

TIMBER: Event explores early history of industry in region

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others that operated in Bend, Prineville, Gilchrist, and Sisters, and the multitude of logging camps that supplied the mills with timber, including the Brooks Camp here in Sisters.

Lent is a 1972 graduate of the University of Oregon with a Bachelor of Science degree in history. His first career was in wildland fire management, serving with the U. S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management. He retired from that occupation in 2002 and became the assistant director of the Bowman Museum in Prineville.

Through the years, Lent has twice served as president of the Crook County Historical Society. He has written three books on "Central Oregon Place Names" (Crook, Jefferson, and Deschutes counties), and has also authored three books of photographic history of Prineville, Crook County, and Madras.

Lent has also published two books that are compilations of his writings for local newspapers, titled "Islands in Time" and "Pillars in Time." Additionally, he has contributed writings to several other books. He writes a weekly local newspaper column on local history. He is a member of the Western Writers of America.



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Brooks Scanlon log train near Sisters hauling ponderosa logs from forests to mill in Bend.

In 2001, Lent was awarded a commendation award from the National Association of State and Local History for contributions to local history. He has also been a recipient of the DAR Medal for Historic Preservation. He currently is the historian for the Bowman Museum.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. for the January 21 event. Society memberships may be purchased which will provide free admission to all four Fireside Evenings this winter.

On February 18, Steve Stenkamp will share his stories and photographs of "Lost Oregon Ski Areas," remembering those areas skied by locals and visitors before the advent of large mechanized ski resorts. On March 5, prolific Oregon author and Central Oregon native Jarold Ramsey will present "Words Marked by a Place," with stories from the homesteading era of Central Oregon.

Just in time for hiking season, on April 26, Oregon author of 22 books Bill Sullivan will present "Hiking Oregon's History," a slide show based on his book of the same name, that is an arm-chair hiker's tour of Oregon's most scenic historic sites. He will provide "a glimpse into Oregon's largest museum — the great outdoors."

Historical society memberships are \$25 for individuals and \$40 for couples/families. General admission for non-members for each Fireside Evening is \$10.

Lady Outlaws hit the slopes in giant slalom

By Rongi Yost
Correspondent

The Lady Outlaws skied their first giant slalom race of the season on Cliffhanger at Mt. Bachelor on Friday, January 10, and walked off the slopes with a fourth-place finish.

Hollie Lewis was the Outlaws' leading racer and finished 20th with a combined time of 2:43.93, and Sydney Wilkins and Skylar Wilkins were close behind with 23rd (2:49.75) and 24th (2:50.31) respective finishes. Piper Adelt was doing a beautiful job on her first run, but missed a gate and was disqualified. Piper had a

great second run with a time of 1:29.85.

"This is a big breakthrough for the Sisters girls," said Coach Gabe Chladek. "The girls all skied aggressively and did a great job, especially considering the very little on-the-hill training we've been able to get due to the slow start to this winter."

The boys were scheduled to race on Saturday, January 11, but the race was canceled due to winter storm conditions. Their race will be rescheduled later in the season.

Next up for both the girls and boys is a slalom race at Mt. Bachelor on Saturday, January 18.

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