

JANUARY 11, 2007

Happy New Year! We hope that you and yours had the very best of holidays.

Here at Oregon State Parks Trust, we're looking forward to a year in which our state park system grows and improves and the Trust accomplishing several of its priority campaigns.

TRUST'S 2007 PRIORITIES

Oregon State Parks Trust's priority campaigns for the coming year include the following:

Champoeg State Heritage Area. Raise funds to design and install new interpretive displays in advance of the 150th celebration of Oregon statehood in 2009.

Model Sustainable State Parks Practices. Obtain funding to develop sustainable practices, from using alternative energy sources to conserving water, at Oregon state parks.

Oregon Lighthouses. Secure funds to stabilize, maintain and enhance the seven publicly accessible Oregon lighthouses. Monies

Willamette River Water Trail III. Get funding to establish the third and final segment of the Willamette River Water Trail, from Wheatland

Ferry to the Willamette River's confluence with the Columbia River. Funds will be used to develop and install interpretive signs, for public outreach, and to produce a guide to the water trail.

Unrestricted Campaign. Develop resources and increase member and supporter numbers in order to enable the Trust to be an even more effective partner in growing and enhancing Oregon's magnificent state parks system.

Kam Wah Chung & Co Museum. Having raised our \$1.5 million campaign goal, monitor and publicize the work being done at this significant cultural site.



BOARD & STAFF TRANSITIONS

BOARD ELECTS 2007 OFFICERS

The Trust's Board elected **Theodore G. "Ted" Herzog** (Chair), **Lee Jimerson** (Vice Chair), **John Edmundson** (Secretary), and **Daniel H. Skerritt** (Treasurer).

Herzog, elected to his second term as Chair, is an attorney with Tonkon Torp LLP, who also volunteers with Oregon Trail Foundation, Volunteer Lawyers Project, and as a youth coach. Jimerson is Manager of Manufacturing Accounts for the Collins Companies. He is also active with Salmon Safe, Arlington Club, Mary Rieke Elementary Green Schools, Toastmasters, and Western Wood Products Association.



Chair Ted Herzog

Edmundson, who will be serving his third term as Secretary, is a retired school administrator, and serves on the Eastern Oregon Byway Coalition, Heppner Chamber of Commerce, and Morrow County Parks Advisory Committee. Skerritt, likewise serving his third term as Treasurer, is an attorney with Tonkon Torp LLP and active with American College of Trail Lawyers, Rigas Maja, and Volunteers Lawyers Project.

CAROL A. BECKLEY JOINS BOARD

Please join us in welcoming **Carol A. Beckley** as Oregon State Parks Trust's newest Trustee. Ms. Beckley is Director of the Elkton Community Education Center in Elkton, Oregon and a professional organization management consultant. She is also part owner of South Coast Lumber and very involved in matters along Oregon's southern coast.

FOUNDING TRUSTEE LYNN W. NEWBRY LEAVES BOARD

At the same time, we hope you will join us in thanking **Lynn W. Newbry**, who resigned in December, for his long service to Oregon State Parks Trust. Mr. Newbry was a founding Trustee and served on the Board for over 11 years—from its incorporation on August 23, 1995—including stints as its Chair (1995-1996, 2000) and Vice Chair (2001).

A resident of Talent, Oregon, Lynn is a Director of Associated Oregon Industries, Talent Historical Society, and Valley of the Rogue Bank. He is a former state senator and co-chaired the Ways and Means Committee in the late 1960s and early 1970s. He has also served on the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission, State Parks 2010 Citizens Committee, Oregon Transportation Commission, Oregon Board of Forestry, and Southern Oregon Timber Industries Association.



Lynn W. Newbry Park

A Talent city park is named in his honor.

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT OREGON STATE PARKS

Jan 14: “Tryon Sunday at 2 Lecture: Oregon’s Bald Eagle Nesting Project,” Frank Isaacs, Oregon State University. Tryon Creek State Natural Area, 2:00 – 3:00 pm. For more info: http://www.oregonstateparks.org/images/pdf/events/tryon_0107.pdf

Jan 21: Tryon Sunday at 2 Lecture: Fire in Northwest Forests,” Amy Hoffman, ecology naturalist. Tryon Creek State Natural Area, 2:00 – 3:00 pm. For more info: http://www.oregonstateparks.org/images/pdf/events/tryon_0107.pdf

Jan 27: “Chautauqua Lecture Series: True Stories and Other Fictions in Northwest Oral History” by Tom Nash. Champoeg State Heritage Area, 2:00 pm. Lecture is free with \$3 per vehicle parking fee. Call 503-678-1251 x221 for more information.

For other upcoming events, go to www.oregonstateparks.org/events.php.

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