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OREGON STATE PARKS TRUST

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Greetings from Oregon State Parks Trust. It's hard to believe it's already February! Staff here at the Trust have been busy following a rigorous development plan for 2008, including recruiting new Board members while saying goodbye to others, working closely with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department to identify priority projects, writing grants for our Champoeg State Heritage Area Interpretive Campaign and much, much more.

Speaking of **Champoeg**, you *are* aware that the interpretive panels at Champoeg haven't been updated in over 20 years and that the current panels only tell the story of Champoeg from the American settlers perspective, *right?* Well, that's about to change. Read on to learn more about this magnificent place in Oregon's Willamette Valley and our efforts to enliven the stories of its past.

We hope you enjoy this issue of our monthly eNewsletter. Please feel free to contact us at any time if you have any questions about the work we're doing to preserve and enhance Oregon's outstanding natural, scenic, cultural, historic and recreation sites for the enjoyment of present and future generations.

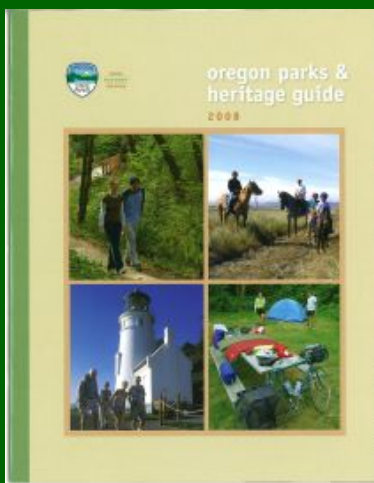
Wishing you many enjoyable park experiences in 2008,
Dave Eshbaugh, David Roberts, and Jill Weston Tuleya

2008 OREGON PARKS & HERITAGE GUIDE AVAILABLE NOW

The 2008 **Oregon Parks and Heritage Guide** is here! This 52-page guide includes the locations of all Oregon state parks, campgrounds and amenities; reservation information; fees and other important information.

Oregon State Parks Trust has been advertising in the Oregon Parks and Heritage Guide for many years. Check out our stunning new full-page advertisement on the inside front cover of this years' guide!

For your free copy, contact the Oregon State Park Information Center at 800-551-6949 or <mailto://park.info@state.or.us>.





OREGON STATE PARKS TRUST FUNDS BILINGUAL JUNIOR RANGER COLORING BOOK

A new **Junior Ranger coloring book**, *JRs Journey Across Oregon*, is available from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) and--for the first time--**it is in both English and Spanish!** Oregon State Parks Trust provided funding for the design and printing, thanks largely to a grant from Trust Management Services. OPRD will be testing the coloring book in several classrooms before undertaking a mass printing of the publication.

For more information about the Junior Ranger program, go to the [Junior Ranger website](http://www.oregon.gov/OPRD/PARKS/juniorrangers.shtml) (www.oregon.gov/OPRD/PARKS/juniorrangers.shtml).

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2008

Oregon State Parks Trust, the only statewide nonprofit dedicated to preserving and enhancing Oregon's state parks, has elected its 2008 Officers:

- **Dan Skerritt**, Chair
- **Lee Jimerson**, Vice Chair
- **John Edmundson**, Secretary
- **Mary Jane Guyer**, Treasurer

Dan Skerritt of Lake Oswego is the seventh person to serve as the Trust's Chair, having just served three terms as Treasurer. He is an attorney with Tonkon Torp LLP and active with American College of Trail Lawyers, Rigas Maja, and Volunteers Lawyers Project.

Lee Jimerson of Portland, serving his second term as Vice Chair, is Manager of Manufacturing Accounts for the Collins Companies and is active with Salmon Safe, Arlington Club, Mary Rieke Elementary Green Schools, Toastmasters, and Western Wood Products Association.

John Edmundson of Heppner, serving his fourth 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.

Mary Jane Guyer of Baker City, is a community leader active with the Baker County Alternative Education School, Baker County Bird and Native Plant Club, Baker City Library, Eastern Oregon Museum, Haines Community Charitable Fund, Northeast Oregon Heritage Fund, Northeast Oregon Housing Authority, and is a former mayor of the City of Haines, Oregon.



Dan Skerritt, Chair



Lee Jimerson, Vice Chair



John Edmundson, Secretary



Terry Armentrout



Mary Bishop



Rob Hinnen



Jim Parr

BOARD COMINGS & GOINGS

Terry B. Armentrout and **Laurie Munro Bloch** have been elected to Oregon State Parks Trust's Board of Trustees.

Terry Armentrout is the principal of Terry B. Armentrout Business and Engineering Solutions. He is retired from being the Project Manager of The Dalles-John Day project for the US Army Corps of Engineers. He resides in The Dalles.

Laurie Munro Bloch is the principal of Laurie Munro Bloch LLC, which provides finance and administration for individuals. Bloch was formerly Controller for Windermere/Cronin & Caplan Realty Group and Senior Director of Finance and Administration for the 1998 NIKE World Masters Games. She has served on several nonprofit boards and is currently Vice President of the Board for St. Andrew's Society of Oregon. She lives in Portland.

Please join us in welcoming Terry and Laurie to the Trust's Board.

With the New Year, Trustees **Mary V. Bishop** and **Robert A. "Rob" Hinnen** have stepped down from the Board.

Mary Bishop served on the Trust's Board from January 25, 2001 to December 31, 2007, the seventh longest Board term served to date. She was the Trust's fifth Vice Chair (2003), and fourth Secretary (2002). Bishop, who volunteered on several campaign committees, chaired the largest campaign thus far taken on by the Trust, successfully raising \$2.1 million to restore the Oregon icon that is Vista House at Crown Point.

Rob Hinnen served on the Board from November 26, 2001 to December 31, 2007 and was its seventh Vice Chair (2006). Hinnen worked on several Trust campaigns, including the Champoeg State Heritage Area interpretive campaign.

Please join us in thanking Mary and Rob for their service to Oregon State Parks Trust and dedication to preserving Oregon's natural and historic wonders.

GOVERNOR KULONGOSKI APPOINTS CHAIR OF PARKS COMMISSION

Salem - Governor Ted Kulongoski today appointed **Jim Parr** of Portland as chair of the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission. Parr has served on the commission since 2006, and replaces outgoing chair Bill Gregory.

"Jim's dedication to both parks and Oregon's heritage made him an excellent commissioner, and make him exceptionally well suited to serve as chair," said Governor Kulongoski. "With Oregon's 150th celebration on the horizon, and the challenge of

opening a new park a year, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department director and staff will be well served by Jim's considerable experience and insight."

Parr has a degree in architecture from the University of Oregon, and spent his early career focusing on historic renovation, including work on the historic park headquarters at Crater Lake National Park in southern Oregon. For the past 20 years, he has been in the financial services industry and is now a Principal of Cairn Investment Group, a Portland-based money management firm, and *served on the board of the Oregon State Parks Trust from 2004-2006.*

"The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department has a key role in conserving and sharing Oregon's beauty and history, especially with Oregon's youth," said Parr. "The Department has the right staff and adequate funding to accomplish their mission, and I look forward to working with the commissioners and all Oregonians to guide their efforts."

TRUST DEVELOPS NEW BROCHURE TO MEET YOUR REQUESTS

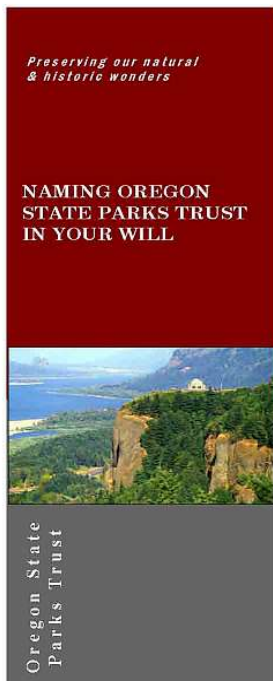
We've recently received requests from several of you asking for information about how to name Oregon State Parks Trust in your will. To meet your requests, staff here at the Trust have just created a brochure, *Naming Oregon State Parks Trust in Your Will*, which includes:

- Basic information on naming OSPT in your will,
- Samples of language you can use to include OSPT in your will,
- Reasons why you might want to include OSPT in your will, and
- Answers to some frequently asked questions.

You can download this brochure from our website at <http://www.oregonstateparkstrust.org/> or request a copy to be sent to you via regular mail by calling us at 503-227-0479/800-227-2757 or by emailing <mailto://info@oregonstateparkstrust.org>.

YOUR INTERNET SEARCHES CAN BENEFIT OREGON STATE PARKS TRUST

What if Oregon State Parks Trust earned a penny every time you searched the Internet? Well, now we can! GoodSearch is a new Yahoo-powered search engine that donates half its advertising revenue--about a penny per search--to the charities that its users designate. Use it just you would any search engine, get quality search results from





Yahoo, and help Oregon State Parks Trust get the funds it needs to help preserve and enhance Oregon's state parks.

Simply go to www.GoodSearch.com and enter Oregon State Parks Trust as the charity you want to "GoodSearch" for. Better yet, set GoodSearch.com as your default search engine and Oregon State Parks Trust will automatically benefit every time you search the Internet.

EVERY ONLINE PURCHASE YOU MAKE CAN HELP BENEFIT OREGON STATE PARKS TRUST

By using GoodShop, a percentage of every purchase you make online will go to support Oregon State Parks Trust achieve its mission of preserving and enhancing Oregon's state parks. GoodShop is a new online shopping mall which donates up to 37 percent of each purchase to Oregon State Parks Trust! Hundreds of great stores, including Patagonia, Gap, Best Buy and Barnes & Noble have teamed up with GoodShop and every time you place an order, you'll be supporting your favorite cause.

Simply go to www.goodsearch.com and follow the link to GoodShop or go directly to GoodShop and enter Oregon State Parks Trust as the charity you want your purchase to benefit.

OREGON CULTURAL TRUST

Oregon State Parks Trust is a proud member organization of the Oregon Cultural Trust. If you [donate](#) to Oregon State Parks Trust (or any other qualified Oregon cultural nonprofit organization), you can make a matching gift to the Oregon Cultural Trust and receive a 100% tax credit for your donation to Oregon Cultural Trust. Tax credits are limited to up to \$500 for individuals, \$1,000 for couples filing jointly, or \$2,500 for corporations. For more information about this unique giving opportunity, visit Oregon Cultural Trust's website at www.culturaltrust.org or call 503-986-0088.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN OREGON STATE PARKS

FEBRUARY

Tryon Guided Nature Hikes

Feb 9, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 10-11:30 am. Woodpeckers.

Silver Falls Owl Prowl

Feb 15, 2008 at Silver Falls State Park. 7-9:30 p.m. Join park naturalists for an evening of owling at the Old Ranch. We'll begin the evening with an indoor presentation on these amazing hunters and then head out for a nighttime walk through the woods to listen for

them.

Tryon Guided Nature Hikes

Feb 16, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 10-11:30 am. Magnificent Moss and Lovely Lichen.

Tryon Guided Nature Hikes

Feb 23, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 10-11:30 am. Winter Survival of Plants and Animals.

Chautauqua at Champoeg

Feb 23, 2008 at Champoeg State Heritage Area. 2-4 pm. Innovators and Traders: The Indigenous People of the Columbia River, presented by Pat Courtney Gold.

Eagle Watch 2008 at Lake Billy Chinook

Feb 23, 2008 - Feb 24, 2008 at The Cove Palisades State Park. Tours, presentations, live birds, Native American programs, games, prizes, kid activities and much more.

Tryon Sunday at 2

Feb 24, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 2-3 pm. Natural Cycles: Art in the Forest. Natural Cycles artist Gloria Lamson speaks about her art exhibit displayed along the Trillium Trail for the third annual Natural Cycles: Art in the Forest.

Tryon Preschool and Kindergarten Teacher Workshop

Feb 28, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 9 am-4 pm. Learn how to incorporate natural sciences and multi-sensory activities into the classroom.

MARCH

Tryon Guided Nature Hikes

Mar 1, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 10-11:30 am. Trees of Tryon Creek. Join a park naturalist for a free, guided nature hike to explore the forest and stream ecosystems and natural history at the park. Parents must accompany kids on all hikes.

Tryon Sunday @ Two Lecture

Mar 2, 2008 at Tryon Creek State Natural Area. 2-3 pm. Rainwater Harvesting with Harvest the Sky. Learn how to harvest rainwater from rooftops and use for irrigation. This is one way to reduce the amount of stormwater generated from buildings and directed to fragile creek or river ecosystems.

For more information about these and other events in Oregon State Parks, go to

<http://www.oregonstateparks.org/events.php>.

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