

Governor Roberts Presented Awards To Associations That Have Contributed Support To Educational Programs At State Parks.

Governor Barbara Roberts presented awards recently to the presidents of 10 cooperating associations that have contributed time, energy and funds to support interpretive and educational programs at state parks around Oregon.

The ceremony and a reception honoring the presidents was held at Parks headquarters in Salem.

The governor, herself a member of the Friends of Historic Champeog, thanked the presidents for the 34,100 hours of volunteer work provided to Parks in 1990. She noted the groups have raised over \$440,000 to help interpretive and educational programs in the past year. Presidents honored include:

Southern Coast

Willie O'Dell, Friends of Cape Blanco, Port Orford. During her tenure the Friends have started an interpretive sales area, begun the Christmas at Hughes House event, increased membership, restored several rooms of the house and written a successful co-op grant to restore additional rooms.

David Bridgman, Friends of Shore Acres, Charleston. Bridgman and his wife, Shirley, were founding members of the Friends of Shore Acres. Through their leadership skills and dedication the annual Christmas Lights at Shore Acres was begun and now grows by thousands of light each year. Bridgman has been an effective ambassador for the group, helping to develop an outstanding multi-projector slide and sound show to use in recruiting volunteers and contributors.

Willamette Valley

Dennis Hagen, Friends of Historic Champeog, Newberg. Hagen wrote the script for the original Champeog Pageant. As president he led the effort to persuade the 1989 Legislature to appropriate funds to build the champeog amphitheater. He and Wes Alderson have been co-leaders of the group.

Wes Alderson, Friends of Historic Champeog. Along with Dennis Hagen, alderson helped manage the merger of the Friends of Champeog and the Champeog Pageant. He also has helped with the pageant and in fund raising for the amphitheater.

Tia Politi, Friends of Elijah Brinstow, Dexter. Through Politi's efforts, one of the newest Friends groups has been formed. Her interest in equestrian activities led her to begin the group to help develop the horse trails, riding areas and courses.

Jossi Davidson, Friends of Silver Falls, Silverton. Davidson has played many roles with the Friends: installing interpretive trails signs in thick, cold mud; playing Santa at the Christmas craft event and joining in the successful Civil War Reenactment event over the 4th of July. During Davidson's tenure, the Friends received grants and started an interpretive store plan.

Ruth Pennington, Friends of Tryon Creek, Portland. Pennington has retired as president at least two times. Each time she has been returned to the position by popular demand. During her lengthy reign, the all-accessible Trillium Trail was built, and interpretive sales area was begun, a unique Trail Host program was begun and an executive director hired. She and Dick

Ferreira currently co-lead the group.

Ted Norman, Friends of Vista House, Corbett. Interpretive projects and restoration of the Vista House have kept the group very busy. As president of the Friends of Vista House, Norman has helped lead the topographic map of the Gorge project, long-range planning, and the 70th anniversary re-dedication of the building.

Central Oregon

Lowell Jones, Friends of Collier Memorial State Park, Chiloquin. Jones has been the only president of the Friends of Collier. He has served as curator for the thousands of donated timber industry items for the outdoor logging museum at the park, using his expertise to help evaluate and catalog the items.

Northern Coast

Dave Lindstrom, Friends of Fort Stevens, Hammond. Combining a passion for the Civil War, archaeology and military history, Lindstrom has committed to the monthly north coast meetings from Portland. He has written proposals, grant applications and many letters seeking funds and support for the reconstruction of the Civil War Earthworks at the park.

George Moorehead, Friends of Yaquina Bay Lighthouse, Newport. Moorehead commutes from Junction City to lead meetings, help develop an interpretive sign program and work on the design and construction of the audio-visual room and interpretive store. Moorehead is the first and only president of this fairly new group. Involvement in the open houses, craft demonstrations and other event keep him busy.



Tri-Met Provides Transportation For Youth Program

Football teammates in Whitaker Youth Program recently thanked Tri-Met for helping them get to some fall games. Tri-Met bus Operator A.K. Rucker, a coach in the program, volunteered to drive a Tri-met bus to the games. Tri-Met Bus mechanics Rellie Benton and Doug Watson also coach in the program, which gives middle school students an alternative to joining gangs. Whitaker teams compete against other teams in the Portland Metropolitan area. Shown (left to right) are Rucker; Bill Allen, Executive Director of Operations; Tray Savage and Melvin Jenkins, team members; Trudy Toliver, Community Relations Coordinator; Gene Williamson, Special Projects Coordinator; and Nike Sweet, team member.

Senior's Property Tax Deferral Application Period

Property tax deferral applications for lower income senior citizens should be filed with county assessors between now and April 15, reminds the Department of Revenue. Oregon homeowners age 62 or over who meet all the requirements may delay paying property taxes on their residences. The taxes must eventually be paid, with interest, when the owner dies, moves, or sells the property.

Applications are available at your county assessor's office. If your application is approved, the State of Oregon

will pay your property taxes for you. Once you have been accepted into the program, you don't have to apply for the following years. The deferred taxes paid by the state become a first lien on your property, except for the liens of mortgages or trust deeds that were recorded before the deferred taxes.

To qualify for the deferral you must meet the following requirements:

- * You must be 62 years old by April 15 of the year in which you file your application.
- * You must have a recorded deed

to the property or be purchasing the property under a recorded sales contract. Contact your county assessor for more details.

* You must live on the property (except for an individual required to be absent by reason of health, in which case a doctor's statement is required.) If the property is owned by two or more persons, not husband and wife, each owner must apply, live on the property, and be age 62 years of older.

* Your total household income must be less than \$19,500 for the preceding year.

Business-Education Compact To Focus On Legislative Strategies For Improving Oregon's Workforce And Economy

Robert Baugh, Acting Administrator of the Partnership, Policy and Planning Division of the Oregon Economic Development Department, will be the guest speaker at the Board meeting of the Business Education Compact of Washington County on March 28, 1991.

Baugh's presentation will focus on the state government's study of the report, "America's Choice: High Skills or Low Wages," which was recently published by the Commission on the Skills of the American Workforce. The report states that the United States is headed toward an economic crisis brought about by a steady decrease in worker productivity and that our workforce is at a competitive disadvantage when compared to many other countries. Research cited in their report shows our workforce losing ground in the competition for highly skilled positions and that the majority of our workers will end up in low wage positions. To challenge this threat, the "American's Choice" report calls for fundamental changes in our approach to worker training and education.

Baugh will also present an overview of his published report, "Lessons from the Old School-European Workforce Development Strategies for Oregon." This report summarizes his investigation of workforce training programs in Denmark, Sweden and Germany and explains how Oregon's economy could be strengthened by implementing similar strategies.

The Compact's Board meeting will be held on the Portland Community College, Rock Creek Campus in the Pioneer Room from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Baugh is scheduled to speak at 4:30 pm, with a question and answer session following his presentation. Attendance is open to the public.

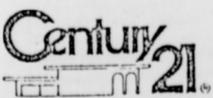
The Business-Education Compact of Washington County represents a major effort of education and business leaders working together to promote educational excellence, relevancy, and to provide expanded opportunities for quality learning and research. The Compact Board is made up of equal members from business and education in Washington County

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Prehistoric Images Of The Pacific Northwest To Show At MHCC

An exhibit featuring 21 native American petroglyph rubbings will show at Mt. Hood Community College April 10-25. The exhibit will be displayed in MHCC's Visual Arts Center Gallery.

The rubbings, donated by Malcolm and Louise Loring, were taken at various sites in Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, Utah and Montana. Several came from sites now submerged in the Columbia River as a result of the construction of John Day Dam. Portions of other petroglyph were found buried in ash from Mt. Mazama (now Crater Lake) which erupted nearly 7000 years ago.

The rubbings were made by placing fabric over the rock formations and rubbing the fabric with a colored medium. The image on the rock formation is reproduced on the cloth.

A reception will be held 5-7 p.m. on April 10 in the Visual Arts Center Gallery.

Gallery hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. and Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

For more information call Chris Dobson at 667-7309.

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