo.

Applications may be in letter form and must be submitted by April 12, 1996 to:  
Pam Kaiser @ M/S OR-EU or 2625 169th ST SE  
Bothell, WA 98012

## **DENALI SEMINAR**

A trip to the Alaska Range can be a rewarding life changing experience. If such an endeavor is in your immediate future, plan on attending this seminar. Mike McGuffin will share what he has learned from two expeditions into the Alaska Range. The class will cover technical issues such as gear selection and menu preparation, as well as a brief discussion on the history of mountaineering on North America's highest peak.

Reaching the summit of Denali is a gear intensive goal. This class will arm you with enough information to make educated decisions regarding how to spend your dollars. Discussion will include such confusing topics as down versus synthetic sleeping bags and waterproof breathable fabrics (what's the difference? Is Gore-Tex still king?).

The lure of climbing North America's highest peak has long attracted mountaineers from all parts of the globe. This class will delve into the rich, colorful and sometimes disastrous history of climbing on this magnificent mountain.

Topics which will be covered are:

- Gear
- Food and menu planning
- Training
- Photography
- Getting there
- History of Denali mountaineering

Classes are tentatively for Tuesday April 16 and Tuesday April 23, from 6:30 till 10:00 (I doubt that it will last until 10:00). If interested or contact Mike McGuffin via:

Phone: 524-1155 (H) - Leave a message with mailing address  
M/S 07-51  
Electronic: MMCGUFFINN@AOL.COM

## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

For Sale

North Face Unimog semi-rectangular goose down sleeping bag with stuff sack. Rated to 0 degrees F. Excellent condition - has seen very little use. Fits up to 6' 6". \$180.00 or best offer. Contact Tom Mast at 266-4983 (W) if interested.

## March 1996 Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday March 12, 1996

The minutes from the February board meeting were accepted into the records with the correction of the June Campout being in June not July.

### Echo:

- Len Kannapell (an Echo Editor) handed out "New Echo Procedures". These procedures detailed the consequences of handing in Echo articles late. The handout also listed the preferred method of submitting articles, and some accepted alternatives.
- After some discussion, it was acknowledged that some club officers would prefer E-mail over phone calls, and that for those officers E-mail addresses should be put on the Echo cover. Len will experiment with some formats.
- Jeff Arnold (the President) asked Len to put together a couple of complete sets of Echos to be kept in the Library, and to have a Master copy kept in a "safe" place.

### Homepage:

- There was a comment that even though the Homepage has an Activities Section, it is still the Club's intent to have all activities listed in the Echo.
- It was suggested that the Homepage address should be a standard feature on the cover of the Echo. Len will look into finding the address a home on the cover.
- Dan Costello mentioned that BEWeT has a Homepage which uses a password. Dan passed this tidbit onto Chris Pirson. Chris said he would investigate how to set up a password. Even though we have no plan for a password right now, we might see a use for it in the future.

An Equipment list (including the location of the equipment) will be ready for the May Echo.

The June Campout will be June 8th and 9th. 1st choice for location is the same spot as last year, 2nd choice is Eightmile Campground and 3rd choice is Tumwater Campground.

The July General meeting/picnic will be at Marymoor Park.

A suggestion was made to have a "swap table" set up at every General meeting during the social portion of the meeting. There were no objections.

Jack Huebner informed the Board of an organization wanting volunteers to run a Climbing Experience Program for troubled youths. The Board worried about liability, but had no problem with letting the organization put a request for individuals in the Echo. Jack will get more details about what the organization is hoping for.

### Membership:

- There will be a membership list ready for the April Echo.
- Dan Goering (the Membership chairperson) announced that the club has acquired a used 386PC and laser printer for the Membership committee.
- Dan Goering proposed trimming one month off the membership renewal grace period. Presently the grace period ends in March which is when the Membership chairperson is swamped with work from the Basic Class. The Board agreed with putting applications in the November, December and January Echos, and sending reminders instead of Echos in February to those who had not yet renewed.

The next Board meeting will be April 9th at Katy Rusho's home.

## ***THE PHOTO BOX***

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### THE MARCH PHOTO CONTEST

By Shawn M. Paré

I'd like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Photo Contest. There were many good entries and those of you who didn't show missed out on some great pictures. The first place winning pictures should be printed in this month's ECHO (or will be printed in next month's ECHO if repro cannot scan them in time). 2nd and 3rd place winners are listed under first place winners for each of the categories. All of the slide categories had good participation this year but print categories were pretty slim with not even one Black and White entry. No one person stole the show this year with everyone who made an entry winning a prize.

Prizes given away this year included:

- 4 Camera Cases
- 2 Tripods
- 1 Camera Holster
- 1 Picture Frame
- 1 Photo Album
- 1 Panoramic Camera
- 1 Slide Viewer

and many rolls of slide and print film

#### Note of Thanks

To the numerous people who went to the Winthrop lodge for the January X-country ski trip: thanks for helping me out in the kitchen cooking and serving. I would have really been "toast" without ya'lls help.

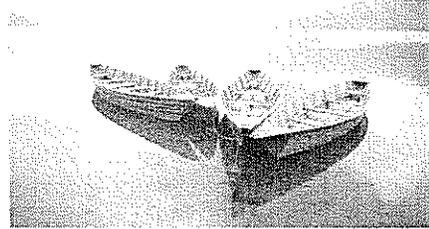
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## PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS - SLIDES



**Mountain Scenes**

1. Elden Altizer - Mt. Kenya
2. John O'Callahan - Chamonix
3. J. Kirby - Snowmelt in Sawtooth



**Nature Scenes**

1. Bill Harrison - 4 Canoes
2. J. Kirby - Marmot Jam
3. Ken Hopping - Cripple Creek



**Climbing**

1. John O'Callahan - Rogers on the Edge
2. Mike McGuffin - In Too Steep
3. Erich Koehler - The Kool Man



**Sunsets and Sunrises**

1. Ken Hopping - Sunset Reflection
2. J. Kirby - First Light from Colchuck Col
3. Ken Hopping - Cripple Creek



**People**

1. Ken Johnson - He'll Climb Anything
2. Mike McGuffin - Nuts to Butts
3. Rob Kunz - Young Sherpani

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| ABBOTT, JOSEPH B         | 266-6127 | 242-3811 | 07 51 | 3715 S 182ND ST #C124     | SEATTLE     | WA | 98188 |
| ABBOTT, SUZANNE          |          | 242-3811 | -     | 3715 SOUTH 182ND ST       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98188 |
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| ADKINS, MARK C.          | 294-6026 | 513-2727 | 03 UM | 5527 COLLEGE AVE.         | EVERETT     | WA | 98203 |
| ALEJANDRO, EDWARD A      | 865-2217 | 271-4931 | 7A 26 | 6402 108TH AVE SE         | NEWCASTLE   | WA | 98056 |
| ALEJANDRO, SANDRA        |          | 271-4931 | -     | 6402 108TH AVE SE         | NEWCASTLE   | WA | 98056 |
| ALLEN, PETER             | 544-3287 | 328-1437 | 46 03 | 3306 16TH AVE S           | SEATTLE     | WA | 98144 |
| ALTIZER, ELDEN           | 342-0157 | 643-5175 | 0A 94 | 5639 126TH AVE SE         | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98006 |
| ANDERSON, LOWELL         |          | 772-6284 | -     | 8225 S 128TH              | SEATTLE     | WA | 98178 |
| ARENS, MARY ANN          | 234-9305 | 952-3518 | -     | 32219 16TH PL SW          | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| ARENS, WILLIAM J         | 931-9484 | 952-3518 | 5C 11 | 32219 16TH PL SW          | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| ARNOLD, JEFFREY          | 655-8167 | 859-8768 | 4E 48 | 3314 S 261ST PL           | KENT        | WA | 98032 |
| BAAL, ALLEN              | 781-7812 | 781-2382 | -     | 756 N 74TH ST             | SEATTLE     | WA | 98103 |
| BALDWIN, RICHARD F.      | 544-7580 | 439-1638 | 2H 30 | 14224 55TH AVE S          | TUKWILA     | WA | 98188 |
| BARRON, DEAN             | 662-0050 | 868-8001 | 4C 61 | 2932 229TH PL NE          | REDMOND     | WA | 98053 |
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| BECKEY, FRED             |          |          | -     | 12526 FREMONT N           | SEATTLE     | WA | 98133 |
| BEEMSTER, TRACY L        |          | 486-2000 | -     | 10223 NE 198TH            | BOTHELL     | WA | 98011 |
| BENNETT, ERIC R          | 266-2040 | 742-4706 | 39 PH | 3315 133RD ST SW #105     | LYNNWOOD    | WA | 98037 |
| BENSON, THOMAS R.        | 294-6931 | 527-2006 | 03 KH | 6544 LATONA AVE NE        | SEATTLE     | WA | 98115 |
| BINGLE, MIKE             | 662-4929 | 935-3992 | 19 MH | 5444 37 AVE SW            | SEATTLE     | WA | 98126 |
| BITTNER, AMBROSE         | 011-8128 | -2220541 | -     | TOCHIGI-SHI               | JAPAN       |    |       |
| BLACKWELL, DAVID B       | 342-5685 | 528-0610 | 0H 92 | 7736 34TH AVE NE          | SEATTLE     | WA | 98115 |
| BOLTON, BERNIE B.        | 773-6237 | 542-3469 | 82 15 | 19604 14TH AVE NW         | SHORELINE   | WA | 98177 |
| BRANDIS, HENRY           | 662-2453 | 367-0847 | 43 41 | 14285 SHERWOOD RD NW      | SEATTLE     | WA | 98177 |
| BRENDEMIHL, FRITZ        | 342-0904 | 277-3327 | 03 67 | 2116 HIGH AVE NE          | RENTON      | WA | 980   |
| BRINTON, RUSSELL S       | 662-2237 | 829-9085 | 49 72 | 8315 272ND AVE CT E       | BUCKLEY     | WA | 9832  |
| BROCKHAUSEN, ROBERT      | 662-4941 | 762-2618 | 19 MH | 10401 19TH AVE SW         | SEATTLE     | WA | 98146 |
| BROWER, PAUL A           | 435-8831 | 513-9372 | -     | 6014 BROOKRIDGE BLVD      | EVERETT     | WA | 98203 |
| BROWNELL, MARGARET       | 865-7339 | 454-0189 | 7R 54 | 2610 98TH AVE NE          | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98004 |
| CHAPLIN, CAREY           | 717-0145 | 365-8858 | 0P LA | 349 NW 113TH PL           | SEATTLE     | WA | 98177 |
| CHRISTIAN, JUDY          | 628-8000 | 784-2501 | -     | 622 NW 86TH ST            | SEATTLE     | WA | 98117 |
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| CIRLINCIONE, GLENN       | 957-5282 | 271-2931 | 7M HA | 16410 SE 143RD PL         | RENTON      | WA | 98059 |
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| CLARE, JOSEPH            | 827-7701 | 746-9308 | -     | 5227 116TH PL SE          | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98006 |
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| DAVIES, LAURIS           | 553-2857 | 784-5203 | -     | 319 N 74TH ST             | SEATTLE     | WA | 98103 |
| DAVIS, DAN               |          | 284-1588 | -     | 3222 30TH AVE W           | SEATTLE     | WA | 98199 |
| DAVIS, JAKE (RECREATION) | 342-5000 |          | 0F KA |                           |             |    |       |
| DELLARCO, DAVID J        | 553-4978 | 784-5203 | -     | 319 N 74TH ST             | SEATTLE     | WA | 98103 |
| DINNING, ROBERT          |          | 747-5185 | -     | 2115 123RD AVE SE         | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98005 |
| DRYDEN, ROBERT           |          | 938-4526 | -     | 9038 30TH AVE SW          | SEATTLE     | WA | 98126 |
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| EDGAR, STEVEN R        | 227-2025 | 285-6864 | 6Y 01 | 1946 6TH AVE W              | SEATTLE      | WA | 98119 |
| EGGOLD, DAVID P        | 237-5418 | 347-9174 | 67 65 | 328 TAMARACK DR             | EVERETT      | WA | 98203 |
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| ESTEP, STEPHEN         | 773-2779 | 935-7181 | 8W 19 | 3808 45TH SW                | SEATTLE      | WA | 98116 |
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| EWING, PATRICK D       | 237-7662 | 237-7662 | 74 86 | 19612 109TH PL NE           | BOTHELL      | WA | 98011 |
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| FENSTRA, LISA          |          | 483-1069 | -     | 22911 101ST AVE SE          | WOODINVILLE  | WA | 98072 |
| FERGUSON, JOHN M       | 773-3113 | 784-9294 | 81 16 | 552 N 68TH ST               | SEATTLE      | WA | 98103 |
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| FLECK, RONALD K        | 773-5090 | 255-7403 | 3C 21 | 1700 FIELD AVE NE           | RENTON       | WA | 98059 |
| FOSBERG, JOHN T        | 342-5759 | 778-3026 | 0H 00 | 3525 227TH ST SW            | BRIER        | WA | 98036 |
| FOX, TRENTON P         | 453-0450 | 821-4167 | -     | 11915 NE 140TH ST           | KIRKLAND     | WA | 98034 |
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| FRANZEN, SIGNE M       | 292-1111 | 526-9364 | -     | 6535 4TH AVE NE             | SEATTLE      | WA | 98115 |
| FROM, SANDY            | 395-4198 | 391-5977 | -     | 2303 245 TH AVE SE          | ISSAQUAH     | WA | 98029 |
| FROSTAD, SCOTT         | 662-7314 | 783-7378 | 20 89 | 736 N 98TH ST               | SEATTLE      | WA | 98103 |
| FUKUDA, DEREK          | 237-9540 | 634-2784 | 09 77 | 13421 SE 43RD ST            | BELLEVUE     | WA | 98006 |
| FURNEY, LINDA G        | 662-1456 | 325-3756 | 4C 07 | 2350 MINOR AVE E            | SEATTLE      | WA | 98102 |
| GARRISON, KENNETH J    | 294-4171 | 787-3469 | 03 86 | 16208 LARCH WAY             | LYNNWOOD     | WA | 98037 |
| GASTELUM, DAVID        | 657-9889 | 432-3607 | 3W 85 | 21237 SE 280TH ST           | KENT         | WA | 98042 |
| GILBERT, CHARLES ALLEN | 655-5016 | 937-7297 | 1R 28 | 9332 FOREST CT SW           | SEATTLE      | WA | 98136 |
| GILBERTSON, TODD       |          | 828-2400 | -     | 3006 NORTHRUP WAY SUITE 200 | BELLEVUE     | WA | 98004 |
| GLOGER, DAVID M        | 234-0929 | 633-1686 | 67 KE | 5404 KEYSTONE PLACE N       | SEATTLE      | WA | 98103 |
| GOERING, DANIEL J      | 234-5778 | 364-6783 | 67 63 | 15002 9TH PL NE             | SEATTLE      | WA | 98155 |
| GOODMAN, DONALD J      |          |          | 2H 96 | PO BOX 3707, MS 2H-96       | SEATTLE      | WA | 98124 |
| GOODNOUGH, STEVE       | 391-7186 | 391-7186 | -     | 25512 SE 41ST CT            | ISSAQUAH     | WA | 98027 |
| GORREMANS, GARY        | 957-5576 | 485-6134 | 7M EJ | 16619 NE 180TH PL           | WOODINVILLE  | WA | 98072 |
| GRAFF, PETE M          | 294-5257 | 548-9062 | 0T 77 | 4749 THACKARY PL NE         | SEATTLE      | WA | 98105 |
| GRIESE, RICK L         | 965-5681 | 277-4041 | 97 62 | 20931 SE 138TH PL           | ISSAQUAH     | WA | 98027 |
| GRINDSTAFF DUANE       |          | 630-7346 | -     | 17628 SE 288TH PL           | KENT         | WA | 98042 |
| GRONAU, CHRIS          | 342-5706 | 672-9259 | 04 CE | 23404 EDMONDS WAY #E304     | EDMONDS      | WA | 98026 |
| GROVES, MICHELLE M-E   |          | 778-1950 | -     | 4105 236TH ST SW #K-103     | MTLK TERRACE | WA | 98043 |
| GRUBENHOFF, MARK (SAM) | 931-9302 | 735-2739 | 5K 47 | 402 F ST SE                 | AUBURN       | WA | 98002 |
| HAHNE, EDWARD H.       | 342-0718 | 744-1267 | 03 67 | 8605 244TH ST SW #F         | EDMONDS      | WA | 98026 |
| HANSEN, KARYL          | 237-2947 | 392-8695 | 64 65 | 23717 SE 24TH               | ISSAQUAH     | WA | 98027 |
| HANSON, BRADLEY JAY    | 342-3355 | 353-9265 | 0X TJ | 10220 3RD AVE SE #432       | EVERETT      | WA | 98208 |
| HARDWICK, ROBERT       | 234-4034 | 285-2721 | 74 86 | 2415 2ND AVE N              | SEATTLE      | WA | 98109 |
| HARP, SUSAN P          |          | 861-0858 | -     | 13017 176TH PL NE           | REDMOND      | WA | 98052 |
| HARPER, KEN R          |          | 402-6646 | -     | 16619 NE 180TH PL           | WOODINVILLE  | WA | 98072 |
| HARRISON, WILLIAM L    | 662-2487 | 633-1220 | 4E 09 | 3721 MERIDIAN AVE N         | SEATTLE      | WA | 98103 |
| HAUCK, DAVID P.        | 773-4011 | 226-0151 | 8J 70 | 16416 SE 143RD PL           | RENTON       | WA | 98059 |
| HAUCK, SHEILA J        |          | 226-0151 | -     | 16416 SE 143RD PL           | RENTON       | WA | 98059 |
| HAWKINSON, RICHARD H   | 294-7805 | 742-8752 | 03 MA | 1224 118TH PL SE            | EVERETT      | WA | 98208 |
| HEIDAL, PATRICK D      | 655-7517 | 935-0660 | 4E 11 | 1615 44TH AVE SW            | SEATTLE      | WA | 98116 |
| HEIDEL, MARK C         | 631-6786 | 631-6786 | -     | 24904 183RD PL SE           | KENT         | WA | 98042 |
| HELLENSTELL, MARK      | 294-5769 | 579-8633 | 02 40 | 3996 E BAILEY RD            | CLINTON      | WA | 98236 |
| HELSEL, MARK P         | 885-8505 | 517-4861 | -     | 15127 NE 24TH ST #403       | REDMOND      | WA | 98052 |

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| HICKS, MARK A.        | 467-5281 | 661-5742 | -     | 3800 SW 313TH          | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| HINES, WILLIAM L      | 965-3177 | 227-7758 | 9W 03 | 5021 RIPLEY LN N #111  | RENTON      | WA | 98056 |
| HOLLINGSWORTH, JEFF   | 557-4480 | 631-8979 | -     | 18723 SE 268TH ST      | KENT        | WA | 98042 |
| HOLLOWAY, JOYCE R     | 865-2838 | 888-4434 | 7J 74 | 15704 451ST AVE SE     | NORTH BEND  | WA | 98045 |
| HOPPING, KENNETH A    | 773-9071 | 562-1817 | 3E 28 | 4117 145TH AVE NE      | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98007 |
| HOWARD, DAN J         | 294-4318 | 823-0767 | 02 29 | 10928 NE 117TH PL      | KIRKLAND    | WA | 98034 |
| HUDSON, TIM           | 655-0085 | 935-4378 | 4H 18 | 6737 38TH AVE SW       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98126 |
| HUEBNER, JACK         | 965-5991 | 228-1837 | 6H CE | 432 SMITHERS AVE S     | RENTON      | WA | 98055 |
| IODICE, ARTHUR P.     | 234-8646 | 284-9456 | 6H WT | 2205 BIGELOW NORTH #7  | SEATTLE     | WA | 98109 |
| JACKSON, TIM          | 773-0013 | 529-0423 | 8W 19 | 26905 9TH AVE S        | KENT        | WA | 98032 |
| JAHNS, THOMAS R       | 662-8543 | 243-8770 | 20 41 | 12706 MILITARY RD      | SEATTLE     | WA | 98168 |
| JAMES, CATHY          |          | 861-0455 | -     | 7435 159TH PL NE #F335 | REDMOND     | WA | 98052 |
| JAMES, ROBERT         | 883-2525 | 861-0455 | -     | 7435 159TH PL NE #F335 | REDMOND     | WA | 98052 |
| JOHNSON, KEN          | 773-2247 | 337-6282 | 8R 13 | 11613 38TH DR SE       | EVERETT     | WA | 98208 |
| JOHNSON, L PHILIP     | 662-2029 | 362-6095 | 49 71 | 4230 NE 113TH ST       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| JOHNSON, LARRY P      | (406)    | 585-0514 | -     | 9200 RIVER ROAD        | BOZEMAN     | MT | 59715 |
| JOHNSON, ROGER        | 657-3009 | 235-0330 | 3A KP | 611 CEDAR AVE S #A     | RENTON      | WA | 98055 |
| JOLLY, MARTY B.       | 662-1181 | 852-7924 | 4C 09 | 19801 104 AVE. S.E.    | RENTON      | WA | 98055 |
| KAISER, PAMELA        | 266-9944 | 483-0548 | OR EU | 2625 169 TH ST. SE     | BOTHELL     | WA | 98012 |
| KANE, PHILIP C        | 237-2403 | 565-4642 | 9W 28 | 2603 103RD AVE COURT E | EDGEWOOD    | WA | 98372 |
| KANNAPELL, LEONARD P. | 662-1457 | 361-7523 | 4C 07 | 1015 NE 126 TH ST.     | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| KASIULIS, ERICK       |          | 641-9653 | -     | 12239 SE 61ST ST       | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98006 |
| KELLEGREW, KEVIN W    | 641-6631 | 228-0697 | -     | 3716 NE 12TH           | RENTON      | WA | 98056 |
| KENISON, BRIAN W.     | 544-5352 | 852-2981 | 2T 40 | 1212 E LAUREL ST       | KENT        | WA | 98031 |
| KIRBY, J (WILLIAM)    |          | 270-9406 | -     | 510 4TH AVE W #203     | SEATTLE     | WA | 98119 |
| KISSELL, JAMES W      |          | 631-1288 | 5A AR | PO BOX 882             | RENTON      | WA | 98056 |
| KNESS, KAREN M.       |          | 838-3860 | -     | 32320 2ND AVE SW       | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| KNESS, STEVE          | 773-3004 | 838-3860 | 8C 80 | 32320 2ND AVE SW       | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| KOEHLER, ERICH        | 773-0714 | 588-9803 | 3E 73 | 9010 25TH AVE CT S     | TACOMA      | WA | 98409 |
| KONGORSKI, KENNETH D  | 743-8139 | 489-0788 | -     | 12716 NE 200TH PLACE   | BOTHELL     | WA | 98011 |
| KOURY, AL             |          | 365-8516 | -     | 14036 17TH AVE NE      | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| KRALIK, CASEY         | 266-5098 | 402-4662 | -     | 19158 130TH CT NE      | BOTHELL     | WA | 98011 |
| KRENZER, RANDY        | 773-3141 | 235-8812 | 8F 81 | 17844 156TH PLACE SE   | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| KRENZER, VIRGINIA     |          | 235-8812 | -     | 17844 156TH PL SE      | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| KRIEWALD, BRYAN       | 655-3415 | 631-2937 | 4E 48 | 12612 SE 270TH ST      | KENT        | WA | 98031 |
| KROGH, STEVE B        | 294-0780 | 222-6230 | 02 JP | 28702 SE 67TH ST       | ISSAQUAH    | WA | 98027 |
| KRUEGER, LEE R        | 234-3407 | 868-3924 | 67 HL | 21312 NE 10TH PL       | REDMOND     | WA | 98053 |
| KUEHNER, DEBORAH      | 233-7657 | 814-9771 | -     | 10248 NE 138TH PL      | KIRKLAND    | WA | 98034 |
| KUEHNER, MICHAEL      | 654-7550 | 814-9771 | -     | 10248 NE 138TH PL      | KIRKLAND    | WA | 98034 |
| KULSETH, GREGORY T    | 294-8797 | 542-2136 | 0H 54 | 19316 1ST AVE NW       | SHORELINE   | WA | 98177 |
| KUNZ, ROBERT          | 655-7645 | 933-8778 | 4E 17 | 4540 45TH AVE SW #406  | SEATTLE     | WA | 98116 |
| LAROCCA, GLEN         | 773-2365 | 255-8815 | 8Y 96 | 8052 S 134TH ST        | SEATTLE     | WA | 98178 |
| LARSON, DAVID E       | 655-6165 | 370-4076 | 19 09 | 2510 33RD AVE. S.E.    | PUYALLUP    | WA | 98374 |
| LAW, GUY              | 544-8522 | 392-3504 | 2J 58 | 16514 TIGER MTN RD SE  | ISSAQUAH    | WA | 98027 |
| LEIBFRIED, LISA       | 655-0986 | 365-0906 | 4H 21 | P.O. BOX 25662         | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| LEITNER, EDWARD       |          | 893-8701 | -     | 14621 134TH AVE E      | PUYALLUP    | WA | 98374 |
| LEITNER, PILLA A      | 773-1560 | 893-8701 | 88 52 | 14621 134TH AVE E      | PUYALLUP    | WA | 98374 |
| LILLEY, ERIC A        | 544-0978 | 641-6158 | 2H 83 | 5315 SOMERSET DR SE    | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98006 |
| LIMB, MAX             | 451-1148 | 827-5934 | 0F 42 | 214 19TH PL            | KIRKLAND    | WA | 98033 |
| LIXVAR, JOHN          | 865-3783 | 255-4754 | 7L 20 | 15638 SE 175TH ST      | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| LOFTUS, MARK          | 773-5945 | 248-0457 | 3E 73 | 16207 8TH AVE S        | SEATTLE     | WA | 98148 |
| LYTTLE, DAVID W       | 657-6849 | 243-1684 | 3U EC | 16603 21ST AVE SW      | SEATTLE     | WA | 98166 |
| MANSFIELD, JOSEPH C   | 655-6812 | 525-3889 | 4E 82 | 1905 NE NAOMI PLACE    | SEATTLE     | WA | 98116 |

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| MAUK, TIMOTHY          | 773-3017 | 522-5081 | 8Y 49 | 8012 36TH AVE NE           | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| MAY, DAVID L           | 773-6356 | 431-8481 | 8J 62 | 13638 6TH AVE SW           | SEATTLE       | WA | 98166 |
| MCGUCKIN, JOHN K       | 237-0832 | 788-6054 | 9W 06 | 18041 NE 155TH PL          | WOODINVILLE   | WA | 98072 |
| MCGUFFIN, MICHAEL      | 294-3443 | 524-1155 | 07 51 | 4710 35TH AVE NE           | SEATTLE       | WA | 98105 |
| MCKAIN, SUE A          | 747-4004 | 747-3136 | -     | 16529 29TH                 | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98008 |
| MEJIA, KEVIN M         | 237-8011 | 391-5977 | 67 32 | 2303 245TH AVE. S.E.       | ISSAQUAH      | WA | 98029 |
| MENZER, ART            | 358-7123 | 282-7405 | -     | 160 LEE ST APT #205        | SEATTLE       | WA | 98109 |
| MICHELSON, RICHARD A.  |          | 542-4581 | -     | 16901 14TH AVE NW          | SHORELINE     | WA | 98177 |
| MIKOS, JASON P         |          | 886-0929 | -     | 29121 236TH AVE SE         | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| MIKOS, JOHN V          |          | 886-0929 | -     | 29121 236TH AVE SE         | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| MITCHELL, MICHAEL E.   | 342-4330 | 787-2014 | 0Y 88 | 15723 40TH AVE W #F106     | LYNWOOD       | WA | 98037 |
| MOENCH, JILL C         | 342-2551 | 828-9117 | 02 FF | 130 10TH AVE S             | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| MONDRZYK, ROBERT J     |          | 432-9578 | -     | 23805 SE 208TH             | MAPLE VALLEY  | WA | 98038 |
| MOORMAN, STEVEN B      | 662-8312 | 870-7702 | 20 04 | 24324 MILITARY RD S        | KENT          | WA | 98032 |
| MOSMAN, MICHAEL P      | 821-2800 | 258-2461 | -     | 1530 51ST PL SW            | EVERETT       | WA | 98203 |
| MOSMAN, PAUL S         |          | 348-9245 | -     | 3013 PANAVIEW BLVD         | EVERETT       | WA | 98203 |
| MURPHY, BRIAN J        | 685-3731 | 632-9602 | -     | 3721 SUNNYSIDE AVE N       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| MURRAY, CARLA D        |          | 523-4230 | -     | 7924 DENSMORE AVE          | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| NEAL, KEITH            | 294-4377 | 286-1163 | 02 19 | 4726 ELM ST                | EVERETT       | WA | 98203 |
| NELSON, MAREN          |          | 822-0455 | -     | 6509 114TH AVE NE          | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| NEUBERGER, MICHAEL W   | 237-9095 | 228-9764 | 9P 04 | 16624 133RD PL. SE         | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| O'CALLAHAN, JOHN A     | 662-1213 | 782-5450 | 4H 21 | 4416 GREENWOOD AVE N       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| OLDS, JOHN             |          | 243-2171 | -     | 1611 SW 170TH              | NORMANDY PARK | WA | 98166 |
| OLDS, KIRSTEN          |          | 243-2171 | -     | 1611 SW 170                | NORMANDY PARK | WA | 98166 |
| OLIVER, JANET          | 862-9569 | 413-0298 | -     | 18017 187TH AVE SE         | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| OLSON, DON             |          | 932-4526 | -     | 4510 SW DIRECTOR ST        | SEATTLE       | WA | 98136 |
| ORTIZ-APONTE, JAVIER R | 234-0316 | 270-8964 | 9U UX | 1404 10TH AVE W #7         | SEATTLE       | WA | 98119 |
| OSTROFF, HENRI M.      | 266-2280 | 562-9157 | 39 PH | 14524 SE 13TH PL           | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98007 |
| OTT, DALE              | 931-4345 | 838-8314 | 5K 25 | 32521 41 AVE SW            | FEDERAL WAY   | WA | 98023 |
| QUELLETTE, ANDREW      | 266-9168 | 486-2376 | 03 86 | 19312 29TH AVE SE          | BOTHEL        | WA | 98012 |
| OWEN, PETER J          | 266-9332 | 348-0693 | 08 16 | 12102 4TH AVE W #6-103     | EVERETT       | WA | 98204 |
| PACKER, ROBERT         | 342-6385 | 353-2644 | 0Y 08 | 5111 86TH PL SW            | MUKILTEO      | WA | 98275 |
| PARE, SHAWN            | 342-7134 | 483-0548 | 0Y 20 | 2625 169TH ST SE           | BOTHELL       | WA | 98012 |
| PARKS, EDWARD A        | 342-9084 | 453-7124 | 07 31 | 128 108TH AVE SE           | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98004 |
| PATNOE, MICHAEL        | 773-3885 | 783-0841 | 8H 05 | 2857 NW 70TH ST            | SEATTLE       | WA | 98117 |
| PATTON, DANIEL         | 294-0375 | 823-1169 | 0R CJ | 12224 NE 130TH WAY #J104   | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98034 |
| PEGG, MICK R.          | 657-6342 | 630-3318 | 3W WF | 26446 161ST PL SE          | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| PENNA, PATRICK A       | 266-5236 | 774-1374 | 0Y 25 | 22103 90TH PL WEST         | EDMONDS       | WA | 98026 |
| PEPITONE, DAVID        | 294-3361 | 641-2901 | 02 JH | 666 156TH AVE NE           | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98007 |
| PERRIN, MARVIN D       | 773-9950 | 932-5381 | 82 05 | 6742 37TH AVE SW           | SEATTLE       | WA | 98126 |
| PERRIN, MARVIN N       |          | 838-9126 | -     | 37210 32ND AVE S           | AUBURN        | WA | 98001 |
| PIRSON, CHRISTOPHER J. | 655-9722 | 852-4826 | 14 ME | 25215 110TH AVE SE #Y103   | KENT          | WA | 98031 |
| PISARUCK, MICHAEL A    | 515-8072 | 937-0602 | -     | 3446 39TH AVE SW           | SEATTLE       | WA | 98116 |
| PLIMPTON, JOHN         | 924-3057 | 525-3786 | -     | 8760 SAND POINT WAY NE     | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| POLLOCK, JAMES         | 294-8215 | 347-0346 | 02 FE | 12303 HARBOR PT BLVD #R304 | MUKILTEO      | WA | 98275 |
| POLLOCK, JOHN          | 365-9192 |          | -     | P.O. BOX 27344             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98125 |
| POTTER, NATHANIEL M    | 544-8459 | 226-5657 | 2J 02 | 16006 188TH AVE SE         | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| PRICE, EARL            | 351-1378 | 848-7544 | 5C AL | 12344 TATOOSH RD E         | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| PRICE, MYRNA           |          | 848-7544 | -     | 12344 TATOOSH RD E         | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| PRIVETT, RICHARD       | 662-1466 | 863-0286 | 4C 09 | 6213 152ND AVE CT. E.      | SUMNER        | WA | 98390 |
| PROSTKA, JAMES         | 294-4134 | 861-0858 | 02 18 | 13017 176TH PL NE          | REDMOND       | WA | 98052 |
| PUGH, PAUL             | 662-8182 | 813-2139 | 20 86 | 6707 S 239TH ST D-104      | KENT          | WA | 98032 |
| YSCHER, PAUL           | 234-4715 | 764-9249 | 92 13 | 2201 SW HOLDEN #A106       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98106 |

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| RATLIFF, ROY            | 768-3914 | 439-8067 | -     | 15443 38TH LN S #79         | SEATTLE       | WA | 98188 |
| REED, DALE              |          | 243-9129 | -     | 12027 10TH AVE S            | SEATTLE       | WA | 98168 |
| REITZ, CHRISTOPHER A    | 294-6952 | 347-3459 | 03 KK | 9009 W MALL DR #106         | EVERETT       | WA | 98208 |
| RENSI, RISE             | 731-3510 | 767-7285 | -     | 5324 16TH AVE S             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98108 |
| RETKA, PAUL J           | 773-7311 | 431-5771 | 8A 36 | 16640 51ST AVE S            | SEATAC        | WA | 98188 |
| RICHMOND, STEVEN        | 662-8165 | 631-3591 | 20 86 | 12908 SE 278TH ST           | KENT          | WA | 98031 |
| ROBERTS, GLENN L.       | 868-5055 | 868-8515 | -     | 659 E LAKE SAMMAMISH PKY NE | REDMOND       | WA | 98053 |
| ROBERTSON, MATTHEW R.   | 957-5691 | 822-0455 | 7M EM | 6509 114TH AVE NE           | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| ROGERS, THOMAS A. JR    | 773-8517 | 820-1522 | 86 11 | 8014 NE 112TH ST            | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98034 |
| ROHRER, THOMAS R        | 237-0905 | 228-8420 | 6X HF | 13514 SE 186TH PL           | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| ROPER, JOHN             |          | 746-8462 | -     | 14332 SOMERSET BLVD SE      | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| ROSKE, JOE A            | 931-9752 | 825-3575 | 5T 06 | 2243 SCANDIA AVE            | ENUMCLAW      | WA | 98022 |
| ROTH, ANDREW S.         | 342-0415 | 337-6337 | OU 43 | 12120 43RD DR SE            | EVERETT       | WA | 98208 |
| ROWE, ROBERT            |          | 232-1988 | -     | PO BOX 1373                 | MERCER ISLAND | WA | 98040 |
| RUDESILL, CHRISTOPHER   | 294-1422 | 527-1489 | OP 04 | 7522 SUNNYSIDE AVE N.       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| RUSHO, CATHERINE (KATE) | 462-2005 | 367-8763 | -     | 351 N 137TH ST              | SEATTLE       | WA | 98155 |
| SANDERS, DOUG G         | 622-2140 | 252-5331 | -     | 1605 OAKES AVE              | EVERETT       | WA | 98201 |
| SANGESLAND, ODDVAR      | 234-5904 | 481-0869 | 67 32 | 19217 58TH NE               | SEATTLE       | WA | 98155 |
| SATO, BRIAN             | 649-7265 | 649-8926 | -     | 2642 166TH AVE SE           | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98008 |
| SAVAGE, DAVID E.        | 662-1455 | 562-9215 | 4C 07 | 4825 122 AVE SE             | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| SCHILLE, SAMUEL J       |          | 524-7150 | -     | 3529 NE 87TH ST             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| SELS, ROBERT            | 965-5174 | 562-1007 | 6H CJ | 4515 125TH AVE SE #310      | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| SERRILL, DOUGLAS J.     | 266-7980 | 341-7026 | OX MU | 7042 S HOLST                | CLINTON       | WA | 98236 |
| SEVERS, PHILLIP         | (907)    | 543-4019 | -     | PO BOX 652                  | BETHEL        | AK | 99559 |
| SHETTER, MARTIN         | 703-6343 | 641-8436 | -     | 4617 149TH AV SE            | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| SHIPWAY, JOHN           | 237-5627 | 347-6146 | 67 32 | 1119-B 132ND ST SW          | EVERETT       | WA | 98201 |
| SHIVITZ, WILLIAM F      | 294-0761 | 228-0120 | 02 JP | 17620 E LAKE DESIRE DR SE   | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| SHOE, DANIEL M          | 237-1969 | 827-2187 | 73 42 | 6118 120TH AVE NE           | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| SLANSKY, DICK           | 294-2138 | 353-9118 | OX TL | 730 112TH ST SW #H4         | EVERETT       | WA | 98204 |
| SLETE, STANLEY O        | 931-9671 | 874-5384 | 5T 04 | 2713 S 353RD PL             | FEDERAL WAY   | WA | 98003 |
| SMITH, ELLEN            |          | 546-5367 | -     | 528 N 188TH ST              | SEATTLE       | WA | 98133 |
| SMITH, LESLIE           | 486-2000 | 486-2000 | -     | 10223 NE 198TH              | BOTHELL       | WA | 98011 |
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APRIL 1996

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*Thanks to everyone!!*

# ALPINE ECHO

May 1996



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Photo: Mt. Francis (Foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

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From Dan Goering 67-63

### *May General Meeting*

Thursday, May 2 7:30 pm  
Refreshments at 7:00 pm  
Oxbow Recreation Center



**Come see veteran Boealper Tom Stewart and his 1964 ascent of Independence Ridge on Mt. Logan.**

*And for the Minishow, Silas Wild takes you way on down south - his 1996 Patagonia expedition*

## **BELAY STANCE**

### **Attention: Oxbow Bridge Is Closed**

Because we know you all wait anxiously each month for the General Meeting, it is imperative that we warn you the Oxbow bridge is under reconstruction and will not be available for use until the projected reopening in mid-August. Then how, pray tell, does one get to the Oxbow? Follow the map drawn inside this ECHO, courtesy of President Arnold. And please, keep the cursing to yourself.

### **Late April ECHO Arrival**

The truancy of the ECHO delivery has transformed itself from being an occasional annoyance to a monthly migraine - the culprit this time was our folks at Repro, who did a great job as usual but spent too much time digitally scanning the slides from the Photo Contest. My fond hope is that this one arrives just a shade earlier than one day before the General Meeting...

### **New Front Cover Format**

A request was made a while back to include e-mail addresses for the Board/staff of the club - this is an idea which seems most logical, since many of us are on e-mail systems. Whenever possible, please contact the individuals at the e-mail addresses to minimize phone time. A more complete listing will be available next month.

### **June ECHO inputs to Mike McGuffin**

Since one-half of the editorial team is heading off on an Alaskan venture in mid-May, please send all inputs for the June issue to Mike McGuffin at mmcguffinn@aol.com. Be kind to your editors - turn in your inputs early.

### **June Campout - June 7-9**

When the rain does stop this spring, how nice it will be for the spring club campout - this time at Eightmile group campground (near Leavenworth). Signup sheet and more info inside.

### **Current Club Inventory**

At last, Equipment Chair Silas Wild is back from his Patagonian trip and has the new and updated equipment inventory; again, the equipment has been divided up to be borrowed from any of three convenient locations - at a Boealps equipment person near you.

### **Swap Table/Classified Ads Reminder**

At least one item was bought and sold at last month's swap before the General Meeting got underway, so let's at least double that this month. Gather the mountaineering items you want to sell and bring 'em and barter 'em from 7:00 to 7:30 pm before the meeting gets underway. And don't forget to send a list of your items for sale for publication in the ECHO.

### **This Month**

Board minutes. A current road closure listing due to the fall/winter flooding. Changes in obtaining permits to the Enchantments. More Salvage Logging Rider info from the Conservation Cornerman, J. Kirby. And yes, the winners in the print categories for the Photo Contest.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**JUNE ECHO DEADLINE IS MAY 23th**

# May 1996

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday   |
|--|---|---|---|--|---|--|
|  |   |   | 1<br><br>Basic Class Lecture     | 2<br><br>Club Meeting  | 3<br>Full Moon<br> | 4<br><br>BC @ Nisqually Glacier<br>IC @ Smith Rocks |
| 5<br><br>BC @ Nisqually Glacier<br>Cinco de Mayo<br>IC @ Smith Rocks | 6<br><br>Whidbey Beach Ride          | 7   | 8<br><br>Basic Class Lecture     | 9<br><br>Board Meeting<br>Last Quarter   | 10  | 11<br><br>BC Graduation Climb                       |
| 12<br><br>BC Graduation Climb<br>Mother's Day                        | 13<br><br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 14  | 15<br><br>Basic Class Lecture    | 16<br>Ascension Day  | 17<br>New Moon<br> | 18<br>Armed Forces Day<br>BC Trail Maintenance<br>IC @ Squamish Smith Rock   |
| 19<br><br>BC Trail Maintenance<br>IC @ Squamish Smith Rock           | 20  | 21  | 22<br><br>Basic Class Graduation | 23<br><br>Echo Deadline  | 24  | 25<br>1st Quarter  |
| 26<br>Pentecost  | 27<br><br>Memorial Day (Observed)    | 28<br><br>Intermediate Class Lecture | 29  | 30<br><br>High Desert w/Lizard 5/30 - 6/16<br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">High Desert w/Lizard</div> | 31  |  |

# June 1996

| Sunday   | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|--|--------|---------|-----------|--|---|---|
|  |        |         |           |  |   | 1<br>Full Moon<br><br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">High Desert w/Li...</div> |
| 2  | 3      | 4       | 5         | 6<br>Corpus Christi  | 7<br>Club Campout @ Eightmile   | 8<br>Club Campout @ Eightmile<br>Last Quarter   |
| High Desert w/Lizard   |        |         |           |  |   |   |
| 9<br>Club Campout @ Eightmile  | 10     | 11      | 12        | 13   | 14<br>Flag Day<br> | 15<br>New Moon  |
| High Desert w/Lizard   |        |         |           |  |   |   |
| 16<br>Father's Day<br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">High Desert w/Li...</div> | 17     | 18      | 19        | 20<br><br>Echo Deadline<br>Summer begins | 21  | 22  |
| 23<br>1st Quarter  | 24     | 25      | 26        | 27   | 28  | 29  |
| 30<br>Full Moon<br>                     |        |         |           |  |   |   |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### Little Tahoma

April or May

Little Tahoma, East Shoulder (Whitman Glacier) from Paradise. Weekend depending on weather and party members. Glacier travel with class 3 rock near the summit. Basic class graduate or better.

Contact: Eric Bennett

H: 742-4706 (after 9:30am), W: 266-2040 (2:30pm - 1am, m-th)  
benerx00@ccmail.ca.boeing.com

### Whidbey Island Beach Ride

Monday, May 6

Ride 30+ miles of inter-tidal beach from Admiralty Head to Whidbey Island NAS. High flotation paddle tires (Smokes, Magics, or Conti Pro 2's) recommended. An après-trip fresh water bike wash will be available at Fort Casey. Those riders interested in stretching this trip into a 3-day weekend should check the BoeAlps Homepage in mid-April for details.

Contact Lizard @ 865-3783

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### Smith Rock, Oregon

May 17-19

A little north of Bend, OR is one of the great sport climbing meccas of the US. All abilities welcome, from those honedogs that can flash 14's to beginners. Numerous (100's) sport routes (bolts, from the 5.5 range to well into double digits) and some trad (traditional pro placements). Most routes are 25m with some multi-pitch.

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### The High Desert Peaks of the Great Basin

May 30-June 16

Bicycle the remote J-P Desert and climb all the 8000' peaks in Idaho's Silver City Range; explore the desolate YP and Diamond A Deserts and experience the utter isolation of Bruneau Canyon; attain nirvana (through dehydration and sheer exhaustion) atop the 10,000' summits of Nevada's Bull Run Mountains; and climb the highest, most remote BLM peak in desert America - 12,087' Ibapah Peak in the Dry Creek Range of NW Utah. A high clearance 4x4 with full recovery gear required; and a familiarity with basic desert survival skills is recommended.

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### The Selkirk Mountains of North Idaho

July 4-7

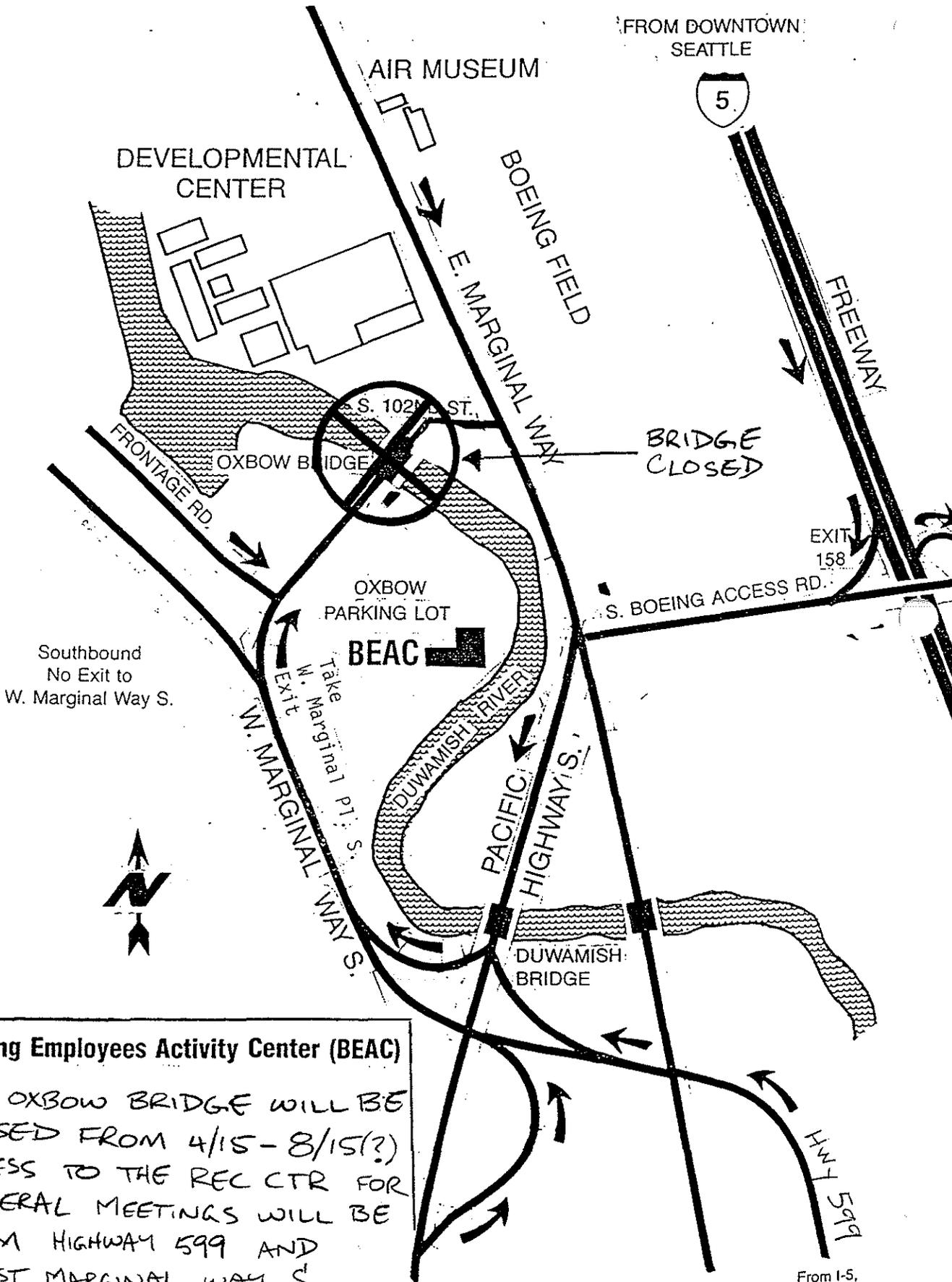
Last summer's 4-week trip to the grizzly country of North Idaho was uncommonly successful; but there were some disappointments. Snowy Top and Continental Mountain, two very desirable summits just south of the Canadian border, have twice resisted Lizard's best efforts in placing a bicycle atop their noble crowns.

A 6000' direttissima from the Upper Priest River was abandoned after many hours of difficult brush, while a trail approach from the west requires an intrusion into Washington's Salmo-Priest "no-bike" zone. Last September an unmarked hunter's track was discovered atop Hughes Ridge and followed north all the way to Little Snowy Top. This year I would like to push this remarkable route to its ultimate conclusion. Join in on the fun and adventure! ~6500' gain, probable Shock Wave Rating: 11.3 (extreme, 97th percentile level of difficulty).

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| Activity Submission Form  |                   |
| <b>Trip Title:</b>  | <b>Trip Date:</b> |
| <b>Description:</b>   |                   |
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| <b>Trip Sponsor:</b>  | <b>Ph: (H)</b>    |
|   | <b>Ph: (W)</b>    |
| <b>Send to: Bob Conder</b><br><b>bob@bcfsfse.ca.boeing.com MS 2L-75</b> |                   |



FROM DOWNTOWN SEATTLE



FREEMWAY

AIR MUSEUM

DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER

BOEING FIELD

E. MARGINAL WAY

S. 102ND ST.

BRIDGE CLOSED

FRONTAGE RD.

OXBOW BRIDGE

EXIT 158

OXBOW PARKING LOT

BEAC

S. BOEING ACCESS RD.

Southbound  
No Exit to  
W. Marginal Way S.

Take Exit  
W. Marginal Pt. S.

DUWAMISH RIVER

PACIFIC HIGHWAY S.

DUWAMISH BRIDGE

HWY 599

**Boeing Employees Activity Center (BEAC)**  
 THE OXBOW BRIDGE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 4/15 - 8/15(?)  
 ACCESS TO THE REC CTR FOR GENERAL MEETINGS WILL BE FROM HIGHWAY 599 AND WEST MARGINAL WAY S.  
 -JEFF

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FROM SEA-TAC

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## April 1996 Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday April 9, 1996

The minutes from the March board meeting were accepted into the records.

Bob Conder (the Activities Chairperson) contacted the group running the campground concessions around Leavenworth. The best combination of place and date available was Eight Mile Campground on June 7th thru 9th.

The Board spent some time brain storming possibilities for the General Meeting's programs.

Planning for the Annual Banquet was kicked off with discussion about possible locations and speakers.

Jeff repeated the announcement that Boeing recreation now will allow Boeing retirees to be club secretaries. The BOEALPS' By-Laws will be changed to match.

BOEALPS was invited to have a booth at Boeing Recreation's Awareness Fairs. The details of where and when the Fairs will be held was not provided. The level of BOEALPS participation will depend on if the Fairs are during lunch or over the weekend.

The Board approved a request by some club members to take club equipment on a trip to Denali.

The Board set a limit on the number of books that anyone may check out at any one time. A limit was also set for how long books may be checked out. Katy Rusho (the Library Chairperson) will write up a checkout policy.

The next Board meeting will be May 9th at Dan Goering's home.

# Boealps Annual June Campout

- Where:** Eightmile group campground, near Leavenworth.
- When:** Friday and Saturday nights, June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Who:** All Boealps members, family, and friends.
- What:** Rock climbing, hiking, cycling, flying tree gazing, and lounging.
- How:** Return the attached form by Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please bring a food item to share with the other members for the Saturday night potluck dinner.  
Last name begins with:  
**A-C** Chips and dip  
**D-N** Side dish (veggie or fruit)  
**O-Z** desert  
(Boealps will provide chicken, hamburgers, and the soft drinks.)
- Rules:** A quiet sleeping area will be reserved for members who want an early bedtime. Please ask where it is before setting up your tent. Loud and wild behavior will be limited to just wild after 10pm. Please note that some people will stay up very late around the ol' campfire.
- Note:** Salvage operations are in effect throughout the summer. There will be some restrictions on climbing and hiking areas. Many areas are scheduled to be reopened June 15, but the rangers say they may open earlier. I'll have more specific information for the next Echo.

## June Campout Response Form

(RSVP requested by Monday, June 3)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Potluck Dish: \_\_\_\_\_

Can you help with the campout? yes / no

|                   |                          |    |   |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----|---|
| Send response to: | Bob Conder               | or | Bob Conder  |
| mail:             | MS: 2L-75                |    | 3047 NE 98 <sup>th</sup> St.<br>Seattle, WA 98115 |
| e-mail:           | bob@bcsfse.ca.boeing.com |    | captn@halcyon.com                                 |

## CONSERVATION CORNER

by J. Kirby

As always, there is good news and bad. On a high note, on April 12, The **TRUST for PUBLIC LAND** purchased an option to buy **SPIDER MEADOW** from Erickson Logging. TPL has 30 days in which to exercise the option. To date, TPL has raised over \$80,000 and is expecting to reach its goal of \$120,000 by calling on the prior commitments of some select generous donors. TPL's next objective is to lobby hard to ensure federal appropriation of funds to the Forest Service to purchase the Spider Meadow tracts from TPL. Congress is not expected to fund the Forest Service the full purchase price, hence TPL's need to raise \$120,000 to make up the difference. If all goes as planned, TPL will transfer Spider Meadow lands to the Forest Service in June.

**What you can do:** TPL can still use your money, but probably more importantly, your calls and letters to Congress urging them to appropriate the necessary funds to the Forest Service. **For more info: Stephanie Taylor TPL (206) 587-2447.**

The bad news is that five shelved timber sales of old growth in the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest are at risk of being logged this spring under the infamous **Salvage Logging Rider**. We are talking about our own backyard here folks, not Oregon or the Olympics. One of the proposed sales, named **Stalwart**, lies in the **PERRY CREEK** Drainage off the Mountain Loop By-way. Perry Creek is special to me as the drainage leading up to **Mt. Forgotten**, the thrilling overnight climb I did as a Basic class student on Easter Sunday 1991 (I can still see the slow motion antics of Laser Bob and Psycho diving out of the way of an on coming avalanche that would have swept them over a series of cascading cliffs to the valley floor hundreds of feet below.) I'm sure many of you likewise have fond memories of this place.

Briefly, Judge Hogan's ruling in January requiring stricter proof of Marbled Murrelet activity in old growth stands to protect them from being logged under the Salvage Rider has been appealed by the Audubon Society to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. The 9th Circuit has temporarily enjoined any logging of the stands not meeting this stricter standard pending its decision, with oral argument scheduled for May 7th. If the 9th Circuit overrules Hogan, the five affected Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie sales are safe.

In the meantime, the **Pilchuck Audubon Society** has been in close contact with the Forest Service in an attempt to coordinate the efforts of trained volunteers with Forest Service biologists to resurvey the sales at issue for Marbled Murrelet activity under the stricter Hogan standard. Ironically, the Forest Service opposes the sales, and logging companies have expressed little interest in them to date due to full mills and low timber prices. It seems the engine driving this whole debacle is Congress. The Audubon Society is also trying to arrange for as many congressmen as possible to visit the sites to see for themselves just exactly what is at stake.

If Hogan's ruling is upheld and the sales are scheduled to be cut, the Audubon Society plans to hold civil disobedience protests at the sites. The major aim of such protests would be to bear collective witness to the outrage against Mother Earth in the form of these wonderful old forests.

**What you can do:** keep writing/calling/faxing/e-mailing Congress. Pilchuck Audubon plans to hold a civil disobedience training meeting on May 5. Attendance does not commit you to getting yourself arrested — there are many ways in which you can help out. If you do attend, I would appreciate hearing from you, as I won't be able to make it. **For info: Bonnie Phillips-Howard, Pilchuck Audubon (206) 397-6056.**

**Mt Loop By-way:** The Forest Service is currently assessing the extent of flood damage to the by-way to determine how to proceed this year with efforts to open the road and how to proceed in the future with regard to the possible enlargement and paving of the road.

**Mt. Ranier Climbing Concession:** The Park is in the process of doing an Environmental Assessment for a proposed new guided climbing concession for the Emmons glacier route.

However, the Park, like the Forest Service, is being kept busy trying to get a handle on the extensive flood damage which took place this year. The EA will not be ready until the end of the current climbing season with public hearings likely to follow. I spoke with **Bill Larson**, head climbing ranger, who can fill you in on current climbing conditions and tell you how road closures might affect your plans. **(360) 569 2211 x-2330.**

## Club Equipment Inventory:

BOEALPS maintains equipment that is available, free of charge, to all members in good standing. The primary purpose of this inventory is to allow members to test a variety of more expensive alpine equipment. It is not the club's intent to purchase equipment to release members from the burden of purchasing their own, nor is it the club's intent to provide equipment for the use of non-members (other than non-employee Basic or Intermediate class students.)

The club purchases highly durable equipment normally costing more than \$150 per item that will serve the largest portion of the membership in improving and enhancing mountaineering skills. Although BOEALPS classes, seminars, and expeditions are given priority access to equipment, it is extremely rare that a member is unable to obtain a desired item. Requests to check out an item for longer than fourteen days must be approved in advance by the BOEALPS Board of Directors. New purchase decisions are based on usage history and technological improvements; suggestions (especially notice of store sale items) are welcomed by the equipment committee.

Club equipment is obtainable from three locations in Puget Sound by telephoning (between 9AM and 9PM) or sending electronic mail to one of the equipment committee listed on the cover of the monthly Alpine Echo. Users are reminded to consider their fellow members and return items promptly in the same or better condition than they were received. Lock boxes with checkout forms for convenient pickup and return will soon be installed at the equipment committee members' homes. Borrowers are responsible for knowing how to use gear safely and for its damage or loss.

| <i>Brand</i> | <i>Style</i> | <i>Description</i>                               | <i>Everett</i> | <i>Seattle</i> | <i>Renton</i> |
|--------------|--------------|--|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Pieps        | SF457kHz     | Avalanche Beacon transceiver (needs 2 AA batt)   | 2              | 1              | 2             |
| Ortovox      | Dual Freq    | Avalanche Beacon transceiver (needs 2 AA batt)   | 3              | 3              | 3             |
| Garmin       | GPS 40       | Global Position System receiver (need 4 AA batt) |                | 1              |               |
| Lowe         | Humming      | Alpine Ice Hammer                                |                | 1              |               |
| Simond       | Chigal       | Waterfall Ice Hammer                             | 1              |                |               |
| Simond       | Piranha      | Waterfall Ice Hammer                             |                | 1              |               |
| Blk Dmd      | X-15         | Alpine Ice Hammer                                |                | 1              |               |
| Hagan        | Alpin T1     | 180 cm tour skis (& skins) for mtneering boots   |                | 2pr            |               |
| Sherpa       | Featherwt    | Most popular snowshoe for Cascade climbing       | 4pr            |                | 4pr           |
| Sherpa       | Lightfoot    | Larger snowshoe, better for deeper, softer snow  | 1pr            |                | 1pr           |
| Tubbs        | Kathadin     | Smaller shoe, best for weight with gear < 170lb  | 2pr            |                | 1pr           |
| Shoo         | Large        | Light snowshoe for recreational hiking           |                | 1pr            |               |
| Shoo         | Small        | Superlight shoe for recreational hiking          | 1pr            |                |               |
| White        | Industrial   | Sewing machine (kept by Club Chief Executive)    |                |                |               |
| REI          | Wedge        | Lightweight two person three season tent (5lb)   | 1              |                |               |
| SDesign      | Half Moon    | Lightweight two person three season tent (5lb)   |                |                | 1             |
| Walrus       | Rocket       | Lightweight two person three season tent (5lb)   |                |                | 1             |
| WndyPs       | #24          | Two-three person four season tent (8.5lb)        |                | 1              |               |
| NorFace      | PoleSleev    | Three person expedition tent (11lb)              | 1              |                |               |
| Moss         | LittleDipr   | Three person expedition tent (12lb)              |                |                | 1             |
| Moss         | Stargazer    | Two-three person four season tent (8.5lb)        |                |                | 1             |
| WildExp      | Equinox      | Four person three season tent (11lb)             |                |                | 1             |
| Eureka       | Sentinel     | Four person four season tent (11.5lb)            |                | 1              |               |
| SDesign      | BaseCmp      | Four person three season tent (12 lb)            |                |                | 1             |
| REI          | MtnHome      | Four person three season tent (12 lb)            | 1              |                |               |
| Walrus       | Eclipse      | Four person expedition tent (14 lb)              |                | 1              |               |
| Moss         | BigDipper    | Four person expedition tent (15 lb)              |                | 1              |               |
| SDesign      | Kingdome     | Five person three season tent (13 lb)            | 1              |                |               |
| REI          | GtPyramd     | Five person recreational tent (13 lb)            | 1              |                |               |
| WndyPs       | ShangriLa    | Six person three season tent (15 lb)             | 1              |                |               |
| NorFace      | HimaHotl     | Six person four season tent (16 lb)              |                | 1              |               |

# Expanded Enchantment Permit Area Update

## April 1, 1996

Here is the news you have all been patiently awaiting. Reservations for acquiring Enchantment permits will be available through Reservations Northwest beginning May 1--

- Call 1-800-452-5687 (TTD/Voice is 1-800-735-2900). DO NOT CALL before May 1.
- Reservations Northwest's hours of operation are 8:00-5:00, Monday through Friday.
- The reservation fee will be \$6-\$7 per reservation as a flat fee. (Our previous system was \$1 per person per day. This is no longer the case.)
- Reservations Northwest will accept VISA or Mastercard. They will also accept checks if the reservation is being made at least 21 days in advance of your trip.
- When you place your call, have your trip itinerary ready including trip dates, destinations, entry point, and number in your group. Have alternate dates in mind. The maximum group size is 8. Your permit will be mailed to you by Reservations Northwest.
- The reservation system will probably experience a swell of calls the first day, so be prepared to remain on hold for a period, or to call back if you receive a busy signal.
- 25% of the daily quota will still be saved for day-of use and will be available on a lottery system at the Leavenworth Ranger Station beginning at 7:45 am the day of your trip.

For 1996, the Enchantment Permit Area will be expanded to include the Eightmile and Caroline Lakes areas as well as Mt. Cashmere (Snow, Nada, Colchuck, and Stuart Lakes are also included.). Quota permits are required for overnight use from June 15 - October 15. Self-issuing permits for day use will be available at all trailheads and ranger stations. Overnight permits for all remaining parts of the Alpine Lakes Wilderness are also self-issued.

The Alpine Lakes Wilderness Information hotline will continue to be updated. For a recorded message, those living in the Seattle area may call (206) 775-9702, otherwise call toll-free by dialing 1-800-627-0062. An Alpine Lakes Wilderness Trip Planner will be available later this spring, and will be mailed to all persons who received this mailing.

Changes in the permit system are an outcome of the Alpine Lakes Wilderness Recreation Use Study completed in 1993. The study addressed impacts across the wilderness and prescribed a number of actions to improve wilderness conditions, such as reducing use, limiting campfires and camp locations, restoring damaged campsites and trails, and strengthening the education program.

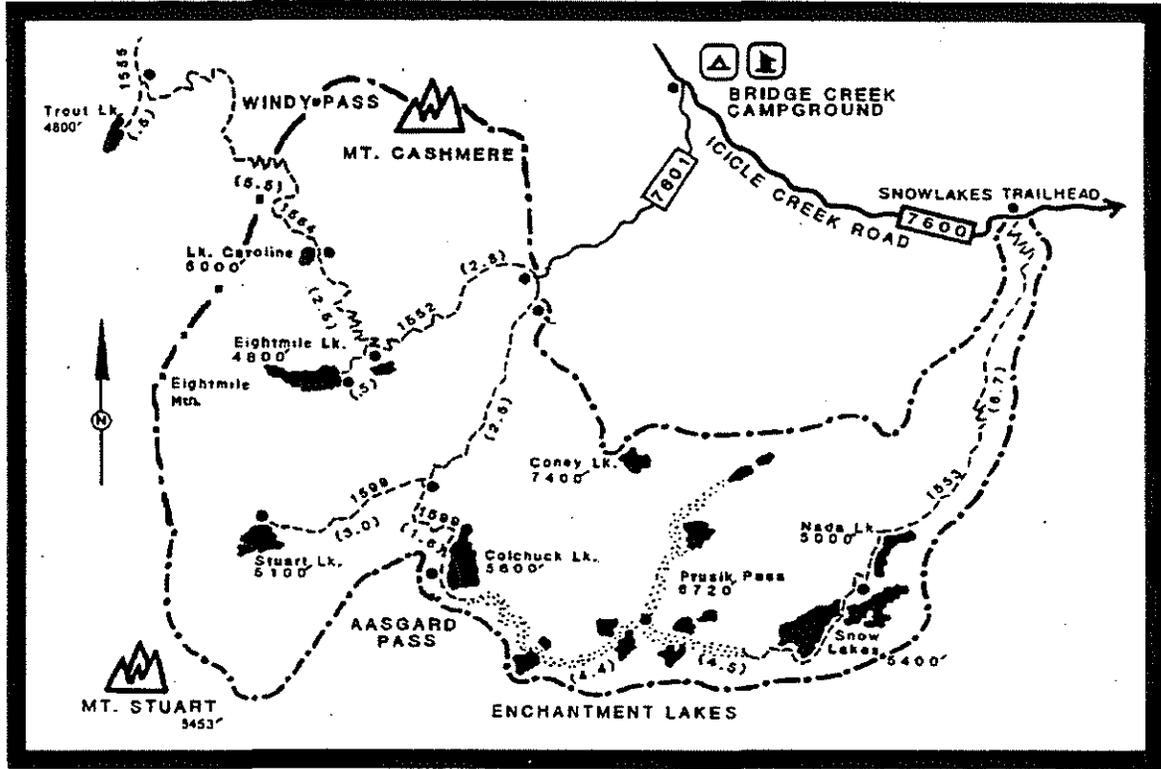
Impacts from the fires of 1994 are mostly confined to the lower drainages of the Enchantment Permit Area. The Snow Lakes bridge was replaced in the fall of 1995. Currently, the Leavenworth District is salvage logging the burned, non-wilderness areas along the Icicle River drainage. Hikers and other recreationists should expect delays on the Icicle Road and Eightmile Road throughout this spring and possibly summer. The Snow Lakes and Eightmile parking lots will be unavailable prior to June 15.

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# EXPANDED ENCHANTMENT PERMIT AREA



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## **Road Closure Information**

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TTY: 1-800-272-1215  
Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Contact: Pennie Custer (206) 744-3254

### **MT. BAKER'S GLACIER CREEK ROAD WILL CLOSE FOR SUMMER**

The Mt. Baker Ranger District will begin reconstruction on the Glacier Creek Road #39, on the northwest side of Mt. Baker in mid April and close the road to all vehicle traffic July 8 through November 1, 1996. The road is in need of reconstruction associated with watershed improvement work. Reconstruction on portions of the road from mile post 1.0 to mile post 9.0 will begin in mid April. Travelers should expect possible 45 minute delays and construction equipment traffic Monday through Friday until July 8.

From July 8 through November 1, 1996, a total closure will be in affect at mile post 4.0. Parking will be available for foot travelers who would like to hike the additional 4 miles to reach the trailhead for the Heliotrope Ridge Trail #667.

The Heliotrope Ridge Trail is the second most popular trail on the Mt. Baker District for hikers, and THE most popular trail on the district for climbers, who use it to approach the Coleman Glacier. The Coleman Glacier is the most popular route for climbing Mt. Baker. The trail also accesses the Lower Coleman Glacier, which is used by climbers as a training grounds for practicing ice climbing skills. Those who take on the challenge of the additional 4 mile road walk will probably be well rewarded for their efforts by having the rare opportunity to experience the north side of Mt. Baker in relative solitude.

**MT. BAKER-SNOQUALMIE ROAD CLOSURES** The Forest was impacted by 3 significant storm/flood events this past winter. The following is a summary of the major storm related road closures which we know of at this time. Due to the type and severity of damage involved the following roads and trailheads may not be accessible during the upcoming summer season:

**CASCADE RIVER ROAD #15 - AT MP 5.0** Trailheads impacted: South and Middle Forks of the Cascade River, Cascade Pass (North Cascades National Park) Campgrounds impacted: Marble Creek, Mineral Park.

**SUATTLE RIVER ROAD #26 - BEYOND MP 12.5** Trailheads impacted: Suiattle, Green Mountain, Downey Creek.  
Campgrounds Impacted: Buck Creek, Sulphur Creek

**MOUNTAIN LOOP HWY. F.H. #7 - AT MP 17.25** (south of Darrington and at Barlow Pass northbound) Trailheads impacted: North Fork Sauk Trails, access only via Darrington; Goat Lake, access only via Darrington; Barlow Pass, access only via Verlot (The Monte Cristo Road has major washouts and is dangerous to hikers at this time. Use caution if you are planning on walking into Monte Cristo. The first washouts are prior to the Gothic Basin trailhead).

**NORTH FORK SKYKOMISH #63 - BELOW TROUBLESOME CREEK** (Repairs to County Road should be completed by early summer.) Trailheads impacted: Blanca Lake, North Fork Skykomish, West Cady Ridge, Quartz Creek. Campgrounds Impacted: Troublesome Creek, San Juan.

**BECKLER RIVER ROAD #65 - BEYOND MP 4.0** Trailheads impacted: Evergreen Mountain, Meadow Creek, Johnson Ridge.

**EAST FORK MILLER RIVER ROAD #6412 - BEYOND MP 3.75** Trailheads impacted: Lake Dorothy.

**MIDDLE FORK SNOQUALMIE ROAD #56 - BEYOND MP 9.3**, (Access probable to Middle Fork Snoqualmie Trail, Snoqualmie Lake Trail and Dingford Creek Trail by May.) Trailheads impacted: Middle Fork Snoqualmie, Snoqualmie Lake, Dingford Creek, Dutch Miller Gap.

**GREENWATER ROAD #70 - BEYOND MP 4.6** Trailheads impacted: Greenwater River, Pacific Crest Trail/Naches Pass.

**WEST FORK WHITE RIVER #74 - BEYOND MP 2.0.** Trailheads impacted: Martin Gap, Clearwest Peak.

**CAYADA CREEK ROAD #7810 - BEYOND MP 0.3**, Carbon River Bridge (County Road # 165 is impassable at the present time at Poch Creek about 2 miles west of the Carbon River entrance to Mt. Rainier National Park. The county road should be repaired by late spring. Trailheads impacted: Summit Lake.

**NEWS RELEASE**

**u.s. department of the interior**

# **national park service**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE      ERIC WALKINSHAW 360-569-2211, EXT. 2332**

## **STORM DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS AT MOUNT RAINIER NATIONAL PARK**

Superintendent William J. Briggles advises visitors to Mount Rainier National Park that several areas of the park have been temporarily closed to vehicular access due to extensive damage resulting from heavy rains and widespread flooding in November, 1995 and February, 1996.

### **CARBON RIVER/IPSUT CAMPGROUND AREA**

Approximately 450 meters (1,350 feet) of the road leading from the park's Carbon River (northwest) entrance to the Ipsut Creek Campground Area was washed out when dikes failed to hold back the Carbon River. The roadbed in the vicinity of Falls Creek washed away to an average depth of 10-feet, effectively cutting off all vehicular access to Ipsut Creek Campground. Actions have been taken to assess the damage and we are optimistic that efforts to secure emergency funding for repairs will be successful.

Representatives from Mount Rainier National Park, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, and Pierce County Public Works are coordinating efforts to repair storm damage and reestablish public access for recreational opportunities adjacent to and within the northwest portion of the park.

There has been extensive damage to roads leading to and within the park. It appears that the road from the Carbon River Entrance of the park to Ipsut Creek Campground will be closed to vehicular access throughout the 1996 visitor season.

The park's trail crew will clear a temporary access through the washed out section of the Carbon River Road to facilitate access by foot and bicycle to Ipsut. Visitors should note that bicycles are NOT permitted on any park trails.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), an environmental assessment (EA) will be developed and released for public review that

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will address alternative actions for this area. The EA will evaluate issues such as: impacts to the old growth forest; threatened and endangered species; potential for future flooding and geologic hazards; visitor safety concerns; economic impacts to "gateway" communities; costs associated with reconstruction; etc.

### MOWICH LAKE AREA

Extensive slide damage to State Route 165 approximately 1-mile west of the park boundary has temporarily closed vehicular access to the Paul Peak and Mowich Lake area of Mount Rainier National Park. WSDOT engineers estimate that the road will remain closed until early July, 1996. One lane traffic will be maintained through five other slide areas on SR 165, except when periodic road closures will be required during certain work operations to ensure visitor and worker safety. During these closures, traffic will be allowed through at the beginning of each hour. Anticipated construction times are Monday through Thursday 8am to 6pm and Friday 8am to 3pm. State Route 165 will be open ALL weekends and holidays.

### STATE ROUTE 123

During recent spring opening snow removal operations on State Routes 410 and 123, Washington State Department of Transportation and park maintenance personnel discovered extensive damage on State Route 123. A 200 meter (600 foot) section of this roadway, 5-miles south of Cayuse Pass, has been damaged by extensive slides. Half of the roadway width has slid approximately 200 meters (600 feet) down into the Chinook Creek drainage.

The park is working with the Federal Highway Administration to obtain emergency funding for repairs. Federal Highway geotechnical and design engineers will perform damage assessment and corrective design.

Traditionally, Cayuse Pass (elevation 4,675 feet) is cleared of snow and open to traffic from the north via SR 410 and from the south via SR 123, by the middle of April. However, due to this extensive damage and until further damage assessment and corrective design can be accomplished, there is no estimate of when the road will be open to traffic this year.

Following snow removal, access from the east via Chinook Pass (elevation 5,429 feet) on SR 410, east/west access within the park via Stevens Canyon, and access to the White River Campground are scheduled for opening in time for the busy Memorial Day Weekend.

Travelers are encouraged to watch for future press releases concerning roadway access conditions to and within the park or call the park at (360) 569-2211 for updated information.

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Prepared 4/10/96

FELLOW BOEALPERS,

IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I WROTE AN ECHO ARTICLE ON THE SUBJECT OF "A ROUTE DESCRIPTION NOT IN BECKEY'S BIBLE", BUT SINCE I BUMPED INTO ONE LATE LAST SUMMER, IT SEEMS LIKE A GOOD TIME TO DUST OFF THE KEYBOARD.

LAST SEPTEMBER TIM JACKSON AND MYSELF WENT AFTER TOWER, #67 ON THE 100 HIGHEST LIST--LOCATED A LITTLE NORTH OF RAINY PASS ON HI-WAY 20. I HAD BEEN INTO THE AREA BEFORE BY THE DIRECT BUSHWHACK UP SWAMP CREEK, BUT IT IS NOT THE APPROACH OF CHOICE AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED. THE CASCADE CREST TRAIL FROM RAINY PASS MAY BE LONGER, BUT IT IS A LOT EASIER. IN FACT, IT IS SO MUCH EASIER THAT I WOULD RECOMMEND GOING INTO THE AREA ON A FRIDAY NIGHT AFTER WORK. IT SHOULD ONLY TAKE ABOUT 3 HOURS TO GET FROM THE RAINY PASS TRAILHEAD TO THE CAMPSITE AT THE BASE OF TOWER. THERE IS A GOOD SIDE TRAIL THAT LEAVES THE CREST TRAIL AND GOES UP TO THE TWO SNOWEY LAKES, AND AT THAT TRAIL INTERSECTION IS A GOOD CAMPSITE. TIM AND I GOT UP AT A LEISURELY HOUR, HAD BREAKFAST, AND HEADED UP THE HILL ABOUT 8:00 AM. WE WERE CARRYING ONE ROPE AND A SMALL RACK OF ABOUT 10 PIECES OF PROTECTION. THE IDEA IS TO TAKE THE SIDE TRAIL UP TO LOWER SNOWEY LAKE AND THEN HEAD CROSS- COUNTRY STRAIGHT FOR THE CENTER GULLEY OF TOWER THAT FACES THE LAKE. THE CENTER GULLEY IS MASSIVE AND IS THE OUT-STANDING FEATURE OF THE ENTIRE FACE.

THE GUIDE BOOK TALKS ABOUT ROUTES UP THE GULLEY, BUT I RECOMMEND THAT YOU NEVER ENTER THE CENTER GULLEY FROM THE BOTTOM--IT IS TOO LOOSE AND RESEMBLES A BOWLING ALLEY (AND YOU'RE THE PIN). INSTEAD, GO UP THE CENTER TALUS SLOPE UNTIL JUST BELOW THE GULLEY AND THEN BEAR RIGHT TOWARDS THE OBVIOUS NOTCH AGAINST THE RIGHT-HAND SKYLINE. THERE IS A SMALL SANDY GULLEY APPROACHING THE NOTCH BUT IT GOES EASY BECAUSE THERE ARE SMALL RIBS STICKING OUT OF THE TALUS THAT CAN BE USED AS A HAND-RAIL. WHEN THE NOTCH IS OBTAINED, PASS THRU TO THE EAST OR NORTH-EAST SIDE AND TURN UP. RUN THE SKYLINE RIDGE EITHER ON THE TOP OF THE RIDGE OR SLIGHTLY OFF THE RIGHT-HAND (EAST) SIDE. AFTER ABOUT 200-300 YARDS YOU WILL COME TO A SMALL ROCKY GULLEY THAT WILL ENABLE YOU TO

GAIN THE SKYLINE RIDGE AGAIN, AND LO AND BEHOLD, THERE IS A HIDDEN NOTCH AND LEDGE WHERE YOU CAN REGAIN THE MASSIVE CENTER GULLEY. BUT THE ADVANTAGE IS THAT YOU ARE 1000 FEET HIGHER AND BY-PASSED ALL THE NASTY STUFF. IT IS BEST TO MARK THE AREA WHERE YOU "PASS-THRU" THE SKY- LINE RIDGE BECAUSE IT IS VERY HARD TO FIND ON THE WAY DOWN. NOW IT IS A FAIRLY STRAIGHT-FORWARD LEDGE HOP UP THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE CENTER GULLEY ALL THE WAY TO THE SUMMIT. WE WERE ON THE SUMMIT EXACTLY TWO HOURS AFTER LEAVING CAMP--THIS IS A RATHER SIMPLE AND FAST ROUTE.

THE SUMMIT HAS ONE OF THE LARGER CAIRNS YOU WILL EVER SEE-- ABOUT 7 FOOT TALL-- APPARENTLY PUT IN BY THE EARLY EXPLORERS 100 YEARS AGO AND STILL STANDING.

GOING DOWN, TIM AND I MISSED THE LEDGE THAT LEADS THRU THE RIDGE AND DECIDED TO RAPPEL DOWN SINCE WE HAD THE ROPE AND GEAR. WE ENDED UP TAKING 4 HOURS TO RAPPEL A ROUTE THAT ONLY HAD TAKEN TWO HOURS TO CLIMB. GO FIGURE!!?? BUT THIS DOES POINT OUT THE WISDOM OF CARRYING GEAR OVER AND ABOVE WHAT SHOULD BE NECESSARY. THIS IS A CONVOLUTED, CONFUSING ROUTE, AND IF YOU HIT IT PERFECTLY, NO ROPE IS NECESSARY---BUT CARRY IT ANYWAY. EVEN AT THAT, WE WERE BACK TO THE CAR LONG BEFORE DARK.

BILL GRONAU

**THE FUSCO BROTHERS** / J.C. Duffy



## PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS - PRINTS



### Mountain Scenes

1. Jim Weisman - Little Tahoma
2. Jeff Arnold - John Sule contemplating N. Face of Maude
3. Victor Yagi - Camp Muir



### People

1. Jim Weisman - Mt. Rainier
2. Victor Yagi - What's this?
3. no entry



### Climbing

1. Victor Yagi - The Shadow
2. Mark Adkins - Clipping into Protection
3. no entry



### General

1. Victor Yagi - Bryce
2. Jeff Arnold - Stuart from Stuart Lake
3. Len Kannapell - Scottish Fold

### Most Embarrassing - Mixed Prints and Slides

1. Victor Yagi - Changing Room (print)
2. Mike McGuffin - Some Assembly Required
3. Chris Rudesill - Len imitating Michael Frank imitating Conrad Kain

Error: last month's issue erroneously had Ken Hopping's Cripple Creek as the 3rd place winner of the Sunsets and Sunrises slide category - the real 3rd place was Mike McGuffin's "Armageddon."

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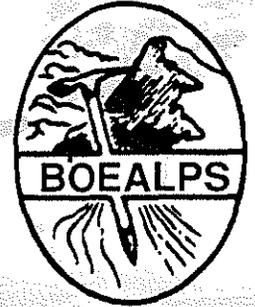
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*Thanks to everyone!!*



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Photo: Mt. Francis (Foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

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### June General Meeting

Thursday, June 6 7:30 pm  
Refreshments at 7:00 pm  
Oxbow Recreation Center

**Piro Kramer** describes an all women's expedition to Annapurna's North side

*For the Minishow Jerry Baillie will share slides of the Picket Range*

## ***BELAY STANCE***

### **Tragedy on Mt. Everest**

Early this month the Seattle climbing community was shocked to learn that local climbing icon Scott Fisher died while descending Mt. Everest. Scott's death, like that of climbing great Mugs Stump who died on Denali in 1992, shows that no climber is immune to the dangers of mountaineering. Even elite climbers at the top of their form may not return home; something I find especially troubling.

In 1993 I had the privilege of meeting Scott Fisher. While planning a trip to Alaska in I attended a Denali seminar given by Scott and local guide Bill Pilling, I was the only one who showed up. Scott could have easily canceled the show, or made a half-hearted attempt to appease his solo audience. Instead, Scott went ahead with the show like he was playing to a sold-out house, for which he earned my gratitude and respect.

Scott Fisher excelled at a sport whose leading magazines each carry a regular obituary column, he truly lived whereas most people struggle to merely exist. In one way or another Scott touched the lives of everyone he met, it is their responsibility to preserve his spirit.

### **June Campout June 7-9**

All Boeaplers are invited to the annual June campout at the Eightmile Group campground near Leavenworth. Please sent the response form included in this month's issue to Activities Chairman Bob Conder.

Also note that a map showing the campground, and all Icicle Creek area closures, is also included.

### **In This Issue**

This month's ECHO is strictly business: the Activities Bulletin Board, Denali Fund-Raiser For Brian Nelson, Executive Board Minutes, Library Check-Out Policy and a note from Janet Oliver requesting donations for the Women's/Adolescent Girls' Outdoor Adventure Program.

### **Swap Table/Classified Ads**

Remember that a gear swap table will be set up from 7:00 to 7:30 prior to each club meeting. Also take advantage of the ECHO classified ads for purchasing and selling used equipment. Contact either Len Kannapell or Michael McGuffin at the addresses shown on the cover to place an ad.

### **Next Issue**

Look for information regarding the annual club picnic scheduled for July 11th at Redmond's Marymore Park.

From the respective desks of your fearful editors,

Len Kannapell/Mike McGuffin

**JULY ECHO DEADLINE IS JUNE 20th**

# June 1996

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| 23<br><small>1st Quarter</small>  | 24                                  | 25      | 26        | 27  | 28                               | 29  |
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# Boealps Annual June Campout

- Where:** Eightmile group campground, near Leavenworth.
- When:** Friday and Saturday nights, June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Who:** All Boealps members, family, and friends.
- What:** Rock climbing, hiking, cycling, flying tree gazing, and lounging.
- How:** Return the attached form by Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please bring a food item to share with the other members for the Saturday night potluck dinner.  
Last name begins with:  
**A-C** Chips and dip  
**D-N** Side dish (veggie or fruit)  
**O-Z** desert  
(Boealps will provide chicken, hamburgers, and the soft drinks.)
- Rules:** A quiet sleeping area will be reserved for members who want an early bedtime. Please ask where it is before setting up your tent. Loud and wild behavior will be limited to just wild after 10pm. Please note that some people will stay up very late around the ol' campfire.
- Note:** Salvage operations are in effect throughout the summer. There are some restrictions on climbing and hiking areas. As of May 23, the Icicle Area Closures are still in effect (see map). The Snow Lakes trailhead is open, with parking above and below the Snow Lakes parking lot. Other closed areas may be opened by the campout weekend. Updated information will be available at the campground.

## June Campout Response Form

(RSVP requested by Monday, June 3)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Potluck Dish: \_\_\_\_\_

Can you help with the campout? yes / no

Send response to: Bob Conder or Bob Conder  
mail: MS: 2L-75 3047 NE 98<sup>th</sup> St.  
Seattle, WA 98115  
e-mail: bob@bcsfse.ca.boeing.com captn@halcyon.com

# ICICLE VALLEY RECREATION UPDATE

4/12/96

Leavenworth Ranger District



Salvage operations are in full swing on the Leavenworth Ranger District to remove trees damaged by the fires of 1994. Logging operations which began last fall and winter, will continue through this spring and summer in an effort to remove fire damaged trees before insects and decay destroy the value of the wood. These operations are resulting in road closures, road delays and area closures. Recreationists visiting the Icicle drainage will want to plan for possible delays and closures to avoid disappointment.

**AREA CLOSURES:** The entire timber salvage area including helicopter flight paths are closed. Includes: all Forest Service land from Snow Creek trailhead to Rat Creek on both sides of the Icicle Road; Mountaineer Creek extending from Bridge Creek Campground to Eightmile trailhead on both sides of Eightmile Road.

**ROADS:** Icicle Road is clear of snow to Fourth of July trailhead although high clearance vehicles are recommended to Johnny Creek Campground. Expect brief delays on the Icicle Road at Snow Creek while flaggers hold traffic for helicopters flying overhead. A no-parking tow-away zone is enforced along the Icicle Road from Snow Creek to Rat Creek. The Eightmile Road is closed to all traffic until the Stuart Lake parking lot is snow free. Once open, traffic delays may occur on the road. At minimum, traffic will be allowed through mid-morning, mid-afternoon and at night.

**TRAILS:** Eightmile trailhead will be available no later than June 15. Stuart Lake trailhead will be open when the parking lot is snow free. **THE SNOW LAKES TRAIL IS CLOSED EVERY DAY EXCEPT SUNDAY UNTIL APRIL 26 DUE TO HELICOPTERS FLYING OVER THE TRAIL.** The Snow Lakes parking lot will be closed until June 15. The Icicle Ridge trailhead is currently being used as a helispot and helicopter flight paths cross the trail. As a result, both the Icicle Ridge trail and trailhead are closed. No dates have been set for reopening the trail.

**CLIMBING ROCKS:** All climbing rocks from Icicle Buttress at Rat Creek, continuing up the Icicle are available to climbers. These include: Icicle Buttress, Memorial Buttress, Eightmile Buttress, Egg Rock, Trick or Treat and the Fourth of July Group. Because climbing areas are limited this year, climbers should expect crowded conditions. In addition, particular care should be taken not to disturb the several species of rare plants growing in and around the climbing rocks. Climbers can help by not removing vegetation growing in the cracks.

**CAMPGROUNDS:** Eightmile and Bridge Creek campgrounds will be operating full fee beginning April 13. Johnny Creek, Ida Creek, Chatter Creek, Rock Island and Blackpine campgrounds will open as the snow melts. Campers should expect to hear helicopters in the area during daylight hours, seven days a week.

**KAYAKING:** The Icicle River is open to kayakers to Eightmile Campground.

In areas that are not closed, vehicle drivers are reminded not to park on the right-of-way (park outside the fog line). Use the Icicle Road with extra caution this year since you will be sharing the road with large trucks. **AS CONDITIONS ARE CONSTANTLY CHANGING WE SUGGEST YOU CONTACT US BEFORE YOUR TRIP at 782-1413 for updates.**

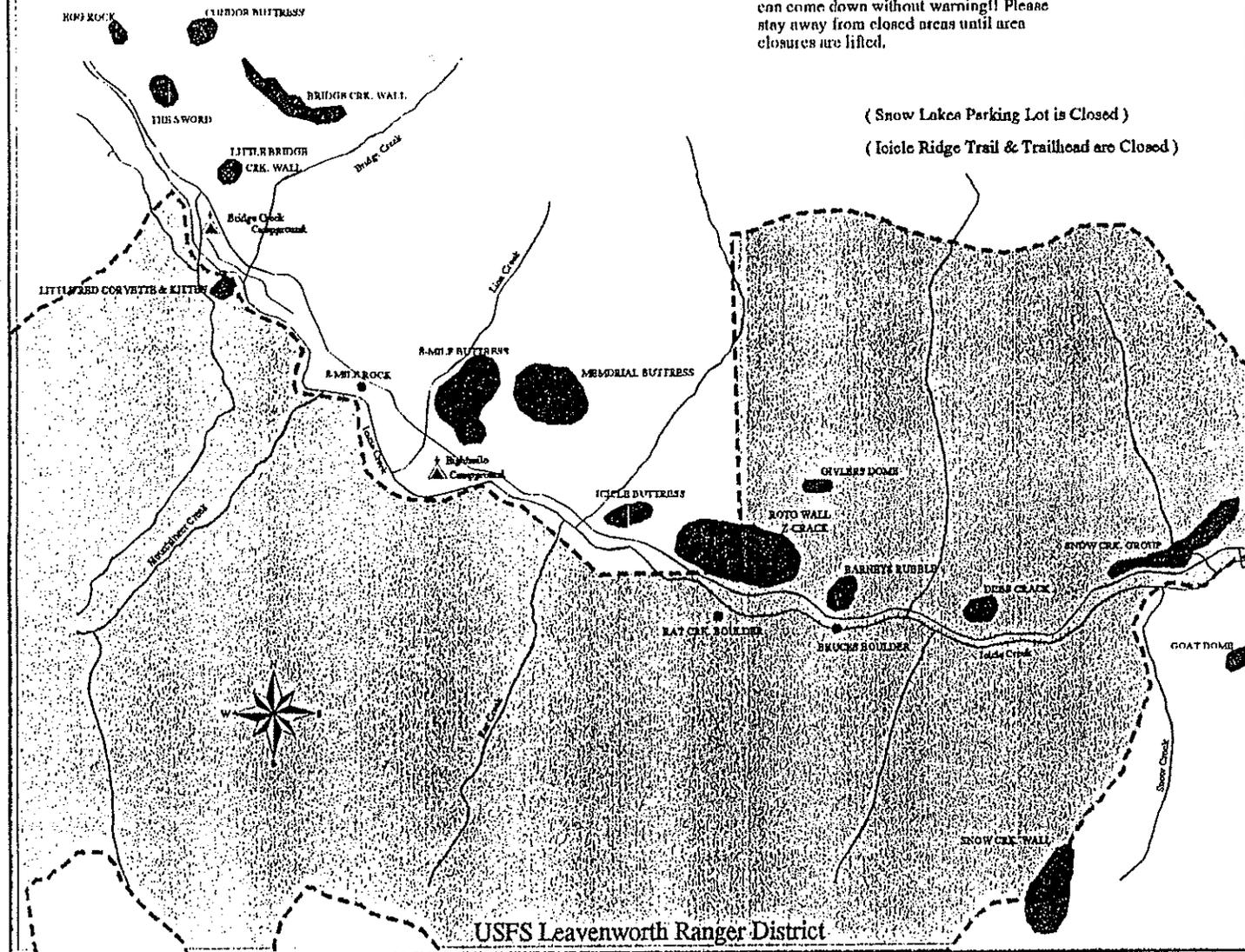
# Icicle Area Closures:

ALL LANDS WITHIN THE SHADED/RED BORDRED AREAS ARE NOW CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO OVERHEAD HELICOPTER SALVAGE LOGGING.

NOTE : Helicopter Operations can be very DANGEROUS, falling limbs, logs, tree-tops, and debris can come down without warning!! Please stay away from closed areas until area closures are lifted.

( Snow Lakes Parking Lot is Closed )

( Icicle Ridge Trail & Trailhead are Closed )



USFS Leavenworth Ranger District

## **Denali Fund-Raiser for the Brian Nelson Fund**

The 1996 Boealps Denali Expedition, attempting the West Buttress of Denali May 15- June 9, will be long gone to Alaska by the time you get this ECHO. However, the philanthropic side of ourselves came out before the trip, and we wanted to tie the expedition to a good cause; in this case, the Brian Nelson Fund. Mr. Nelson, a Boeing employee, is the only surviving member of the trio that fell on the Winthrop Glacier on Rainier last August. A fund has been established to offset what I am sure are enormous medical bills.

So it goes like this: for every day the expedition is out, we suggest a donation of twenty five cents/climber/day - since there are a whopping total of two of us on this trip, that's fifty cents per day or ten dollars total for a twenty day trip. When we get back, we'll print in the ECHO how many days we actually were out - then send a check payable to the Brian Nelson Fund to me, where I'll keep track of the total and send the checks in one envelope to the Fund. Of course, you can always contribute more, but we know how destitute most of you climbers are.

Thanks.

Len Kannapell M/S 4C-07

## **May 1996 Executive Board Meeting**

Thursday May 9th, 1996

Len Kannapell (one of the Echo editors) will continue to experiment with the format of the Echo's front cover. The cover is being rearranged to include E-mail addresses.

Mike McGuffin (one of the Echo editors) can no longer receive anything through Boeing mail. Send all Echo articles to him via the E-mail address on the front cover.

Arrangements for the June 8th Camp out along Icicle Creek were finalized.

An University of Oregon professor wants to include Boealpers in a study. The professor wants to show us slides of clear cuts and forests to determine our preference. The Board will find out what is the professor's motivation and how much of our time he wants.

Planning for the Annual Banquet continued. Guidelines were laid out for Victor Yagi (the Program chairperson) to choose a location and a date. The Program for the banquet has not been set yet.

The next Board meeting will be June 12th at Jeff Arnold's home.

## **Boealps Library Check-Out Policy**

In order to give all Boealps members equitable access to all library books, a new policy has been established. The maximum number of books that can be checked out to a member at any time is two. The maximum time that each book can be check out is two months. Here's hoping everyone cooperates!

## Women's/Adolescent Girls' Outdoor Adventure Program

As many of you know, I (Janet Oliver) work for the Washington State 4-H Challenge Program. This summer I have been working on starting a Women's/Adolescent Girls' Outdoor Adventure program. We have planned two trips this summer which will involve backpacking and trail maintenance. One of the trips will be working with intercity girls (sixteen to nineteen years old) selected for a work training program. The other program will be 4-H girls ages mainly thirteen to sixteen years old, many of whom are low income who could not afford to try backpacking on their own.

I therefore am in need of any typical backpacking gear that you may be able to donate to 4-H. Any gear donated IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE. If you do not want to donate the gear but would be willing to loan the gear to us for the first three weeks in August, I would greatly appreciate it. Or consider a monetary donation so that we can buy new gear or sponsor a girl's tuition.

### GEAR NEEDED:

- Sleeping Bags (old backpacking bags that are warm enough for summer use)
- Stuff sacks
- Smaller backpacks (external frame are great)
- Sleeping pads
- Water Bottles
- Bowls, Mugs, Spoons
- Flashlights/batteries/extra bulbs
- Rain-gear (jackets and pants)
- Polypro, Capilene, etc. long underwear
- Wool or synthetic pants
- Sweaters
- Jackets or pullovers (synthetic, etc.)
- Socks (liner and wool)
- Hats/Gloves
- Bug Hats
- Tents/Tarps
- Compasses
- Pocket Knives
- Working Stoves

Please contact me (Janet Oliver) as soon as possible to let me know what you have. You may call me at (206) 413-0298 Home or (206) 862-9569 Work or send something to Jim's (husband) Mailstop 87-85 or email me at [joliver@wsu.edu](mailto:joliver@wsu.edu). I can supply you with a receipt on your 4-H DONATION for tax purposes. These trips are dependent on whether we can get together the gear for these girls. This is a great way to unload gear versus trying to sell it since you can deduct it on your taxes. Please help!

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### The High Desert Peaks of the Great Basin

May 30-June 16

Bicycle the seldom visited Y-P Desert and climb all the 8000' summits in Idaho's Silver City Range; explore the desolate Diamond A and JP Deserts and experience the majesty and utter isolation of Bruneau Canyon; attain nirvana (through dehydration and sheer exhaustion) atop the 10,000' peaks of Nevada's Bull Run Mountains; and retrace the route of the ill-starred Bonner Party into Utah's Great Salt Lake Depression, home of America's most remote and historically intriguing summit - 12,087' Ibapah Peak.

High clearance 4x4 with full recovery gear required. Previous desert cycling experience desirable.

Contact Lizard @ 865-3783

lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com

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|   | <b>Ph:</b> _____ <b>(W)</b> |
| <b>Send to:</b> <b>Bob Conder</b>               |                             |
| <b>bob@bcsfse.ca.boeing.com</b> <b>MS 2L-75</b> |                             |

## CONSERVATION CORNER

by J. Kirby

### RETURNING THE ELWHA TO THE WILD

Removal of the two Elwha river dams to allow the river to flow wildly from its source deep in Olympic National Park to the Strait of Juan DE Fuca has long been a dream of conservationists as the best opportunity for salmon restoration anywhere in the Northwest. The dream may soon become real due to a recent bipartisan effort quietly building in Congress to fund this extraordinary project.

Built without fish ladders more than 60 years ago to provide power to the Port Angeles pulp mill, the two dams block access of salmon and steelhead to over 75 miles of pristine spawning habitat inside the Park. Legendary runs of all five salmon species, including hundred pound chinook, had their spawning grounds reduced to the 4.9 miles of river below the dams. Today, the number of all salmon returning to the Elwha each year has dwindled to less than 4,000.

A key supporter of dam removal has been Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, the driving force behind passage of the Elwha River Restoration Act by Congress in 1992. Despite that mandate, the appropriations committees of the House and Senate have consistently refused funding to implement the Act. A staunch opponent to funding dam removal has been our Senator Slade Gorton on the Senate interior appropriations subcommittee (why does his name always come up?). The Clinton Administration has made Elwha dam removal a priority in the 1997 budget, proposing to spend \$110 million to buy the dams, drain and remove sediments from the reservoirs, and destroy the aging power plants. The proposal includes selling low cost federal power to the pulp mill.

Numerous factors are combining to make funding of dam removal a win - win situation for all involved. In April, the National Park Service released a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) demonstrating that dam removal and restoration of salmon runs can be done in a cost-effective, environmentally sensitive manner. The DEIS states that the restored river could yield an annual production of 274,000 pink salmon, 31,000 chinook, 35,000 coho, 36,000 chum, and 6,500 sockeye --a great economic boon to both the commercial and sportfishing industries. The project is also expected to provide over \$90 million to construction workers and businesses on the Olympic Peninsula. And if the dams are not removed, the fish runs will become extinct.

Republican lawmakers, stung by the party's negative image on environmental issues, are now trying to show their party's commitment to environmental protection. Organizing the congressional effort to achieve consensus for funding the Elwha River Act is Rep. Rick White, Republican of Bainbridge Island. In the face of this effort, even Senator Gorton states that he won't block the plan if it gains consensus. But it's not a done deal yet.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO:** Write a letter to the Park Service voicing your support for dam removal during the EIS public comment period which ends **25 June 1996**. Send it to:

Sarah Bransom  
National Park Service, Elwha River Project  
P.O.Box 25287  
Denver, CO 80225-0287

Send copies of your letter to your Senators and Representative. For additional info: Friends of the Earth (206) 633-1661. [P.I. 5/6/96]

ADDRESS CHANGE FORM

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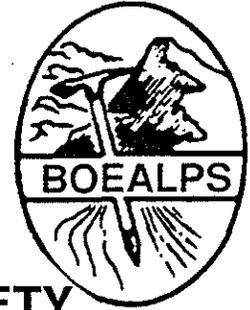
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*Thanks to everyone!!*



July 1996



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Photo: Mt. Francis (Foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

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## JULY PICNIC

Thursday, July 11 5:00 pm  
Marymoor Park

Come on out for some  
rock climbing, frisbee  
tossing, and good food!

## **BELAY STANCE**

### **July Picnic - Marymoor Park**

Now that the summer solstice has come (and gone) to mark the official start of summer, it is high time for the weather to take its annual turn from June's rainy dirge to July's endless sun - and if so, grab your rock shoes and get out to Marymoor Park for the Annual Picnic, this time taking place on **Thursday, July 11, starting at 5:00 pm**. This was a lot of fun last year, so show up again for great rock climbing, exquisite chow, and a darn good time. Inside this exciting issue is more info on the specifics. Remember, the picnic replaces the July General Meeting; the next scheduled General Meeting is Thursday, August 1. Hopefully, the Oxbow Bridge rebuild will be completed by then - if not, we'll run those rather convoluted directions to get there again.

### **New E-mail Addresses**

Can't anything stay the same? As of June 10, the official Boeing e-mail addresses changed - and the e-mail addresses printed on the front of this *ECHO* reflect the latest and greatest for those of us who are Boeing employees. The old e-mail addresses will still work - but the new format should be easier to remember for you non-Boeing folks. Speaking of which, send all August *ECHO* inputs to me at [leonard.p.kannapell@boeing.com](mailto:leonard.p.kannapell@boeing.com) - or to M/S 4C-07, if you are limited to archaic means.

### **June Campout Lost & Found**

Past President Pam Kaiser is in possession of a large binoculars case that was left at the Leavenworth campout in June. If your binoculars are walking around unprotected, give her a call to claim the case at 266-9944 (w) or 483-0548 (h).

### **Swap Table/Classified Ads Reminder**

We'll just keep running this until the cow's come home - if you have any items to sell, bring 'em to the next General Meeting at 7:00 pm for the social half-hour (7:00 to 7:30 pm) before the meeting gets underway and barter to your heart's content. You can also advertise gear (within reason) in the *ECHO*. These represent good opportunities for you Basic Class graduates to buy/sell, so start rummaging through your stuff now for the August meeting.

### **This Month**

Board minutes. Bylaws updates, which includes changes in the office of Secretary. Bill Gronau's latest n' greatest Washington's 100 Highest list. And a triad of climbing reports: Rob Kunz's nearly fatal brush with objective hazards, Marianne Picha's slide show commentary, and probably a *much* too long article covering the 1996 Boealps Expedition on climbing Denali by Len Kannapell.

### **Next Month**

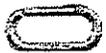
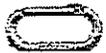
The much-anticipated updated library roster, courtesy of Library Chair Kate Rusho. And of course, hoards of reports from the Intermediate Class, your 4th of July weekend climbs - and other unspecified gems.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

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## ***June Board Meeting Minutes***

Attendees: Jeff Arnold, Len Kannapell, Elaine Worden, Shawn Paré, Pam Kaiser, Bob Conder, Victor Yagi, Ken Johnson, Katy Rusho

Accepted previous Board meeting minutes.

Victor reserved the Summit Room at the Mountaineers for the October banquet. A check has been sent and reservations need to be confirmed.

Bob will try to reserve the Eight Mile Campground for the October campout.

Regarding Enchantment permits: the group confirmed that it is hard to get through by phone to make reservations. Permits are for ten days and cost \$7. Jeff will consider officially commenting on the policy. To be continued.

Jeff rewrote the bylaws to reflect that retirees may run for the office of secretary.

Elections for the next Board will be held September 5.

Len reported that last month's ECHO was on time. He will continue to promote the swap table. Next issue will have e-mail addresses on the inside page. Katy's e-mail address is no longer valid. All articles should be e-mailed to Len as Mike McGuffin is no longer with Boeing. Len is still working on binding back issues for the library. A web page address is needed for publishing. Next Echo deadline is June 30.

Pam reported that Len and Tim Jackson have been selected as the 1996 recipients of the Agriss Morrus Fund Award.

Bob reported that the campout went well. We ran out on cow burgers but had plenty of veggies.

Bob reported that the Mt. Rainier Park Associates are looking for volunteers to do trail maintenance. Contact is Jane Titland at 865-2115. They have organized outings, one this weekend, one in August and one in September. Bob will e-mail info to Chris Pirson to put on the home page. Len will add info to ECHO. Shawn suggested Basic Class students who need to make up the trail maintenance could use this opportunity.

Victor reported that Len will do a show on his trip to Denali for the August meeting.

Ken reported the Intermediate Climbing Class is going great.

Katy said she would update the library catalogue for next month's ECHO.

The next meeting will be Thursday, August 15, at Elaine's apartment. We will not meet in July.

## Article VIII - Elections:

- Section 1. The offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be filled by election at the first regular meeting in September. The new officers shall assume their duties at the first meeting in October.
- Section 2. Nominations for officers shall be taken at the August general meeting. Nominations from members attending the September meeting shall also be recognized and voted upon. Each nominee shall agree to serve if elected before that name may be submitted as a candidate for office.
- Section 3. To be eligible to hold the office of President, Vice President, or Treasurer, a person must be a Boeing employee and a member in good standing. To be eligible to hold the office of Secretary, a person must be either a Boeing employee or retiree and a member in good standing.
- Section 4. No member is eligible to hold more than one elective office at a time or to be retained in the same office more than one year consecutively.
- Section 5. Members may elect to cast their votes by show of hands or by secret ballot.
- Section 6. The candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall be considered elected.

### **1996 Agris Morrus Award**

An award of \$200 went to Tim Jackson and Len Kannapell for their recent attempt up the West Buttress of Denali as the 1996 Boealps Expedition. Congratulations Tim and Len!

### **Denali Note of Thanks**

Speaking on behalf of the 1996 Boealps Expedition (all two of us), I would like to say thanks to the many people who helped us to make this trip a reality in such a short time. Though we didn't quite make it to the top, we still learned a lot and had a great time - it was a truly unforgettable experience.

I will probably miss some names but I would like to mention the following who loaned us items: Tom Rogers, Silas Wild, Kate Rusho, Mike McGuffin, Chris Rudesill, Dan Goering, Steve Edgar, Ken Johnson, Bill Harrison, Victor Yagi, John O'Callahan, Shawn Paré, Pam Kaiser, Vera Trainer, and Tuney Kannapell, my good sister who mailed me her expedition-weight Capilene and bivy sac all the way from Germany. Collectively, you saved us thousands of dollars.

A special note of thanks to Shawn Paré, who loaned me a sleeping bag and down jacket, and particularly my co-editor Mike McGuffin, who gave me a heap of technical advice on his own time and in the Denali seminar. - Len Kannapell

WASHINGTON'S 100 HIGHEST MOUNTAINS (400 FOOT RULE, ORIGINAL BULGERS LIST)

JP=JOHN PLIMPTON DG=DON GOODMAN DC=DAVE CREEDEN JB=JERRY BAILLIE MS=MARTIN SHETTER  
 BG=BILL GRONAU PM=PAUL MICHELSON AW=AL WAINWRIGHT DS=DAVE STEPHENS TH=TIM HUDSON  
 TJ=TIM JACKSON CG=CHRIS GRONAU KB=KATHY BAILLIE EA=ELDEN ALTIZER EB=ERIC BENNETT  
 HERE ARE THE 1995 RESULTS OF THOSE OF US CLIMBING THE 100 HIGHEST (A LITTLE LATE THIS YEAR).  
 1995 WILL BE REMEMBERED AS THE YEAR JOHN PLIMPTON FINISHED THE LIST; #10 TO DO SO.  
 WANT TO BE ON THE LIST? CONTACT ME. BILL GRONAU.

| RANK | NAME             | HEIGHT | JP | DG | DC | JB | MS | BG | PM | AW | DS | TH | TJ | CG | KB | EA | EB |
|------|------------------|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1    | RAINIER          | 14,410 | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  |
| 2    | ADAMS            | 12,276 | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |
| 3    | LITTLE TAHOMA    | 11,138 | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    |
| 4    | BAKER            | 10,775 | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  |
| 5    | GLACIER          | 10,541 | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |
| 6    | BOWANZA          | 9511   | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 7    | STUART           | 9415   | X  | X  | 3  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | 3  | X  |    |    | X  | X  | 4  |
| 8    | FERNOW           | 9249   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | 4  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 9    | GOODE            | 9200   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 10   | SHUKSAN          | 9127   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | 4  |
| 11   | BUCKNER          | 9112   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  |    | X  |    | 4  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 12   | LOGAN            | 9087   | X  | X  | 3  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 13   | MAUDE            | 9082   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    | 5  |
| 14   | SEVEN FING. JACK | 9077   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |
| 15   | JACK             | 9066   | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 16   | SPICKARD         | 8979   | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 17   | BLACK            | 8970   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |
| 18   | COPPER           | 8966   | X  | X  | 5  |    | X  |    | X  |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 19   | NORTH GARDNER    | 8956   | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 20   | REDOUBT          | 8956   | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 21   | HOME             | 8920   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 22   | GARDNER          | 8897   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |
| 23   | BOSTON           | 8894   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | 5  | X  | 5  | 4  | X  | 4  |    |    |    | 5  |
| 24   | SILVER STAR      | 8876   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    |
| 25   | ELDORADO         | 8868   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | 4  | X  | 5  |
| 26   | DRAGONTAIL       | 8840   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | 4  | X  | 5  |
| 27   | FORBIDDEN        | 8815   | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    |    | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |
| 28   | MESAHCHIE        | 8795   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 29   | OVAL             | 8795   | X  | X  | 4  | 4  | X  | X  | 5  | 4  |    |    | 4  |    | 4  | X  |    |
| 30   | LAGO             | 8745   | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 31   | ROBINSON         | 8726   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 32   | COLCHUCK         | 8705   | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | 4  | 5  | 5  |
| 33   | STAR             | 8690   | X  | X  | 4  | 4  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    | 4  |    | 4  | X  |    |
| 34   | REMMEL           | 8685   | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 35   | KATSUK           | 8680   | 4  | X  | 4  | X  |    | 4  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    | 4  |
| 36   | SAHALE           | 8680   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | 3  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 3  |    |    | 5  |
| 37   | FORTRESS         | 8674   | X  | X  | 3  | X  | X  | 3  | X  |    |    |    |    | 3  | 4  |    | 5  |
| 38   | CANNON           | 8638   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 5  | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 39   | CUSTER           | 8630   | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 40   | PTARMIGAN        | 8614   | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 41   | SHERPA           | 8605   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 42   | CATHEDRAL        | 8601   | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 43   | KIMTAH           | 8600   | X  |    |    | X  | X  | 5  |    | X  |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |    |
| 44   | CARDINAL         | 8595   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 45   | CARRU            | 8595   | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    | X  | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 46   | MONUMENT         | 8592   | X  | X  | 4  | X  |    |    | X  | 4  | 4  |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |
| 47   | OSCEOLA          | 8587   | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    | X  | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 48   | LIBBY            | 8580   | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    | 4  |    |    |
| 49   | CLARK            | 8576   | X  | X  | 3  | 4  | X  |    | X  | X  | 3  |    |    |    |    |    | 5  |
| 50   | BUCK             | 8573   | X  | X  | 3  |    | X  | 3  |    |    |    |    |    | 3  |    |    |    |
| 51   | STORM KING       | 8520   | X  |    | 3  |    | X  |    |    |    | 3  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |

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| 52   | ENCHANTMENT      | 8520   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 5    | REYNOLDS         | 8512   | X  | X  | 5  | 5  | X  | X  | 4  | 5  |    |    | 4  |    | 5  |    |    |
| 54   | MARTIN           | 8511   | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 55   | PRIMUS           | 8508   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | 3  |    |    | 4  |    |    | 3  |    | X  |    |
| 56   | DARK             | 8504   | X  | X  | 5  |    |    |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 57   | CASHMERE         | 8501   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |
| 58   | KLAWATTI         | 8485   | 3  |    |    | X  | X  | 3  | X  |    |    |    |    | 3  |    | X  |    |
| 59   | HORSESHOE        | 8480   | X  | X  | 4  |    |    | 5  | X  | 5  | 4  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 60   | MOX PEAK, SE     | 8480   | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 61   | RAHM             | 8480   | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    | 3  |    | X  | 5  | X  | X  | 3  |    | 3  |    |
| 62   | BIG CRAGGY       | 8470   | X  | X  | X  | 3  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  | 3  |    |    |
| 63   | HOODOO           | 8464   | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    | 4  |    |    |
| 64   | LOST             | 8464   | X  | X  | 4  | 5  |    |    |    |    | 4  |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |
| 65   | CHIWAWA          | 8459   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    | 4  |    | 5  |
| 66   | ARGONAUT         | 8453   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 67   | TOWER            | 8444   | X  | X  |    |    | X  | 5  | 5  |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |
| 68   | BIGELOW          | 8444   | X  | X  | 5  | 3  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 69   | DORADO NEEDLE    | 8440   | 5  |    | 4  | 4  | X  |    |    |    |    |    | 4  |    | 4  | X  |    |
| 70   | LITTLE ANNAPURNA | 8440   | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    | X  | 5  |
| 71   | SINISTER         | 8440   | X  |    | 4  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 72   | EMERALD          | 8422   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 73   | DUMBELL          | 8421   | X  | X  | 5  | 3  | X  | 3  | X  |    | 5  | X  | X  | 3  | 3  |    |    |
| 74   | GREENWOOD        | 8415   | X  | X  | 5  | 3  | X  | 3  | X  |    | 5  |    | X  | 3  | 3  |    |    |
| 75   | SASKA            | 8404   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    | X  |    |    |    |
| 76   | PINNACLE         | 8402   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    |    | X  |    |    |    |
| 77   | AZURITE          | 8400   | X  | X  | 3  |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |
| 78   | LUAHNA           | 8400   | X  | X  | 3  |    |    |    |    |    | 3  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 79   | BLACKCAP         | 8397   | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  |    | X  | 4  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 80   | BUTTERMILK       | 8392   | X  | X  | 4  | 4  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |    | 4  |    | 4  | X  |    |
| 81   | S SPEC BUTTE     | 8392   | X  |    | 3  | 3  | X  | 3  | X  |    |    |    | X  |    | 3  |    |    |
| 82   | MARTIN           | 8375   | X  | X  | 4  | 3  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 4  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 83   | LAKE             | 8371   | X  | X  | 4  | X  |    |    | X  | 4  | 4  |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |
| 84   | GOLDEN HORN      | 8366   | X  | X  | 4  |    | X  | 5  | 4  |    |    | X  | 4  | 5  |    |    |    |
| 85   | WEST CRAGGY      | 8366   | X  | X  | X  | 3  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    | X  | 3  |    |    |
| 86   | MT ST HELENS     | 8365   | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |
| 87   | McCLELLAN        | 8360   | X  | X  |    |    | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 88   | DEVORE           | 8360   | X  | X  |    | X  | 5  |    | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 89   | AMPHITHEATRE     | 8358   | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    | X  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 90   | SNOWFIELD        | 8347   | 4  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 4  | X  |    | X  |    |    | 4  |    |    |    |
| 91   | AUSTERA          | 8334   | 3  |    |    | X  | X  | 3  | X  |    |    |    |    | X  |    | X  |    |
| 92   | WINDY            | 8334   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | 4  | 4  | 5  |    |    | X  | X  |    |    |
| 93   | COSHO            | 8332   | X  |    |    | X  |    | 5  |    | X  |    |    |    | 5  |    |    |    |
| 94   | BIG SNAGTOOTH    | 8330   | X  |    | X  |    | X  | X  | X  |    | X  | X  | X  | X  |    | X  |    |
| 95   | FORMIDABLE       | 8325   | 4  | X  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  |    | 4  | 4  |    |    |    |    |
| 96   | ABERNATHY        | 8321   | X  | X  | 5  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  |    |    |    | X  | X  |    |    |
| 97   | COONEY           | 8321   | X  | X  | 4  | 3  | X  | X  | X  | X  | 4  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 98   | MOX PEAK, NW     | 8320   | X  | X  | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    | 5  | X  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 99   | TUPSHIN          | 8320   | X  | X  |    |    | 5  |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 100  | FLORA            | 8320   | X  | X  |    |    | 5  |    | 5  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|      | 1993 TOTALS      |        | 96 | 91 | 39 | 66 | 70 | 58 | 55 | 43 | 29 | 28 | 20 | 26 | 12 | 22 | 5  |
|      | 1994 CLIMBS      |        | 3  |    | 24 | 10 | 3  | 4  | 4  | 10 | 13 | 5  | 9  | 1  | 12 |    | 3  |
|      | 1994 TOTALS      |        | 99 | 91 | 63 | 76 | 73 | 62 | 59 | 53 | 42 | 33 | 29 | 27 | 24 | 22 | 8  |
|      | 1995 CLIMBS      |        | 1  |    | 24 | 2  | 4  | 6  | 6  | 5  | 15 |    | 2  | 3  | 4  | 1  | 10 |
|      | 1995 TOTALS      |        | 00 | 91 | 87 | 78 | 77 | 68 | 65 | 58 | 57 | 33 | 31 | 30 | 28 | 23 | 18 |
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## *A VALANCHE*

I was fortunate to survive an avalanche a couple of weeks ago and thought it might be useful for other climbers to hear what it was like and what lessons I learned from the experience.

It was a typical May weather forecast - showers off and on all weekend, snow level 3,000 feet. We were going to attempt Mt. Baker May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. I was not very enthused about climbing the volcano with the poor forecast and after being turned back at Mt. Hood the previous weekend due to weather. But I had made a commitment and did not want to back out because of weather. I remember the avalanche forecast was for moderate to high danger because of high accumulations of snow the previous weeks. I had decided not to speak out against going up to the 6,000 foot base camp, thinking that the terrain was moderate, but was determined to prevent the party from attempting the summit on Sunday. We all felt that a summit was very unlikely but wanted to at least conduct a crevasse rescue practice.

It snowed all day Saturday. We set base camp at the edge of the Easton Glacier in a white-out. We decided by 5 PM that even if the weather improved, a summit attempt was out of the question because of about 2 feet of fresh snow. We awoke Sunday morning to find that it had snowed an additional 1 ½ feet overnight and it was still a white out. We had to use map and compass to find the Railroad Grade. The snow was very deep and unconsolidated. Getting down to a lower altitude the snow became very wet and heavy. We needed to either descend down off of the railroad grade and cross below the glacier or we had to continue down to the end of the ridge and then cross the river. This would have been out of the way and the bridge was washed out. In retrospect, this would have been a better choice.

The trip leader and myself discussed the danger of the slope releasing. The snow was unconsolidated with little chance of a slab avalanche. There were no terrain traps (trees, cliffs, etc.). The slope was about 35 degrees at the top and had a nice run-out about two hundred feet below. I volunteered to go first. I picked a slope without a cornice and one that looked a little gentler than the others. It also looked like it had avalanched in the past. In retrospect plunge stepping might have put less stress on the snow pack but at the time I thought that glissading would get everyone down quicker.

As I started down the slope, snow quickly started moving ahead of me. I realized I was in trouble when I felt snow pushing me from behind. A second later my whole world turned into an avalanche. I thought about rolling off to the side but it was too wide. My entire being was focused on staying on top of the slide. It felt like riding a wave in the ocean where I was being taken for a ride but could at least swim at the surface. As the slope started to mellow, faster snow from behind pushed me to the front of the slide and I went "over the falls" (surfing lingo). For what seemed like an eternity (it was really a couple of seconds) I was completely buried in the still moving snow. I extended an arm up to the surface so that my team could track my progress and so that I would know which end was up. The slide was slowing and I said a quick prayer and fought my way to the surface as the snow stopped. I ended up on the surface with only my left leg buried in the snow from the knee down. After yelling that I was OK it took a couple of minutes to free my leg from the cement-like snow. I didn't get scared until I saw the look on other people's faces and I thought of what might have happened. The avalanche run ended up being about 30-40 feet wide at the bottom and was very shallow. The accumulation of snow at the end of the run was several feet deep and could easily have buried me. Luckily, it was a loose snow avalanche and did not thrash my body like a slab avalanche could have.

Some lessons:

Do not go on avalanche terrain if there has been a significant amount of snow within the past 24 hours.

Do not hesitate to terminate a trip because of avalanche hazards. In my opinion, it was marginally safe to go up to base camp. We did not anticipate the high accumulation overnight. I thought we made a reasonable decision to go to camp given what we wanted to accomplish and the conditions we observed on the mountain. If you are caught in a risky situation because of bad judgment or unanticipated conditions, think about taking a longer route out if it avoids avalanche terrain. It is tough to add an extra mile or two to avoid wind slabs, terrain traps, 30-45 degree slopes - but your life is far more valuable than taking what appears to be the quicker route. After discussions with others, plunge stepping is safer than glissading a suspected slope.

I did not have the presence of mind to get rid of my pack - but I felt that it gave my back some protection by holding it straight, cushioned the impact of the snow from behind, and I felt the pack gave me buoyancy and helped me stay on the surface of the snow.

I feel a little foolish for "getting caught" but fortunate to survive the experience. I took an avalanche awareness course a couple of years ago but will take another this coming winter. The remedial training won't hurt and I remember the course was fun. Maybe I'll help organize one for the club next year.

Rob Kunz

## ***I Was Trapped At A Boealps Slide Show***

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FOB (Friend of Boealpers)

Hanging out in Tacoma, Tuney Kannapell, my trusted friend for many years, drops by and says, "My brother Leonard is having a Bar-B-Q at his house, wanna go?" Hmm. Bar-B-Q. Beer. The company of yet another Kentucky Kannapell. How bad could it be? She has a squirrely look on her face...but, "Sure" I say, "I can change all the shoes laces in my tennis shoes some other time."

In the car, doing that I-5 North thing for the billionth time, a thought struck me, "Could this be a climbing party, or worse, a slide show? You know where everyone says stuff like; 'Swallow's Nest is THE ONLY place for climbers to shop' and 'This is a slide of that 6.9.16 climb in back country Yelm' and, 'I think my cat pissed on my rope.' Nah...Tuney, my trusted friend, she wouldn't..."

Now, Tuney and I have had a heart to heart talk about the danger of dragging me to Boealps slide shows. Although I appreciate the beauty and majesty of our area, I don't seem to appreciate the difficulty of every step of the North Cascades brought to you live on Kodachrome. I have found myself in the past, squinting with drooping half shut eyes at a projector screen, listening to, "Now, this was the north face of the east ridge of the left bank of the 5.9.9 of the third spire of the...wait a minute. This is my Mom's backyard in Illinois!" Can we go home now Tune?

So, as we drove up to Len's house, my eyes turned to slits as I one-eyed Tuney in a sideways glance. "Is this Bar-B-Q really a climbing slide show?" An obese turkey on Thanksgiving never looked as scared as Tune did at that moment.

During the pre-grill mingle, I noticed it was the usual assembly of 8-foot tall, 110-pound Boealp types: Dan Goering, Tuney, Tim "Action" Jackson. Chris Ridsell. You know the type. There was also a small smattering of people who hover a little closer to the earth: Pam Kaiser and, well, Pam Kaiser...and me.

Although attempts at lay man's chit-chat were certainly made by all of the kind Boealpers (and I have always felt welcome among this tree-top bunch) I thought I heard the quiet purr of the slide projector warming up in the background, reminding me of the dark specter to come.

Later, with the burgers cooked and consumed and new beers cold and cracked, these tall people settled into the soft cushions of Len's living room. Len hits the lights and the hot solitary beam of the projector light shines down from the cat scratch and hits the living room wall. The exciting review of the latest climbs has begun.

But something was different this time. Amid the usual chuckle shots of someone's toe hanging out of a worn wool sock, and the inevitable spandex crotch shot taken from below, lay the breathtaking stuff. In one shot, miles of snowy peaks stretched behind smiling climbers like fluffy down blankets. In another shot, green trees surrounded a roped-up group like an ornate turn of the century picture frame; their hard, shiny ice axes the only remnant of the frantic industrialized culture spinning far below. The colors are rich: Snow as white as angel's wings, skies blue like murky opals. The people are as beautiful as the scenery: scruffy bearded faces shine under banana yellow helmets; big black eyed Glacier glasses perch above cold, red noses; the webbed colors of winter breath float in the air. As the slides switch in and out, the sound of technical climbing talk and the pointy-headed discussion of names and difficulty of the peaks goes mute in my ears. The beauty of the pictures holds me like a lucky lottery winner grasping a ticket.

In spite of myself, the lights came on too soon. Lost in the pictures, my cynicism for this sport has ebbed a bit. As my eyes adjusted to the light, I looked around with respect. I'm not going to tell any of these high-altitude pocket-protected adventurers that they might be on to something. My act works better if I feign disgruntlement.

Don't tell Tuney, my trusted friend for many years.

# *It's Not Nice to Fool Mother Nature*

## **A 24-hour slice of time on the West Buttress of Denali (20,320')**

**1996 Boealps Denali Expedition (Tim Jackson & Len Kannapell) Expedition dates: May 15 - June 9**

**June 2 (Sunday):** It was a dark and stormy night. But then, just about every night was at 17,200'.

Huddled around the CB radio and glued to Channel 19, we anxiously awaited "the Annie Hour," the most holy hour of 8 p.m. which marked the nightly cessation of all activity so that all ears could be tuned to the highly questionable but sacred weather forecast for the volatile top of North America. The holy oracle was delivered nightly by New England's own dental receptionist-turned Denali-den-mother Annie Duquette, never promptly at 8 p.m. but always a few minutes thereafter, live from Kahiltna Base at the 7100' level. As the annoyingly persistent winds picked up from their rather mundane flow of 40-50 mph and rattled the walls of our Moss Little Dipper tent, we bent our ears and strained to hear Annie preach what we prayed was the good news in her high-pitched, Maine-tinged accent:

*"Higher winds are expected for the next three to four days, with summit temperatures to be a high of -35 degrees and gusts up to 100 mph..."*

I lowered the CB, carefully wrapped in one of Tim Jackson's yellow Downyflake frozen waffle bags for warmth, to my lap, and my heart just sank; after three days and this, the fourth night at high camp, it was highly unlikely we would get another chance to try for this most elusive 20,320' summit. I stared blankly at the tan walls for a few moments and turned to Tim and Shane Alexander, the chap we had picked up from the broken-down Spokane expedition called Pooky a few days previous, and sullenly announced the obvious: "Well, folks, this expedition is over." It was Sunday, June 2, day #17 into the trip from Kahiltna Base. And nowhere to go but down. Perhaps if we had gone to church that day...

This was our fourth night at the 17,200' camp, whose saucer-like plateau provided the ubiquitous winds with the proper topography to viciously careen through. The camp was reverently known as the Crow's Nest, its broad perch the last and final camp for those of us on the West Buttress. Since we had carted only three days of food instead of four due to a slight error in logistics, it meant we had to go back down to 14,200' the following morning, which was certain to be an ugly endeavor with Annie's forecast of certain doom. Certainly, Shane had enough food to share with Tim and me to last two more days if things had turned even more grim, but it was clear that we should make an effort to evacuate before things became most unholy. The Nest had become increasingly barren the last 24 hours until we were one of perhaps six tents left, our collective mass of nationalities praying to different deities but bound by one universal request: a brief respite from the wind.

I leaned over to fire up the ever-faithful MSR XGK stove to melt snow for the one thousandth time of the trip and tried hard to keep my spirits up. "Damn it all, man; this trip has just been continuously plagued," I groused in inner dialogue. It seemed as if the mere act of looking over one's shoulders had only encouraged the blackened onslaught of the following triumvirate: poor timing, nasty weather, and bad karma, all for just too many days. Back in the Cascades of Washington state, I rationalize the forces of nature and place the blame of a trip's poor weather squarely on the shoulders of fellow Boealper Rich Privett, whose mere physical presence had universally ensured inclement weather in the offing. But he was still in the lower 48, at least as far as I knew; clearly, I needed some other vehicle to heap the blame upon. Still, it was not as if Mother Nature had stripped us completely of our chances - the Day of Mixed Opportunity had passed on by, just one day after we had arrived at 17,200'. It goes like this:

It was the first of June - and our Norwegian friends Leif and Eglund, a Fairbanks soloist and scoundrel named Tim, and a group of 11 RMI-guided folks had been stomping around in the early afternoon, with the winds still strong at 40 mph but perhaps dying down, all of us consumed within the confines of our inner dialogues as to whether to make a summit bid or not. I had mentioned around 8 am that I would like to possibility give the summit a go in a few hours, contingent upon the wind behaving itself. Though there had been no definitive move by anyone to get packed for such intent, at noon the winds actually died down for a spell - and we all thought

that maybe this was it, that perhaps Mother Nature would relent for a few precious hours to allow a stroll through her sacred gardens before she changed her mind and slammed the door shut. So we began packing - and in the midst of the frenzy, Jackson dangled the borrowed Avocet altimeter watch in front of me. I stopped and looked at him curiously, trying to ascertain why he was giving the watch to me. Quietly, he said he wasn't going up.

I stopped and stared a second time at him, this time the amount of curiosity replaced with a degree more anger. "Man, oh man, " I thought; "You've had all morning to tell me this - and you're telling me *now*?" Common sense dictates one does not break an expedition up, though there were clearly some 12-14 other climbers gearing up for a summit bid and there was, to some degree, a safety in numbers; but that was not the point. After 16 days of hard labor getting to this point, carrying preposterously heavy loads alpine style together and suffering together and griping about the vicissitudes of hot chocolate vs. hot apple cider together, it was abhorrent to me to think that us as a team wasn't going up. Tim had been the consistently and amazingly strong ectomorph, as he always was, and he was usually more reliable than a Swiss clock. Yet, we had agreed before the trip that if either of us could not or would not go on and it was within the bounds of safety for the other to continue, we each wanted the other to go on. But those words were spoken in the +60 F temperatures and 0 mph winds of the Emerald City, where promises were easy to keep. Not so in the Arctic Outback - we had been through a lot together, and that alone was a significant tie that bound us together. But so this tie loosened - and after 20 minutes of talking to him and trying different angles to get him to at least go part of the way up, it was clear his decision had already been made - and for Jackson, that is more than a decision: it is a steely resolution, one absolute in the sea of unknowns. The Rock of Gibraltar.

Reluctantly, Shane and I continued packing our gear; and at 2 p.m., with the RMI-guided folks already an hour into their bid and the trio of Leif, Eglund, and no-longer-soloist Tim from Fairbanks all roped up, Shane and I stood outside the tent. Then I noticed the wind picking back up, funneling down from Denali Pass at 18,200'. Shane read my thoughts exactly - something just didn't seem right, the winds were still just too high and there was no telling what degree of ugliness would await us higher up. The lateness of the hour was not of foremost concern; after all, in early June we had almost 24 hours of daylight, and the projected nine to 10 hours round-trip to the top of North America was within our grasp. I glanced up again - it was relatively clear up above. But I just couldn't shake my intuition, the guiding light of my subconscious in which I had always placed so much trust. All roped up and nowhere to go. Thus, we unroped and now had somewhere to go - back in the tent to escape the bracing winds.

The next day, we got the rather surprising news: Leif, Eglund, formerly soloist Tim, and eight out of the 11 RMI guided clients all made it up to the top and back down, some as late as 11 p.m., stating the winds had actually *calmed* above Denali Pass, which really defied common sense and left me scratching my head. But it is what happened - the seemingly mixed bag of conditions that sure left me feeling uneasy had somehow allowed entry into that sacred garden for that precious stroll. Damn.

The next day, on Sunday, June 2, our second opportunity arose. Shane and I geared up again, this time leaving at 12:20 p.m., an hour and a half earlier than yesterday's afternoon departure. Close by our tent were the two former East Germans from Leipzig, Karl and Jurgen, both in their mid-50's, on their second trip to Denali, after narrowly missing the summit on a trip some years previous. The duo had departed a half hour before us on the way to the 1000', 30 degree slope leading to Denali Pass and apparently had last minute equipment adjustments to make, and so Shane and I nonchalantly passed them on the relatively flat bowl that encompasses the Crow's Nest before the true slope begins.

This was our third day at 17,200' - and Shane and I breezed up the slope, feeling quite comfortable, bypassing the pickets that were left by the guide services to clip into for running belays, making it to the 18,200' Denali Pass from camp in an hour and half. But all was not well above - we had noticed many a lenticular cloud ominously hovering about nearby Mt. Foraker that were now moving northeasterly fashion- that is, directly toward us. Once at the pass, a near white-out followed, so we began placing wands every 40 to 50 feet, barely within eyesight, with occasional bursts of angry wind following. Looking up, it almost appeared that if we could get up another 200 feet in elevation, perhaps it would clear - and slowly, we continued up, climbing more by Braille than direction, keeping a comfortable distance from the edge of the ridge, where many an expedition had

met disaster when descending/ascending in similar conditions and had tumbled down the Messner Couloir or the Orient Express.

We then heard some people shout up ahead, and I wasn't sure if they were lost or injured or what - I shouted back and they said they were OK, that they were just descending through the fog after an aborted summit bid and were a little nervous. We told them to follow our wands down, and they replied in thanks and urged us to go on down, that they were in good shape. This turned out to be our high point at 18,500' perhaps 18,600', though the altimeter read much higher at 18,900'; I am sure, in retrospect, the altimeter's elevated reading was the ramification of attempted functionality in such a rapidly varying pressure zone.

As the Helen Kellers of climbing descended, we actually experienced a clearing just below Denali Pass, finally escaping this chaos which we knew we would probably be climbing into before this aborted attempt began. About two-thirds of the way down the slope, we passed the two East Germans. Understanding they spoke little English, I figured ugly weather was a somewhat language-independent phenomenon - I motioned and said to them that it was obviously bad conditions up above and that they should consider going down. I think my words were indeed understood - and were indeed ignored. Ah well - perhaps it was in their German blood to boldly challenge the forces of nature, whereas Shane and I preferred to gracefully back down and adopt a more passive stance - i.e., get the hell out of there. Still, as we plodded our way back to camp, I looked back at the clearing skies but bracing winds and rued the thought of feeling physically good but unable to proceed upward for forces beyond our control.

And so we returned, gone perhaps three hours; and it was the Night of the Bad Weather Forecast, when we found out it would be worsening for the next three to four days. Shane causally dined on macaroni and cheese whereas our cuisine featured the infinitely more exquisite Mountain Home beef stroganoff, green pea soup (which I found out Tim disliked intensely), and apple cider. And very little else was said - we had only two days of food back at the 14,200' camp so supplies were running thin, and I was seriously concerned about our tent getting a severe wind-lashing up here. This was in light of the failure of the tent door zippers, one of which broke off and the other requiring a supreme effort to get it to close even half way. This is a bit of a problem when it is projected to be -15 to -20 F at night and the wind is blowing 90 mph. Luckily for us, the vestibule door always worked, and thus the Roar of the Outdoors was felt only when the vestibule door was open, allowing dry volumes of icy air to race through the tent. Though this was a great annoyance, at least the mosquito netting on the door was functional, which meant the swirling crystals of snow, so incredibly light and dry and able to magically invade every possible nook and cranny outside the tent, were thankfully stopped at tent door.

That evening, Shane was engrossed in Ken Follett's Pillars of the Earth, a medieval tale of ruthlessness, roguery, and romance that he had borrowed from Tim, and I found solace in Shane's The Rainmaker by John Grisham, the exploits of Austin Peay law graduate Rudy Baylor and his desperation in seeking an entry-level position in any firm in the lawyer-glutted town of Memphis. When recent employment fell through the tracks and he is forced to take up a position as an ambulance chaser for the local seedy firm run by Lyman "Bruiser" Stone, I knew things couldn't get much worse for Rudy. Heck, he hadn't even taken, much less passed, the bar exam at this point...but he does meet the beautiful and young but domestically-abused housewife Kelly Riker, recovering from a swat of a baseball bat to the ankle by her redneck husband Cliff, so things can't be all that bad for Rudy...

Sleep came fitfully for me again that night, as it had for most of my week above 14,000' - I was most calm and breathing deeply but just unable to take the final lapse into somnolence. The stunning discovery of large pieces of ice between my sleeping bag and bivy sac three nights before solved the damning misery of endless nights of cold toes through most of the trip, but still I lay awake; and then I began to wonder just what the descent from 17,200' to 14,200' along the West Buttress proper would really be like tomorrow in high winds, imagining our trio tossed about like such rag dolls at nature's whim. Sleep came even less easily.

And what a surprise the next morning. High winds. Temperatures hovering around -15 F. And the thought of getting out of the confines of my cozy -30 degree F down bag to even start up the stove and get whipped around by 40-50 mph winds was most unwelcome, not to mention tearing down the Moss tent and packing it up in high winds. As we munched on cinnamon Poptarts and bagels and consumed our daily mug o' hot chocolate (mugs the compliment of Vera Trainer), we began the arduous task of melting bagfuls of snow for drinking

water. The East Germans, who had been seen almost constantly milling around their tent in the most obscene of conditions, were not present - probably sleeping their way through the high winds or recuperating from their summit bid two days before. Waging our battle against the elements, we packed up, barely defeating the wind in its attempt to keep the Moss tent.

Finally, at one o'clock, with the winds resolutely blowing at 40 mph or so, we began our descent on this most beautiful ridge, a granite-topped edge which under normal conditions provides a commanding view into the Peters Glacier to the north, the Kahiltna and Tokositna Glaciers to the south and sum of the pristine Alaska Range elsewhere. That is, under normal conditions - we still had the same uncompromising heavenly vista but this nirvana was interrupted by the presence of our dear old friend, the wind. Dear old, ubiquitous, pestering, driving, blinding, searing, burning, churning, turning wind. There was an interesting delay before the wind would hit - we would hear a freight-train chug and a few second's lapse before the full fury of each blast, though these encounters were relatively few and far between.

Tim led off at a good clip, working his way first up to the edge of the rim comprising the Nest and then down, staying about 15-20 feet below the ridge plateau, weaving the 9 mm rope through the speckled granite for protection - an infinitely pleasant stroll under normal conditions, filling the void in one's eyes with the sheer magnificence of North America's roof top. That is, under normal conditions - before things begin to unravel a bit and the gods begin to have one continuous knee-slapping laugh at the expense of us mere mortals far down below the heavens.

I was in the middle, struggling with the wind when I recall my head feeling suddenly a bit colder and slightly more exposed to the Arctic blasts - and I realized I had, minutes into the descent, lost my wool balaclava, which had formerly been neatly rolled over my ears. Shane, in the back, later told me I lost it about two minutes into the descent. Oh well - I still had my OR Gorilla mask on underneath, and besides, the balaclava was gift from my brother Dave years ago. Still, it had been a faithful aid for most of the trip and had fit quite well; more importantly, it reminded me of my brother, who I really wanted to go on this trip with and who would have cherished these moments as I later would, Arctic blasts or no.

Back to those Arctic blasts: the true nature of Denali screamed forth and we three did our best to crouch down to reduce our individual surface areas and planted our ice axes firmly in the wind-hardened snow - gusts of up to 80 mph, we figured, were billowing in and out as if we were caught in some resonant cavity, with the wind reaching its local maxima just about at our positions. Truly, even with 60 to 65 lbs. on our backs, the threat was most real of being blown up and over the ridge, the possibility of tumbling out of control down some unspecified portion of the headwall to the south. Needless to say, it was quite cold, though my triple layer of expedition weight Capilene, Polartec 200 coat, and Goretex shell seemed to be warding off the tremendous anger of the wind adequately.

About halfway down, with these gusts coming in no real periodicity but just as sure, we reached the first of the fixed lines, which we were more than thankful to reach for some viable means of anchoring ourselves to the earth. Tim had been having a hard time on the descent, struggling exhausted through the winds as we all were, when he stopped and pulled off a glove to inspect a suspiciously cold fingertip. Sure enough, the tip of the right middle finger was bright white - no sign of circulation. The normally placid Jackson spewed forth a good stream of obscenities, easily enough to make a mother stare in astonishment and promptly wash his mouth out with soap. I was trying to vocalize my thoughts a bit more pragmatically: "Put your damn glove back on!" He moved slowly but surely down the fixed line - I had my OR mitts and shells on but had removed the black Lowe liners I wore underneath since they had, with great regularity, been a nuisance for their excessive friction when I pulled the mitts and shells off. Thinking little of it and lacking dexterity to deal with the fixed lines, I pulled my mitt and shell combination off to handle the 'biner and sling and the slight adjustments to equipment, perhaps 20 to 30 seconds when the wind had calmed to around 40 to 50 mph.

Just before I began my descent, I noticed something out of the corner of my eye - and lo and behold, I saw what looked remarkably like my Thermarest in a navy blue bag with pink cord commencing a long tumble off the ridge and down the north side to the Peters Glacier some 2000 feet below. I began to wonder if this was that dreamy state certain alpinists experience on Himalayan peaks due to oxygen deprivation, when nothing seems real, when that hazily floating pink pig you thought saw was a really a figment of a laconic cerebrum operating

on sparse quantities of oxygen. I hoped for such drug-like hallucinations when suddenly I came to the realization it indeed was my Thermarest - but I fought the sharp impulse to go chasing after it, seeing as how I was already clipped in to the fixed line and would be dragging two other rather unwilling fellows with me down the slope. Sadly, I watched as it slowly bounced down the magnificent terrain, almost rolling to a stop but continuing its taunting descent. I can only surmise I just hadn't pulled the straps tight on the backpack but I just didn't see how. Oh well - this pad was a Cascade Design irregular I had received when they couldn't repair the leak in the beaten Thermarest my ex-brother-in-law Chuck had given me six years before; I justified the untimely exit of the pad as an exercise in the memory purgation of the likes of Chuck. Still, as the pad took its final quivering leap before disappearing for the last time, I remembered the insulated properties of said Thermarest and, more immediately, what the remainder of the trip might be like without its services. Damn.

We continued clipping into the three or four fixed lines, with this uncommonly clear day almost unnoticed by us, concentrating more on getting down in three live human forms as opposed to a dozens of individual fragments. I kept wondering why Tim was pulling so damn hard on the rope in the front when I looked down to see he wasn't even moving - rather, the tug was caused by the wind picking up the rope and holding it aloft in a static inverted parabola shape, about 12 feet high, a most amazing feat. Shane could barely be heard, shouting to keep the rope taut between us. I looked back at him, knowing full well it was useless to scream back my concurrence at the magic rope trick under these conditions.

Finally, after a good two hours of this battle, we arrived at the top of headwall at 16,200', where the winds had miraculously died down. Exhausted, we sat down in an abandoned shelter - and it was here I realized my finger tips felt differently. They were just plain numb, just at the tips, the experience was universal to every finger and thumb. Hmmm - maybe they just need to thaw out a bit, I figured. I went to dig out the cache that contained some clothes, the ascenders and the extra shovel we had stashed on the way up, and it was time to move down the headwall, a consistent 45 degrees for about 700 to 800 feet and then an easy 1300 feet for the remaining descent to the 14,200' camp.

How immaculate it was down here at the lower latitudes - very little wind, clearing skies, the magisterial prominence of 17,400' Mt. Foraker to the southwest. As we continued down, we even saw two stops by the Chinook helicopter at the 14,200' camp: one was to evacuate the Basque climber who had broken his ankle above Denali Pass the day before and had been lowered down the Rescue Gully, and the second was evidently just a training run. This time down the headwall (we had carried a load up to 16,200' and returned to the 14,200' camp five days earlier), I clipped a 'biner instead of attaching the ascender around the fixed line, feeling quite secure with my crampons digging through the thin layer of snow into the blue ice below. But it was tiring work, a real thigh burner - I figured this probably rivaled the best of Suzanne Sommers' workouts. The bergshrund was easy to descend, a slow downclimb of perhaps an eight-foot wall followed by a step of two feet to get across the narrow but remarkably bottomless beast.

From here, it was clear sailing - the 14,200' camp, which resembled a sci-fi alien ant farm from high above, beckoned and we wasted little time getting down. There were no crevasses below on the slope, and Tim wanted to unhitch from the rope to take his time on the remainder of the descent, which made good sense - we were all sick of the rope, our beast of burden. It amazed me how deep the snow was the rest of the way down below the bergshrund, almost as if a good foot of snow had accumulated while we were gone. It turns out they had no fresh snow - what we were plodding through was courtesy of the labors of the wind, which had shifted and sifted huge volumes of snow, almost obliterating the previously well-trodden path.

Back down at 14,200', we found an abandoned shelter and sat down, just plain whipped and in no mood to set up the tent and unpack for the nth time of the trip. As with most of the sites, this was just a shade small for our three-man tent, which required some digging to enlarge and flatten the area. Much to our chagrin, the prior occupants had simply used whatever wall was conveniently located to urinate upon instead of using the established latrines. Jackson, who was easily annoyed after the nerve-wracking descent, grumbled as he hacked up the frozen urination spots with his ice ax and continued his rather vocal mumbling when shoveling the urea-laden spots away. I was beat but equally bothered by the lack of common decency - have people no couch? We cursed and surmised it was either Koreans or flagrant Europeans who were to blame, but I felt quite certain we weren't alone in these rather discomfiting discoveries in abandoned shelters.

Avoiding the use of my fingertips as much as possible, I did my best to help set up the tent and unpack, though this was difficult and a bit painful. And so, around the hour of 6 p.m., I strolled over to the red and yellow Quonset-style hut that housed the medical team and consulted Mark Elstad, a gentle, graying, 50ish doctor who was on call for the day. Upon examination of my ermine-white wind-hardened fingertips, he casually stated I had a bit of frostbite and went out to heat up a pan of water in the adjacent ranger tent. Returning five minutes later with a cooking pan containing three inches of lukewarm water, he asked me to immerse my fingertips in the water to commence the thawing process, which was much like taking ground beef out of your freezer and allowing the beef to eventually reach room temperature.

The difference here is that pain immediately seared through my tips to the greatly offended nerves - I winced and let out a low but steady growl, sort of like that of a Rottweiler vocalizing its feelings that it does NOT appreciate you strolling so close to its property and will remedy the situation if you continue on said path. I sat for 20 minutes and explained the circumstances behind the frostbite, the sum total of perhaps four exposures of 20 to 30 seconds each of bare, uncovered skin in relatively low winds. He remained unimpressed; many folks, he stated, had been out in far worse conditions for much longer and had returned with no frostbite. And he was right; I asserted that I had no one to blame but myself and it was a really stupid maneuver. At least I was spared a much harsher penalty: we had heard rumors of a Belgian team that had pushed on to the summit in mid-May had actually lost parts of fingers and noses in the process.

Keeping the fingers well protected, I thanked Mark for his counsel (if you could call lecturing "counsel") and the water and returned to the tent. Thankfully, Tim served as chef that evening, back to his old wisecracking self, though I'm sure his one slightly frostbitten fingertip couldn't have been feeling too good that evening. Shane, of course, had incurred zero frostbite and was still busily roaring through Tim's Pillars of the Earth again; the young sprout had emerged unscathed while the two old timers had each been a bit careless, one of whom had been downright foolhardy. The evening's fare, as I recall, was freeze-dried Santa Fe chicken and green pea soup, the latter having such disagreement with the palate of Mr. Jackson that he surrendered his portion to me before even tasting it. That, too, was my error - when packing the food, I tacitly assumed Lipton instant green pea soup was universally palatable.

The Annie Hour arrived, again bringing nothing but a strong dose of pessimism - high winds expected through Wednesday (this was Monday), with no chance of leaving camp until Thursday morning. Crap. And we had perhaps two days of food but possessed no breakfast consumables at all. Lipton instant green pea soup for breakfast, anyone? We would resort to bumming some oatmeal from Hugh, a member of the Wilderness Sports Five (as we called them) from Seattle, just straight oatmeal with nothing on it - except the hot water used to liquefy this exceptionally bland breakfast. Perhaps this unintended stay at 14,200' wasn't all bad - it was probably best for the wounded fingertips to stay put under my armpits to begin the quantum healing process (as I called it) for the next 48 hours.

But that night, when the soft glow of the midnight sun replaced the reddened dusk of evening, I lay awake - the pain from the thawed fingertips wasn't overwhelming but it was indeed present. Ben from the Wilderness Sports Five had graciously provided some tablets of Alleve but I chose not to take it that night. I was slightly uncomfortable from sleeping on the uncoiled 9 mm rope, the ground layer underneath the 3/4 length foam Ridge Rest; but more, I was just plain worn emotionally. I had thoughts on the descent that if the weather would accommodate for just a day, perhaps I could do a one-day solo of the route from 14,200', not inconceivable considering our acclimatization and nights at 17,200'. But even that remote possibility had evaporated; as well as I could protect my fingertips, it was far too much of a gamble to freeze them again and seriously risk permanent damage.

I lay on my back, frustrated at myself, beaten by the lightly pricking pain of the tips, the freight-train wind and the uncooperative weather; the labor of merely getting up near the top of this relentless mountain which now just seemed to have been all for naught, a bad joke with me at the unwilling victim. And as I lapsed into the reality that it just wouldn't happen this trip, that it really was coming to an end despite our best efforts, the tears came - rolling down the corners of my eyes to my mouth, just a few initially followed by a gentle stream, the taste of the salt of each drop to my mouth a vivid reminder of my frailty and my humanity. But it felt good, to remember the comfort in being sad, to feel fully human; I just couldn't maintain a stoic front any longer. I did my best to keep my torments to myself, to save face, but it was difficult. You work so hard to gain so much and just

a little break is all you need to finish the task, to complete the work, to come full circle, to say you were one of the coveted few to make it to the top of one of the feared mountains on the planet.

Within 15 minutes, I had purged myself of the tears of inadequacy and knew all would be all right. I took a big slug of water - and somewhere in the back of my mind, my masochistic leanings must have taken over: I wanted to come back and do this trip again someday.

The following day we heard the news: Jurgen, one of the two East Germans we had passed on the way down from Denali Pass, was missing. More incomplete reports came in, but the story was as follows: the day we came down and saw them heading up to Denali Pass, they continued up, somehow battling their way through the ferocious wind and white-out to the summit, reaching the top somewhere around 10 or 11 p.m. Coming down, they couldn't withstand either of nature's twin daggers of wind or white-out and bivied somewhere above 19,000', digging a small alcove with their ice axes to huddle together through the night out of the wind. The next day, it made sense why I didn't see them milling about the tent: they were still gone. And somewhere that afternoon, descending from Denali Pass, Jurgen either lost his footing or got blown off what I thought was a relatively innocuous slope - and in either case, slid down the slope was simply was not seen again. Dead or alive. As I write this, it is almost two weeks later and he is still missing.

My jaw dropped. How could this be? I thought of the first fatality of the trip - on May 28th, a Croatian duo had successfully climbed the Messner Couloir, had made it to the summit, and at 19,000', began the descent down the Orient Express, the menacing 45-degree, 3000'+ slope. Tired and unroped, Milan Dolovski, 34, began his descent when he took a small slip, failed to arrest, and ended up careening all the way down the Orient, his lifeless body visible by those with binoculars from the 14,200' camp. I saw his partner descending the route, a tiny black speck moving down the slope, flanked by the orange granite of dusk, as the rangers worked their way up the cut-off to the bottom of the Orient from the 14,200' camp. There was no rush for his partner coming down or the rescuers coming up - Milan was long gone.

I found out later back in Talkeetna that the East Germans had been turned back perhaps 1000' shy of the summit on their previous bid. And sometime within the past three years, the two had been forced back from the ceiling of South America, Aconcagua, again quite close to the top. According to Karl, Jurgen's partner, it was Jurgen's push to continue to the summit on this trip and not his. This was it - the blind, senseless driving ambition to get to the top had earned his partner a far different prize than a summit; instead, an icy, unknown grave. Truly, accidents do happen for a complexity of reasons - and in the case of the fallen Croatian climber, it was perhaps a judgment call to climb unroped and unbelayed down the Orient. Many have done so successfully. Perhaps he was simply careless due to fatigue, as so many were who have slipped and fallen down the treacherous slope. I wasn't there and do not know the conditions the two had faced in their descent.

But I was up on the West Buttress - and I was saddened at the loss of a life, any life, up there. But I was also angry - the East German death was almost completely avoidable. Why continue up in appalling conditions? I thought of the drunken fellow named Keith whom we had met in Talkeetna at the Fairview Inn the night before we flew to Kahiltna Base and his query: "Are you after experience or achievement?" A good question - and this turns out to be from the mouth of a guy who did a nine-month solo of Alaska's Brooks Range with his dog. Achievement would be nice, I thought; but I considered luck to be a major component in the achievement of getting to the top; experience meant learning a lot, regardless of the summit's attainment - and it meant coming back in one piece, which was just fine with me - and Tim.

That night I thought it over, as sleep slowly overtook my earthly concerns; perhaps a more passive approach is required for these peaks - instead of marching each heavy footstep with the mantra "I must get to the top!", a better approach might be this: to wake up at camp and see if Mother Nature is in a beneficent mood to allow a few hour's stroll through her sacred garden and maybe make plans to go up that way and just take a look - and if the karma isn't there, well, sir, you just head right on back to your novel in the tent - and never think twice about your decision. As they say, the mountain will be around long after you are gone. Long after my fingertips heal. Far after some grizzly bear is asleep on somebody's lost Thermarest way down below on the Peters Glacier.

Len Kannapell 6/24/96

## ***Denali Fund Raiser for the Brian Nelson Fund***

As stated in the last *ECHO*, the Boealps Denali Expedition was also a fund raiser for Brian Nelson, the only surviving member of the trio that fell down the Winthrop Glacier on Mt. Rainier on August 20, 1995. Brian, a Boeing employee, is currently at University Place Nursing Home in Tacoma (566-7166) with limited mobility and speech impairment, though he does get around by wheelchair. His mother hopes to move him soon to the Terry House, also in Tacoma. Brian is definitely alert and will accept visitors if you call ahead.

Since we asked Boealpers to support us 50 cents each day of the trip and we were on the glacier a total of 21 days, the total comes to a whopping **\$10.50** if you want to support the cause (of course, you can always contribute more or less). Please send a check (no cash if at all possible) payable to **the Brian Nelson Fund** to me at m/s 4C-07 and I'll keep track of the total and deliver the checks to Mrs. Nelson sometime in August. Thanks.

Len Kannapell 662-1457 w.



**Len Kannapell, aka Sheik Abdul Topramman, and Tim "Achmed" Jackson, at the Edge of the World, with Mt. Hunter in the upper left background, lounging at the 14,200' camp on Denali**

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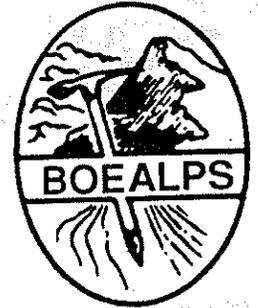
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*Thanks to everyone!!*



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Photo: Mt. Rainier in a Whiteout

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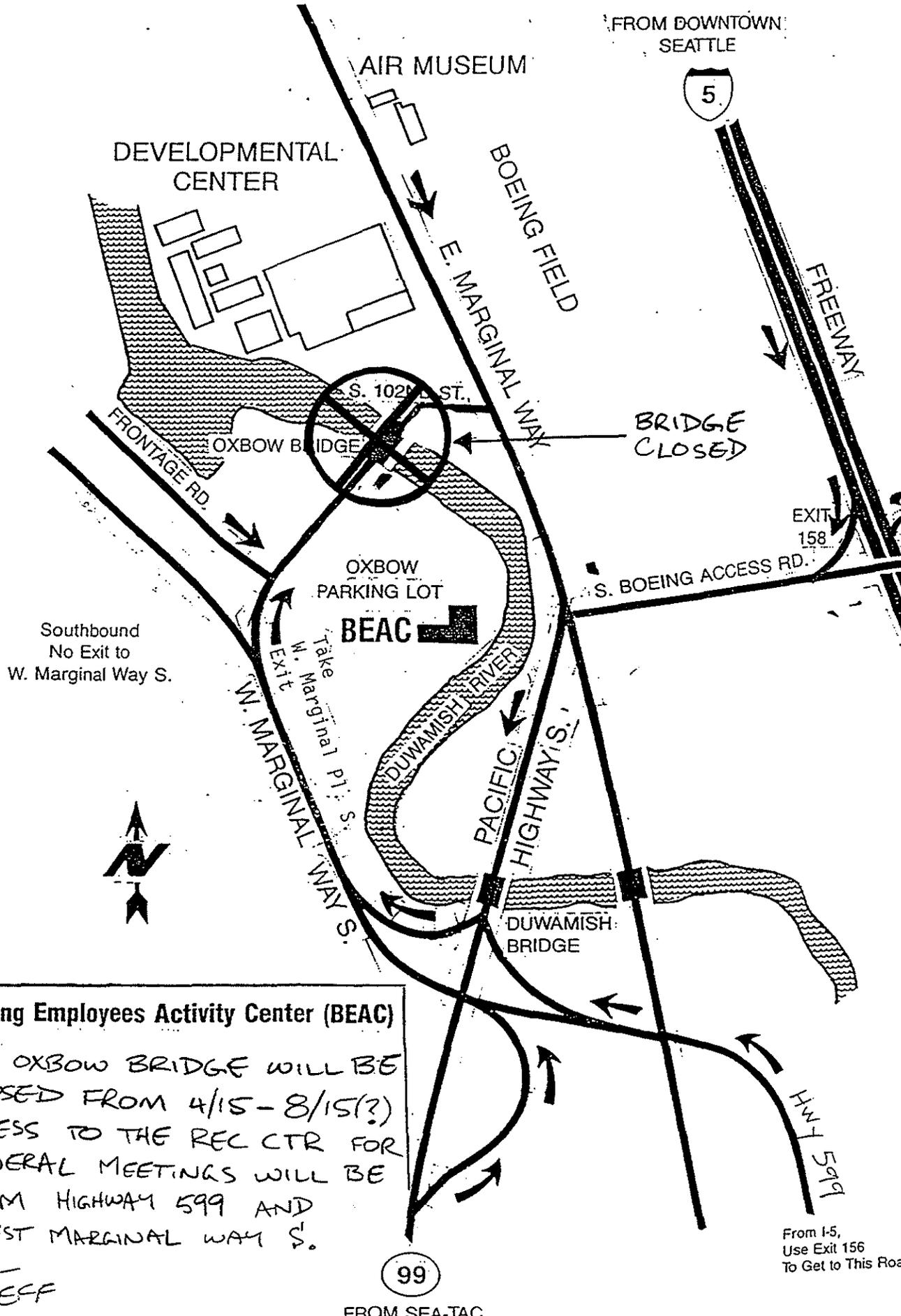
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## General Meeting

August 1st, 1996

### Numb Toes and Frozen Fingers

Boealpers Len Kannapell and Tim Jackson Share Stories  
of Their Recent Trip to The Crown of North America



**Boeing Employees Activity Center (BEAC)**  
 THE OXBOW BRIDGE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 4/15 - 8/15(?)  
 ACCESS TO THE REC CTR FOR GENERAL MEETINGS WILL BE FROM HIGHWAY 599 AND WEST MARGINAL WAY S.

-JEFF

## ***BELAY STANCE***

### **August General Meeting**

This month's general meeting will feature Len Kannapell and Tim Jackson as they recount tales of frostbite and endless storms encountered during their four week expedition to Denali.

### **In This Issue**

The Activities Bulletin Board is empty, hopefully everyone is finding partners and getting out to enjoy the summer weather. If you're interested in expanding your climbing horizons, or simply want to hone some dulled skills check out the upcoming three climbing classes: Intro. to Leading 5th Class Rock, Intro. to Climbing Technical Ice and MOFA Re-certification.

Boealps librarian Katy Rusho has compiled an updated library list. Katy has been busy searching the booksales, and has made a number of new additions to the Boealps collection.

Todd Gilbertson, s Boealper working in the Czech Republic, sent a short story and a request for information regarding climbing/backpacking in the Alps. If anyone has some information to share please take some time to contact Todd at the address shown at the bottom of his article.

And finally; fellow editor Len Kannapell burned the midnight oil and turned out an article on his recent adventure into the Picket Range.

### **Swap Table/Classified Ads**

Remember that a gear swap table will be set up from 7:00 to 7:30 prior to each club meeting. Also take advantage of the ECHO classified ads for purchasing and selling used equipment. Contact either Len Kannapell or Michael McGuffin at the addresses shown on the cover to place an ad.

### **Next Issue**

Look for information regarding the general elections scheduled for Thursday September 5th.

From the respective desks of your co-editors,

Len Kannapell/Mike McGuffin

**SEPTEMBER ECHO DEADLINE IS AUGUST 22nd**

# August 1996

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday | Saturday   |
|---|---|---------|--|--|--------|--|
|   |   |         |  | 1<br> Club Meeting   | 2      | 3  |
| 4   | 5<br> Intermediate Class Lecture<br>Last Quarter | 6       | 7  | 8  | 9      | 10<br> ICC Alpine 4         |
| 11<br> ICC Alpine 4         | 12  | 13      | 14<br>New Moon   | 15<br> Board Meeting | 16     | 17<br> Ice Climbing Seminar |
| 18<br> Ice Climbing Seminar | 19<br> Intermediate Class Lecture                | 20      | 21<br>1st Quarter  | 22<br> Echo Deadline | 23     | 24<br> ICC Graduation Climb |
| 25<br> ICC Graduation Climb | 26  | 27      | 28<br>Full Moon<br> | 29   | 30     | 31   |

# September 1996

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday         | Thursday   | Friday            | Saturday                                     |
|--|---|---------|-------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| 1  | 2<br> ICC Wrap-up Class<br>Labor Day | 3       | 4<br>Last Quarter | 5<br> Club Elections @ Rainier | 6                 | 7  |
| 8  | 9   | 10      | 11                | 12<br>New Moon   | 13                | 14<br>ICC End of Year Party<br>Rosh Hashanah |
| 15<br> ICC End of Year Party | 16  | 17      | 18                | 19<br> Echo Deadline           | 20<br>1st Quarter | 21   |
| 22<br>Autumn begins<br>      | 23<br> Yom Kippur                    | 24      | 25                | 26<br>Full Moon<br>            | 27                | 28   |
| 29   | 30  |         |                   |  |                   |  |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

The weather is great, routes are in condition. Find a partner and go climbing!

### *REI Facility Tour*

Silas Wild has arranged with Steve Nagode, (former?) Boealp member and employee of the REI equipment testing lab, a tour of their testing facilities in Sumner. The tour will be **Tuesday, August 6, beginning at 6:30 pm**, lasting about 45 minutes; after that, we can test items we have brought to sacrifice for science. No one will be allowed entry without closed-toe shoes.

The address is 1700 45th Street in Sumner. Directions: Take hwy 167 south to 410 exit. Then take the first Sumner exit, turn left at the end of the ramp, continue through town past the Post Office. At the Y stay right curving right. At the end of this road is a rhubarb warehouse. Turn left there.

Useful phone numbers? Steve Nagode 891-2577, Sumner office front desk 863-5550.

| BOEALPS Echo   |                             |
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| Activity Submission Form                                     |                             |
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| <b>Description:</b><br>_____<br>_____<br>_____               |                             |
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## ***UPCOMING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES***

The following short courses will be offered this fall by the BOEALPS. Short courses are free unless noted and are facilitated and taught by your fellow BOEALPS members. Students must sign up for these courses in advance. Classes may have size restrictions, so sign up early.

Courses are open to anyone (member or not) in adequate physical (or mental ;- ) health. It is usually requested that students be at least 16 years old, and possess skills equivalent to BOEALPS Basic Class graduates. All participants are required to sign a liability waiver, and non-Boeing employees must show proof of adequate health insurance coverage. If you have any questions about prerequisite requirements, instructor qualifications, course content, number of students accommodated, or to sign up, contact the instructor for the course.

### ***INTRO TO LEADING 5TH CLASS ROCK***

This class will cover everything needed to safely execute low fifth class rock leads. Topics will include:

- Technical Rock Climbing Equipment
- Placing Rock Protection
- Belay Anchors
- Rope Signals
- Route Finding

There will be weeknight lecture session followed by a full weekend seminar.

**Prerequisites:** Basic Class rope handling skills (belaying, rapelling)

**Lecture Specifics:** Oxbow Recreation Center  
Room 101  
Wednesday, September 4th, 6:30PM - 9:00PM

**Weekend Seminar Specifics:** Location TBD (most likely Icicle Creek Canyon)  
Saturday and Sunday, September 7th and 8th

**Instructor Contact:** Rob James 869-3768 (wk) 861-0455 (hm)

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### ***September Board Elections Reminder***

So soon? Yes! The annual Boealps Board Elections will be held Thursday, September 5, 6:00 pm at the Rainier Brewery. Don't miss the social hour and a half and the election of next year's board members. So start think thinking about volunteering yourself (or more likely, somebody else) for a position. Don't forget: only those over 21 are allowed and ID is required.

## ***INTRO TO CLIMBING TECHNICAL ICE***

This class will cover techniques for climbing moderate to steep alpine ice. Topics will include:

- Ice Climbing Equipment
- Placing Snow/Ice Protection
- Belay Anchors in Snow/Ice
- Route Finding
- Proper use of ice axe and crampons

There will be weeknight lecture session followed by a full weekend seminar.

**Prerequisites:** Basic Class rope handling (belaying, rappelling) and crevasse rescue skills

**Lecture Specifics:** Everett Recreation Center  
Classroom 1  
Wednesday, August 7th, 7:00PM - 9:00PM

**Weekend Seminar Specifics:** Location TBD (most likely Mt. Baker)  
Saturday and Sunday, August 17th and 18th

**Instructor Contact:** Shawn Paré 342-7134 (wk) 483-0548 (hm)

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## ***MOFA RECERTIFICATION***

Plans are being made for this course to be held in the late fall. Call the instructor to give him an idea of how much interest there is in having a class and when the best times would be to conduct it.

**Instructor Contact:** Chris Rudesill 294-1422 (wk) 527-1489 (hm)

### ***Brian Nelson Fund Reminder***

To date, the 1996 Boealps Denali Expedition has collected over \$300 for the Brian Nelson Fund (a write-up was included in the July *ECHO*). We will be sending the checks to Mrs. Nelson in late August, so please contribute what you can. Send checks payable to The Brian Nelson Fund to your co-editor. Thanks.

Len Kannapell m/s 4C-07

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My name is Todd Gilbertson (BOEALPS 1990 Basic Class, Orange Team). I receive the ECHO via my home office mail. It is good to read about all the climbs and club activities while I am on-site in the Czech Republic. I have been here for eighteen months now and will most likely be here until mid-summer. I live in the city of Liberec. It is on the edge of a mountain area and sandstone climbing spires. The Czechs in this area are fanatical about climbing in the summer and skiing in the winter. During the winter they practice climbing in a climbing wall at the technical University. The wall is about 12 meters high. Routes include European ratings from 5 through 10. The cost is 40 Czech Koruns (\$1.45) to climb for two hours. Monthly passes are cheaper. The liability waver reads 'Do not climb without a rope'. You sign it once on your first visit. The safety level is an eye opener. The wall is often very crowded. I have had people fall on me, step on my hands or feet enroute and often you need to wait until someone clears from the hold you have your eye on. After 9:00PM a private group uses it while they drink beer. How would our lawyers like that in the US to say nothing about it being a public school facility?

The outdoor climbing is a paradise of sandstone spires. It is called Cesky Raj (Czech Paradise). Many routes are bolted. The sandstone turns the ropes into frayed spaghetti in no time. Around here you use the rope until the internals start to fray and break. Some pitches are up to 80 meters high. To the East is the High Tatra mountains of the Slovak Republic and Poland. There are many mountain huts interconnected by trails and climbs with anchors and chains. If anyone would like information on the area please drop me some e-mail, write or call.

Now, the reason I am mailing you; I will be spending some time in the Alps when I finish this project here. Can you send some names and connections of people with Alps climbing/backpacking experience. So far I have not done any ascents in the Alps but have had a couple dozen skiing & hiking trips throughout Austria, Switzerland, Italy and France. Someday soon maybe I will have enough time to put together an article for the ECHO. Hope to hear from you soon!

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# What a Long Strange Trip It's Been...

## The prologue and epilogue of a Pickets Traverse in the North Cascades

Climbers: Steve Edgar, Dan Goering, Elaine Worden, and Victor Yagi

Date: July 13-20, 1996

### Saturday, July 13

It was 4:50 am. At an hour when the rest of America was deep in the throes of somnolence or quietly watching the ruddy sky giving way to the dawn of day, I stumbled out of my house to the white Subaru Loyale wagon driven by Steve Edgar. My mission: to drop off the quartet of climbers at the Hannegan Pass trailhead near Mt. Baker, so that they could boldly go where few had dared, cared, or erred to go: a Pickets Traverse.

As I hopped into the car, with a hot Thermos of Columbia Supremo in hand, I peered curiously at the sight behind the wheel. The night before, Steve had given himself a haircut which provided him with roughly half the hair of a freshly shorn U.S. Marine. Clearly, Edgar Scissorhands had been at work again: on our trip to the Southern Pickets last September, he had first exhibited the close-cropped look. Damn good way of staying cool, though.

As we headed towards 5th Ave NE from my Northgate Rambler, we noticed a rather significant heap about 200 feet ahead in the middle of the right lane. "Damn," I said, "That's one heck of a big dead dog." But as we drew closer, it was clear that this was not some mammoth deceased or narcoleptic canine - it was *somebody* lying out there.

The jovial nature of the two-minute ride had ended. I braced myself for the worst, thoughts racing through my head of encountering a homicide victim as I ran through the SOFA (Street Oriented First Aid) steps if by some chance he/she was alive. I jumped out of the car to the victim, a young lad of perhaps 17 or 18, lying on his back, wearing baggy dark gray shorts and a striped T-shirt, his short dark hair accented by his sidewall haircut above the ear. I stopped and looked at him for a second and could see his chest rise and fall with each breath - at least he was alive. I knelt down to him and firmly stated, "hey, are you OK?" in the same mechanistic style seen on First Aid videos - but got no response. I still saw the regularity of the breaths when I recognized the fragrant scent of O de Budweiser in the still morning air. Perhaps a rather significant piece of this road conundrum had fallen into place.

With a shade less alarm, I shook him gently and repeated my query, a bit more forcefully this time: "Hey, buddy, are you OK? You're sleeping in the middle of the road, and, well, I don't think this is a good place to rest." After a few seconds, Lazarus slowly awoke from the dead, opened his bleary eyes about two nanometers to see he indeed was asleep on the road, and stiffly walked off down Roosevelt - without saying a word.

Edgar and I watched in amazement at the sight of the wordless resurrection and got back in the car, cracking up at the thought of the silent shuffler choosing some nice, soft pavement to lay down his weary head. "Man," I said to Steve, "I sure hope the rest of the trip isn't *this* weird."

### Saturday, July 20

It was 9:30 am. Arriving at mile post 134 on the North Cascades Highway at the Ross Lake trailhead, I saw many vehicles stationed just off the road for a relaxing weekend fishing for rainbow trout at the majestic lake down below. And just off the parking lot was the climbing quartet, looking weary and sufficiently water-logged, compliments of the Big Beaver trail and snowfall at Luna col. Further, each had been ticketed \$35 for camping illegally near the lake.

To be continued...

Len Kannapell

7/21/96

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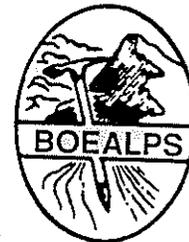
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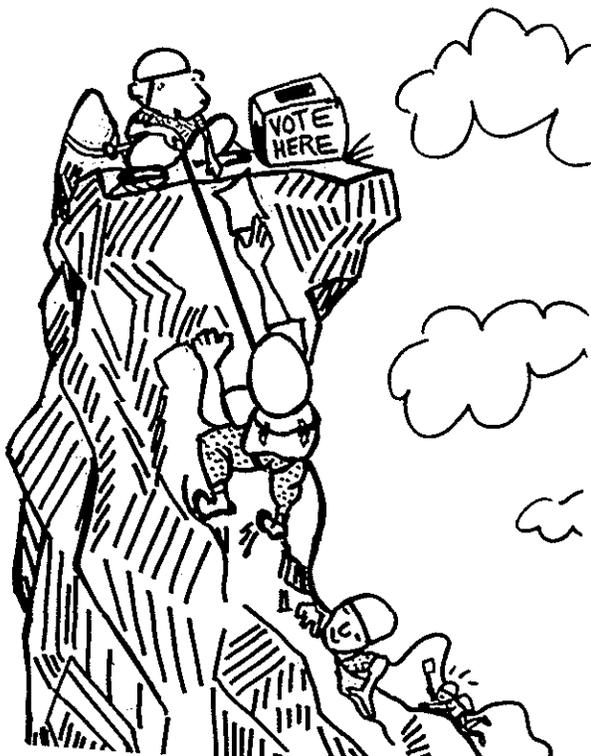


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Photo: Mt. Francis (foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

From Dan Goering 67-63



### **September Elections**

Thursday, September 5th

Rainier Brewery

Social hour 6:00 pm

Elections 7:30 pm

Don't miss the fun - get involved and be part of the '96-'97 Boealps board!

## **BELAY STANCE**

### **Boealps General Elections**

September - a time to savor the waning weeks of summer, an opportunity to climb before the monsoons return, and yet another chance to get off your duff and get involved with the club - by running for office. This year's elections will be held on **Thursday, September 5th** at (surprise, surprise) the **Mountaineer Room** of the **Rainier Brewery**, with refreshments (of many kinds) served at 6:00 pm and the elections at 7:30 pm. Nominations will be accepted before the elections, so consider nominating someone worthy for one of the following positions: president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer. So don't just think about it - do it. More info inside.

### **October Banquet Info**

If the thrill of the elections was not enough to complete the social calendar, consider the upcoming annual banquet, filled with a social hour, a superb dinner, a tantalizing slide show, and a chance to swap stories and tell more lies. The place? The Mountaineers Building on Queen Anne. The date? Friday, October 11th. The time? The social hour kicks off the evening, starting at 6:00 pm. The speaker? Steve Swensen, local alpine legend and climber of K2 and the Eiger, speaking on his alpine climbs from around the world. More info? Look inside this here ECHO. Remember: banquet registration deadline is **September 25th**.

### **Fall Campout**

Now with those two items on the agenda, we'll load up your calendar with just one more activity- the annual Fall Campout, to be held the weekend of October 4-5 at Leavenworth. Opportunities galore for a good time, so check this ECHO for more info.

### **This Month**

Heavens be praised, a cascade (yep, pun intended) of climbing reports: Mark Hicks' account of his recent climb of the Serpentine Ridge on Dragontail, Tom Rogers' tale of his not-so-recent climb of the North Ridge of Mt. Stuart, and an article by Texan Dave Bosworth, the father-in-law of Boealper Dan Patton, who clearly likes to test familial relations by taking this father-in-law up the West Ridge of Forbidden.

### **Next Month**

The updated Bylaws (which didn't quite make it in time for this month). The new board. The updated club roster, which has a busload of changes since the last one printed in April. And now that the Intermediate Climbing Class is now complete, an avalanche (ok, ok) of reports on their graduation climbs. Or so I hope.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

  
Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**OCTOBER ECHO DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 19th**

# September 1996

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday | Wednesday         | Thursday   | Friday            | Saturday  |
|---|--|---------|-------------------|--|-------------------|---|
| 1   | 2<br><br>ICC Wrap-up Class<br>Labor Day | 3       | 4<br>Last Quarter | 5<br><br>Club Elections @<br>Rainier | 6                 | 7   |
| 8   | 9  | 10      | 11                | 12<br>New Moon   | 13                | 14<br>ICC End of Year<br>Party<br>Rosh Hashanah   |
| 15<br>ICC End of Year<br>Party  | 16   | 17      | 18                | 19<br><br>Echo Deadline              | 20<br>1st Quarter | 21  |
| 22<br>Autumn begins   | 23<br><br>Yom Kippur                    | 24      | 25                | 26<br>Full Moon<br>                  | 27                | 28<br><br>President's<br>Climb -<br>Tomyhoi Peak |
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# October 1996

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
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|  |  | 1       | 2         | 3   | 4<br>Club Campout @<br>Eightmile<br>Last Quarter  | 5<br><br>Club Campout @<br>Eightmile |
| 6<br><br>Club Campout @<br>Eightmile           | 7  | 8       | 9         | 10  | 11<br><br>BOEALPS<br>Banquet | 12<br>New Moon  |
| 13   | 14<br><br>Columbus Day (Observed) | 15      | 16        | 17  | 18  | 19<br>1st Quarter   |
| 20   | 21   | 22      | 23        | 24<br><br>Echo Deadline | 25  | 26<br>Full Moon<br>                  |
| 27<br><br>Daylight Savings—set back 1<br>hour | 28   | 29      | 30        | 31<br>Halloween<br>     |   |   |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

**Annual Fall Campout at Leavenworth**

**October 4-6**

Come spend Friday and Saturday nights at Eightmile Campground in the group campsite. Climbing is open along Icicle Creek and at Peshastin Pinnacles. No organized potluck this time; you are on your own for Saturday night dinner. No need to sign-up, just show-up.

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**A Week in the Tetons**

**first week in August, 1997**

Well, it has been a fun year as Activities Chair. Unfortunately, work has kept me so busy that I have not had time to do much climbing, let alone organize any outings. After spending a few days in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks, I realized I must come back and climb. The plan is to stay at the American Alpine Club Climber's Camp and bag everything in sight. Other activities include trips through the park and up north to Yellowstone. No need to sign up now since reservations are not accepted until May - group limit of ten. Just let me know if interested.

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**1996 President's Climb**

**Sept 28-29**

We're going north to the border! Tomyhoi Peak lies just 1.6 miles from the Canadian border. Saturday morning we'll make a leisurely hike to the Yellow Aster meadows and set up camp among the tarns that dot the area. In keeping with the president's climb tradition, we will share a potluck dinner on Saturday night (a lottery will determine who hauls the Webber Grillmaster to camp). Sunday, we'll enjoy views of the Cascades from the summit of Tomyhoi. All are invited; to participate in the climb Sunday requires Basic Class grad or equivalency. Party limit of 12.

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## **Elections Notice**

The time has come for us to once again elect our officers for the next year. Voting will take place at the Rainier Brewery Mountaineers Room on Thursday, September 5, at 7:30 PM (after the social hour and a half). Nominees for office will be accepted until the position is voted on. All nominees must accept the nomination before being placed on the ballot.

The offices that we vote for are President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The responsibilities of each officer are described in the BOEALPS Bylaws. Remember that the office of Secretary is now open to retirees.

The September meeting is our opportunity to get together and socialize. If you are interested in volunteering your time to the club, now is the time. If you aren't interested in the elected positions, all the committees need members and chairpersons.

## **MOFA Class**

MOFA CLASS!! Boealps is offering a MOFA class starting in October. Dates are every Tuesday and Thursday from October 8 through November 7. Times are 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm(ish) in the Customer Service Center Cafeteria (same place the Basic Class is taught). Times for Camp Long (last two sessions) are unknown at this time (I have personally requested two frigid dark and stormy nights). Cost will be around 40 dollars. Space is limited. To sign up, either profs me or call me at 527-1489 (h) or 294-1422 (w).

Note: response to the refresher class was so pathetic that the idea is being put off until next year before the climbing classes.

Thanks,

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## **Fred Beckey Lecture**

The Mountaineers are having Fred Beckey speak Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7:00 pm Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave. Everett. Cost is \$10 pre-sale and at the door. Make checks payable to EPAC and mail to the following:

Fred Beckey Program, C/O Forrest Clark  
P.O. Box 43, Snohomish, WA 98291

# Boealps Annual Banquet

Friday, October 11th 1996

Mountaineers Building

300 3rd Ave W. in Seattle

## Steve Swensen on The North Face Of The Eiger and Alpine Climbs in Europe and the Himalayas

Steve Swensen has been on expeditions to some of the world's highest and most challenging mountains, including trips to the summits of K2 and Everest. He has also done many of the great alpine climbs in the world, and so we shall tempt you with his tales of the following alpine ascents: climbing with Todd Bibler on the North Face of the Eiger, the Walker Spur of the Grandes Jorasses, and the American Direct on The Dru. Steve will also recount his adventure on a first ascent of the North Buttress of Kwangde Nup in Nepal with Alex Lowe. Don't miss out on a great show and a chance to win many great door prizes.

Reserve your place at the banquet by returning the form below with payment before **Wednesday, September 25, 1996**. No confirmations will be sent out, so mark the date and place on your calendar.

|                   |              |                           |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Banquet Schedule: | 6:00 - 7:00  | Social Hour (no host bar) |
|                   | 7:00 - 8:00  | Dinner                    |
|                   | 8:00 - 9:30  | Speaker Steve Swensen     |
|                   | 9:30 - 11:00 | Mingle and tell stories   |

Dinner Buffet:

- Baked or poached salmon
- Roast rosemary chicken
- Caesar salad and pasta salad
- Marinated vegetables
- Rice pilaf
- Rolls and butter
- Coffee and tea

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My number is (509) 996-4022 if you have  
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August 9, 1996

For more information: The Methow Institute Foundation (509) 996-2640 (message telephone, someone will return your call soon).  
Tom Kimbrell (509) 996-2886

## ROSSELLEY LEADS CHARITY CLIMB OF LIBERTY BELL

Famous alpinist John Roskelley will lead a charity climb of Liberty Bell Mountain in the North Cascades this fall.

Roskelley and other skilled mountaineers (possibly including Chris Kopczynski, Jim Wickwire, and Greg Child) will guide fifteen people up the sheer rock face of the mountain September 22 as part of a mountaineering weekend planned by the Friends of Washington Pass.

"We're excited to have these guys come," said local mountain climber Tom Kimbrell, a Friend of Washington Pass. "They are some of the best climbers in the world. They have climbed the most challenging mountains in the world. And they are no strangers to the North Cascades."

The public is invited to watch and learn from skilled climbers Saturday morning, September 21, at the new climbing wall at the Mazama Mountaineering building in Mazama.

Saturday afternoon guides will be teaching people to rappel--descend on ropes--down the Washington Pass Overlook cliff. Anyone can take the jump, guided by experts.

Saturday evening will be an open house celebration at the new Mazama Mountaineering store in Mazama, where there will be time to rub elbows with famous climbers, listen to stories, and to watch slide shows of mountain climbs.

The climb of Liberty Bell requires a minimum donation of \$300, with the party limited to 15. People will pay \$30 to rappel off the Washington Pass Overlook cliff. The climbing demonstrations Saturday morning in Mazama are free. So is the Saturday night party.

All funds raised will go towards a small visitor center dedicated to mountaineering at Washington Pass, the summit of the North Cascades Scenic Highway. The Friends of Washington Pass and the non-profit Methow Institute Foundation have already helped finance a new restroom, water system, trails, and parking area at the Washington Pass Overlook. They are now working to raise funds for the visitor center.

For more information, call and leave a message at (509) 996-2640 or (509) 996-2219. Anyone interested in climbing Liberty Bell should call right away: Roskelley has limited the party to 15 participants. Event organizers would also appreciate a call from anyone who wants to rappel off the Washington Pass Overlook cliff.

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# Climb for the Pass

Mountaineering Weekend  
September 20-22, 1996  
Schedule as of August 5, 1996

## **Friday, September 20**

**7:30 p.m.:** guides and organizers meet at the Mazama Mountaineering building in Mazama to coordinate for next two days

## **Saturday, September 21**

**9:30 a.m.:** climbing demonstrations, instruction and games at Mazama Mountaineering's new climbing wall in Mazama. Overflow goes to Fun Rock. Open to the public. No charge.

**1:30 p.m.:** rappelling off the Washington Pass Overlook. Open to the public for \$30 each.

**6:30 p.m.:** A mountaineering bash starts at Mazama Mountaineering. Food and drinks, mountaineering slide shows, time to rub elbows with great mountaineers.

## **Sunday, September 22**

???(early) John Roskelley, guides, and 15-person party (pre-arranged--\$300 donation minimum), leave for the climb of Liberty Bell.

(Plans subject to change due to weather)  
All proceeds from this event go to the Washington Pass Project

## Mt. Stuart, North Ridge

Climbers: Tom Rogers, John O'Callahan

Kneeling along side an old, very rusted, manky looking rappel bolt with an even worse looking hanger, we peeked over the edge of the ridge to our belay point far below. A distinct moment of commitment was about to be made. Eleven pitches along a wonderful granite ridge had now bought us to this rusty old bolt bordered by the Great Gendarme and the infamous exit gully which was now covered in snow and unknown proportions of verglass ice. Our options were few to none. I wondered how I once again had gotten myself into this position. Recounting the events leading to this point are as follows:

Two days earlier the barometer was rising and the weather was looking promising. The daylight hours were becoming shorter by the day. I had three more days of reserved climbing days left. It was now or never. I called John to inquire if he wanted to try the North Ridge; a classic by all accounts, the plumb of the Cascade range. I knew his reply before I asked. He was stoked.

It had been two days since our failed attempt on Mt. Shuksan and unbridled emotions of grandiose climbing were returning. John had just returned from a solo one day climb of Mt. Constance. A late morning start was agreed upon as to enjoy the last bit of sleep possible. The drive to the trailhead turned out to be not so uneventful when a truck went blazing past spraying pebbles which fractured my window in five places.

Finally at the trailhead the weather was looking great. It was definitely better than the two weeks prior when it was raining and snowing. I can still remember that we had wanted to give it a try since the weather forecast was predicting blue sky to come, but where was it? Strong headed and stubborn as mules we said our good-byes to another group of BOEALPS climbers (an Intermediate Climbing Class attempting Sherpa Peak) as they smiled, shaking their heads in disbelief and headed for drier climbing. Reality finally took hold of us at Ingalls Lake with high winds and heavy snow fall. Begrudgingly our long slog down hill began with Mt. Stuart laughing at us over our shoulders.

We started from the trailhead with a nice leisurely pace but as we progressed upward I noticed John was lagging back; he looked a little peaked and slightly ill. Sensing a moment of weakness in my never tiring partner and a opportunity for sweet revenge for all the previous trips in which I was left behind, I was off like a rocket. I knew John would try to match my pace since he is not one to be left behind. Glancing back I could see that John's eyes had a somewhat dazed look, his face cursed in discomfort. So I pushed onward faster, even to my own discomfort. Occasionally I would ask John how he was doing -- my bemusing game. The temptation to smile when I looked at him was overwhelming, but I fought the urge successfully. Revenge -- how sweet it is. When we arrived at Ingalls Lake I decided to back off the pace as I was tiring of it myself.

The hike up to Goat Pass was pleasant and much less stressful than what it had first appeared from afar. The view of the North Ridge and Stuart Glacier from Goat Pass was wonderful. It was here that we realized the scale of our undertaking.

The glacier crossing was uneventful. As we approached the ascent gully to the upper north ridge notch the slope's angle increased significantly with little run-out above some very big crevasses. This would have been no big deal except John was wearing his trail boots (to save weight) and his crampons had been trying to come off with each step. He remedied this by pointing his foot in a certain direction for each step along the way. We remained unroped until we reached a bergschrund near the gully. The glacier neve' was bullet-hard in this section so we flat footed with our best crampon technique. No sooner then after John raised his foot over the bergschrund lip his crampon came off. We fixed a belay from here to get us to the 4th class rock and snow gully. One pitch of 4th class rock climbing delivered us to our bivy site.

The position of our bivy was wonderful, offering great views of Mt. Stuart's surrounding north faces. With our camp set up we tried out my new light weight stove, a 4 ounce denatured alcohol burning pot. In short, it worked. But it took two hours to melt snow for 2 quarts of water. (Next time I'll carry the water in a extra bag from the lake.) However the greatest challenge was proving to be the battle between us and the fearless mountain rat, the pica. We were discussing the route and the stove's high rate of burn when suddenly he noticed this cat size furry creature trying to eat his way into John's pack several feet away. John jumped in shock and screamed at the rat, the rat simply looked at us in defiance and continued in its quest for high alpine mountain treats. In wasn't until the rat was faced with grievous bodily harm did its chose to run for cover. This game would continue as it again decided it liked the looks of John's sleeping bag. Eventually we were forced to completely bury our packs, boots and all misc. gear to keep it from being ravished by the pica's ongoing raids. John and I slept very lightly as we anticipated a rat or two chewing their way into our sleeping bags and then biting our toes.

Early light soon arrived with its cool morning breeze, it was still too cold to climb so we slept in for another hour and began climbing at 7:00. Just as we were beginning a second team from Bellingham reached us. We could tell they were slightly disappointed to be following on the ridge but they were polite and let us continue upward first. The first thing to enter our minds as we looked up the ridge line was the severity of its length and the commitment required to succeed. It is a very long way up. From this point on we were in a constant hurry because of a slight anxiousness due to its length.

I led off the first pitch which was easy but had the crux move higher up, a 5.7 mantle. This was to be my downfall. I made several attempts at it but was unable to make the move safely due to the excessive weight of my pack (about 30 lb.) and climbing gear. We decided to let the second team lead past as we could tell they were somewhat faster. I brought John up and he led through and with a few grunts of effort he made the mantling move and was gone. Our original plan was to swap leads but I was climbing slower than John (by placing more protection) and was somewhat tired by the time I reached his belay stances. We agreed it made sense to have him do the majority of the leads largely due to the time factor and the fact that he was completely rested by the time I arrived. In this fashion we were able to make very good progress with each complete pitch taking about 20 minutes.

Up the ridge we went with each pitch fading into the next pitch. There seemed to be no end to the ridge as it towered beyond us. We felt like two insignificant little ants slowly climbing up this huge mound of rock. But the climbing was superb, granite slabs changed to broken blocks then to mild face climbing and back to slabs again. The rock offered us fine protection, bomber most of the time. The exposure was gentle until the last few pitches before the ridge traverse beneath the Great Gendarme. The views on the upper ridge traverse were incredible, the exposure was extreme with the ridge's knife edged walls falling away to the glaciers far below. These few pitches and the next few to come were to be the highlight of the superb climbing we were to encounter that day. Upon rounding a ridge horn we could see our exit route to the secondary ridge line. Gulp. Regrouping my nerves I spied the gully face, engulfed in snow on every ledge and slab imaginable. Our proposed exit was alleged to be difficult even under good conditions and here we were in far less then good conditions. Nowhere to go but up, so on we went. Climbing to the base of the gendarme went by quickly, but with every step I pondered the condition of our soon to be route. With each step came doubt, then excitement, of the climbing to be. It was sort of like the flower trick, she loves me she loves me not. The final move to the gendarme belay came on the rhythm she loves me not.

Looking up the gendarme's 5.9 finger crack we pondered our options: two sustained pitches of 5.9 and some off-width 5.8, go down, or the exit gully. The gendarme pitch was a bit too much, going down was probably harder than it was worth plus it would add possibly an extra day and the gully was looking even a lot less desirable than the hordes of infamous passage stories told before. The many tales spawned by the gully was enough to make even a committed climber to stop and think. Once the rope was pulled the team was fully committed (although it possibly maybe aided there or a little lower.) A friend once relayed his experience of the time they pulled their rope and were later forced to spend the night on an exposed shelf of only a few feet square. They weathered the freezing temperatures and high winds until the next morning by huddling together and tying into the ropes least one of them should fall asleep and fall to his death. Then there was the time a pair had to front point over run-out, verglassed, unprotectable mid 5th class rock.

We decided to rap into the gully and give it a closer look before we made any final decisions. (If anyone has a bolt kit, the rappel bolt needs replacing as it is somewhat marginal.) Off we went, soon finding ourselves standing on our toes along a tiny little ledge a couple of inches wide. The belay shelf normally used was somewhere unknown beneath the surrounding snow. Our belay point was to be the spot we immediately stood and were precariously perched. Before us lay a single rusty old piton (looked solid) in a thin lipped horizontal crack. We looked at the piton, then we looked at each other--hum... we mused. Not willing to risk my life to a single point of protection I reverted to my previous aid climbing techniques and stuck in the some questionable placements. Anything was better than nothing. After a detailed discussion we pulled the rope. As the rope passed through the sling and fell towards us, we too were COMMITTED.

As John and I were messing with the gear preparing for the next lead there was an explosion about ten to twenty feet away which left us huddling cowardly next to the rock face. Shaking in our shoes, toes clinging to the thin edge, we looked skyward and shouted some obscenities to the climbers a few hundred feet above us on the last pitch of the Great Gendarme to be careful before they killed one of us. This in effect probably helped us climb a whole lot faster through this initial section. John did a beautiful job on the lead in spite of the numerous difficulties. We bypassed the gully's standard exit point and continued up another twenty feet further to a large pile of chock stones which required strenuous 5th class climbing. John was able to get a good belay in here, and even bragged about it being a "Rogers belay" which is abundant gear in every conceivable crack. It was a good belay indeed but just a bit uncomfortable, it was more akin to a pseudo freezer box with all the verglassed ice and snow around. From here we were able to use the remaining snow resting on the steep slabs to step down the unprotectable and run-out opposite wall to reach the broken face of the secondary ridge. From here there was two pitches of enjoyable easy mixed climbing with good protection. Unfortunately our extended length of stay in the shadowed gully for several hours had not fared well with my feet. With just rock shoes on to keep my feet warm, the pain was bad as the blood began to once again flow into the constricted vessels.

From here we thought we had it made, just rotten 3rd and 4th class loose boulders and snow to contend with, a cake walk. There's not a lot to stay for this portion of the ridge other than it's a pile of garbage which could almost erase the previous superior climbing (therefore, climb the gendarme). Oh, I should also mention that there is an safe, easy, way off this portion of the ridge. But we didn't find it. We picked our path via the flip of a coin methodology, which landed us right in the middle of loose, strenuous, 4th and 5th class climbing once again, oh well. After several rope lengths John topped out just a few yards from the summit, with a exuberant yell. YES I thought, home free. In a few minutes we'll be down climbing and going home, I thought, just a few more moves and these last few obstacles of rotten rock, no problem. Up the route I went following the rope, gently I reached up to pull by a vertical section blocked by some chock stones when suddenly all hell broke loose. I was the proverbial straw on the camel's back. Chunks of rock rushed by me, dust powdering my face and worse yet a

large block falling squarely on my rock shoe covered toe. Oh.....eeeeee, the pain o' pain. Fearing the worst was yet to come as much rock remained precariously lodged above I shouted to John and nonchalantly jumped off the ledge in the quickest manner possible. Penduluming across the steep face I was relieved to have no further rocks to contend with. But what of my big toe? Well it was okay, not broken, just well smashed with some minor blood. The descent would be another story. I think my big toe and my boot tip became mortal enemies that day.

We started down the standard decent route but missed the turn off near the false summit. This left us several hundred feet too low and boxed in by some steep slabs so back up the trail we went with our daylight rapidly burning. Eventually finding the correct decent point we were again on our way, however our little detour had cost us too much time. The evening fell upon us as we reached the cross over to Cascadian Couloir, benighted we decided to accept our first unplanned bivy. The next morning came with a beautiful sky and we enjoyed the pleasant walk out. It was well worth the bivy. All in all it was a very successful trip with great climbing, views and friendship.

## Of Dragons and Serpents

Climbers: Mark Hicks  
Brent Craig

The weather Friday evening looked more suited for a Seattle 4th of July than a technical alpine climb. Dark clouds covered the sky from the mountains to the sound and a light sprinkle began dancing on my windshield as I drove to pick up Brent in Snohomish. We tossed down a quick beer in memory of how our Friday nights used to be spent prior to the Boealps Intermediate Alpine Class, and set off for Leavenworth with the Serpentine Ridge on 8860' Dragontail Peak as our goal for the weekend.

This was supposed to be our 4th experience climb for the class but since neither Brent nor I could find an instructor to accompany us, we decided to have a go at it on our own in the hope that someone in the class would believe us when we told them we did it. (The scheduled class outing was actually the previous weekend but Brent and I were just a little behind schedule as usual.)

Brad Walker and a friend had gone into Leavenworth that morning to try for a lottery permit into the Colchuck Lake region for an attempt on the Backbone Ridge of Dragontail. Brad had offered to put Brent and I on his permit (if he got one) and all we had to do was find him up at Colchuck Lake that evening before the ranger found us.

As we drove through the pass and into the eastern side of the mountains the weather dried up a bit and the clouds began to scatter but not disappear as we hoped. We started out on the 4 1/2 mile trail around 7:00 PM, intent on reaching the lake before dark to stand a chance of finding Brad and the fabled permit. No more than 20 minutes into the hike, Brad and his partner Nick came trouncing down the trail towards us on their way out. They had been at Colchuck Lake for half the day, looking up at Dragontail Peak but were only able to catch brief glimpses of the mountain through the clouds that surrounded it. By evening their confidence and enthusiasm had all but collapsed and they chose to save the climb for another day while Brent and I were only more than happy to relieve them of their permit and try our luck up at the lake. Two hours later we laid our bivy sacks out on the boulders at the south end of the lake and looked up at our objective.

Dragontail loomed above us, 3000' above the lake and a mile wide at the base from Asgard Pass to Colchuck Pass. The upper half of the mountain was shrouded in clouds when we first arrived but as we prepared to hop in our sacks the skys cleared and the massive silhouette of Dragontail was highlighted by the moonless, starfilled sky behind it. My excitement at the improvement in weather was tainted with the butterflies of fear that the massive black force above us instilled in me.

The day awoke with clouds and a light rain at 4:30 AM. Back to bed for another hour was all it took for the clouds to lift and settle into a high ceiling; we were motivated. We choked down a few poptarts, packed and headed up the moraine to the base of the route, 1000' above us. Brent kicked steps up the final

200' of steep, hard snow to find a moat large enough to swallow a small car between us and where the route was supposed to start. There was another party of three who followed up behind us but approached the rock 50 yards to our right. We had spoke with them the previous night and knew that one of their members had been up this route twice before so we quickly followed their lead and swung right even further than they to a small alcove of wet rock with what Brent referred to as a 4th class start to access a large bench and gully system beyond.

I found out that Brent has a very liberal idea of 4th class rock when it's not his lead. Thirty feet and four pieces of pro later I was through the mid 5th class start and on the bench drying off my hands while Brent sat below, stupefied that I had taken so long on "4th class rock". I continued up an easy gully and stopped fifty feet short of the top to bring Brent up before continuing up the steep finish, stemming between solid rock and bongo drums, pausing only once to cower from the thunder of rockfall from above that never did materialize. The gully deposited me on a large rocky ramp leading to a small buttress that would be Brent's first lead of the day.

One look at the next pitch and I could taste the sweet fruit of revenge. Steep slabby rock with thin pro and more wet streaks than Tammy Baker's face. Brent tackled it with dignity and a few grunts and groans later he disappeared over the top the buttress and yelled off belay. I quickly followed and swung lead up and over a steep bulge to another bench which led to a traverse around the front and to the for side of the large pillar that distinguishes the Serpentine Ridge.

We caught the party of three at the base of the pillar and waited for them to finish the pitch. They moved quickly for a trio because one member did all the leading with two ropes and then belayed the other two up simultaneously (15' apart) with a sticht plate. We watched as their leader climbed the first pitch alongside the pillar, executing thin face moves for forty feet that led to a perfect hand crack slanting slightly right for another thirty feet then disappearing over a lip at the top.

I turned my attention to the views around me. I couldn't imagine a more awesome and picturesque setting. We were about 500' off the glacier floor and looking across to Colchuck Peak, seemingly a mere stones throw away. Long, steep faces of black and gray granite cut with sharp water streaks and blocky overhangs gave Colchuck a sinister presence that monitored our every move. Colchuck Glacier swept down from between Dragontail and Colchuck Peaks to bottom out on the rocky moraine that flowed all the way to Colchuck Lake where we had bivied. The lake, so far away now, had shrunk to a smooth oval dish of turquoise set in a ridge of green trees that brimmed the valley beyond.

Thunderous crashes were heard all day long from a rock band in the middle of the glacier that continually released blocks of ice and rock onto the slope below. The geography of the two peaks created an echo like none I have ever heard, allowing the explosions of ice from below to reverberate all around us. At times, we couldn't tell if the sound of rockfall came from Colchuck Peak, the glacier or Dragontail (all three options were fulfilled throughout the day).

With the others gone, I began my lead up the 5.8 face and hand crack. Over the lip where the others had vanished, I found a forty foot open book cleft that left me feeling very damp and wishing I didn't have a pack on. At the top of the cleft I took a seat on a small block next to one of the other party and chatted while I brought Brent up. The exposure here was the greatest of the entire route and quite exhilarating.

Brent led the next pitch of quality 5.8 climbing up a ramp on an inside corner. He then did me a favor and bypassed a squeeze chimney, (my pack was too big to fit) instead opting for a flaring offwidth crack (which my pack fit up just fine). I still owe him a beer for that one. The rest of the pitch climbed easy blocky cracks, ending at the top of the buttress we had been on for 3 pitches. I led the last twenty feet to where the terrain became broken 2nd and 3rd class scrambling.

We were half way up the mountain now and the rest could be accomplished through running belays and 1000' of elevation. While out in front, I stopped twice for a 5th class belay on short sections of exposed, steep rock. Three hours and a few route finding experiments saw us to the base of the headwall where we swung around to the east side of the mountain and were rewarded with views of the entire enchantment basin and far in the distance the brown flat plains of Eastern Washington. A quick 100' of scrambling on steep runnels of rock and we were on the summit. The party of three came up fifty feet to our right about the same time and we enjoyed a half hour of camaraderie and food swapping.

The hike off the back side was as scenic as the climb up the front. We plunge stepped through firm thirty degree snow down to Asgard Pass, which took us to Colchuck Lake and our stashed, extra gear. The hike out was swift. It was nearing dark and we were determined not to use our headlamps. With the last glimmer of dusk all but a fading memory, the parking lot revealed itself and with it, my truck and the end of our journey.

Mark Hicks 8/13/96

# **A Texas Flatlander's Look At Forbidden Peak**

by  
**Dave Bosworth**

I would be remiss if special thanks was not given first to the guys who were part of this adventure: Steve Dalton "the Brit"; Rolf Kraus "the chatterbox"; Ken Kongorski "the steady one"; William Hines "the speed"; and last but very special to me, Daniel Patton, my son-in-law. All of you were very patient and encouraging. Daniel was always on the other end of my rope and kept up the push. It was more than once that I stood there looking at my next step with these words repeating in my mind, "Trust the boy, trust the equipment."

This is one exposed ridge! Maybe not to the rest of you, but to people where I come from, Austin, Texas, it's exposed...big time!!

Let me back up a bit. On Thursday afternoon I pick up Daniel and we blast off to B.C., stopping at the MEC store in Vancouver to drool over all the toys. On to Squamish where we finally get into our sleeping bags at 11:30 p.m. in the Klahanie campground parking lot. No problem! I've slept on gravel parking lots numerous times....NOT! We're up at 4:45 a.m. on Friday, searching for food and drink, not an easy task at that hour. We start a "classic climb" (Diedre), up the steepest, biggest piece of granite I've ever seen. I think to myself, Daniel is checking out my level of nerve. What is Forbidden Peak like, I wonder. We are up and down and back to the car by 10:00 a.m.

Blast back to Vancouver, stop at MEC, crawl through the border - one hour plus- and arrive in Seattle just in time to save our marriages. Amy, my daughter, and Daniel have bought tickets for the four of us to Gilbert and Sullivan's "HMS Pinafore". Missing that play would have cost Dan and myself untold pain!

Hit the sack at 11:30 Friday night and up again at 5:15 Saturday morning. I meet Steve and Rolf and we load up the Explorer and the four of us are off to rendezvous with Ken and William at the base camp in Boston Basin. They are the smart ones who climbed to the base on Friday! Three hours later we are stuffing rocks under the wheels, loading up those four pack mules - us - and off we go to find Ken and William. Daniel now tells me we will climb over one vertical mile before the day is done! Three hours and four or five glacier stream crossings later, after slapping and killing hundreds of hungry flies, I find myself warmly greeted as the last guy into base. Did I tell you the vista "Kodak moments" are too numerous to count? Beautiful country-side!

I lean back against a rock and try to take it all in while my body whispers obscenities at me. The talk around me is about how much lead time to give Ken and William, who are well-rested and who will make the all-important first steps in the snow, much of which is very steep. I keep my vote to myself, confident that 18-20 hours lead time is not being considered. I was right;- 30-40 minutes is agreed upon!

Great news! This son-in-law, whom I love, is going to carry whatever needs to be packed up the peak. I carry my hard hat, wear my climbing harness and clutch an ice ax which is going to save me

if I start sliding. Do I know anything about using an ice ax, you ask. No, but it looks good in pictures as you hold it defiantly over your head, that I can tell you!

Off through the snow we go, climbing, slogging, avoiding a crevasse here and there. I always have to stop and peer down into them. Daniel gently reminds me that snow bridges across crevasses are not the place for Kodak moments! I quickly continue the ascent. The temperature remains very warm. By the way, it is a very clear, very dry July 27th.

We catch up with Ken and William who are working on getting steps in the head of this glacier and putting a rope in place. This thing is looking almost vertical and Daniel tells me we are getting close to where the climb begins. The last five hours wasn't climbing?! I do know that much - the climb doesn't start until we change shoes. Perhaps a personal observation about rock climbing shoes would be appropriate here. First, I have worn these things before, but never for the length of time that was about to begin. These shoes give incredible gripping power and will allow me, I'm soon to find out, to act like "hinds feet on high places." Nevertheless, they hurt like hell! For all the women who have allowed me a look at a well-turned leg, courtesy of high heels; thank you. I now, as Bill Clinton would say, "feel your pain". Enough on shoes. Joking aside, I was very glad to have such a good pair.

The climb begins. Three teams. Steve and William; Ken and Rolf; and Daniel and I. Guess who leads going up and down! Daniel wants us in the middle for obvious reasons. He places pro, I pull it. Most of the time I cannot see anyone. This is normal I'm told when climbing alpine routes using running belays. There is 70 feet between Daniel and me. Time-wise, that 70 feet seemed like 70 minutes at various junctures. I'm very pleased not to have a pack of any sort, inasmuch as balance demands are higher than on any previous climb I've been on. Higher we go, follow that rope to the next pro, find a firm hold, pull the pro, follow the rope.....Exposure of 1,000 foot drops on either side make my bond to this boy ever stronger! My concentration is in overdrive. A quick glimpse of the surrounding majesty is all I afford myself. Follow the rope, pull the pro.....

Daniel calls and I look up to see him waiting for me behind this outcropping. What is he waiting for?.... And then I see it....a step, for me, the mother of all steps! A thousand feet to my left, a thousand feet to my right and a serious gap between me and Daniel. I'm standing on a ledge the size of my heel with an inclined rock face waiting for my "jump and scamper", to the next hand hold. I study it, study it, study it. Two hours, I mean minutes, go by. Ken has now caught up with me. What can I do, he asks. I look at him with that helpless look and he comments on the level of exposure. Do I need to be reminded? "Trust the equipment, trust the boy," goes over and over in my head. Then it's over....I'm safely clutching the edge, step over to the next bit of pro and look back at "the step". Honest, it looks easier going back, and it is. The splendor and majesty of the view continues to be memory making. Also, I see my bragging rights getting a big uplift, no pun intended!

The climb continues....follow the rope, pull the pro. My level of concentration is still high. Every toe and hand hold is checked for wiggle. Loose rock is quietly cursed and noted, for I will be coming back this way. Daniel calls out that the false summit is just ahead and the real thing is forty feet beyond.

Interesting term....false summit. To the purist it is to be ignored and looked at with disdain. I secretly wish it was the real thing, but alas, the true summit is further on. Skirting around the false is one of the more exposed portions of our climb, but I see victory now and that thousand foot drop behind me is not taking my attention anymore.

Here I stand at last! Steve and William are there. Daniel obtained the goal and graciously started down out of the way. No way can six people bunch up on the summit of Forbidden Peak! Pictures are taken and I allow myself a complete look at where the gods live. Awesome!! About ten minutes are allowed because a race against sundown is apparent. Getting back to the "shoe changing spot" is a must. It took us two and a half hours to get here...we get back in two. Very well done, I'm told, and doing it on top of a three hour dash to Boston Basin that same day is really good. Look at those bragging rights soar!!

Down turns out quite different. We rappel two segments of rock and three segments of snow. This is good, although my past rappel experience is very small. A quick "how to" from Daniel and over the edge I go. You've got to love this OJT(on the job training)! We beat the sun by just a little with the snow gully being done in the dark. Turns out to be another opportunity for yours truly. There is a bright, full moon. I truly wish you were there. I know it's been an over-used word but majesty is one that keeps staring out at me. Climbing in this environment will put you in touch with your Creator....it did me anyway.

One last snow rappel and then a long hike remaining to camp. I'm tired. Daniel is first out. This last one is tricky because the snow has melted a good distance away from the rock. It will be down the rock edge and a backward leap onto the snow. For Daniel, a piece of cake. For me....well, I slip, I fall, I brake, roll, and slam into the rock wall. Ouch!! Exclamations and concern are hollered down. Head lamps have lit up my new location. Suggestions are helpfully put forth, but the best view of the situation is mine. Tired no more, I get the rope and me into a slight swing, push off with my feet, obtain a hand hold and drag my stubborn body back onto the place it is supposed to be. Rappel the remaining feet and leap onto the snow. Down I go to the worried son-in-law. You OK? he asks. Actually, I am....guardian angel on overtime, thank you very much.

Everyone else manages just fine and it's off to base camp. The moon is beautiful as we walk into the camp. It is ten minutes till midnight! One long, long day, especially for a Texas flatlander. We walk out Sunday morning in two hours. Damage report: bloody knee, scratched hip, minor bruised hip bone and serious toenail loss. When it is all said and done....Forbidden Peak....been there, done that!!

In closing, my thanks for all the encouragement and patience shown by my fellow climbers; Steve, Rolf, William, Ken and, of course Daniel, who knows how to push his old father-in-law to challenges he would not sign up for. Thanks, son, I'll not ever forget this experience!

*Son-in-law's note:* Forbidden was Dave's 2nd alpine climb, his 2nd opportunity to rappel, and only his 2nd time carrying a pack! His total previous mountaineering experience includes: 2 days of climbing on a top rope at Enchanted Rock, Texas: one aborted attempt, due to an August snow storm, on Sahale in 94: a successful climb of the SE ridge of Ingalls Peak: and of course Diedre!

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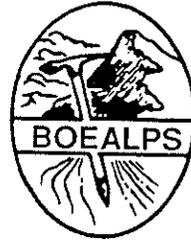
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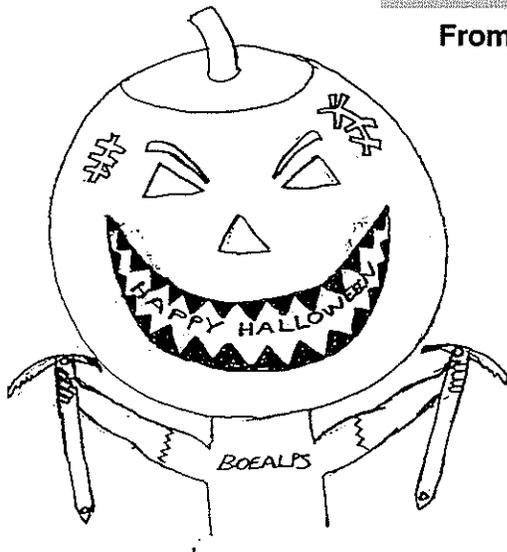
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Steve Swensen holds you captive with a show of alpine climbs  
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### **New Boealps Board**

For all those present at the Rainier Brewery for the September elections, it was abundantly clear: the air was filled with high-wire tension, searing throughout the room as the race for the '96-'97 Board positions was on - and when the storm calmed, a new board had been elected:

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**Mark Hicks** - Secretary

**Elaine Worden** - Treasurer (back for a second term by popular demand)

In welcoming the new Board, I would also like to say thanks to the departing Board for another job well done and a fine year under the helm of President Jeff Arnold - it has been a challenging and rewarding year working with you all. And lest you think there just ain't no more room for volunteers, think again - all the committees need people but particularly Chairmen/women/people for the following committees:

Photography

Activities

Programs (for the food/drink provisions at the general meetings)

Equipment (for the north end storage/checkout)

Please note we have a new Homepage Chair, Rob James, and the Homepage Committee includes Matt Robertson and Bob Conder. Positions are by appointment, so contact President Costello if interested - **do it!**

### **October Banquet Info**

Hopefully everyone received the banquet reminder in the mail, and by the time you receive this, the September 25th registration deadline will have passed. And for those who coughed up the \$\$, we anxiously await **Friday, October 11** for a scrumptious dinner, an intriguing slide show by Steve Swensen, fabulous door prizes, and the opportunity to greet the new Board. Remember: no regular General Meeting this month.

### **Fall Campout Reminder**

This here is your official reminder - the annual Fall Campout will be held the weekend of **October 4-6** at Eightmile Campground in Leavenworth. After an inclement September, the weather is expected to be perfect, so let the crisp autumn air be augmented with good chow, pleasant climbing, and songs around the campfire. More details? Check this ECHO.

### **This Month**

The Bylaws, which didn't quite arrive in time for last month's issue. The updated club roster. And a host of heavenly reports: a Mt. Phelps ascent by Glenn Cirlincione, an ice climbing seminar recap by Tom Benson, and an interesting article on safety by Don Goodman, a Boealper currently working in Bombay, India.

### **Next Month**

The roster of climbing reports cross-referenced to ECHO issues (for those who don't have access to the Internet to get this function on the Homepage). Many more activities. And more elegant words flowing from the tips of pens held by those recent Intermediate Class graduates.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

  
Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**NOVEMBER ECHO DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 24th**

# October 1996

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
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|  |  | 1       | 2  | 3   | 4<br><br>Club Camp-out @ Eightmile<br>Last Quarter | 5<br><br>Club Camp-out @ Eightmile |
| 6<br><br>Club Camp-out @ Eightmile         | 7  | 8       | 9  | 10  | 11<br><br>BOEALPS Banquet                          | 12<br>New Moon  |
| 13   | 14<br><br>Columbus Day (Observed) | 15      | 16<br><br>Board Meeting | 17  | 18  | 19<br>1st Quarter   |
| 20   | 21   | 22      | 23   | 24<br><br>Echo Deadline | 25  | 26<br><br>Full Moon                |
| 27<br><br>Daylight Savings—set back 1 hour | 28   | 29      | 30   | 31<br>Halloween<br>     |   |   |

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| 3<br>Last Quarter   | 4   | 5<br><br>Election Day | 6         | 7<br><br>Club Meeting    | 8      | 9        |
| 10<br>New Moon  | 11<br><br>Veterans Day | 12   | 13        | 14  | 15     | 16       |
| 17<br>1st Quarter   | 18  | 19   | 20        | 21<br><br>Echo Deadline | 22     | 23       |
| 24<br><br>Full Moon | 25  | 26   | 27        | 28<br><br>Thanksgiving  | 29     | 30       |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### Annual Fall Campout at Leavenworth

**October 4-6**

Come spend Friday and Saturday nights at Eightmile Campground in the group campsite. Climbing is open along Icicle Creek and at Peshastin Pinnacles. No organized potluck this time; you are on your own for Saturday night dinner. No need to sign-up, just show-up.

Contact: Dan Goering @ 234-5778

daniel.j.goering@boeing.com

### Rock-Climbing at Skaha B.C.

I am organizing a climbing trip up to beautiful Skaha in British Columbia, slated for some weekend between now and December (whichever comes first). Specific dates are dependent on weather (or is that wether or wethor or weathor or wheathor or...), and whether interested people are available dependent on weather (or is that...). Anyway (weather or not you are interested) the plan is to spend 3 days up there starting by leaving on a Friday night and returning on a Monday afternoon (but not necessarily in that order). Those interested should be able to climb at a Basic Class level. If you don't climb and you don't smell too bad then that's O.K. too! My number is (h)527-1489 and (w) 294-1422.

Contact: Chris Rudesill

christopher.c.rudesill@boeing.com

### Aid Climbing

Interested in the black art? Tom is looking for an aid climbing partner.

Contact: Tom Rogers @ 773-8517

### North Cascades X-Country Ski Trip

**Tentatively scheduled for February 1-2, 1997**

Is it really worth a 5-hour+ drive just to go X-Country skiing? When it's in the mecca of the Methow Valley in Winthrop, there is no doubt - and for those who went this past January, it was a blast. Back by popular demand, the details are roughly the same: the plan is to stay at the Westar Lodge (if available), and the cost will be approximately \$25/adult and \$20/child, which covers both nights' lodging and the three provided meals. Firm details/reservation info will be in the November ECHO, so wait until then to contact me.

Details from last year's trip: Accommodations were at the Westar Lodge (4 miles outside of Winthrop on the W. Chewuch Road), which has 7 double beds + 16 single beds to sleep 30, and we have permission for at least 10 more on the floor. The Methow Valley Sport Touring Association maintains over 175 km of groomed trails (beginner to advanced) in the pristine wilderness, including hut-to-hut skiing - trail fees are \$12/day or \$26/weekend (Friday through Sunday). We provide the pancake breakfast on Saturday and Sunday and spaghetti dinner on Saturday - you provide your own beverages and lunches. Families and children welcome... The most frequently asked question: *is there a hot tub?* The answer: **YES!**

Contact: Len Kannapell @ 361-7523 (h)

leonard.p.kannapell@boeing.com

| <b>BOEALPS Echo</b>                   |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Activity Submission Form</b>       |                   |
| <b>Trip Title:</b>                    | <b>Trip Date:</b> |
| <b>Description:</b>                   |                   |
|                                       |                   |
|                                       |                   |
| <b>Trip Sponsor:</b>                  | <b>Ph: (H)</b>    |
|                                       | <b>Ph: (W)</b>    |
| <b>Send to: Bob Conder</b>            |                   |
| <b>bob.conder@boeing.com MS 2L-75</b> |                   |

## **4-H Girl's Adventure Program**

### **Thank You**

I would like to thank all the great Boealpers who donated clothing, packs, sleeping bags, etc. to our new program. We accrued enough equipment to take 8 girls out. We ended up taking 5 inner city girls out to Mt. Rainier to do trail work for 7 days in August. The trip went great. The girls could not believe what they had done and were proud of themselves for sticking with something that seemed impossible to them from the beginning. We are already working on developing groups for next summer. We really couldn't have done it without all the assortment of gear donated. Thanks!

Janet Oliver

### **Basic Climbing Class Review and Planning Meeting**

For all the instructors from the 1996 Basic Climbing Class, there will be a review (of 1996) and planning meeting for any changes that need to happen for the 1997 Class. The meeting will happen on Nov. 13th, Wednesday at the Oxbox Rec Center in Room 201 from 6:00 until 8:30 p.m. All of the student and instructor evaluations will be there, if you haven't had a chance to view them. Please call Janet Oliver 413-0298 with any agenda items you would like to discuss concerning changes for next year.

### ***RECALL NOTICE***

#### **All Metolius 3-D Harness Owners Please Read!**

**Problem** - We made some harnesses with 3-D leg loop buckles that had sharp edges. New, the harness will pass all of the strength tests. But, over time, this sharp edge may cause the leg loop webbing to cut or fray. So far we have seen six harnesses with fraying.

**Which harnesses are affected** - All 3-D 550, 650, 750 and Alpine made prior to April 1996. The month of manufacture corresponds to the number written in the "Inspected" box on the harness danger warning label.

**What to do** - Send it back to us. We will round out the edges of the leg loop buckles, replace any frayed webbing and return it to you (one day service). If your harness has already been fixed (this is quite possible), close inspection of the underside of the leg loop buckle will reveal a thin line of bright metal on the inside corners where the anodizing was scraped away when the edge was rounded out. Please accept our most sincere apologies, and please pay attention to this notice. We will send you enough chalk to more than cover your shipping.

Metolius Mountain Products  
63189 Nels Anderson Road  
Bend, OR 97701 - Ph: 541.382.7585

## Web Site Info

For those of you with access to the World Wide Web, there's a tremendous amount of climbing info available to you, from route conditions and trip reports, to retailer's catalogs and order forms. Here's a list to start your Web explorations:

### Organizations:

**The Boealps home page:**

<http://www.eskimo.com/~pirson/boealps/boealps.html>

**That 'other' climbing group, the Mountaineers:**

<http://www.cyberspace.com/mtneers/>

**Washington Trails Association** - their trail reports section has an incredible wealth of knowledge on current trail conditions:

<http://www.wta.org/wta/>

<http://www.halcyon.com:80/wta/trails-header.html>

**The Access Fund** - these are the guys that are helping to keep climbing areas open and available to us - an organization all climbers should consider supporting:

<http://www.orca.org/accessfund/>

**American Alpine Institute** - mostly a guiding and training organization, but check out their gear recommendations, and their page on classic alpine routes:

<http://marie.az.com/~aai/home.html>

<http://marie.az.com/~aai/equip.html#TESTED> (recommended gear)

<http://marie.az.com/~aai/car.html> (classic alpine routes)

**World Climbing Association** - these guys got started to provide climbers with a rescue and evacuation insurance policy, similar to what climbers have in Europe:

<http://www.wca-climbing.org/>

### What's the weather going to be like and where to climb:

**Pacific Northwest Climbing Conditions:**

<http://www.halcyon.com/captn/climb/conditns.htm>

**Rock Climbing Areas of North America:**

<http://www.rocknroad.com/>

**Climbing in Washington:**

[http://www.omnigroup.com/People/tom/climbing\\_tour/climbing.html](http://www.omnigroup.com/People/tom/climbing_tour/climbing.html)

### Retailers carrying climbing gear:

**REI:**

<http://www.rei.com/>

**Mountain Gear:**

<http://www.eznet.com/mgear.html>

**Campmor:**

<http://www.campmor.com/climbing/climbing.index.html>

### On-line magazines:

**Rock + Ice:**

<http://www.rockandice.com/>

**Climbing** - more a table of contents of the current issue than anything substantial:

<http://www.climbing.com/>

**Alps** - a European climbing magazine, now in English:

<http://www.vivalda.com/alpenglish/>

**Outside** - covers more than just climbing, but Jon Krakauer's story on the Everest tragedy is recommended reading:

<http://outside.starwave.com:80/>

<http://outside.starwave.com:80/magazine/0996/9609feev.html>

For further exploration, pages of lists - great starting points for finding more info:

**Rocklist** - the granddaddy of them all! Huge list alphabetized and updated monthly(?):

<http://www.cmc.org/cmc/rocklist.html>

**Shut Up and Climb!** - another list of lists, with some overlap with Rocklist:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~awagner/climbing.html>

**Etrier** - one more list of lists, again with some overlap:

<http://www.denver.net/~dmason/etrier.html>

**Internet Climbing Resources** - more than just a list, this site has info about some of the other various resources available on the 'net:

[http://www.eeng.dcu.ie/~leonardr/rock\\_climb/climbing.html](http://www.eeng.dcu.ie/~leonardr/rock_climb/climbing.html)

### ***OSAT CASE 97: Aconcagua T-Shirts***

OSAT, One Step At A Time, is a mountaineering club founded in 1991 by BOEALPS member Jim Hinkhouse. Several BOEALPS members also belong to OSAT. OSAT provides an environment in which people with drug and alcohol dependencies learn how mountaineering can become a healthy new addiction to aid in their recovery from dependency. Last July, twenty-nine new members completed the annual OSAT glacier climbing course, which culminated in two climbs one weekend and three climbs the following weekend on three different routes which rendezvoused on the summit of Mt. Rainier. You may have seen the OSAT Rainier summit register if you climbed Rainier between late-July 1995 and early-July 1996 (when the climbing rangers removed it and all the other paraphernalia from the register box.) OSAT is recognized in the western Washington drug and alcohol counseling community as an important asset in the struggle against substance dependency. If you would like to learn more about OSAT, rappel down to our web site at <http://members.aol.com/OSAT1996>.

Next January BOEALPS member Rik Anderson is leading OSAT CASE\* 97: Aconcagua. (\*CASE=Clean And Sober Expedition). More information about this attempt on the hemisphere's highest peak is available on a page linked to the home page mentioned above. The expedition is selling long sleeve t-shirts with the expedition logo for \$20. If you collect mountain climbing expedition t-shirts (and have been waiting for someone to offer a high quality, long sleeve one), or are otherwise interested in supporting this worthy cause, you may order a shirt by contacting Rik at 234-1770, or sending a check to mailstop 68-19, specifying desired size (M/L/XL/XXL).

Thanks,

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## BY - LAWS

### BOEING EMPLOYEES' ALPINE SOCIETY

#### Article I - Name and Organization:

- Section 1. The organization shall be known as the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society, and by the acronym BOEALPS.
- Section 2. The organization shall be a non-profit corporation under laws of the State of Washington, Article of Incorporation file number 601-645-960, dated June 21, 1995, and any amendments thereto.

#### Article II - Officers:

- Section 1. The officers of the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and a Treasurer.
- Section 2. President
- a. The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings.
  - b. The president shall be chairman of the Board of Directors.
  - c. It shall be the President's privilege and duty to call extra business meetings, appoint committees not otherwise provided for and fill committee and protem vacancies.
  - d. The President shall perform such other duties as the office may require.
  - e. The President shall perform the duties of the Vice President in the latter's absence.
  - f. The President shall become immediate Past President upon the expiration of the term of office.
  - g. The President shall attend meetings of the Boeing Employees' Recreation Council as required by the council.
  - h. The President shall sign, with the Treasurer, contracts or bonds approved by the Board of Directors.
  - i. The President shall have the authority to sign checks issued by the corporation, when the Treasurer is unavailable.
- Section 3. Vice President
- a. The Vice President shall oversee and coordinate the efforts of all major and special committees.

Article II - Officers (Cont'd)

## Section 3. Vice President (Cont'd)

- b. The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of that officer and succeed to that office in case of emergency.
- c. The Vice President shall prepare, or review and approve prior to release, all news releases, meeting notices, posters and related material for club publicity and public relations.

## Section 4. Secretary

- a. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all regular monthly and executive board meetings and shall read these at the next meeting or assure their publication in the monthly news letter.
- b. The Secretary shall provide a full copy of the by-laws to the Recreation Unit and each member whenever amended. The Secretary shall provide copies of the by-laws or the Articles of Incorporation to members on request.
- c. The Secretary shall prepare official correspondence and club records and shall support other board members in this function when requested.
- d. The Secretary shall collect and maintain a file of official correspondence, publications and legal documents.

## Section 5. Treasurer

- a. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all financial transactions.
- b. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all funds of the corporation, receive and disburse all money, subject to the will of the Board of Directors.
- c. Disbursement shall be made by check only. A checking account will be set up and no check will be honored by the bank for payment unless signed by the Treasurer or the President.
- d. The Treasurer shall maintain accounts and render financial reports at each meeting of the organization and of the Board of Directors. All financial records shall meet specifications set by the Boeing Recreation Unit.
- e. The Treasurer shall submit a financial report to the Boeing Employees' Recreation Council as required by the council.
- f. The Treasurer shall see that an annual budget forecast is prepared and presented to the Boeing Employees' Recreation Council after approval by the Board of Directors.

Article III - Standing Committees:

## Section 1. Membership Committee

- a. The Membership Committee shall provide information about the organization to prospective and new members.
- b. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- c. The committee shall see that each new member is introduced at the first meeting the member attends.
- d. The committee shall maintain an up-to-date roster of members and submit copies to the membership and the Recreation Unit at least annually.

## Section 2. Activities Committee

- a. The Activities Committee shall promote and coordinate club activities. These shall include climbing, ski mountaineering, hiking and other special activities as determined by the chairperson.
- b. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- c. The committee may, at their discretion, decline to promote activities.
- d. The committee shall solicit advance information and follow-up reports to the News Committee for publicity and news letters.

## Section 3. Program Committee

- a. The Program Committee shall plan and schedule all regular and special meeting programs and shall assure that programs are properly publicized, coordinated and carried out.
- b. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- c. The committee shall prepare program schedules and shall provide this information to the News Committee as necessary for advance publicity.
- d. The committee shall handle all arrangements for guest speakers including transportation, projection equipment and compensation when appropriate.

## Section 4. News Committee

- a. The News Committee shall prepare and distribute information for internal communication among club members.

Article III - Standing Committees: (Cont'd)

## Section 4. News Committee (Cont'd)

- b. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- c. The committee shall publish and distribute, at least once each month, a news letter informing members of current club affairs.

## Section 5. Equipment Committee

- a. The Equipment Committee shall be responsible for club owned equipment.
- b. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- c. The committee will be responsible for maintaining an accurate inventory and the location of equipment so that members can easily make reservations for its use.
- d. The chairperson shall make recommendations for the repair of existing equipment and new equipment acquisitions for approval by the Board of Directors, the Recreation Unit and the membership as required by Article IV., Section 2., paragraph b. and Article IX., Section 2.
- e. The committee shall make the equipment inventory known to the membership at least annually through the club newsletter.

## Section 6. Conservation Committee

- a. The Conservation committee shall keep the club informed on conservation issues.
- b. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- c. The committee shall prepare official statements on conservation policies for approval by the board of Directors.
- d. The chairman or a delegate shall attend conservation hearings and events of importance and may represent the views of the club with the approval of the Board of Directors.

## Section 7. Library Committee

- a. The committee shall consist of chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- b. The committee will make recommendations to the Executive Board for approval regarding books and periodicals acquisition.

Article III - Standing Committees: (Cont'd)

## Section 7. Library Committee (Cont'd)

- c. The committee shall make provision for filing, check-out and return of all properties acquired by the library.
- d. The committee will actively solicit the donation of material for the library.
- e. The committee shall make the general contents of the library known to the membership at least annually through the club newsletter.

## Section 8. Education Committee

- a. The committee shall consist of a chairperson and all volunteers accepted by the chairperson.
- b. The committee will coordinate the educational activities of the club, outside of the Basic and Intermediate Mountaineering Classes, provide an interface between the Board of Directors and the Basic and Intermediate Classes as necessary, and recruit seminar instructors and assist in advertising and organizing seminars as required.

Article IV - Board of Directors:

## Section 1. Members

- a. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and immediate Past President shall be members of the Board of Directors.
- b. A Recreation Advisor assigned by Boeing Recreation shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors but shall have no voting privileges.

## Section 2. Duties

- a. The members of the Board of Directors shall be the official Directors of the Corporation and shall have all the responsibility and authority provided by the Articles of Incorporation.
- b. The Board of Directors shall oversee all operation expenditures, promotion of activities, and the general government of the organization. Acquisition of any property, real, personal or interest therein in excess if \$500 per item shall be referred to the membership at a regular or special meeting.
- c. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once every three months. The date and time of meeting shall be set by the President.
- d. The Board of Directors shall approve appointments by the President to fill unexpired terms of office.

Article V - Meetings:

- Section 1. Regular meeting shall be held once each month. Regular meetings may be canceled or re-scheduled by the Board of Directors provided members are notified a least one week in advance.
- Section 2. Special meetings may be called at any time as provided for in Article II., Section 2., Paragraph c.
- Section 3. All meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.
- Section 4. A quorum shall be present at a special or regular meeting before official business or elections can be conducted.
- a. For the Purpose of establishing a quorum, a family shall be considered as one member.
  - b. A quorum for regular or special meetings shall be fifteen (15) percent of the total membership or the average number of members attending the preceding two regular meetings, whichever is less.
  - c. A quorum for the Board of Directors meetings shall be fifty (50%) percent of the total board membership.
- Section 5. A majority of the members voting at any regular or special meeting shall be required to pass on all motions except as stated in Article VI., Section 2., in Article VII., Section 3 and Article VIII., section 6. For purposes of establishing this majority, a paid membership shall have one vote except as stated under Article VII., Section 1., paragraph e.

#### Article VI - Amendments:

- Section 1. These by-laws may be amended by the distribution of the proposed amendment to all members in writing at least one week prior to the special or regular meeting of the organization at which the amendment is to be considered.
- Section 2. A two-thirds majority of the members voting shall be required to adopt an amendment. Any proposed amendment not adopted by a two-thirds majority at the meeting at which it is initially considered shall be considered at the next regular meeting, at which time it shall required a two-thirds majority vote to be adopted.
- Section 3. Written notice of the meeting shall be given at least one week prior to the meeting at which the amendment is voted upon.
- Section 4. All proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Recreation Unit for clearance before final consideration by the membership at a regular or special meeting.
- Section 5. Each time these by-law's are amended, a copy shall be sent to each member and the Recreation Unit by the Secretary.

#### Article VII - Membership:

Section 1. Membership shall be open to the following, without regard to race, creed, color, sex, age, or national origin. All other proposed membership shall be subject to prior clearance through Recreation Unit.

- a. Boeing employees.
- b. Retired Boeing employees.
- c. Vendor, customer and military service representatives, stationed at The Boeing Company who carry a permanent Boeing badge.
- d. Spouse and dependent children of above members.
- e. Other persons on the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society roster shall be termed "Friends of BOEALPS." They shall be charged an annual fee covering expenses for the newsletter, meetings, and other club activities. The "Friends of BOEALPS" may enjoy all privileges extended to members except voting and holding a position as an elected officer in the club. The status of persons known as "Friends of BOEALPS" shall be determined by majority vote of the Board of Directors annually.

Section 2. Dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors. They shall be payable yearly on January 1 and shall be delinquent on March 1.

Section 3. Members may be expelled from the organization for cause by the Board of Directors. Expulsion may be appealed to the general membership at a regular of special meeting, with a two-thirds vote of those in attendance required to reverse an expulsion.

Section 4. Persons who are eligible for membership but have not paid current membership dues may be considered guests for occasional meetings or activities. Frequent or regular attendance of club functions by such persons for a period of three months or more shall be considered evidence of interest in the club warranting notification by the Membership chairman that current dues are payable. They shall not be eligible to participate in club functions or to enjoy benefits offered by the club after one month from such notice until dues are paid.

#### Article VIII - Elections:

Section 1. The offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be filled by election at the first regular meeting in September. The new officers shall assume their duties at the first meeting in October.

Section 2. Nominations for officers shall be taken at the August general meeting. Nominations from members attending the September meeting shall also be recognized and voted upon. Each nominee shall agree to serve if elected before that name may be submitted as a candidate for office.

Section 3. To be eligible to hold the office of President, Vice President, or Treasurer, a person must be a Boeing employee and a member in good standing. To be eligible to hold the office of Secretary, a person must be either a Boeing employee or retiree and a member in good standing.

Article VIII - Elections: (Cont'd)

- Section 4. No member is eligible to hold more than one elective office at a time or to be retained in the same office more than one year consecutively.
- Section 5. Members may elect to cast their votes by show of hands or by secret ballot.
- Section 6. The candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall be considered elected.

Article IX - General Provisions:

- Section 1. Property or equipment purchased by the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society with Boeing Employees' Alpine Society funds will not be considered the property of any individual member or group of members, but will be known as Club Property.
- a. As Club Property, it shall be entrusted to the custodial care of the Equipment chairman as provided for in Article III.
  - b. In the event that the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society ceases to exist as a corporate body, Club Property shall revert to such Recreation Unit, to be handled in a suitable manner until further group interest and use is indicated.
  - c. All equipment checked out and assigned to members by the Equipment Chairperson shall be the responsibility of the member regarding loss, negligent use, willful destruction, etc. Compensation for the foregoing will be subject to determination by the Board of Directors. Compensation shall not exceed replacement cost of an item at issue or cost of a comparable piece of equipment. The member will waive all legal rights whatsoever should the Board of Directors determine redress or compensation by the member is appropriate after a hearing of the facts. Any equipment transferred without the prior approval of the Equipment Chairperson will remain the responsibility of the member last listed as in possession of the equipment.
- Section 2. Acquisition of any property, real or interest therein, in excess of \$500 per item, shall receive prior clearance through the Recreation Unit.
- a. Real property shall be defined as land or buildings.
  - b. Interest therein property shall be defined as that property which is leased or rented.
- Section 3. The fiscal year for the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society shall be from January 1 to December 31, inclusive. All budgeting and financial accounting shall be rendered on this basis.

We, the undersigned, officers of the Boeing Employees' Alpine Society, a Washington non-profit corporation, do hereby certify: The foregoing By-Laws were adopted by the corporation on the 1st day of August 1996.

  
Jeff Arnold, President

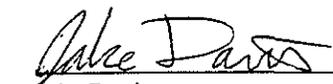
  
Jack Huebner, Vice-President

  
Dan Costello, Secretary

  
Elaine Worden, Treasurer

  
Pam Kaiser, Past-President

8/15/96  
Date  
at Seattle, Washington

  
Jake Davis,  
Recreation Unit  
The Boeing Company

8/20/96  
Date

## ICE IS NICE

On the weekend of August 17th and 18th, Shawn Pare conducted a seminar on introduction to technical ice climbing. Len Kannapell assisted in the instruction. The group, including students Vera Trainer, Gareth Beale, Holly Beale, Jim Weisman, Janet Harris, Tom Benson, and Rich Baldwin hiked up to the Easton Glacier on Mount Baker Saturday morning.

After setting up camp, we wandered out onto the glacier in search of ice. The clouds began to roll in, and if it weren't for the navigation aid of Rich's new florescent yellow boots, we might still be lost. Because of the lack of visibility, most of the seminar was confined to a few crevasse fields, but they served the purpose fine. After a few of us got the kinks out of our "step-out-of" crampons, Shawn and Len began teaching some techniques on low angle ice walking, including proper ice axe use. After practicing these techniques, we moved to a section of steeper ice where Shawn reviewed ice screw placement, and began demonstrating proper use of technical ice tools.

The weather, which had not been helping us all day, began to deteriorate, and as we were wrapping up the first day, we were summoned for help by another climbing party. One of their climbers had sustained a head injury, and although he was coherent and able to walk out, they needed help carrying his gear. The group was also inexperienced, and they needed some general help in dealing with the situation. Len was able to help them on both accounts, but that caused his weekend on the mountain to end early.

Because the summit was not our goal, we were able to sleep in until about 6:00 the next morning. Back out on the ice, we practiced several methods of setting ice anchors, and also setting up a belay system. In the process, we found out that cutting ballards in ice is alot of work.

Finally it was time to set up some top rope systems and climb into and out of some crevasses. We started out climbing 50 to 60 degree walls, and gradually worked our way up to walls of nearly 90 degrees. I think most of us were excited by our abilities to climb that which would have seemed impossible just two days earlier. However, most of us also realized that unpolished technique may not keep you from climbing the wall, but it will tire you out quickly.

After the hike out, the class thanked Shawn by treating him to dinner and something to wash it down with. We sat around reviewing the events of a fun weekend, telling stories, and planning future climbs.

Tom Benson

18 August 1996

Dear Echo Editors,

I was initially bothered by an aspect of Len Kannapell's article, "*It's Not Nice to Fool Mother Nature*" (July "*Echo*") but chose to keep my thoughts to myself. That is until I read Jon Krakauer's article "*Into Thin Air*" (September "*Outside*" magazine) on this spring's tragedies on Everest. I think it is important for mountaineers to make the connection between the Everest tragedy, Len's experiences on Denali and, closer to home, what happens in the Cascades or Olympics.

In "*Into Thin Air*", Krakauer brilliantly describes self-centered teams composed of self-centered individuals who, when it came time to rely on each other, could not make the connection between helping each other to survive and saving themselves. In the end, those who did survive had to rely on the strength in their fellow climbers and safety in numbers. What I speak of here is watching out for one another, whether it be your teammates or other teams, on Rainier, in the Picketts, Denali or Everest.

Len's article left me with a conflicting conundrum. On one hand Len described the care for which he and his teammates had for each other as well as the climbers from other teams they came to know. On the other hand Len describes the scene at the 17,200 foot camp as his team was preparing to descend following several days of bad weather. "*The East Germans, who had been seen almost constantly milling around their tent in the most obscene of conditions, were not present - probably sleeping their way through the high winds or recuperating from their summit bid two days before*". In reality, the East Germans were fighting for survival having spent a forced bivouac in the open and were descending to the 17,200' camp as Len's team was leaving for 14,200'. As Len came to know two days later, "*it made sense why I didn't see them milling about the tent: they were still gone*". Below Denali Pass one of the two East Germans fell to his death.

The above situation begs the obvious question. Why did Len's team not make a quick check of the East Germans tent to confirm they had returned from their attempt and were OK? If they had, would they have been in a position to go search for the East Germans and, if so, would that have effected the outcome at all?

After any tragic fact, on Denali, Everest, or anywhere, opportunities abound to speculate on different outcomes based on changes in the chain of events as they actually happened. Is there any merit in this activity beyond blatant chest pounding and brow beating? I believe there is.

Krakauer closes his Everest article with a very critical review of his own actions on the afternoon of and day following the storm on Everest. Any self-evaluation, or evaluation by a third party, should be taken with the intent of learning from past events lest they be repeated again and again.

My intention for raising this issue is not to criticize Len or his team. My hope is that fellow mountaineers can learn from these events and apply these experiences to their own climbing. As popular high altitude routes have increasing climbing activity, the mountaineering community must remain committed to team concepts and the welfare of all on the mountain. Should we chose to ignore these basic tenants we open ourselves to criticism by the ravenous medias coupled with the bane of increased government intervention and regulation.

Don Goodman  
Bombay, India

### *Phelps Fiction*

Climbers: Sandy Cirlincione, Glenn Cirlincione, Bruce Kolpack

Date: June 8th

Note: The climb title is a reference to the movie "Pulp Fiction." Bruce and I are fans of the movie and to take our mind off the "fun" of coming down 800 ft of the clearcut mess...we tried to repeat as many "great" lines from the movie as we could...by the time we got to the car, our stomachs ached more than our feet!

On June 8th, The Way Too High Alpine Society mounted an assault on Mt. Phelps, 5535 feet. Mt. Phelps is one of the most prominent Cascade peaks that can be seen from Seattle. Mt. Phelps has been mislabeled on some maps as McCain Peaks and Little Phelps labeled as Mt. Phelps. The error on our map (7.5 minute topo) was noted and we proceeded ...

The climbers were Sandy "Honey Bunny" Cirlincione, Glenn "Vincent Vega" Cirlincione and former Boealper Bruce "Butch" Kolpack (class of '78).

We drove up the North Fork Snoqualmie River Road to a point 24 miles from North Bend, where we took a short spur towards the Blackhawk mine. The road was washed out about 1/2 mile from the mine.

Near the mine, we found that appeared to be the "trail." We bushwhacked about 800 ft. up a clearcut, then climbed another 400 ft. up the East Ridge. Traversing south, we found a 1000 ft. snow couloir that brought us to the base of the summit massif. A southwesterly traverse brought us to a short rock gully leading to the South Ridge which was ascended to the summit.

We were the only party on this seldom climbed mountain. The summit register showed the last party to register was in July 1995. The ascent took about 5-6 hours with a fair amount of time taken up route finding (Beckey time is 4 hours). The views were excellent as we spent about 1/2 hour on the summit.

Glenn Cirlincione

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| JAHNS, THOMAS R       | 234-1664 | 243-8770 | 9X 32 | 12706 MILITARY RD        | SEATTLE     | WA | 98168 |
| JAMES, CATHY          |          | 861-0455 | -     | 7435 159TH PL NE #F335   | REDMOND     | WA | 98052 |
| JAMES, ROBERT         | 883-2525 | 861-0455 | -     | 7435 159TH PL NE #F335   | REDMOND     | WA | 98052 |
| JOHNSON, KEN          | 773-2247 | 337-6282 | 8R 13 | 11613 38TH DR SE         | EVERETT     | WA | 98208 |
| JOHNSON, L PHILIP     | 662-2029 | 362-6095 | 49 71 | 4230 NE 113TH ST         | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| JOHNSON, LARRY P      | (406)    | 585-0514 | -     | 9200 RIVER ROAD          | BOZEMAN     | MT | 59715 |
| JOHNSON, ROGER        | 657-3009 | 235-0330 | 3A KP | 611 CEDAR AVE S #A       | RENTON      | WA | 98055 |
| JOLLY, MARTY B.       | 662-1181 | 852-7924 | 4C 09 | 19801 104 AVE. S.E.      | RENTON      | WA | 98055 |
| KAISER, PAMELA        | 266-9944 | 483-0548 | OR EU | 2625 169 TH ST. SE       | BOTHELL     | WA | 98012 |
| KANE, PHILIP C        | 237-2403 | 565-4642 | 9W 28 | 2603 103RD AVE COURT E   | EDGEWOOD    | WA | 98372 |
| KANNAPELL, LEONARD P. | 662-1457 | 361-7523 | 4C 07 | 1015 NE 126 TH ST.       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| KANNAPELL, TUNY       | 011-4961 | 71-56792 | -     | OBERURSEL                | GERMANY     |    |       |
| KASIULIS, ERICK       |          | 641-9653 | -     | 12239 SE 61ST ST         | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98006 |
| KELLEGREW, KEVIN W    | 641-6631 | 228-0697 | -     | 3716 NE 12TH             | RENTON      | WA | 98056 |
| KENISON, BRIAN W.     | 544-5352 | 852-2981 | 2T 40 | 1212 E LAUREL ST         | KENT        | WA | 98031 |
| KIRBY, J (WILLIAM)    |          | 270-9406 | -     | 510 4TH AVE W #203       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98119 |
| KISSELL, JAMES W      |          | 631-1288 | 5C AF | PO BOX 882               | RENTON      | WA | 98057 |
| KNESS, KAREN M.       |          | 838-3860 | -     | 32320 2ND AVE SW         | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| KNESS, STEVE          | 773-3004 | 838-3860 | 8C 80 | 32320 2ND AVE SW         | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98023 |
| KNOTTS, RORY          | 237-3494 | 246-8255 | 6H FT | 13735 INTERURBAN S #F304 | SEATTLE     | WA | 98168 |
| KOEHLER, ERICH        | 773-0714 | 588-9803 | 3E 73 | 9010 25TH AVE CT S       | TACOMA      | WA | 98409 |
| KOKES, JOHN           | 477-5731 | 932-9355 | 8X 61 | 3201 44TH AVE SW         | SEATTLE     | WA | 98116 |
| KONGORSKI, KENNETH D  | 743-8139 | 489-0788 | -     | 12716 NE 200TH PLACE     | BOTHELL     | WA | 98011 |
| KOURY, AL             |          | 365-8516 | -     | 14036 17TH AVE NE        | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| KRALIK, CASEY         | 266-5098 | 402-4662 | -     | 19158 130TH CT NE        | BOTHELL     | WA | 98011 |
| KRENZER, RANDY        | 773-3141 | 235-8812 | 8F 81 | 17844 156TH PLACE SE     | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| KRENZER, VIRGINIA     |          | 235-8812 | -     | 17844 156TH PL SE        | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |

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| KRIEWALD, BRYAN        | 655-3415 | 631-2937 | 4E 48 | 12612 SE 270TH ST      | KENT          | WA | 9803  |
| KROGH, STEVE B         | 294-0780 | 222-6230 | 02 JP | 28702 SE 67TH ST       | ISSAQUAH      | WA | 98027 |
| KRUEGER, LEE R         | 234-3407 | 868-3924 | 67 HL | 21312 NE 10TH PL       | REDMOND       | WA | 98053 |
| KUEHNER, DEBORAH       | 233-7657 | 814-9771 | -     | 10248 NE 138TH PL      | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98034 |
| KUEHNER, MICHAEL       | 654-7550 | 643-0298 | -     | 2965 142ND PL SE #5    | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98007 |
| KULSETH, GREGORY T     | 294-8797 | 542-2136 | 0H 54 | 19316 1ST AVE NW       | SHORELINE     | WA | 98177 |
| KUNZ, ROBERT           | 655-7645 | 933-8778 | 4E 17 | 4540 45TH AVE SW #406  | SEATTLE       | WA | 98116 |
| LAROCCA, GLEN          | 773-2365 | 255-8815 | 8Y 96 | 8052 S 134TH ST        | SEATTLE       | WA | 98178 |
| LARSON, DAVID E        | 655-6165 | 370-4076 | 19 09 | 2510 33RD AVE. S.E.    | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| LAW, GUY               | 544-8522 | 392-3504 | 2J 58 | 16514 TIGER MTN RD SE  | ISSAQUAH      | WA | 98027 |
| LEIBFRIED, LISA        | 655-0986 | 365-0906 | 4J 11 | P.O. BOX 25662         | SEATTLE       | WA | 98125 |
| LEICESTER JACK         |          | 546-2770 | -     | 1837 N 200TH ST        | SEATTLE       | WA | 98133 |
| LEITNER, EDWARD        |          | 893-8701 | -     | 14621 134TH AVE E      | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| LEITNER, PILLA A       | 773-1530 | 893-8701 | 82 15 | 14621 134TH AVE E      | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| LILLEY, ERIC A         | 544-0978 | 641-6158 | 2H 83 | 5315 SOMERSET DR SE    | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| LIMB, MAX              | 451-1148 | 827-5934 | 0F 42 | 214 19TH PL            | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| LIXVAR, JOHN           | 865-3783 | 255-4754 | 7L 20 | 15638 SE 175TH ST      | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| LOFTUS, MARK           | 773-5945 | 248-0457 | 3E 73 | 16207 8TH AVE S        | SEATAC        | WA | 98148 |
| LYTTLE, DAVID W        | 657-6849 | 243-1684 | 3U EC | 16603 21ST AVE SW      | SEATTLE       | WA | 98166 |
| MANSFIELD, JOSEPH C    | 655-6812 | 525-3889 | 4E 82 | 1905 NE NAOMI PLACE    | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| MASCHOFF, KRISTI       | (713)    | 480-1639 | -     | 16302 PARKSLEY DR      | HOUSTON       | TX | 77059 |
| MAUK, TIMOTHY          | 773-3017 | 522-5081 | 8Y 49 | 8012 36TH AVE NE       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| MAY, DAVID L           | 773-6356 | 431-8481 | 8J 62 | 13638 6TH AVE SW       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98166 |
| MCGUCKIN, JOHN K       | 237-0832 | 788-6054 | 9W 06 | 18041 NE 155TH PL      | WOODINVILLE   | WA | 98072 |
| MCGUFFIN, MICHAEL      | 435-8831 | 524-1155 | -     | 4710 35TH AVE NE       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98105 |
| MCKAIN, SUE A          | 747-4004 | 747-3136 | -     | 16529 29TH             | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98008 |
| MEJIA, KEVIN M         | 237-8011 | 391-5977 | 6H FK | 2303 245TH AVE. S.E.   | ISSAQUAH      | WA | 98027 |
| MENZER, ART            | 358-7123 | 282-7405 | -     | 160 LEE ST APT #205    | SEATTLE       | WA | 98101 |
| MICHELSON, RICHARD A.  |          | 542-4581 | -     | 16901 14TH AVE NW      | SHORELINE     | WA | 98177 |
| MIKOS, JASON P         |          | 886-0929 | -     | 29121 236TH AVE SE     | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| MIKOS, JOHN V          |          | 886-0929 | 8J 50 | 29121 236TH AVE SE     | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| MILLER, JAMES H        | 865-2375 | 854-0867 | 7W 31 | 11207 SE 235TH PL      | KENT          | WA | 98031 |
| MITCHELL, MICHAEL E.   | 342-4330 | 787-2014 | 0Y 88 | 15723 40TH AVE W #F106 | LYNWOOD       | WA | 98037 |
| MOENCH, JILL C         | 342-2551 | 828-9117 | 02 00 | 130 10TH AVE S         | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| MONDRZYK, ROBERT J     |          | 432-9578 | -     | 23805 SE 208TH         | MAPLE VALLEY  | WA | 98038 |
| MOORMAN, STEVEN B      | 662-8312 | 870-7702 | 20 04 | 24324 MILITARY RD S    | KENT          | WA | 98032 |
| MOSMAN, MICHAEL P      | 821-2800 | 258-2461 | -     | 1530 51ST PL SW        | EVERETT       | WA | 98203 |
| MOSMAN, PAUL S         |          | 348-9245 | -     | 3013 PANAVIEW BLVD     | EVERETT       | WA | 98203 |
| MURPHY, BRIAN J        | 685-3731 | 632-9602 | -     | 3721 SUNNYSIDE AVE N   | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| MURRAY, CARLA D        |          | 523-4230 | -     | 7924 DENSMORE AVE      | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| NAGODE, STEVEN         | 891-2577 | 941-5629 | -     | 1108 SW 310TH ST       | FEDERAL WAY   | WA | 98023 |
| NEAL, KEITH            | 294-4377 | 286-1163 | 02 19 | 4726 ELM ST            | EVERETT       | WA | 98203 |
| NELSON, MAREN          |          | 822-0455 | -     | 6509 114TH AVE NE      | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| NEUBERGER, MICHAEL W   | 237-9095 | 228-9764 | 9P 04 | 16624 133RD PL. SE     | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| O'CALLAHAN, JOHN A     | 662-1213 | 782-5450 | 4H 21 | 4416 GREENWOOD AVE N   | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| OLDS, JOHN             |          | 243-2171 | -     | 1611 SW 170TH          | NORMANDY PARK | WA | 98166 |
| OLDS, KIRSTEN          |          | 243-2171 | -     | 1611 SW 170            | NORMANDY PARK | WA | 98166 |
| OLIVER, JANET          | 862-9569 | 413-0298 | -     | 18017 187TH AVE SE     | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| OLSON, DON             |          | 932-4526 | -     | 4510 SW DIRECTOR ST    | SEATTLE       | WA | 98136 |
| ORTIZ-APONTE, JAVIER R | 234-0316 | 270-8964 | 9U UX | 1404 10TH AVE W #7     | SEATTLE       | WA | 98119 |
| OSTROFF, HENRI M.      | 266-2280 | 562-9157 | 39 PH | 14524 SE 13TH PL       | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98007 |
| OTT, DALE              | 352-1312 | 838-8314 | 5H 93 | 32521 41 AVE SW        | FEDERAL WAY   | WA | 98023 |
| OUELLETTE, ANDREW      | 266-9168 | 486-2376 | 03 86 | 19312 29TH AVE SE      | BOTHEL        | WA | 98012 |
| OWEN, PETER J          | 266-9332 | 348-0693 | 08 16 | 12102 4TH AVE W #6-103 | EVERETT       | WA | 98201 |

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| ACKER, ROBERT           | 342-6385 | 353-2644 | 0Y 08 | 5111 86TH PL SW             | MUKILTEO      | WA | 98275 |
| PARE, SHAWN             | 342-7134 | 483-0548 | 0Y 20 | 2625 169TH ST SE            | BOTHELL       | WA | 98012 |
| PARKS, EDWARD A         | 342-9084 | 453-7124 | 07 31 | 128 108TH AVE SE            | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98004 |
| PATNOE, MICHAEL         | 773-3885 | 783-0841 | 8H 05 | 2857 NW 70TH ST             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98117 |
| PATTON, DANIEL          | 294-0375 | 823-1169 | 0R CJ | 12224 NE 130TH WAY #J104    | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98034 |
| PEGG, MICK R.           | 657-6342 | 630-3318 | 3W WF | 26446 161ST PL SE           | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| PENNA, PATRICK A        | 266-5236 | 774-1374 | 0Y 25 | 22103 90TH PL WEST          | EDMONDS       | WA | 98026 |
| PEPITONE, DAVID         | 294-3361 | 641-2901 | 02 JH | 666 156TH AVE NE            | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98007 |
| PERRIN, MARVIN D        | 773-9950 | 932-5381 | 82 05 | 6742 37TH AVE SW            | SEATTLE       | WA | 98126 |
| PERRIN, MARVIN N        |          | 838-9126 | -     | 37210 32ND AVE S            | AUBURN        | WA | 98001 |
| PIRSON, CHRISTOPHER J.  | 655-9722 | 852-4826 | 14 ME | 25215 110TH AVE SE #Y103    | KENT          | WA | 98031 |
| PISARUCK, MICHAEL A     | 515-8072 | 937-0602 | -     | 3446 39TH AVE SW            | SEATTLE       | WA | 98116 |
| PLANT, MARTIN           | 266-2823 | 821-6019 | 07 30 | 12220 108TH CT NE           | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98034 |
| PLIMPTON, JOHN          | 924-3057 | 525-3786 | -     | 8760 SAND POINT WAY NE      | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| POLLOCK, JAMES          | 294-8215 | 347-0346 | 02 00 | 12303 HARBOR PT BLVD #R304  | MUKILTEO      | WA | 98275 |
| POLLOCK, JOHN           | 365-9192 |          | -     | P.O. BOX 27344              | SEATTLE       | WA | 98125 |
| POTTER, NATHANIEL M     | 655-7355 | 226-5657 | 4T 47 | 16006 188TH AVE SE          | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| PRICE, EARL             | 351-1378 | 848-7544 | 5C AL | 12344 TATOOSH RD E          | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| PRICE, MYRNA            |          | 848-7544 | -     | 12344 TATOOSH RD E          | PUYALLUP      | WA | 98374 |
| PRIVETT, RICHARD        | 662-1466 | 863-0286 | 4C 09 | 6213 152ND AVE CT. E.       | SUMNER        | WA | 98390 |
| PROSTKA, JAMES          | 294-4134 | 861-0858 | 02 18 | 13017 176TH PL NE           | REDMOND       | WA | 98052 |
| PUGH, PAUL              | 662-8182 | 813-2139 | 20 86 | 6707 S 239TH ST D-104       | KENT          | WA | 98032 |
| PYSCHER, PAUL           | 234-4715 | 364-6783 | 92 13 | 15002 9TH PL NE             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98155 |
| RAMMER, ROGER           | 544-0901 | 631-7406 | 2L 11 | 24907 168TH PL SE           | KENT          | WA | 98042 |
| RATLIFF, ROY            | 768-3914 | 932-6412 | -     | 4301 SW HANFORD #9          | SEATTLE       | WA | 98116 |
| REED, DALE              |          | 243-9129 | -     | 12027 10TH AVE S            | SEATTLE       | WA | 98168 |
| REITZ, CHRISTOPHER A    | 294-6952 | 347-3459 | 03 KK | 9009 W MALL DR #106         | EVERETT       | WA | 98208 |
| RENSI, RISE             | 731-3510 | 767-7285 | -     | 5324 16TH AVE S             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98108 |
| RETKA, PAUL J           | 773-0152 | 431-5771 | 3F 07 | 16640 51ST AVE S            | SEATAC        | WA | 98188 |
| RICHMOND, STEVEN        | 662-8165 | 631-3591 | 20 86 | 12908 SE 278TH ST           | KENT          | WA | 98031 |
| ROBERTS, GLENN L.       | 868-5055 | 868-8515 | -     | 659 E LAKE SAMMAMISH PKY NE | REDMOND       | WA | 98053 |
| ROBERTSON, MATTHEW R.   | 957-5691 | 822-0455 | 7M EM | 6509 114TH AVE NE           | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| ROGERS, THOMAS A. JR    | 773-8517 | 820-1522 | 86 11 | 8014 NE 112TH ST            | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98034 |
| ROHRER, THOMAS R        | 237-0905 | 228-8420 | 6X HF | 13514 SE 186TH PL           | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| ROPER, JOHN             |          | 746-8462 | -     | 14332 SOMERSET BLVD SE      | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| ROSKE, JOE A            | 931-9752 | 825-3575 | 5T 06 | 2243 SCANDIA AVE            | ENUMCLAW      | WA | 98022 |
| ROTH, ANDREW S.         | 342-0415 | 337-6337 | OU 43 | 12120 43RD DR SE            | EVERETT       | WA | 98208 |
| ROWE, ROBERT            |          | 232-1988 | -     | PO BOX 1373                 | MERCER ISLAND | WA | 98040 |
| RUDESILL, CHRISTOPHER   | 294-1422 | 527-1489 | 0P 04 | 7522 SUNNYSIDE AVE N.       | SEATTLE       | WA | 98103 |
| RUSHO, CATHERINE (KATE) | 462-2005 | 367-8763 | -     | 351 N 137TH ST              | SEATTLE       | WA | 98155 |
| SANDERS, DOUG G         | 622-2140 | 252-5331 | -     | 1605 OAKES AVE              | EVERETT       | WA | 98201 |
| SANGESLAND, ODDVAR      | 234-5904 | 481-0869 | 67 32 | 19217 58TH NE               | SEATTLE       | WA | 98155 |
| SATO, BRIAN             | 649-7265 | 649-8926 | -     | 2642 166TH AVE SE           | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98008 |
| SAVAGE, DAVID E.        | 662-1455 | 562-9215 | 6C LE | 4825 122 AVE SE             | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| SCHILLE, SAMUEL J       |          | 524-7150 | -     | 3529 NE 87TH ST             | SEATTLE       | WA | 98115 |
| SELS, ROBERT            | 345-9723 | 562-1007 | 0T 75 | 4515 125TH AVE SE #310      | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| SERRILL, DOUGLAS J.     | 266-7980 | 341-7026 | OX MU | 7042 S HOLST                | CLINTON       | WA | 98236 |
| SEVERS, PHILLIP         | (907)    | 543-4019 | -     | PO BOX 652                  | BETHEL        | AK | 99559 |
| SHETTER, MARTIN         | 703-6343 | 641-8436 | -     | 4617 149TH AV SE            | BELLEVUE      | WA | 98006 |
| SHIPWAY, JOHN           | 237-5627 | 347-6146 | 67 32 | 1119-B 132ND ST SW          | EVERETT       | WA | 98204 |
| SHIVITZ, WILLIAM F      | 294-0761 | 228-0120 | 02 JP | 17620 E LAKE DESIRE DR SE   | RENTON        | WA | 98058 |
| SHOE, DANIEL M          | 237-1969 | 827-2187 | 73 42 | 6118 120TH AVE NE           | KIRKLAND      | WA | 98033 |
| SLANSKY, DICK           | 294-2138 | 353-9118 | OX TL | 730 112TH ST SW #H4         | EVERETT       | WA | 98204 |
| SOLETE, STANLEY O       | 931-9671 | 874-5384 | 5T 04 | 2713 S 353RD PL             | FEDERAL WAY   | WA | 98003 |

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| SMITH, ELLEN         |          | 546-5367 | -     | 528 N 188TH ST            | SEATTLE     | WA | 9813  |
| SMITH, LESLIE        | 486-2000 | 486-2000 | -     | 10223 NE 198TH            | BOTHELL     | WA | 98011 |
| SOUZA, JAMES J       | 294-0954 | 337-6030 | 09 17 | 5204 122ND ST SE          | EVERETT     | WA | 98208 |
| STAPLES, GREG A      | 655-5535 | 824-2084 | 19 27 | 707 SOUTH 212TH           | DES MOINES  | WA | 98198 |
| STEINER, DAVID S     | 342-3465 | 526-8717 | 02 03 | 10315 38TH AVE NE         | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| STEINER, NATALIE A J |          | 526-8717 | -     | 10315 38TH AVE NE         | SEATTLE     | WA | 98125 |
| STEPHENS, DAVID      | 865-4118 | 774-1396 | 7A AF | 20107 76TH AVE W          | LYNNWOOD    | WA | 98036 |
| STEWART, CHRISTINA M | 526-6765 | 632-3802 | -     | 3620 DENSMORE N           | SEATTLE     | WA | 98103 |
| STEWART, TOM         |          | 762-8909 | -     | 10145 15TH AVE S          | SEATTLE     | WA | 98168 |
| STONEBRAKER, JEFF    | 342-0898 | 347-4852 | 02 23 | 10824 MERIDIAN DR SE      | EVERETT     | WA | 98208 |
| STONEBRAKER, LINDA   |          | 347-4852 | -     | 10824 MERIDIAN DR SE      | EVERETT     | WA | 98208 |
| STOREY, MELISSA      |          | 641-9653 | -     | 12239 SE 61ST ST          | BELLEVUE    | WA | 98006 |
| STRAUSS, NICK A      | 854-9950 | 852-0714 | -     | 22022 93RD AVE S          | KENT        | WA | 98031 |
| SULE, JOHN           | (408)    | 734-4625 | -     | 1063 MORSE AVE 20-303     | SUNNYVALE   | CA | 94089 |
| SULLIVAN, PAUL J.    | (412)    | 826-1146 | -     | 107 COMMONS DRIVE         | OAKMONT     | PA | 15139 |
| SUNDQUIST, BETH L    | 294-8185 | 261-3730 | 02 03 | 1608 NE 189TH ST          | SHORELINE   | WA | 98155 |
| SWEETMAN, ROBIN L    | 294-0460 | 820-4971 | 07 35 | 12635 NE 130TH WAY #A-209 | KIRKLAND    | WA | 98034 |
| TAPIA, MARIO         | 393-5698 | 720-1224 | 4X 59 | 1883 E SHELBY ST          | SEATTLE     | WA | 98112 |
| TAYLOR, DEBRA        |          | 355-8929 | -     | 1709 105TH ST SW          | EVERETT     | WA | 98204 |
| TAYLOR, JOHN W.      | 294-6071 | 355-8929 | 03 ML | 1709 105TH AT SW          | EVERETT     | WA | 98204 |
| TESSMER, KEVIN       | 342-3388 | 525-4177 | 04 AF | 6549 38TH AVE NE          | SEATTLE     | WA | 98115 |
| THOMAS GORDON        |          | 824-3348 | -     | 20217 6TH AVE S           | SEATTLE     | WA | 98198 |
| THROOLIN, HAL F.     |          |          | -     | 19112 THIRD AVE NE        | SHORELINE   | WA | 98155 |
| THROOLIN, LUCINDA    |          |          | -     | 19112 THIRD AVE NE        | SHORELINE   | WA | 98155 |
| TILL, BRADLEY D      | 237-7947 | 932-4659 | 67 32 | 3001 SW AVALON WAY #203   | SEATTLE     | WA | 98126 |
| TIMMERMAN, MICHAEL   | 342-0642 | 868-7016 | OU 33 | 22709 NE 18TH PL          | REDMOND     | WA | 98053 |
| TOWNSEND, HARRY E    | 294-3755 | 547-4327 | OX 07 | 2210 N 43RD ST            | SEATTLE     | WA | 98107 |
| TRAINER, VERA        | 860-3347 | 522-7022 | -     | 342 NE 58TH ST            | SEATTLE     | WA | 98105 |
| TREDWAY, LINDA M     | 931-5995 | 838-8378 | 5E 23 | 333 SOUTH 320TH #A6       | FEDERAL WAY | WA | 98003 |
| TRUONG, THANH        | 227-2552 | 630-7916 | 6Y 01 | 20421 123RD CT SE         | KENT        | WA | 98031 |
| TURSA, NATALIE W     | 773-4289 | 932-0816 | 8Y 17 | 4129 38TH AVE SW          | SEATTLE     | WA | 98126 |
| VARGA, DOUGLAS A     | 657-9485 | 813-0501 | 3W KW | 11518 SE 219TH PL         | KENT        | WA | 98031 |
| VERZANI, GAIL J      | 931-2770 | 271-2812 | 5C 17 | 17751 113TH PL SE         | RENTON      | WA | 98055 |
| VETTER, ARTHUR M     | 544-5922 | 226-9492 | 2T 50 | 15633 SE 178TH PL         | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| VETTER, ELSA         |          | 226-9492 | -     | 15633 SE 178TH PL         | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| VETTER, SCOTT        |          | 226-9492 | -     | 15633 SE 178TH PL         | RENTON      | WA | 98058 |
| VITKUSKE, JANE M     | 965-5390 | 783-6546 | 61 69 | 714 N 65TH ST             | SEATTLE     | WA | 98103 |
| WAINWRIGHT, ALAN     |          | 767-0403 | -     | 6422 CARLETON AVE S       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98108 |
| WALDRON, MARTHA J    | 442-7642 | 784-5197 | -     | 7054 14th AVE NW #1       | SEATTLE     | WA | 98117 |
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**Your editors hard at work: John O'Callahan, Mike McGuffin, Silas Wild, and Len Kannapell atop Liberty Ridge on Mt. Rainier - June 16, 1996**



**Do you recognize this man? Boealper Brian Sato gets hitched...**

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*Thanks to everyone!!*

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November 1996

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Photo: Mt. Francis (foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

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From Dan Goering 67-63



### November General Meeting

Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup>

Oxbow Recreation Center

Social Hour: 7:00 PM

Slide Show: 7:30 PM

Guest Speaker: Klev Schoening

Klev was a member of Scott Fischer's ill-fated 1996 Mt. Everest team. Come see an exciting slide show, and hear the story from someone who was there.

# ***BELAY STANCE***

## **ECHO Front Cover Photo Contest**

Boealps photographer, Shawn Pare is requesting submissions for a new Echo front cover photo. Check out Shawn's column; The Photo Box for more information. The winner will be chosen on December 1<sup>st</sup> so hurry up and send your best shot.

## **Climb Data Base**

Over the years the Echo has seen dozens of climbing reports ranging from Chamonix classics to remote Indonesian peaks. A cross-reference (according to peak, elevation, route, climb date and Echo issue) of all Alpine Echo trip reports from 1988 to the present is included in this month's issue.

One of the primary purposes of the Alpine Echo is to collect and distribute climbing information. This cross-reference provides an excellent roadmap to a wealth of beta.

## **This Issue**

Tom Rogers has been busy, submitting another story for this month's issue. Check out his account of a recent ascent of Burgundy Spire. Dan Shoe also submitted a story recounting his trip up the West Ridge of the North Twin Sister.

In addition to the trip reports, don't forget to check out numerous activities listed in this month's Activities Bulletin Board. And finally, for those who missed their monthly dose of Board Meeting Minutes in the last month's issue, not to worry our new club Secretary Mark Hicks has included all of the tasty details of the October meeting.

Before recycling this issue don't forget to hang on to the handy trip report cross-reference.

## **E-Mail Address Changes**

Now that I have my internet accounts sorted out I can once again accept e-mail at [mmcguffin@msn.com](mailto:mmcguffin@msn.com). I'll be looking for that flood of trip reports for next month's Echo.

From the respective desks of your fearless editors,

Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**DECEMBER ECHO DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 21st**

# November 1996

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| Last Quarter<br>3  | 4   | 5<br><br>Election Day   | 6         | 7<br><br>Club Meeting   | 8      | 9        |
| New Moon<br>10   | 11<br><br>Veterans Day | 12   | 13        | 14  | 15     | 16       |
| 1st Quarter<br>17<br><br>Meadow Mountain | 18  | 19<br><br>Board Meeting | 20        | 21<br><br>Echo Deadline   | 22     | 23       |
| Full Moon<br>24<br>                     | 25  | 26   | 27        | 28<br><br>Thanksgiving<br><b>Wilderness Beach Camp/Hike</b><br><b>Grand Coulee and the Columbia Basin</b> | 29     | 30       |

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| 8  | 9                 | New Moon<br>10   | 11   | 12  | 13            | 14   |
| 15<br><br>Echo Deadline | 16                | 1st Quarter<br>17  | 18   | 19  | 20            | 21<br>Winter begins<br><b>See-Ski-Hike the ...</b>                                   |
| 22   | 23                | 24<br>Full Moon<br> | 25<br>Christmas<br> | 26  | 27            | 28<br><b>See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest</b><br><b>Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal</b> |
| 29<br><b>See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest</b><br><b>Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal</b>                       | 30                | 31<br>New Year's Eve   |  |   |               |  |

## ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### Smith Rock Climbing!

November 2 to 4

A bivy of Boealpers will be heading south to Smith Rocks November 2 - 4 to enjoy climbing from mid 5th class to near impossible on some of the fantastic rock routes available there. Climb hard all day and then camp under the stars free of charge at the nearby national grasslands area. (Note: bring water containers as local water was apparently contaminated by the fire this summer.) This will be a loosely organized outing, so either grab a partner and just show up and look for familiar faces, or email me (call if you don't have email) and I will try to hook you into a car pool.

Contact: Dan Goering @364-6783(h)

email: Daniel.J.Goering@boeing.com

### Meadow Mountain

Sunday, November 17

Bicycle in from Keechelus Lake and hike or ride an elusive trail to the old Meadow Mountain lookout site. A short traverse to the north will reveal the true summit and amply justify the name given this scenic viewpoint. 2500' gain, 4.5 hours, SWR 3.4 (low end of moderate).

Contact: Lizard @ 865-3783

lizard@espresso.rt.cs.boeing.com

### Grand Coulee and the Columbia Basin

Thanksgiving weekend, November 28-December 1

Ride abandoned jeep roads into the tranquil recesses of Grand and Dry Coulees; climb Steamboat Rock and explore Northrup Canyon; visit Grand Coulee Dam and the Banks Lake Wildlife Recreation Area; and enjoy relaxing evenings at a comfortable camp set on the shores of Deep Lake in Sun Lakes State Park.

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### Rock-Climbing at Skaha B.C.

November or December

I am organizing a climbing trip up to beautiful Skaha British Columbia slated for some weekend between now and December (which ever comes first). Specific dates are dependent on weather (or is that wether or wethor or weathor or wheathor or...), and whether interested people are available dependent on weather (or is that...). Anyway (weather or not you are interested) the plan is to spend 3 days up there starting by leaving on a Friday night and returning on a Monday afternoon (but not necessarily in that order). Those interested should be able to climb at about a basic class level. If you don't climb and you don't smell too bad then that's O.K. too!

Contact: Chris Rudesill @ (h)527-1489, (w) 294-1422

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### Wilderness Beach Camp/Hike

Thanksgiving weekend, November 28-December 1

Hike three miles on the boardwalk from Lake Ozette Ranger station to Sandpoint - Cape Alava area of the Olympic National Park coast segment. Camping in the tree sheltered area; day hiking on the beach; feasting at night.

Contact: Jim Kissell @ 631-1288

### See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest

two to three weeks incorporating Christmas break

Hike into the Grand Canyon - possibly by skiing to the North Rim, then hiking across to the South Rim. Ski at Flagstaff (really!). Drive through Monument Valley to ski areas at Telluride and Durango, Colorado (Durango-Silverton railway may be operating). And perhaps continue to Taos and Santa Fe, New Mexico. Participants planned; mostly pay-as-you-go; and take-it-as-you-find-it. Early input recommended.

Contact: Jim Kissell @ 631-1288

## ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

### Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal

December 22 to January 4

Is anyone interested in a mega road trip? Come south for the holidays and enjoy the winter wonderland in the Sierra Nevadas and the warm rocks of Joshua Tree. I am thinking of some side trips in the National Parks to break up the driving and a week in JT. (From numerous sources, I hear JT is the climbing mecca for the winter season.)

Contact: Eric Bennett @ (h)742-4706, anytime after 9:30 am

eric.r.bennett@boeing.com

### North Cascades X-Country Ski Trip @ Winthrop 1997

January 31-Feb. 2,

Indeed, we now have a reservation for the almighty Westar Lodge once again, so ye had best be there - ye had best sign up early. The plan is to take off after work of Friday - and for those who want to get there early, you can check in as early as noon. The cost will be \$26/adult and \$20/child, which covers Friday and Saturday night lodging and Saturday Breakfast/dinner and Sunday Breakfast - bring your own Saturday/Sunday lunch and beverages. Families welcome.

The lodge has 7 double beds + 16 single beds to sleep 30, and we have permission for at least 10 more on the floor for a total of 40. The Methow Valley Sport Touring Association maintains over 175 km of groomed trails (beginner to advance) in the pristine area, including hut-to-hut skiing. 1996 trail fees were \$12/day or \$26/weekend (Friday thorough Sunday) but there are also opportunities for free back country skiing.

To make a reservation, send me a check (payable to Boealps) with your phone #/e-mail, and I'll send you an information sheet as well as direction. Beds will be assigned in order of payment received, se send your check early to assure you won't have to crash on the floor. A short waiting list will be made but there is no guarantee we can make refunds, though we'll do our best. And in case you are wondering: there is a hot tub to sooth your care away under the stars

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| <b>Description:</b>                      |                   |
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## THE PHOTO BOX

### A NEW ECHO COVER

By Shawn M. Paré

The Echo editors have grown tired with the current Echo cover page and have asked me to submit a new photo for the cover. If you have a high contrast photo that you think might make a good cover page send it in to me for review and possible selection. Both slides and prints of high contrast with a horizontal orientation (vertical orientations tend not to fit very well) will work. A winner will be chosen **December 1st** and all submissions will be sent back shortly there after. Be sure to write your name on each submission or it may end up in the club photo album. If no submissions are made you will be stuck with another fine selection from the Boealps Photographers files. Send submissions to Shawn Paré at M/S 0A-90 or mail to 2625 169th St SE, Bothell WA 98012.

### Art Wolfe in Multimedia

Former Boealper and Adventure Photographer Art Wolfe will be giving a multimedia presentation titled "Wildlands, Endangered Peoples" at the Seattle Opera House on Wednesday, November 6th at 7:30 pm. All proceeds from the show will benefit the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center. The show includes a narrative section covering Art's most recent travels to Venezuela, Patagonia, the Pakistani Himalaya and Papua New Guinea. Tickets sans the Ticketmaster "convenience" charge are available directly from Art's secretary for \$12 or \$20. Call 937-5681 and identify yourself as a Boealps member.

### Attention MSR Dromedary Bag Users

*The following is a letter from MSR President and CEO Dave Bartholomew*

Dear MSR Dromedary Bag Customer:

MSR has identified a quality issue regarding our Dromedary Bag and is notifying our customers as a result. *REI* indicated to us that you may have purchased an MSR Dromedary Bag.

MSR has learned that trace amounts of OBPA, a chemical substance used in a laminate layer of the bag's fabric leach through the NSF-grade laminate layer and into stored water. OBPA is an Organic arsenical. Organic arsenicals are considered significantly less toxic than inorganic arsenicals. There is no known human health effect associated with trace amounts of OBPA, other than possible short-term mouth and throat irritation. Preliminary tests show the presence of OBPA diminishes with use of the product. OBPA is commonly used as a bacteriostat, disinfectant and fungicide in plastic products.

MSR has stopped using OBPA in the Dromedary Bag and is offering to exchange bags with a new model that does not contain the substance. This is consistent with MSR's goal of providing a storage product that maintains the water's original state of purity. We would like to offer you a new Dromedary Bag manufactured without OBPA, in exchange for your existing bag.

New Dromedary Bags were expected to begin shipping in mid-September. [Enclosed is a series of questions and answers that should address any concerns you have about your Dromedary Bag.] If you have further questions, please contact our toll-free Customer Service Line at 800-877-9677.

10-16-96

## Board Meeting Minutes October 1996

This month's meeting was held at Chris Rudesill's home.

**In attendance were:** Dan Costello, Chris Rudesill, Elaine Worden, Mark Hicks, Victor Yagi, Bob Condor, Len Kannapell, Katy Rusho, Dan Goering, Mike McGuffin & Jake Davis (Boeing Rec. Rep.)

**October Banquet:** Everyone agreed the banquet went quite well and we would like to thank all who showed up. A few suggestions for next year were:

- Music of some sort. (a nice distraction for those who tire of the endless climbing tales)
- Later bar hours. (for those telling the tales)
- Communicate with guest speaker to arrange a more formal presentation.
- Recognition of new board members.

**General Meeting:** Victor Yagi has arranged for Klev Schoenig to be the guest speaker at the next meeting. Klev was a member of Scott Fisher's last expedition to Mt. Everest.

**1997 Budget:** The 1997 budget was unanimously approved. New items this year will be the rental of a storage unit for gear and a web site for our upcoming homepage.

**Equipment:** The need for a North end gear location has been filled and filled again. There will now be two North end gear locations for your shopping convenience:

- Woodinville - Kelly McGucken
- Everett - Andy Roth

Phone numbers will be posted in the echo when they are ready.

**Open Positions:** Shawn Pare' is looking to release the reigns as the club photographer, we still need an activities person and Victor Yagi would like to share some of the responsibilities as Program Director.

**1997 Focus:** Dan Costello would like to set a goal of 10 seminars to be conducted throughout the year on various topics.

- Past topics to be repeated are: Aide Climbing, Ice Climbing and Lead Rock Climbing.
- Suggested new topics were: Weather, Avalanche Awareness & Rescue, Crevasse Rescue, Rock Rescue and Telemarking.

Submission of activities and climbs by anyone interested in leading one is constantly encouraged to help keep the club active as well as to give new members an opportunity to break through the surface crust that can often wrap itself around an established club such as ours.

**Homepage:** Bob Condor has secured a site for a Boealps homepage with the Seattle Community Network. The page is free but offers only one meg of space.

Len offered suggestions from an absent Rob James to get an account with someone like Access One who would offer 10 meg of space for \$25 a month.

**The Alpine Echo:** It was determined that the next issue of the Echo will have a section cross-referencing past Echo issues with specific climbs that were featured.

Photograph submittals will be accepted from which we will choose the new picture for the front cover of this years Alpine Echo.

**Miscellaneous:** Len confirmed that a lodge has been reserved for the x-country ski outing from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2.

Consideration is being given to moving the general meeting to the Seattle REI lecture hall that is available free of charge upon reservation. We would also like to hold the Basic Class Orientation there (which REI should lovingly welcome considering the potential for new gear sales).

\* Next months meeting will be held at Len Kannapell's house on Tuesday, November 19th.

Burgundy Spire, North Buttress, August, 1996

Climbers: Tom Rogers, John Fosberg

Our objective was Burgundy Spire, the highest of the wine spires. It had a reputation of being one of the more technically difficult summits to obtain in the Cascades. It was reported to have sustained 5th class climbing with good rock on its north face. After arriving at the trailhead (Silver Star Mt.) we were surprised to see some of the cars ticketed (for prospective towing) for parking along the highway. We knew our pace would have to be quick to be back before night fall or the State Patrol arrived with the dreaded tow trucks. With daylight burning John and I made haste of the time we had and were able to reach the route's start in just over two hours.

With no idea where to start we referred to our trusty Beckey guide and the Selected Climbs route descriptions. There however was a somewhat differing opinion between the two on how the route should go. We decided to use the best of the two and see how things went a little further along. This was to be our downfall. Sometimes it's just better to follow your nose, besides at least you know where it's at. After a running belay and a section of haneous, lichen covered, down climbing (from a tricky dead end) we arrived at the start of the 5th class climbing (very short). The next pitch was easy but led to a the completely horrible belay. I gasped at the very sight of it and questioned my partners sanity. But then as I looked around it was evident that we had the best to be. The belay consisted of John's butt friction and a sling pinched between a big block and a ball-bearing covered slab (There are other places to belay if you stop short.)

Once under the north face, the climbing, or should I say the route finding-- I mean the route description, became difficult. By the end of the pitch we had no idea where the sustained, high quality climbing was. Were we even on the correct mountain? The protection was marginal and the rock quality okay when it wasn't covered with a quarter inch of lichen. The next pitch was much better but still had some lichen problems. So much for the sustained, high quality, 5.8 pitches because we must of missed them somewhere (we were on route). Once on top of the alleged quality pitches we continued along to the west side of the peak and around the main corner. The west side option makes the climb a grade III; although I think the rating is due mainly to the route finding problems as the climb is not particularly long. The upper section of the route has two remaining pitches with the last one being exceedingly enjoyable. We chose this 5.7+ pitch by default as this was the one we eventually ended on. It had everything one could hope for: a nice finger crack, face climbing, big hand jams and a nice traverse with clean rock.

The summit permitted a leisurely lunch break before we began our descent. Even though we had double ropes we chose to rappel with only single lengths hopeful to avoid the numerous rope fouling points. This worked in general. However we managed to foul the rope with tangles and knots on nearly every rappel thereby causing us significant lost time. Once back at the Burgundy col we hit the trail and were at the car about a hour and a half later.

In conclusion, we were left wondering why it had a classic status with its marginal views and less then clean rock. But as a day climb it is okay. One should allow 4 to 8 hours on the rock to the summit. It's an easy 4 hours if you hit the route correctly but longer if you use Beckey's route description. Just follow your nose.

Tom Rogers

**Trip # 99** North Twin Sister, West Ridge route (near Bellingham, west of Mt. Baker)  
9/28/96 (Saturday) Dan Shoe & Ansel Wald / 13 Miles / about 5300' elevation gain  
great sunny weather.

We headed up I-5 to the Denny's by the Arlington exit for breakfast. We tried to recall if this was the Denny's that was out of about just everything (trout, baked potatoes and fresh peas) when we came there after a botched attempt to climb Jack Mountain in July 1993 (Trip #18). Denny's has a reputation for running out of stuff, and serving canned vegies, but they are the only place open when the hungry early starters happen by. Once satiated, we drove on northward in the dense fog typical of these parts on fall days.

We approached via a gated logging road, starting at the gate located just before the road crossed the Nooksack river. Only one other vehicle here when we arrived, with mountain bike tracks leading away from it. While getting booted up, two guys pull up in a truck, disgusted with the closed nature of the gate. One said something like "*They can't take my sisters away*", and they summarily left in a huff for Mt. Baker.

(Earlier in the year we had tried to find Dailey Prairie, a landmark mentioned in Beckey's Guide instructions in getting to the trailhead. The gate had been open then, and we checked out some likely roads leading off the 'main' logging road, but the side roads were all blocked with huge boulders, or by gravel berms. As the weather on the July sortie was low overcast, we could not see the mountain, to use as a clue as to the correct route. Upon leaving, there were some logging Co. people getting ready to lock the gate – we had almost got locked in. To get the scoop on the gate before this trip Ansel had called the logging co., and found that the gate is always shut these days cuz their stuff was being ripped off, and they concluded that the thieves were motorhead low lifes who would be too lazy to do any stealing that involved much walking.)

We commenced hiking across the bridge and up the 'main' logging road. After 1.7 (as per Beckey) miles we reach a bigger creek, surely Galbraith. (This road is conveniently marked each ½ mile with distance markers.) At about 2.8 miles from the car we reach one of the road branches to the right that we tried in July. We walk it about 200 yards until we see the same boulders strewn on it that made us turn the car around last time. We turn around even though I seem to have a 'feeling' this is the road we want. A little farther on the main road we reach a viewpoint where we can see THE MOUNTAIN!, and the small road which we think Dave took to get to the start of the real climb. After putzing around with 2 USGS maps, and a compass we conclude we went too far and backtrack to the road w/ the boulder barricade. The USGS shows this road leading to Dailey Prairie. Near Dailey prairie we enter a clearcut area, and stop for a snack and drink on this rapidly warming day cloudless. What a treat after having the first half of September the coldest we can remember! Next, continuing east on a road which then curves south, we find and take a spur road to the left, heading towards the peak. From this angle the peak looks like a pyramid with our route - the west ridge pointing directly towards us. We turn right and follow a switchbacking road, rejecting one branch to the left, to reach a turnaround area with a trail leading uphill amid the clearcut. This definite trail soon reaches forest, then up the west ridge, slowly becoming less distinct as trees and heather give way to rock and dirt.

The Twin Sisters Range is unlike any other I've been on in Washington for several reasons. Its on the western front of the cascades, but it's west ridge dotted with the kind of little scrubby pine trees one might expect to see in eastern Washington or California.

The rock is peridotite, reddish brown in color with occasional green olivine crystals, and is very solid. Rough too - hard to slip off, but abrasive on the hands. We scramble and rock-hop to reach the first of Beckey's landmarks, a 30 foot notch in the ridge. Staying mainly on the less exposed south side of the ridge, we pass the 2nd landmark, the Obelisk Tower. More traversing on the right side of the ridge is followed by a climb up a 30 foot high 45 degree face with bucket holds to regain the ridge. Here we switch to the north side for a short distance to reach the "7 trees", another Becky landmark. From here we cut to the south again to get to a southwest spur ridge to avoid a steep section of the main west ridge. In this section of rising traverse, we manage to run our route over a short section of 4th class stuff. Out comes the rope; Ansel leads this. Some more 2nd & 3rd class and we pass under an overhang of yellow rock, and spot the other party, one long pitch above us, now descending. Yelling up to them we learn they are on the ridge, and it's cake to the summit once we reach that point. They are near a dramatic comb structure (4 or so 'teeth' - pillars of rock jutting vertically from the ridge top). Another pitch calling for rope (bucket holds yes, but its 65 degree slope gets it a class 4 in my book). Upon reaching the ridge, we see our descent route; the north slope is indeed much easier. A short rock hop /scramble leads us to the 6750' summit. View of Baker and glaciers on east side of Sisters is great. Disappointed not to find a climbing register on this mountain - I love to sign them. I should have brought the register I made for the Mt. Atlas (a 6346' mountain 3 miles NNE of Mt. Olympus). We have a quick snack, shoot a few photos and expeditiously head onto the north slope. North Bowl is very different from west ridge with a large patch of old snow which we avoid and bits of new snow which we are glad to find as the west ridge was DRY. A scramble over talus and patches of dirt on the looser north side to outcrops on the east side of the bowl leads to a traverse west to the moraine at the bottom of the basin where I get some alpenglow photos. The rock, a rusty yellowish to rusty color at midday anyway becomes fiery red at sunset. To the west the sunset is enhanced by particulates in the air accumulated by several days of high pressure systems. With the fog over the flatlands (which we are well above but never did burn off) the scene is most beautiful indeed. At a small stream flowing out of the snow and onto a bedrock outcrop we refill our water bottles, and traverse southwest just below a large buttress to return to the west ridge at about 5000 feet. Conveniently, the traverse across the talus leads us right to a way trail. This trail traverses through a band of forest to another talus to reconnect with the west ridge trail.

The hike out is long but uneventful. The evening warm in the forest on the mountain face, but in the valley cool. Galbraith creek practically has a river of cold air following the water down the stream channel.

As we proceed along with head lamps, conversation turns to weighing the advantage of an uncrowded mountain, compliments of the gate versus the extra 10 miles of hiking. We reach the car and head for the Burlington Denny's for more chow. It turns out it's really the Mt. Vernon Denny's (which is OK with us, as the idea with Burlington is to see how fast one can get through it (the place is infested and mauled with Outlet Mall sprawl)).

## Climbs Cross Referenced to Back Issues of the ECHO

| PEAK                 | ELEVATION | ROUTE                               | CLIMB DATE | ISSUE  | NOTES                       |
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| Adams (Mt.)          | 12276     | North Ridge                         | 8/28/88    | Oct-88 |                             |
| Adams (Mt.)          | 12276     | South Slope                         | 5/29/94    | Aug-94 |                             |
| Adams (Mt.)          | 12276     |                                     | 2/25/90    | Jun-90 |                             |
| Aiguille de L'M      | 9802      | NE Ridge                            | 8/23/91    | May-92 | Chamonix                    |
| Alpental Ice         |           | waterfall                           | ?          | Feb-93 |                             |
| Ampitheater Mountain | 8358      | walk-up back side                   | 9/6/94     | Oct-94 |                             |
| Ampitheater Mtn.     | 8358      |                                     | 7/4/93     | Oct-92 |                             |
| Ampitheatre Mtn.     | 8358      |                                     | 7/25/92    | Jan-93 |                             |
| Anderson (Mt.)       |           | S. side                             | 8/7/93     | Oct-93 |                             |
| Apex Mountain        | 8297      |                                     | 9/7/94     | Oct-94 |                             |
| Arriva (Mt.)         |           |                                     | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                             |
| Austera Peak         |           | ?                                   | 5/7/94     | Jul-94 |                             |
| Australia - various  |           |                                     | 1986       | Nov-94 |                             |
| Azurite Peak         | 8400      | South Ridge                         | 8/21/93    | Jan-94 |                             |
| Baker (Mt.)          | 10778     | Easton glacier                      | 5/17/92    | Aug-92 | bicycle ascent              |
| Baker (Mt.)          | 10778     | North Ridge                         | 7/31/88    | Oct-88 |                             |
| Baker (Mt.)          | 10778     | North Ridge                         | 8/7/94     | Oct-94 |                             |
| Bandit Peak          |           | ?                                   | ?          | Jul-93 |                             |
| Bawakaraeng (Mt.)    | 9000      | Trail                               | 11/7/93    | Jan-94 | Sulawesi Selatan, Indonesia |
| Berge (Mt.)          | 7995      | South Ridge                         | 9/4/93     | Jan-94 |                             |
| Berge (Mt.)          | 7995      |                                     | 6/24/90    | Aug-90 |                             |
| Big Craggy Peak      | 8470      |                                     | 8/24/91    | Oct-91 |                             |
| Big Four Mountain    | 6135      | NW Face                             | 8/13/88    | Oct-88 |                             |
| Big Snowy Mountains  | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys" | Sep-91     | Jan-92 | Central Montana             |
| Black Peak           | 8970      | S. side                             | 9/23/90    | Dec-90 |                             |
| Black Peak           | 8970      | South Face                          | 6/9/91     | Jul-91 |                             |
| Black Peak           | 8970      |                                     | 8/29/93    | Nov-92 |                             |
| Blackcap             |           |                                     | 9/24/91    | Nov-91 |                             |
| Blue Mountains       | n/a       | multi                               | May-92     | Aug-92 | Oregon bike mountaineering  |
| Bonanza Peak         | 9511      | Mary Green Glacier                  | 8/4/91     | Oct-91 |                             |
| Brothers (The)       | 6820      | South Peak via Lena creek           |            | Feb-95 |                             |
| Brothers (The)       | 6820      | Std.                                | 3/15/92    | Apr-92 |                             |
| Brothers (The)       | 6820      |                                     | 10/18/92   | Dec-92 |                             |
| Buck Mtn.            | 8573      | ?                                   | 9/5/93     | Jan-94 |                             |
| Bugaboo Spire        |           | NE Ridge                            | 8/21/94    | Nov-94 | Bugaboos                    |
| Burgundy Spire       | 8400      |                                     | 8/25/91    | Mar-92 |                             |
| Burnt Boot Peak      | 6840      | North Ridge                         | 7/1/89     | Mar-90 |                             |
| Cardinal Peak        | 8595      | North Shoulder                      | 7/6/90     | Feb-91 |                             |
| Carru                | 8595      |                                     | 9/25/91    | Nov-91 |                             |
| Cathedral Peak       | 8601      | West Ridge (?)                      | 9/5/93     | Jul-94 |                             |
| Cathedral Peak       | 8601      |                                     | 7/4/92     | Oct-92 |                             |
| Cathedral Peak       | 8601      |                                     | 7/25/92    | Jan-93 |                             |
| Cathedral Peak       | 8601      |                                     | 9/7/94     | Oct-94 |                             |
| Cathedral Rock       | 6724      | SW Face                             | 7/7/90     | Aug-90 |                             |
| Cathedral Rock       | 6724      |                                     | 7/22/89    | Nov-89 |                             |
| Chair Peak           | 6238      | NE Buttress                         | 2/12/89    | Mar-89 |                             |
| Chair Peak           | 6238      | NE Buttress                         | 6/24/90    | Aug-90 |                             |
| Chair Peak           | 6238      | NE Buttress                         | 10/3/93    | Dec-93 |                             |
| Chair Peak           | 6238      | SE Face (?)                         | 9/11/88    | Oct-88 |                             |
| Chamois Peak         | 6600      | North Buttress                      | 7/23/88    | Oct-88 |                             |
| Chaval (Mt.)         | 7127      | West Face                           | 6/18/88    | Mar-89 |                             |
| Chimney Rock         | 7680      | East Face Direct                    | 8/7/88     | Nov-88 |                             |
| Chiwawa Peak         | 8459      | Lyman Glacier                       | 8/9/92     | Oct-92 |                             |
| Chopping Block (The) |           | S.E. Face                           | 9/26/93    | Feb-94 |                             |
| Christie (Mt.)       | 6177      |                                     | 12/20/89   | Feb-90 |                             |
| Clark Mtn.           | 8576      | South side                          | 6/6/93     | Aug-93 |                             |
| Cloudcap Peak        | 7429      | East Ridge                          | 6/20/92    | Feb-93 |                             |

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| Colchuck Peak           | 8705      | NE Couloir                          | 6/5/88     | Oct-88 |                         |
| Colorado's Fourteeners  | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys" | Sep-91     | Jan-92 |                         |
| Comet Spire             |           | S.W. Face                           | 7/11/93    | Jun-94 |                         |
| Concord Tower           | 7560      | North Face                          | 9/30/89    | Mar-90 |                         |
| Cosho Peak              | 8332      |                                     | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                         |
| Cub Peak                |           |                                     | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                         |
| Cutthroat Peak          | 8050      | North Ridge                         | 7/19/92    | Oct-92 |                         |
| Daniel (Mt.)            | 7960      | East Ridge                          | 7/23/89    | Nov-89 |                         |
| Degenhardt (Mt.)        |           | Degenhardt Glacier                  | 8/4/93     | Jan-94 |                         |
| Desperation Peak        | 7150      |                                     | 2/11/89    | Mar-89 |                         |
| Dewey Peak              | 6710      |                                     | 6/4/89     | Aug-89 |                         |
| Dome Peak               | 8920      |                                     | 8/11/94    | Oct-94 |                         |
| Dorado Needle           | 8440      | South Face (?)                      | 7/24/94    | Sep-94 |                         |
| Dragontail Peak         | 8840      | Serpentine Arete                    | 8/9/89     | Nov-89 |                         |
| Dragontail Peak         | 8840      | Serpentine Arete                    | 8/16/92    | Oct-92 |                         |
| Dumbell Mtn.            | 8421      | from Upper Phelps Basin             | ?          | Sep-93 |                         |
| Early Winter Spire (N.) | 7760      |                                     | 9/23/90    | Dec-90 |                         |
| El Pico de Orizaba      | 18701     | Glacier de Jamapa                   | Nov-92     | Mar-93 | Mexico                  |
| El Pico de Orizaba      | 18700     |                                     | 11/22/94   | Jan-95 | Mexico                  |
| Eldorado Peak           | 8868      | East Ridge                          | 7/23/94    | Sep-94 |                         |
| Eldorado Peak           | 8868      | West Ridge                          | 5/8/94     | Jul-94 |                         |
| Eldorado Peak           | 8868      |                                     | 7/25/92    | Nov-92 |                         |
| Emerald Peak            | 8422      | from Saska/Emerald saddle           | 7/6/90     | Feb-91 |                         |
| Everest (Mt.)           | 29028     | South Col                           | Oct-88     | Jul-89 |                         |
| Everest (Mt.)           | 29028     | South Col                           |            | Feb-89 |                         |
| Fernow (Mt.)            | 9249      | Leroy Basin                         | 7/12/92    | Sep-92 | Approach via Chiwawa R. |
| Fisher Peak             | 8040      | SE Ridge                            | 6/19/88    | Jul-88 |                         |
| Fisher Peak             | 8040      | SE Ridge                            | 8/12/90    | Sep-90 |                         |
| Fisher Peak             | 8040      |                                     | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                         |
| Foraker (Mt.)           |           | NE Ridge                            |            |        |                         |
| Forbidden Peak          | 8815      | West Ridge                          | 7/10/88    | Sep-88 |                         |
| Forbidden Peak          | 8815      | West Ridge                          | 7/23/88    | Aug-88 | one day ascent          |
| Forbidden Peak          | 8815      | West Ridge                          | 7/9/94     | Aug-94 |                         |
| Forbidden Peak          | 8815      | West Ridge                          | ?          | Jan-94 |                         |
| Forgotten (Mt.)         | 6005      | NE Slope                            | 3/4/90     | Apr-90 | snowshoes               |
| Formidable (Mt.)        | 8325      |                                     | 8/7/94     | Oct-94 |                         |
| Gallatin Mountains      | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys" | Sep-91     | Jan-92 | Central Montana         |
| Gannett Peak            | 13804     | Gooseneck Glacier                   | 7/1/90     | Feb-91 | Wind River Range        |
| Gannett Peak            | 13804     | Gooseneck Glacier via Dinwoody Pass | 9/3/93     | Nov-93 | Wyoming                 |
| Gardner (N.) Mountain   | 8897      |                                     | 5/24/92    | Aug-92 |                         |
| Gardner Mountain        | 8897      | South Side                          | 6/5/88     | Jul-88 |                         |
| Gardner Mountain        | 8897      |                                     | 5/24/92    | Aug-92 |                         |
| Garfield (Mt.)          | 5519      | Leaning Spire                       | 7/22/90    | Sep-90 |                         |
| Garfield (Mt.)          | 5519      |                                     | 6/2/89     | Aug-89 |                         |
| German Helmet (The)     |           |                                     | 8/10/94    | Oct-94 |                         |
| Goat Mountain           | 6891      |                                     | 7/13/91    | Aug-91 | bicycle ascent          |
| Grand Teton (The)       | 13776     | Exum Direct/Complete Exum           | 8/9/94     | Oct-94 | Wyoming                 |
| Grand Teton (The)       | 13770     | Upper Exum                          | 8/30/93    | Nov-93 | Wyoming                 |
| Greenwood Mtn.          |           | from Upper Phelps Basin             | ?          | Sep-93 |                         |
| Gunn Peak               | 6240      | South Face                          | 3/20/93    | May-93 |                         |
| Guye Peak               | 5168      | South Gully                         | 12/17/88   | Feb-89 |                         |
| Guye Peak               | 5168      | West Face                           | 1/29/94    | Mar-94 |                         |
| Haleakala               | 10023     | The Road                            | ?          | May-91 | bicycle ascent          |
| Half Dome               | 8650      | Trail up the back                   | 7/12/91    | Feb-92 | Yosemite                |
| Hood (Mt.)              | 11240     | Timberline Lodge                    | 4/14/90    | Jun-90 |                         |
| Hood (Mt.)              | 11240     | Timberline Lodge                    | 7/7/91     | Feb-92 |                         |
| Hood (Mt.)              | 11240     | Timberline Lodge                    | 5/7/94     | Jul-94 |                         |
| Hood (Mt.)              | 11240     | Timberline Lodge                    | 5/21/94    | Jul-94 |                         |
| Hood (Mt.)              | 11240     |                                     |            | Jun-88 |                         |

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| Hozomeen (S. Peak)     | 8003      | SE Buttress                             | 6/26/88    | Feb-89 |                            |
| Huckleberry Mountain   | 6320      | Pacific Crest Trail Approach            | 11/9/91    | Dec-91 |                            |
| Hueco Tanks            | N/A       | see article                             |            | May-90 |                            |
| Icy Peak               |           |   | 6/20/93    | Feb-93 |                            |
| Iliniza Sur            | 17260     |   | 2/7/91     | Oct-91 | Ecuador Volcano            |
| Independence Peak      | 5445      | SE Face                                 | 2/25/90    | Apr-90 | ski ascent                 |
| Index (N. Peak)        | 5357      | North Face                              | 7/30/89    | Dec-89 |                            |
| Index Upper Town Wall  | N/A       | Town Crier                              |            | Nov-88 | aid                        |
| Ingalls Peak           | 7662      | South Ridge - North Peak                | 6/17/89    | Aug-89 |                            |
| Ingalls Peak           | 7662      | South Ridge - North Peak                | 6/23/90    | Aug-90 |                            |
| Inner Constance        | 7670      |   | 2/12/89    | Mar-89 |                            |
| Iztaccihuatl           | 17160     |   | ?          | Jan-95 | Mexico                     |
| Jack Mountain          | 9066      | East Ridge                              | 9/1/88     | Nov-88 |                            |
| Jolly Mountain         | 6443      |   | 4/7/90     | Jun-90 | ski ascent                 |
| Joshua Tree            | N/A       | multi                                   | Nov-94     | Feb-95 |                            |
| Joshua Tree            | N/A       | see article                             |            | Jul-88 |                            |
| Kaleetan Peak          | 6259      | South Gulley                            | 6/26/88    | Jul-88 |                            |
| Katsuk Peak            | 8680      |   | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                            |
| Kilimanjaro (Mt.)      | 19340     | SE Ridge                                | 9/4/90     | Jan-91 |                            |
| Kimtah Peak            | 8600      |   | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                            |
| Kitling Peak           |           |   | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                            |
| Klawatti Peak          | 8450      | South Face                              | 5/7/94     | Jul-94 |                            |
| Kosciusko (Mt.)        | 7310      | n/a                                     | 2/5/94     | Apr-94 | Highest point in Australia |
| La Malinche            | 14640     |   | 11/20/94   | Jan-95 | Mexico                     |
| Lago                   | 8745      |   | 9/25/91    | Nov-91 |                            |
| Lake Mountain          | 8371      |   | 6/2/88     | Jul-88 |                            |
| Laramie Mountains      | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys"     | Sep-91     | Jan-92 | SE Wyoming                 |
| LaSal Mountains        | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys"     | Sep-91     | Jan-92 | SE Utah                    |
| Lassen Peak            | 10475     |   | 6/9/91     | Sep-91 | ski descent                |
| Lexington Tower        | 7560      | North Face                              | 9/30/89    | Mar-90 |                            |
| Lichtenberg Mountain   |           | W. Face of N. Buttress                  | 12/16/90   | Feb-91 |                            |
| Little Annapurna       | 8440      |   | 7/25/93    | Oct-92 |                            |
| Little Tahoma          | 11138     | Whitman Glacier                         | 6/7/92     | Aug-92 |                            |
| Lizard Mountain        |           |   | 8/9/94     | Oct-94 |                            |
| Logan (Mt.)            | 9087      | Banded Glacier                          | 7/4/93     | Sep-93 |                            |
| Luahna Peak            | 8450      | SE ridge - Richardson Glacier - E ridge | 6/7/93     | Aug-93 |                            |
| Luna Peak              | 8285      |   | 12/1/89    | Feb-91 |                            |
| Lundin Peak            | 6057      | SE Ridge                                | 7/24/88    | Sep-88 |                            |
| Lundin Peak            |           | South Face                              | Sep-94     | Dec-94 |                            |
| Malachite Peak         | 6261      | NW Ridge                                | 4/15/89    | Jul-89 |                            |
| Martin Peak            | 8511      |   | 8/5/91     | Oct-91 |                            |
| Maude (Mt.)            | 9082      | Entiat Icefall                          | 7/24/88    | Sep-88 |                            |
| Maude (Mt.)            | 9082      | North Face                              | Jul-91     | Sep-92 |                            |
| McKinley (Mt.)         | 20320     | West Buttress                           | Jun-93     | Sep-94 |                            |
| McKinley (Mt.)         | 20320     | West Buttress                           | spring '85 | Apr-88 |                            |
| McKinley (Mt.)         | 20320     | West Buttress                           |            | Jan-91 |                            |
| Medicine Bow Mountains | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys"     | Sep-91     | Jan-92 | Southern Wyoming           |
| Mesachie Peak          | 8795      |   | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                            |
| Milham Tower           | 7400      | NW Ridge                                | 9/2/90     | Dec-90 |                            |
| Miriam Peak            | 13480     | from Dinwoody Pass                      | 9/3/93     | Nov-93 | Wyoming                    |
| Molar Tooth            | 7547      | South Ridge                             | 6/30/90    | Nov-90 |                            |
| Monument Peak          | 8592      | SE Ridge                                | 6/2/88     | Jul-88 |                            |
| Morning Star Peak      | 6000      | East Face/Ridge                         | 10/10/92   | Feb-93 |                            |
| Needles (The)          | 8170      |   | 5/27/91    | Sep-91 |                            |
| Nguarahoe (Mt.)        | 7514      |   | 5/30/90    | Aug-90 | New Zealand                |
| Olympus (Mt.)          |           | Hoh River Basin                         | 7/6/91     | Aug-91 |                            |
| Olympus (Mt.)          |           | Hoh River Basin                         | 5/28/94    | Jul-94 |                            |
| Olympus (Mt.)          |           | Hoh River Basin                         | 7/17/94    | Sep-94 |                            |
| Osceola Peak           |           |   | 9/22/91    | Nov-91 |                            |

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| Petit Gripon           |           |                               |             | Nov-88 |                   |
| Picket Range           | N/A       | see article                   | 7/16 - 7/24 | Sep-88 |                   |
| Pigeon Spire           |           | West Ridge                    | 8/20/94     | Nov-94 | Bugaboos          |
| Pinnacle Mountain      | 8402      | not specified                 | 7/5/90      | Jan-91 |                   |
| Plumner Peak           | 6370      |                               | 8/14/91     | Dec-91 | Canadian Peak     |
| Popocatepetl           | 17887     | Las Cruces                    | 11/25/91    | Feb-92 | Mexico            |
| Popocatepetl           | 17887     | Las Cruces                    | Nov-92      | Mar-93 | Mexico            |
| Popocatepetl           | 17930     |                               | ?           | Jan-95 | Mexico            |
| Prusik Peak            | 8000      | West Ridge                    | 9/22/91     | Nov-91 |                   |
| Prussik Peak           | 8000      | West Ridge                    | 8/7/88      | Oct-88 |                   |
| Ptarmigan Peak         | 8614      |                               | 9/23/91     | Nov-91 |                   |
| Ptarmigan Traverse     | N/A       | see article                   | 8/1/88      | Oct-88 |                   |
| Pyramid Peak (Rainier) | 6937      |                               |             | Jul-89 |                   |
| Rahm (Mt.)             | 8478      | ?                             | 6/14/93     | Jul-93 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Disappointment Cleaver        | 6/27/92     | Aug-92 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Emmons Glacier                | 7/14/91     | Aug-91 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Emmons Glacier                | 7/4/92      | Sep-92 | Unplanned Bivy    |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Gibraltar Ledges              | 2/21/88     | Apr-88 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Guide Route (Camp Muir)       | 6/17/90     | Aug-90 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Ingraham Glacier              | 6/25/89     | Aug-89 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Ingraham Glacier Direct       | 2/28/88     | Apr-88 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Kautz Glacier                 | 7/15/90     | Sep-90 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Kautz Glacier                 | 6/21/92     | Jul-92 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Kautz Glacier                 | 6/26/93     | Aug-93 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Kautz Glacier                 | 5/23/94     | Sep-94 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Liberty Ridge                 | 7/1/90      | Oct-90 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Liberty Ridge                 | 7/15/90     | Oct-90 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Liberty Ridge                 | 6/20/93     | Aug-93 |                   |
| Rainier (Mt.)          | 14411     | Sunset Ridge                  | 7/11/93     | Sep-93 |                   |
| Red Mountain           | 5890      | SW Ridge                      | 3/21/93     | May-93 |                   |
| Red Mountain           | 5890      |                               |             | Mar-91 |                   |
| Red Rocks (NV)         | n/a       |                               |             | Oct-88 | map included      |
| Redoubt (Mt.)          | 8956      | NE Face                       | 8/6/89      | Jan-90 |                   |
| Redoubt (Mt.)          | 8956      | NE Face                       |             | Jan-89 |                   |
| Rommel                 | 8685      |                               | 7/5/92      | Oct-92 |                   |
| Rommel                 | 8685      |                               | 7/24/92     | Jan-93 |                   |
| Rommel Mountain        | 8685      | from east via Four Point Lake | 9/9/94      | Oct-94 |                   |
| Reynolds Peak          | 8512      |                               | 9/12/91     | Oct-91 |                   |
| Robinson Peak          | 8726      |                               | 5/16/92     | Jun-92 |                   |
| Robson (Mt.)           | 12974     | North Face                    | 8/1/90      | Apr-91 |                   |
| Ruapehu (Mt.)          | 9173      |                               | 5/29/90     | Aug-90 | New Zealand       |
| Ruth Mountain          | 7106      |                               | 7/15/90     | Sep-90 |                   |
| Sahale Peak            | 8680      |                               | 9/26/93     | Nov-93 |                   |
| Sahale Peak            | 8680      |                               | ?           | Nov-92 |                   |
| Sanford (Mt.)          | 16237     |                               | 5/1/91      | Jun-91 | ski descent       |
| Saska Peak             | 8404      | not specified                 | 7/7/90      | Feb-91 |                   |
| Sauk Mtn.              |           | S. face to E. ridge           | Feb-92      | May-92 | Parapente descent |
| Seymour Peak           | 6337      |                               | 6/4/89      | Aug-89 |                   |
| Sharkfin Tower         |           | SE Ridge                      | 7/9/94      | Aug-94 |                   |
| Shasta (Mt.)           |           | Hotlum-Bolum                  | 7/6/91      | Sep-91 |                   |
| Shuksan (Mt.)          | 9167      | NW Rib                        | 7/7/88      | Mar-89 |                   |
| Shuksan (Mt.)          | 9167      | Price Glacier                 | 6/7/92      | Mar-93 |                   |
| Shuksan (Mt.)          | 9167      | Sulphide Glacier              | 8/18/91     | Oct-91 |                   |
| Shuksan (Mt.)          | 9167      | Sulphide Glacier              | 6/21/92     | Jul-92 |                   |
| Silver Star Mountain   | 8876      | Burgundy Col                  | 9/2/91      | Oct-91 |                   |
| Silver Star Mountain   | 8876      | Silver Star Glacier           | 6/2/91      | Jul-91 |                   |
| Silver Star Mountain   | 8876      | Silver Star Glacier           | 6/16/91     | Jul-91 |                   |
| Sinister Peak          | 8440      |                               | 8/12/94     | Oct-94 |                   |
| Slesse (Mt.)           | 7800      | NW Face                       | 6/21/92     | Mar-93 |                   |

| PEAK                       | ELEVATION | ROUTE                                 | CLIMB DATE | ISSUE  | NOTES                      |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|------------|--------|----------------------------|
| Slesse Mountain            | 7800      | ...Map info only...                   |            | Mar-91 |                            |
| Slesse Mountain            | 7800      | NW Face                               | 7/24/88    | Sep-88 | map included               |
| Slesse Mountain            | 7800      | NW Face                               | 7/9/89     | Aug-89 |                            |
| Sloan Peak                 | 7835      | Corkscrew Route                       | 9/19/93    | Nov-93 |                            |
| Sloan Peak                 | 7835      | Corkscrew Route                       | 2/6/94     | Jun-94 |                            |
| Sloan Peak                 | 7835      | West Face                             | 8/27/89    | Dec-89 | map included               |
| Sloan Peak                 | 7835      | West Face                             | 7/10/94    | Sep-94 |                            |
| Smith Rocks                | n/a       | Monkey Face - Pioneer Route           | 11/12/89   | Jan-90 | moonlight ascent           |
| Smith Rocks                | n/a       | Monkey Face - Pioneer Route           | 3/10/90    | Apr-90 |                            |
| Smith Rocks                | n/a       |                                       |            | Oct-88 |                            |
| Snow Creek Wall            | n/a       | Orbit                                 | 7/29/88    | Sep-88 |                            |
| Snow Creek Wall            | n/a       | Outer Space                           | 10/9/93    | Dec-93 |                            |
| South Howser Tower         | 10850     | West Buttress                         | 7/25/89    | Nov-89 | Bugaboos                   |
| Sperry Peak                | 6000      | E Ridge                               | 10/6/91    | Jan-92 |                            |
| Sperry Peak                | 6000      | NE Ridge                              | 8/1/88     | Oct-88 |                            |
| Spickard (Mt.)             | 8879      | ?                                     | 6/13/93    | Jul-93 |                            |
| Spider Mountain            | 8280      | North Face                            | 7/7/89     | Apr-90 |                            |
| Spire Point                |           |                                       | 8/13/94    | Oct-94 |                            |
| Squamish                   | N/A       | misc.                                 |            | Oct-92 |                            |
| St. Helens (Mt.)           | 8365      | Monitor Ridge                         | 4/1/90     | Mar-91 | rescue report              |
| St. Helens (Mt.)           | 8365      | Monitor Ridge                         | 5/5/90     | Jun-90 | ski ascent                 |
| St. Helens (Mt.)           | 8365      | Monitor Ridge                         | 7/5/91     | Feb-92 |                            |
| St. Helens (Mt.)           | 8363      | Monitor Ridge                         | May-94     | Oct-94 | Parapente descent w/ skis  |
| Static Point               | N/A       | "On Line"                             | 4/30/89    | Jun-89 |                            |
| Static Point               | N/A       | Lost Charms, On Line, Shock Treatment |            | Dec-89 |                            |
| Steens Mountain            | n/a       | bike mountaineering the "Bike Boys"   | Sep-91     | Jan-92 | SE Oregon                  |
| Stone (Mt.)                |           |                                       | 10/16/93   | Dec-93 |                            |
| Storm King                 | 8520      | North Face (new route)                | 7/6/91     | Oct-91 |                            |
| Stuart (Mt.)               | 9415      | Full North Ridge                      | Jul-92     | Dec-92 |                            |
| Stuart (Mt.)               | 9415      | North Ridge                           | 7/24/88    | Dec-88 |                            |
| Stuart (Mt.)               | 9415      | North Ridge                           | 8/6/89     | May-90 |                            |
| Stuart (Mt.)               | 9415      | West Ridge                            | 6/24/89    | Dec-89 |                            |
| Thieves Peak               |           |                                       | 7/1/90     | Mar-91 |                            |
| Thompson (Mt.)             |           | West Ridge                            | 9/25/93    | Dec-93 |                            |
| Three Fingred Jack         | 7841      |                                       | 8/29/93    | Oct-93 | Oregon                     |
| Three Fingers              | 6870      | South & Middle Peaks                  | 9/18/88    | Nov-88 |                            |
| Three Sisters              |           | Walk ups                              | 7/3/94     | Aug-94 | Oregon                     |
| Three Sisters - South Peak |           | North Ridge                           | 7/3/92     | Aug-92 | Oregon                     |
| Tooth (The)                | 5604      | South Face                            | 2/26/89    | Apr-89 |                            |
| Tooth (The)                | 5604      | South Face                            | 2/5/94     | Apr-94 |                            |
| Tooth (The)                | 5604      | SW Face                               | 9/15/89    | Dec-89 |                            |
| Torment (Mt.)              | 8120      | South Ridge                           | 8/28/88    | Oct-88 |                            |
| Torment (Mt.)              | 8120      | South Ridge                           | 9/5/93     | Dec-93 |                            |
| Torment (Mt.)              | 8120      | South Ridge                           | 7/10/94    | Aug-94 |                            |
| Townsend (Mt.)             | 6280      |                                       | 12/3/88    | Feb-89 |                            |
| Triumph (Mt.)              |           | NE Ridge                              | 8/30/92    | Apr-93 |                            |
| Twin Peaks                 | 5840      | Perry Creek                           | 7/9/88     | Aug-88 |                            |
| Twin Sisters (North Peak)  | 6570      | West Ridge                            | 5/9/93     | Jul-93 |                            |
| Unicorn Peak               | 6917      |                                       | 7/9/88     | Aug-88 |                            |
| Vanson Peak                |           |                                       | 7/13/91    | Aug-91 | bicycle ascent             |
| Vesper Peak                | 6214      | SW Shoulder                           | 10/6/91    | Jan-92 |                            |
| Warner Range               |           | multi                                 | May-92     | Aug-92 | Oregon bike mountaineering |
| Washington (Mt.)           | 6255      | SE Ridge/Buttress                     | 8/4/90     | Nov-90 |                            |
| Washington Column          |           | The Prow                              | Jul-92     | Jan-93 | Yosemite wall climb        |
| Webb (Mt.)                 | 7097      |                                       | 4/1/88     | Jun-88 |                            |
| West Craggy                | 8366      |                                       | 8/24/91    | Oct-91 |                            |
| Whitehorse Mountain        | 6852      | Lone Tree Pass                        | 6/6/88     | Jul-88 |                            |
| Whitney (Mt.)              | 14494     | East Face                             |            | Feb-95 |                            |
| Whitney (Mt.)              | 14495     | Std. route (trail)                    | 7/14/91    | Feb-92 |                            |
| Whitney (Mt.)              | 14495     | Trail                                 | 8/12/90    | Sep-90 |                            |
| Witch's Tower (Tooth)      | 8520      | West Face                             | 7/26/92    | Oct-92 |                            |
| Wow (Mt.)                  | 6040      |                                       | 12/11/88   | Feb-89 |                            |

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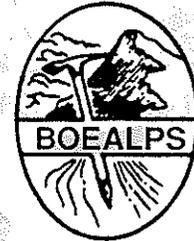
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*Thanks to everyone!!*

# ALPINE ECHO

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Photo: Mt. Francis (foreground) and Mt. Hunter by Shawn Paré

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From Dan Goering 67-63



### ***December General Meeting***

Thursday, December 5th  
Oxbow Recreation Center  
Social hour 7:00 pm  
Slide show 7:30 pm

## ***What I did on my summer vacation***

***For the last show of the year, Boealpers present their tales and odysseys of the following:***

***Northeast Buttress of Mt. Slesse - John O'Callahan***  
***Red Rocks, Nevada - Len Kannapell***  
***Pickets Traverse - Dan Goering & Victor Yagi***  
***The Salathé Wall - Brad Walker***

***And for the mini-show, Robert Ribe from the University of Oregon presents a show on the use of National Forest areas***

## **BELAY STANCE**

### **Literary Stuffing**

Whether you are stuffing yourself at home, near home, or abroad for the Thanksgiving holiday, let us hope that your December ECHO is concurrently filling your mind - if our Repro folks came through in the clutch to get this out before you dispersed to the corners of the globe. Otherwise, the literary feast will await you upon your return.

### **New Front Cover Photo/Slide**

Though you've procrastinated late into the month, there's still time - get the dust off that favorite print/slide (with hopefully good horizontal balance) and send it in to the dean of the daguerrotype, Photo Box man Shawn Paré. We've even let the deadline slip one whole day (to accommodate your schedule): **Monday, December 2**. Do it.

### **January General Meeting Moved**

The first Thursday of the brand new year is January 2, a day of travel for many. So the General Meeting will be held the following Thursday, **January 9**, at the Oxbow as usual.

### **Call for 1997 Basic Class Instructors**

With the orientation meeting on Feb. 19, it's never too early to think about signing up. If you were an instructor in 1996, you'll get a commitment form automatically. If you want to instruct but didn't in 1996, contact the matriarch of the mountains, Janet Oliver, at 413-0298 (h) or via e-mail at joliver@coopext.cahe.wsu.edu.

### **Back ECHO Issues**

Speaking of the ECHO, we printed the climbing database (cross referencing climbs to specific issues) in November's ECHO - by January, we hope to have hard copies of back issues (dating to at least 1979) in binders which will be stored in the Boealps' library at the Oxbow; that way, you can make photocopies of old articles.

### **Volunteers Still Needed**

Three positions, believe it or not, are still open due to the changing of the guard at the September elections: Programs, Activities, and Photo Box. Contact President Costello if interested - *now*.

### **Brian Nelson Fund Raiser**

With all the money finally collected, we sent a total of \$560 to the Brian Nelson Fund. Thanks again to all who contributed. Brian continues to make slow but steady progress, so keep him in your thoughts.

### **This Month**

The once-again updated Equipment list, which now includes the new Woodinville checkout. The 1997 Basic Class poster. Renewal form for membership. And the horn o' plenty hath brought us much: Dan Patton's evening ascent of the North Face of Shuksan, Tom Rogers' *long* climb of the East Ridge Direct of Forbidden, and the return of the Lizard, mountain biking his way through the wild, wild West in part 1 of a series.

### **Next Month**

What a wonderful way to start the new year: reminders for membership dues. Plus your X-mas tales.

Have a grandiose, glorious and perhaps gluttonous Thanksgiving,

  
Mike McGuffin/Len Kannapell

**JANUARY ECHO DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 16th**

# December 1996

| Sunday                                    | Monday              | Tuesday              | Wednesday           | Thursday          | Friday        | Saturday                                    |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|---|
| 1<br>Columbia Basin...<br>Beach Camp/Hike | 2<br>Last Quarter   | 3                    | 4                   | 5<br>Club Meeting | 6<br>Hanukkah | 7   |
| 8   | 9                   | 10<br>New Moon       | 11<br>Board Meeting | 12                | 13            | 14  |
| 15  | 16<br>Echo Deadline | 17<br>1st Quarter    | 18                  | 19                | 20            | 21<br>Winter begins<br>See-Ski-Hike the ... |
| 22  | 23                  | 24<br>Full Moon      | 25<br>Christmas     | 26                | 27            | 28  |
| See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest          |                     |                      |                     |                   |               |   |
| Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal              |                     |                      |                     |                   |               |   |
| 29  | 30                  | 31<br>New Year's Eve |                     |                   |               |   |
| See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest          |                     |                      |                     |                   |               |   |
| Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal              |                     |                      |                     |                   |               |   |

# January 1997

| Sunday                    | Monday                        | Tuesday | Wednesday                        | Thursday                         | Friday   | Saturday |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------|
|                           |                               |         | 1<br>New Year's Day              | 2                                | 3  | 4        |
|                           |                               |         | See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest |                                  |  |          |
|                           |                               |         | Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal     |                                  |  |          |
| 5<br>See-Ski-Hike the ... | 6                             | 7       | 8<br>New Moon                    | 9<br>Club Meeting                | 10   | 11       |
| 12                        | 13                            | 14      | 15<br>1st Quarter                | 16                               | 17   | 18       |
| 19                        | 20<br>Martin Luther King, Jr. | 21      | 22                               | 23<br>Echo Deadline<br>Full Moon | 24   | 25       |
| 26                        | 27                            | 28      | 29                               | 30                               | 31<br>Last Quarter<br>North Cascades<br>X-Country Ski Trip |          |

# ACTIVITIES BULLETIN BOARD

## THIS MONTHS ACTIVITIES ...

**Ski Expedition Slide Show - Meeting Room, Seattle REI store 7:00 pm** Friday, January 17, 1997  
 Olaf Wünderich presents *Expedition Piterag* - crossing Greenland on skis. Boealps has the room reserved for this event but all are invited.

**See-Ski-Hike the Sunny Southwest** two to three weeks incorporating Christmas break  
 Hike into the Grand Canyon - possibly by skiing to the North Rim, then hiking across to the South Rim. Ski at Flagstaff (really!). Drive through Monument Valley to ski areas at Telluride and Durango, Colorado (Durango-Silverton railway may be operating). And perhaps continue to Taos and Santa Fe, New Mexico. Participants planned; mostly pay-as-you-go; and take-it-as-you-find-it. Early input recommended.  
 Contact: **Jim Kissell @ 631-1288**

**Mega Road Trip, Southern Cal** December 22 to January 4  
 Is anyone interested in a mega road trip? Come south for the holidays and enjoy the winter wonderland in the Sierra Nevadas and the warm rocks of Joshua Tree. I am thinking of some side trips in the National Parks to break up the driving and a week in JT. (From numerous sources, I hear JT is the climbing mecca for the winter season.)  
 Contact: **Eric Bennett @ (h)742-4706, anytime after 9:30 am** **eric.r.bennett@boeing.com**

**North Cascades X-Country Ski Trip - Winthrop** Jan31-February 2, 1997  
 As of this writing, we are about half full, so there's still plenty of room. The plan is to take off after work on Friday - and for those who want to get there early, you can check in as early as noon. The cost will be **\$26/adult** and **\$20/child**, which covers Friday and Saturday night lodging and Saturday Breakfast/dinner and Sunday Breakfast - bring your own Saturday/Sunday lunch and beverages. Families welcome.

The lodge has 7 double beds + 16 single beds to sleep 30, and we have permission for at least 10 more on the floor. The Methow Valley Sport Touring Association maintains over 175 km of groomed trails (beginner to advanced) in the pristine wilderness, including hut-to-hut skiing. 1996 trail fees were \$12/day or \$26/weekend (Friday through Sunday) but there are also opportunities for free back country skiing.

To make a reservation, send me a check (payable to Boealps) with your phone #/e-mail, and I'll send you an information sheet as well as directions. Beds will be assigned in order of payment received, so send your check early to assure you won't have to crash on the floor. A short waiting list will be made but there is no guarantee we can make refunds, though we'll do our best. Is there a hot tub, you ask? No doubt.

Contact: **Len Kannapell @ 361-7523 (h) m/s 4C-07** **leonard.p.kannapell@boeing.com**  
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| <b>BOEALPS Echo</b>  |                             |
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| <b>Activity Submission Form</b>  |                             |
| <b>Trip Title:</b> _____   | <b>Trip Date:</b> _____     |
| <b>Description:</b> _____  |                             |
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| <b>Trip Sponsor:</b> _____   | <b>Ph:</b> _____ <b>(H)</b> |
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## November Board Meeting Minutes

{This meeting was severely hampered by the bad weather; the names of attendees made been omitted to protect their reputations, since they braved the cold primarily in pursuit of a free meal}

In attendance were: VERY FEW

-A half hour discussion of club topics resulted in a decision in favor of more lasagna and beer.

-It was agreed upon by all that dual pick side pull overhanging drytool moves will not be performed by any of us anytime soon.

-Katy tood a nap.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Hicks

### REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR BOEALPS MEMBERSHIP FOR 1997!

With this last ECHO of 1996, it is time to renew your Boealps membership for another fun-filled year! The renewal form along with instructions on where to send it appear at the back of this issue. As usual, be sure to include your dues check made payable to "Boealps" and sign the liability waiver. Both of these are required in order to continue your membership. What if you forget until after Christmas?? No sweat! Because we'd miss you if you left and because we don't mind the smell of your polypro too terribly much, we'll continue to send you the ECHO for January and February of 1997 even if you haven't renewed. The February ECHO will advise any remaining procrastinators that you are reading your last issue unless you renew immediately. After that, you won't hear from us anymore. Don't chance missing any of the fun! Flip back to the renewal form right now, fill it out, and send it in!

### Recall Notice- All PMI Dynamic 8.8mm Rope Owners Please Read

We have recently confirmed that PMI Dynamic 8.8mm ropes manufactured between September 1995 and August 1996 may exhibit an undesirable characteristic under certain circumstances. The characteristic manifests itself as annoying kinking or bunching when the user is on rappel or lowering off. You may have a PMI 8.8mm and never experience this kinking problem since it depends on several circumstances occurring simultaneously. We have determined that the following factors, in conjunction, tend to create this situation:

- \* Rope is used for a long, free rappel or lower
- \* Climber weighs 150 lbs. or more
- \* Use of a rappel/belay device which subjects the rope to sharp bends and high friction.

The problem is most likely to occur when rappelling and does not affect any other performance characteristics of the rope.

This recall only affects our 1996 8.8mm rope colors. Compare the color of your rope with the photos in our '96 catalog or call us to determine if you own one of these ropes. If you still have the hang tag, we can easily determine if the rope you own is included in this recall.

If you suspect you have one of these ropes, please call us immediately about a replacement. Our number is (800) 282-7673. We have corrected the problem and all ropes manufactured since mid-August '96 are rappel friendly. We apologize for any inconvenience or difficulty you may have experienced.

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## Club Equipment Inventory:

BOEALPS maintains equipment that is available, free of charge, to all members in good standing. The primary purpose of the inventory is to allow members to test a variety of more expensive alpine equipment before purchasing their own. It is not the club's intent to purchase equipment to release members from the obligation to purchase their own, nor is it the club's aim to provide equipment for the use of non-members (other than non-employee Basic or Intermediate class students.)

The club purchases highly durable equipment normally costing more than \$150 per item that will serve the largest portion of the membership in improving and enhancing mountaineering skills. Although BOEALPS classes, seminars, and expeditions are given priority access to equipment, it is extremely rare that a member is unable to obtain a desired item. Requests to check out an item for longer than fourteen days must be approved in advance by the BOEALPS Board of Directors. New purchase decisions are based on usage history and technological improvements; suggestions (especially notice of store sale items) are welcomed by the equipment committee.

Club equipment is obtainable from four locations in Puget Sound by telephoning (between 9AM and 9PM) or sending electronic mail to one of the equipment committee listed on the cover of the monthly Alpine Echo. Users are reminded to consider their fellow members and return items promptly in the same or better condition than they were received. Borrowers may check out one item of each type of equipment. Lock boxes with checkout forms for convenient pickup and return are located outside the homes of equipment committee members. Borrowers are responsible for knowing how to use gear safely and for its damage or loss.

| Brand    | Style       | Description                                      | Rntn | Sea | Wdnt | Everett |
|----------|-------------|--|------|-----|------|---------|
| Pieps    | SF457khz    | Avalanche Beacon transceiver (needs 2 AA batt)   | 2    | 1   | 1    | 1       |
| Ortovox  | Dual Freq   | Avalanche Beacon transceiver (needs 2 AA batt)   | 3    | 2   | 2    | 2       |
| Garmin   | GPS 40      | Global Position System receiver (need 4 AA batt) |      | 1   |      |         |
| Lowe     | Humming     | Alpine Ice Hammer                                |      |     |      | 1       |
| Simond   | Chigal      | Waterfall Ice Hammer                             | 1    |     |      |         |
| Simond   | Piranha     | Waterfall Ice Hammer                             |      | 1   |      |         |
| Blk Dmd  | X-15        | Alpine Ice Hammer                                |      |     | 1    |         |
| Hagan    | Alpin T1    | 180 cm tour skis (& skins) for mtneering boots   |      | 1pr | 1pr  | 1pr     |
| Sherpa   | Featherwt   | Most popular snowshoe for Cascade climbing       | 4pr  | 1pr | 1pr  | 2pr     |
| Sherpa   | Lightfoot   | Larger snowshoe, better for deeper, softer snow  | 1pr  |     |      | 1pr     |
| Tubbs    | Kathadin    | Smaller shoe, best for weight with gear < 170lb  | 1pr  | 1pr | 1pr  |         |
| Shoo     | Large       | Light snowshoe for recreational hiking           |      | 1pr |      |         |
| Shoo     | Small       | Superlight snowshoe for recreational hiking      |      |     | 1pr  |         |
| White    | Industrial  | Sewing machine (kept by Club Chief Executive)    |      |     |      |         |
| REI      | Wedge       | Lightweight two person three season tent (5lb)   |      |     |      | 1       |
| Sdesigns | Half Moon   | Lightweight two person three season tent (5lb)   | 1    |     |      |         |
| Walrus   | Rocket      | Lightweight two person three season tent (5lb)   | 1    |     |      |         |
| WndyPs   | #24         | 2-3 person four season tent (8.5lb)              |      |     |      | 1       |
| Sdesign  | Stretchdome | 2-3 person four season tent (10lb)               |      | 1   |      |         |
| NorFace  | PoleSleev   | Three person expedition tent (11lb)              |      |     | 1    |         |
| Moss     | LittleDipr  | Three person expedition tent (12lb)              | 1    |     |      |         |
| Moss     | Stargazer   | 2-3 person four season tent (8.5lb)              | 1    |     |      |         |
| WildExp  | Equinox     | Four person three season tent (11lb)             | 1    |     |      |         |
| Eureka   | Sentinel    | Four person four season tent (11.5lb)            |      | 1   |      |         |
| Sdesign  | BaseCmp     | Four person three season tent (12lb)             | 1    |     |      |         |
| REI      | MtnHome     | Four person three season tent (12lb)             |      |     | 1    |         |
| Walrus   | Eclipse     | Four person expedition tent (14lb)               |      | 1   |      |         |
| Moss     | Big Dipper  | Four person expedition tent (15lb)               |      |     | 1    |         |
| Sdesign  | Kingdome    | Five person three season tent (13lb)             |      |     | 1    |         |
| REI      | GtPyramid   | Five person recreational tent (13lb)             |      |     |      | 1       |
| WndyPs   | ShangriLa   | 4-6 person three season tent (15lb)              |      |     |      | 1       |
| NorFace  | HimaHotl    | 4-6 person four season tent (16lb)               |      | 1   |      |         |

## **The North Face of Mt. Shuksan**

(A letter to my family in Texas)

To Flatlander Dave and family,

My climbing buddy Bob Conder and I took two intermediate class students, Brent and Tom, on their first grade III alpine climb, The North Face of Mt. Shuksan - all nine thousand two hundred and some feet of it. It is a fairly steep north face of 50 degrees snow and ice for 2400 ft.

We hiked in Saturday a whole 2 miles to base camp. Hike? Did I say hike? Pardon me, we bushwacked our way in through two miles of pure hell (there is no trail). It took four hours of blood, sweat, and swearing to get there. We crawled through slide alder (there's a reason why its called slide alder), devils club (there's a reason why its called devil's club) and generally lush, green, and in your face vegetation. Needless to say, my old patagonia tights are now shredded along with the skin on my arms and legs.

However, in the midst of this green hell, there was a moment of bonding, of oneness with nature. To our great joy and utmost terror, we ran into a mother bear with her cub. With a loud snort and the quick, very quick movement of bodies, this blissful moment of nature came to an abrupt end as bears and humans went their separate ways.

At 4 pm we arrived at base camp, tired and hungry. As we sat on the snowy ridge top looking up at the route in awe, wolfing down calories, and thinking manly thoughts(i.e., we're going to be the first to climb this \*#!! route this year, ha! ha! ha!, we'll show Tim Hudson!), Brent noticed two climbers slowly working their way down the White Salmon glacier descent route. Whoops! So much for being the first.

Unfortunately, we had also noticed the changes in the weather. Up high, horsetails were drifting by at an alarming rate and closer at hand, big ugly forbidding clouds. The ranger at Marblemount had told us that the weather was becoming unstable and to expect rain on Sunday. Given these facts, and our desire to never have to do the 'bushwack from hell' again, we made the very wise decision to climb the route immediately.

At 6:10 pm we left base camp and headed up the full North Face. The snow was a bit soft for pickets, so we ended up climbing the entire route without protection. Occasionally, we would place a picket after crossing a crevasse in the hope that it just might boost our confidence. It definitely wasn't going to hold anything! Twice on the way up, as I was attempting to cross a crevasse I fell in up to my waist. That always gets the heart going!

The upper North Face was very steep, very soft, and very dramatic. At 9:30 pm we topped out just as the sun was setting. What a relief! The last few hundred feet required some of that inner reserve. After a short rest we made our way around to the East side of the summit pyramid and proceeded to etch out a bivy sight on a 45 degree snow slope

next to a bergshrund. In other words, we had a steep slope by our feet that fell away at 45 degrees for several hundred feet towards a crevasse lurking below and a bergshrund, which is where the glacier or snow pulls away from the rock essentially forming a crevasse, at least a hundred feet deep by our heads.

Once we were comfortably nestled into our bivy site for the night, we proceeded to enjoy the evening by dining until midnight - just like being in Rome. Amazingly enough, the weather cleared out and the milky way put on quite a good show.

The next morning, as we left camp, we discovered that our hated enemies never made the summit on the previous day, but instead had turned around. They may have been the first to climb the North Face in 1996, but we were the first to summit via the North Face. There is a difference you know!

The remainder of the traverse around the summit pyramid was very steep and offered us ample opportunity to practice our french technique. We were very glad to be doing the traverse early in the morning.

A last surprise waited for us as we rounded the corner to the south side of the summit pyramid. Instead of being class 3 - 4 rock, it was plastered in snow and ice! Yahoo! I was finally able to use my second tool, which I had carried all the way up the mountain. Thirty minutes later, one picket placement, and 500 feet higher, we proudly stood on the summit of Mt. Shuksan.

Have a good weekend.

Climb High!

Daniel Patton

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Forbidden Peak, East Ridge Direct, July 27, 1996

Climbers: Tom Rogers, John O'Callahan

Search as we may, page by page through Beckey's guide book we struggled to find a classic climb which was not done by everybody and their brother. Our criteria was simple, the climb had to be technical, of good rock, long, committing, elegant, exposed, classic status and seldom done.

The more we inquired around for such a climb the answer was becoming obvious. Forbidden's east ridge was a route which inspired the soul of many a climber. In the discussing the route with others the most obvious characteristic of the route was its unrelenting exposure. To make the climb even sweeter we decided to traverse the entire peak and descend via the west ridge route, which has attained the coveted "classic status for North America". This would be our introduction climb to the Boston Basin region so we were very excited to see some new territory.

We arrived at the ranger station late Friday night and promptly snatched the last overnight permit. An hour and a half later we were on the trail. We were expecting a long and steep approach due to the soaring 80 degree temperature that evening, but it turned out to be pleasant. It's actually short and sweet and requires only an hour and a half to the lower bivy spot. At camp we searched the basin's ridge line for all the prospective climbs to come ... sorry we can't tell.

Knowing we would need a full day for any unforeseen difficulties we departed camp with an early alpine start of 5:00 am. The approach to the east ridge notch was a stroll with some steep snow and loose rock but very nice nevertheless. The best views of the slopes far below were to be had along the cirque's edge about 15 feet away. We had crampons but declined to use them. (I think our vista route can be entirely bypassed by staying far left and getting onto the talus slopes above the minor notch. And for those who plan on returning via the same approach there are a few rappel slings marking the rappel points if required.)

Once at the east ridge notch we had some food and discussed the options for returning via the "east ridge route" (different then our direct route). It looked very doable, mostly 3rd and some 4th class but is renowned for being very loose and stressful (plus it would down grade the overall quality of the climb). We agreed to continue on with our original plan of the full traverse, thereby committing ourselves to carrying extra full loads (crampons, pickets, boots, etc.). Lets just say that our packs weren't light. The route looks very interesting from the beginning but by the end of second pitch we were bitterly complaining of the lack of "unrelenting exposure". Nothing special we thought, just plain ol' climbing. We would soon eat our words.

Exposure, it's an interesting word. In one short breath it can send waves of terror throughout a climber or shivers of utter thrill to another. I like it (as long as I'm tied to something). Most people have a different definition of it though. To me a vertical wall hundreds of feet high is not necessarily exposed; but rather it's what you do on that wall that makes it exposed. For instance the climb Outer Space on Snow Creek Wall is not exposed to me. It's very steep for several pitches but one never feels exposed, you are always facing the rock and going straight up. However, go sideways where *you have to* see the ground below every step along the way, where there's no escaping the depths below, to me this is the essence of exposure.

The climbing difficulty increased somewhat after the second pitch although it was still technically easy but the exposure increased significantly to a point where it was starting to be fun. The forth pitch has a wonderful section of vertical face climbing (a couple of stars if it were a sport route) and solid granite for a short rope to the top of an exposed spire. (I think this spire is often bypassed, but it is probably the best section on the route. Start right at the spire base to exposed wall and have fun.). Nearing the end of the fifth pitch we were looking for the 5.8 section of climbing but it was no where to be found. John was bypassing all the easy paths hoping to find some tantalizing finger crack or something slightly entertaining, but nothing was to be. As John finished the lead at the top of the next spire I heard this awful sound of John's voice far above ...#%\$@ we're only half way there! No way, how can this be? The guide book suggests the route is a total of 6 pitches long and the topos show the ridge crest most of the way. However one must never forget that Murphy's Law of guide books is always in effect. In short, we were a bit shocked. From the beginning we didn't want to miss anything the ridge had to offer so we made a

concerted effort to remain on the ridge crest proper as to get every ounce of exposure possible. This in effect made the ridge about 10 fixed pitches long (4 of which can be easily ran). Oh well, It's just that much more climbing that we got to do.

The middle portions of the route would prove to be the most entertaining of the pitches although all were very fun and interesting (except for one very rotten section). The guide book's route description was simple: elegant and seldom done .., although I must add seldom done and frequently rappelled. There was a stack of rappel slings on every conceivable rock horn within sight, they were as plentiful as bolts in a sport climber's wet dream. We even found a rope blowing in the wind (an interesting story in itself). The further we went the more self evident it became that more than a few party's had their dreams squelched on this climb. (We would find out that a group of climbers had been watching us for a large portion of the day with binoculars and had incorrectly surmised that we had bailed off onto the shear face below.) The views were awesome and its exposure great. For a large portion of the climb you could see both sides of the bordering glaciers far below. By the umpteenth pitch we were still climbing very nice rock but had decided that the climb was getting a little old (not bad, just old) due to the heat, heavy packs and the fact we had miss-judged the length of the route. Heck, we still had the classic west ridge to do.

The eighth pitch was a short 5.8 pitch with good rock and protection and the end of the hard climbing. We could see the summit at least two pitches away and the urge to hurry was prevalent. John put me on belay and I was off at about a half rope length I stopped to place some protection when I discovered that in my haste I had forgotten to get the gear rack. #&%\$, I exclaimed and gave back down the ridge I went for some gear to a bemused partner. (It's not healthy to be in a big hurry.) One running belay later and we were on the summit. Great, except now we were only half way done with an unknown descent route ahead and the daylight burning.

The west ridge's rock was wonderful, (far better than the east ridge's crest) clean solid granite blocks, easy scrambling along the ridge's crest. Except for two very short 5th class sections the route is mostly 3rd and 4th class scrambling. it was a relief to be on relatively flat ground with great rock with no exposure. One long belay and a short rappel found us at the Couloir notch and Ken K's water bottle hanging from his pack (thanks Ken for the drink of water, (I asked for permission first)). John didn't know that I asked Ken for a swig and was somewhat shocked that I would raid their packs for a drink.

The descent down the couloir was rumored to be difficult, but it proved to be of no consequence. The couloir was in pretty good shape and averaged about 30 degrees except for one short section of 40-45 degrees. We rappelled using double ropes which worked well for the longer then single rope distances. The only problem we encountered during the descent was while crossing under an area of active rock fall next to the Couloir. The hazard area was clearly evident, marked by the dirt covered glacier. While I scouted out an optional path which didn't go John checked out the standard path. The next time I looked for John he was hauling butt down the glacier, not wanting to waste any time in the rock fall zone. It was soon to be my turn and I basically put it into overdrive and ran down the slopes hoping to out run any problems above. Its amazing how the sound of rock fall can make you move faster than usual.

We arrived in camp in time to watch a group of Boealpers rappel the Couloir in the dark. But the most memorable moment was when a group of unknown climbers whom had been watching us on the ridge walked up and offered us each a warm plate of food. They had assumed we would be tired and hungry after our long day's journey. They were correct. We decided to wait until morning to go out. We congratulated ourselves for a great climb and crashed.

We arrived at the ranger station shortly after their opening only to discover the ranger had taken to heart our expected time of return (12:00 AM). He promptly called my wife and told her that we were missing and they were going to begin a search. Let's just say that it caused a lot of heart ache for my wife and my future climbing career.

In conclusion, to date it was probably one of the nicest alpine climbs we have done. And yes it was truly elegant as Beckey described. A climb not to be missed.

Tom Rogers

## **The High Desert Peaks of the Great Basin -- Part 1**

### **A Record of Exploration for September 1994 thru June 1996**

*The legends of America's Old West were born in a primitive land where range upon range of great desert mountains, in prismatic hues of indigo and violet, rose interminably into the distance. It was a place-in time where Native American warriors fought for their way of life; a crossroads of history where westward-bound emigrants sought their Manifest Destiny; and is today an untamed land where modern man can still experience the stillness and sweep of vistas unsullied by the marks of human endeavor.*

*Mankind's desire for periodic contact with the natural world varies enormously; but for most the hot, cold, waterless, and dust-blown environs of the Great Basin hold very little interest. Yet for some, Lizard among them, the lure of unvisited mountains hidden deep within the most remote corners of desert America is irresistible. Moreover, desert travel by bicycle -- be it through sagebrush-covered prairie, across alkaline playas, or along disused mining trails -- has proven to be an extremely satisfying and very practical mode of transport. Many of the advantages attributed to pack animals in David Brower's 1951 Sierra Club classic "Going Light with Backpack or Burro" apply equally well to bicycles -- perhaps more so. Brower's delightful discussion of burro grooming, saddling, packing (and even burro stubbornness!) have such obvious parallels in the care and feeding of today's mechanical steeds, that I suspect only institutional angst prevents the Club from promoting an updated "Going Light with Backpack or Bike" backcountry ethic.*

*The Great American Desert is an elevated region between the Wasatch and Sierra Nevada ranges. This 189,000 square-mile basin, which includes most of Nevada and parts of Idaho, Oregon, California, Utah, and Wyoming, has no drainage to the ocean; and the region's watercourses (optimistically called rivers) eventually evaporate or disappear into alkali depressions such as Death Valley, Humboldt Sink, Carson Sink, or the Great Salt Lake.*

*This essay on bike mountaineering in the Great Basin includes visits to the City of Rocks and Owyhee Mountains of Idaho; the Jarbidge, Bull Run, and Independence Mountains of Nevada; Utah's Tushar and Pahvant Ranges; and Beatys Butte -- one of Oregon's most remote mountain summits. These trips, all solo ventures, occurred during the periods September 2-29, 1994 (ascents 854 thru 903); May 26-June 12, 1995 (ascents 950 thru 986); and May 31 thru June 15, 1996 (ascents 1122 thru 1156).*

#### **The Owyhee Mountains - Southwest Idaho**

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##### **The Silver City Range**

*Owyhee County is a blank spot on most Idaho maps. Only three paved roads enter this 7600 square-mile desert mountain wilderness -- a region so remote that most travel to the outside world is done by air. Silver City, the former county seat, (population 6) is now the undisputed queen of Idaho ghost towns. This picturesque mining community has no electricity or mail delivery, and hand-cranked magneto telephones can still be found in the old Idaho Hotel. This once-famous inn (built in 1863) is now refurbished and again open for business after a 30 year hiatus. Amenities at the rustic establishment include 12-volt lights, spring water, and several*

compost toilets; but meals are only available with reservations made a week in advance and guests must provide their own bedding and towels. Staying in the hotel has been likened to camping out indoors with antique furnishings; but for \$20 a night, this is probably the most authentic 19th century experience available anywhere in the U.S.

Of more immediate interest to this visitor, the ring of 8000' summits surrounding Silver City offers opportunity for some of the finest self-propelled recreation imaginable. With snow still blocking vehicular access to the high country, Lizard has the entire range to himself. Thirteen summits (including War Eagle Mountain and 8403' Hayden Peak) are collected in a marathon 18 hour circuit (SWRs to 9.4) that is cut short by equipment failure and pilot error. While carrying too much speed down Slaughterhouse Gulch, I get hammered by a gravity gust that utterly demolishes my rear wheel on a square-edged step -- bent axle, ruptured bearings, and collapsed rim! Fortunately it's only a 3 hour downhill walk back to camp, but the breakdown (and resulting trip to Nampa) cost me Quicksilver Mountain -- the only remaining eight thousander in the Owyhees without a mountain bike ascent.

### South Mountain and the Owyhee Uplands

By the second week of June, 7801' South Mountain is the only Owyhee summit outside the Silver City range with substantial snow cover. The climb itself, from Williams Creek, is fairly conventional; but the approach via the 110 mile Owyhee Uplands backcountry byway is a remarkable exercise in solitude. Only five vehicles are encountered on this lonesome road, and the serenity of the evening camp along the North Fork of the Owyhee River Canyon is the most complete I have ever known. Euphonious bird songs reminiscent of Beethoven's "Für Elise" fill the air; the nearby junipers are alive with strumming insects; horned toads and armored lizards bask on still warm rocks; and even the shy Great Basin rattlesnake makes an occasional appearance. With daytime temperatures soaring toward the century mark, these fascinating denizens of desolation give their best performances after sunset.

### Bruneau Dunes -- Bruneau Canyon

My timing could have been better. It is 100 F in Bruneau; 112 F on the playa; and an estimated 130 degrees in the intensely irradiated south bowl of Big Dune -- the highest single sand dune structure in North America. After securing permission from Kevin Meyer, Bruneau Dunes State Park superintendent, Lizard rides a sun baked track across the alkali flat and at 1:00pm begins carrying his bike up the east arm of the stellated sand pile. The first 20 minutes of the climb are fun. The mid-day heat is almost tolerable and not nearly as oppressive as the 52 C (126 F) conditions experienced last January at the Lightning Ridge opal fields in the interior of Australia. However after 40 minutes, comparisons with the Aussie Outback are not so unwarranted -- my water has become too hot to drink, sweatproof sunblock is running into my eyes, and the 35 degree slope (the maximum angle of repose for dry sand) reduces the pace to a very deliberate and labored rest step. The dune is crested after 60 minutes, but the sinuous cusp defined by the 3077' apical sand grain is still some distance away. The Liz is cooked and basted in bulldust, and the decision to continue on those final few hundred yards would never win approval from the Surgeon General. The ridge top is only inches wide, and the bike must be dragged sideways thru the sand with one wheel on each side of the crest. The precision bearings in my Shimano XT hubs and \$175 Phil Wood bottom bracket are history, but it's a fair price; for at 2:21pm Lizard Agonistes becomes the first person to leave a bicycle track on the top of Big Dune.

Twenty miles to the south, the anastomosis of the Bruneau and Jarbidge Rivers cuts deeper and deeper into the no-man's land defined by the Blackstone, J-P, and Diamond A Deserts. Quietly administered by the Boise District BLM, Bruneau Canyon is a pristine desert jewel wrapped in anonymity. This remarkable chasm, extending from Rowland Nevada to the Strike Reservoir in Idaho, rivals Hells Canyon in its majesty and sublimity, and surpasses it in archaeological splendor. Lizard's first foray into the depths of this forbidding 1200' canyon was rather tentative -- goat head thorns, insufferable heat, and navigational uncertainties all contributed to a less than successful trip. But safe to say, the Lizard-turned-thermal sissy will be back -- with SLIME filled tires and a GPS!

### **City of Rocks -- Albion Range, Southeast Idaho**

The Sawtooth National Forest and adjoining public lands south of Burley offer an unmatched opportunity to mix rock gymnastics with high-calibre bike mountaineering -- a peculiar Lizardian concoction known as Shock Wave Riding. Over the past several seasons the international climbing community (BoeAlps included) has gone bonkers over the great stone stacks, exfoliated domes, and other two-pitch pleasures of the Inner City. However just beyond the environs of these famed granitic intrusions of the Cassia Batholith, the unheralded solitary summits of the Albion Crest offer longer routes on bigger mountains. The impressive east face of 9950' Mount Independence gains 900' in less than a quarter-mile; while 10,339' Cache Peak has earned a well deserved reputation as the highest, gnarliest point in Idaho south of the Snake River. The twenty-mile Rangers Trail, extending from the CoR to 9265' Mount Harrison, is also deserving of mention. This high-level route through Sawtooth suburbia offers some of the finest, undiscovered single track in existence.

Lizard's MBA of Indy's east face -- biggest wall in Southern Idaho, was almost certainly a first. However since the bike was carried both up and down the precipitous glacial cirque, the claim requires a rather liberal interpretation of Shock Wave Riding. Likewise, the ascent of Cache Peak may be questioned on similar grounds; since the prickly briars and tightly clumped trees required multiple carries and rather extensive bike disassembly/reassembly. Extreme? -- perhaps. Fun? -- you betcha!

### **"You'll Never Grow Corn Here!" -- Northern Nevada**

Jim Bridger's pithy assessment of the Great Basin Desert has remained uncontested since the first wave of California-bound emigrants passed this way in 1841. Legendary mountain men like Jim Bridger, Joe Walker, and Jedediah Smith first crossed this trackless void ostensibly in search of beaver water. In truth, these savvy, rawhide-tough trailblazers deftly exploited the fur trade to fulfill their dreams of adventure and exploration -- for by the 1830s the Great Basin was the last remaining section of North America outside the arctic that had not yet been penetrated by the white man. And even today, long after the West has been discovered, mapped, and inventoried down to the last spotted owl, a few mountain itinerants still take leave of their employers and head for the open desert -- the gateway of dreams.

### **The Jarbidge Mountains**

Jarbidge Nevada (population 30), one of the few early gold rush towns to stay alive, is an ideal base from which to conduct a 1-2 week mountain bike campaign. The range's highest summit,

10,838' Matterhorn, is now off-limits due to recent wilderness designations; but another very prominent summit, 10,793' Jarbidge Peak, is still fair game. But be forewarned, the 5000' bike-legal route up Gorge Gulch is continuously steep (averaging 33 degrees above 8400') and often tricky as it traverses numerous dissecting gullies. The 9-hour effort requires utmost concentration and complete rider confidence. Summiting Jarbidge Peak with a bike is a major accomplishment, and the climb's 11.69 Shock Wave Rating places it at the top of Lizard's list of Nevada ascents.

The Copper Mountain range, west of Jarbidge River, is much more congenial. All six summits (SWRs from 2.7 to 6.6) were traversed from Coon Creek Summit in one very pleasant day. From the top of the main 9912' summit, the savage outline of McAfee Peak, thirty miles distant, dominates the western skyline.

### The Bull Run Mountains

Many of the peak names in the Bull Run Mountains reflect their Shoshone and Paiute heritage (e.g., Ungina Wongo, Siciegottit, Paisewa Goei, Wonga Douya); but unfortunately the highest summits bare such prosaic designations as Pennsylvania Hill and Porter Peak. Appellative considerations aside, 9119' Pennsylvania Hill is perhaps the premier ride of the range. The route gains 4320' in five miles, but with adequate gearing (Lizard runs a 19.5 granny gear) the scenic double track is 80% rideable -- and even drivable for locals like Nevada Jim.

Jim Shepherd, proprietor of an outdoor sports shop in Elko, is an extremely knowledgeable hunter, fisherman, and all-round outdoorsman-cum-techo phreak. On this day, the ninth of June, Jim is camped in an ice fishing tent at 9000' beside his sturdy, purpose-built Bronco 4x4. Deep discharge batteries, log-periodic antenna arrays, and a ton of computer/communications gear litter his campsite. The guy is conducting a GPS survey, competing in a nation-wide hamfest (the VHF QSO), communicating via laser beam with another competitor to the north, and monitoring the progress of the Pony Express 100 -- a racecar rally down highway 305 between Austin and Battle Mountain, where amateur contestants pay up to \$675 to run flat out on public pavement.

Jim also has a wealth of information on Northern Nevada mountains, and in the course of our conversation I pick up ideas for future trips to the East Humboldts, the Ruby marshes, Mount Lewis, and a host of other exciting destinations. In spite of Nevada's 230+ mountain ranges, the state has yet to produce a climbing guide, local or regional. Upon reflection, I find this situation very satisfying; and hope Nevada can continue its tradition of self-reliant travel in unpublicized areas of undocumented beauty. Note: Jim Shepherd's website is still in limbo. In the interim, this authority on outdoor Nevada can be reached at (702) 753-JIMS. Elko, a no-frills (and no espresso stands!) ranching community is well worth a visit. Jim's shop is on 600 Commercial Street.

### The Mahoganys

The distinctly reddish brown mountains of the Mahoganys hold many surprises for the weary bike mountaineer, including: fifth class climbing on rock pinnacles of incomparable quality, a high snow-clad central massif that has not been visited for years, and an open pit gold mine strewn with semi-precious minerals and heavy metal ore samples. The long-forgotten Wildhorse Mine on the slopes of Tennessee Mountain is a treasure trove of mineral wealth. Magnificent garnet crystals, giant cubes of galena, and various metallic sulfides are abundant

and readily extracted with a geologist's pick; and within a few hours Lizard collects more booty than he can carry out on his overloaded rack and overstuffed musette bag.

Merritt Mountain, the 8789' high point of the Mahogany's, is attained by one of the most elegant and enigmatic summit solutions imaginable. The long, scenic approach from Sunflower Flat is an unrelenting challenge filled with uncertainty; and the chance discovery of a secret passageway that leads into the upper basin is a grand climax to a great adventure. The profound sense of isolation felt atop Merritt was nearly overwhelming, and one must wonder if a bicycle will ever again enter this domain of inaccessibility. One also wonders if a bike will ever again be taken up the Point of Rocks. This spectacular, and regionally famous pinnacle at the edge of Sunflower Flat was just too neat to resist, and as a rather pointless coda to Merritt, my most valued possession was needlessly inflicted with frame dings, paint gouges, and other gratuitous insults.

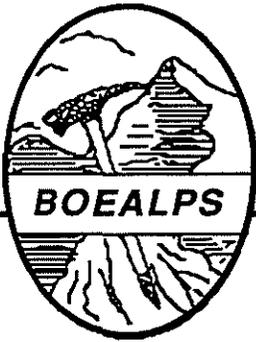
### The Independence Mountains

McAfee Peak and the other 10,000' summits of the Independence Mountains have long been admired from a safe distance -- it was now time for a first hand inspection. "No Way!", said Nevada Jim. "In mid-June the spring freshet is in full bore, and the four deep water crossings of Pratt Creek will be impassable, with or without a bike." "Come back in a month or so when the snow is gone." Good advice, Jim; but rather impractical given the constraints of a 2-week vacation -- and after all how hard can a Nevada puddle jump be? Answer: Hard as Hell!

First off, only one crossover is a direct perpendicular; the other three require extended periods of immersion in a flooded channel clogged with sweepers and blowdowns. Fortunately, this struggle in waist-deep snow melt comes early in the climb, and once above 7500' the 3+ mile ride to snowline is extremely pleasant and wildly beautiful. However, all pleasantries end at 9600' where deep snow and the threat of a massive cornice 700' above force the route on to a safer but more difficult rocky rib. Meanwhile, unbeknown to Lizard, high wind warnings with the threat of severe thunderstorms have just been posted for Elko and Mountain City. The 10,434' subsidiary summit, and site of the McAfee repeater, is reached just about the time of the first rumbles. A quick look at the tumultuous sky is enough to convince me of the inadvisability of traversing another 1.2 miles of heavily corniced ridge to a summit only four feet higher than my present position. The disappointment is keen, since McAfee is one of the most desirable peaks in Northern Nevada; but a chastened Lizard has finally learned not to confront Zeus on his home turf. Another time, perhaps.

To Be Continued...

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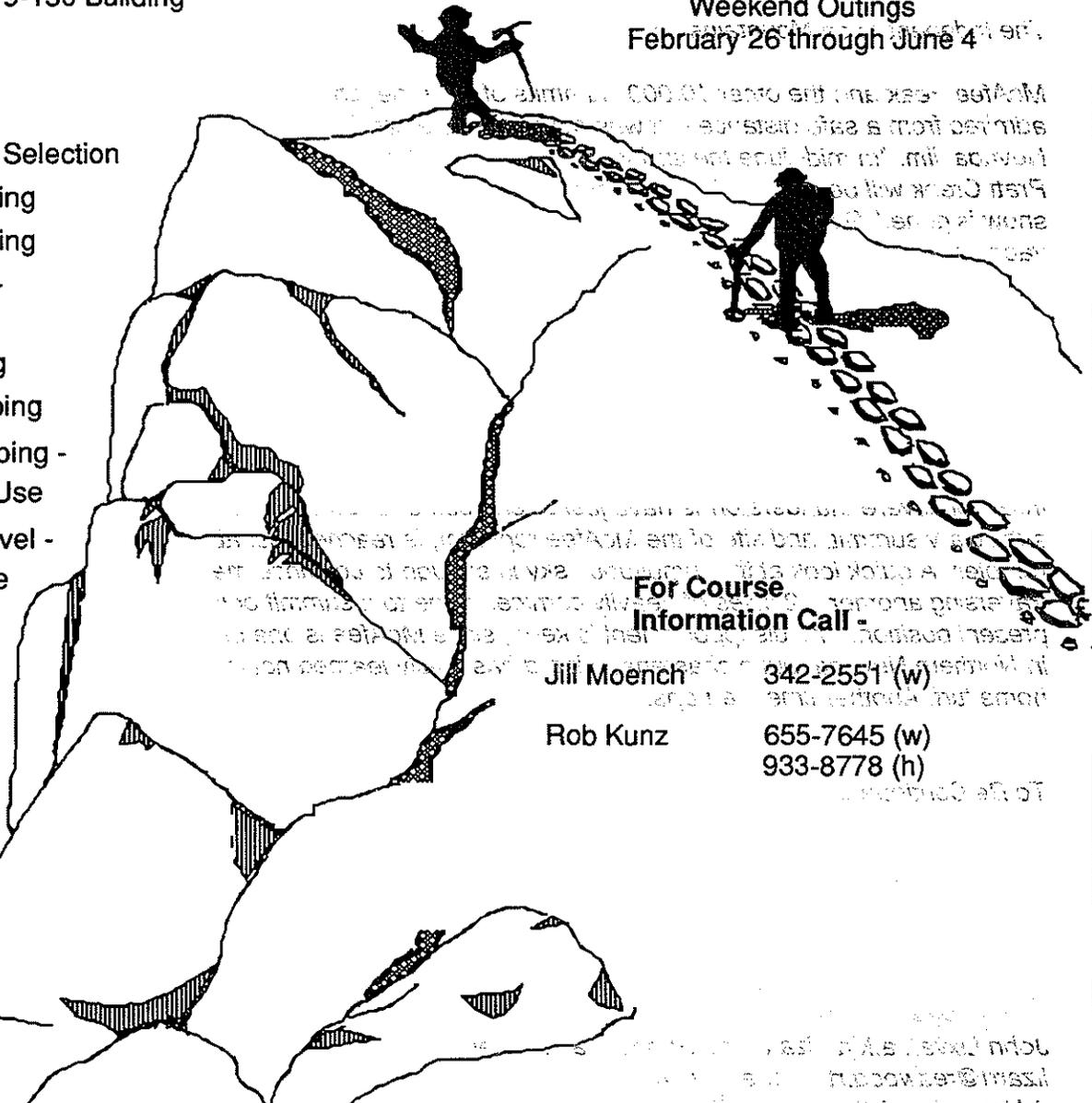
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