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WMC Purpose

(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

The purpose shall be to promote the physical and spiritual well-being of its members and others by outdoor activities; to unite the energy, interests and knowledge of students, explorers and lovers of the mountains, deserts and rivers of Utah; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains on behalf of science, literature and art; to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states; to foster awareness of scenic beauties; and to encourage preservation of our natural areas including their plant, animal and bird life.



Lodge Service Days

None Scheduled

Check for updates in online Activities Listing

Contact Lodge
Director to schedule
a service day or see if
you can help out!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT JOHN VERANTH

Lodge Divestiture Questions from the Organizer's Banquet Audience

- **1. What is the downside?** There is always a hesitation to let something go, and the WMC would no longer own the building. The real question is the membership's real objective. If the motivation is that we all love the building and want it preserved, then transferring it to an organization set up to preserve historic structures makes the most sense. If the WMC wanted to maximize financial return we could have tried to sell the building, but a sale to a private party would have meant loss of public access. No one wanted this, so commercial sale was never seriously considered.
- **2. Where are the key documents so I can read them?** The WMC Foundation Articles of Incorporation can be emailed to anyone requesting them. Contact Robert Myers or me. The donation documents have not been created yet, but will probably not be much more than a cover letter and the Uniform Utah Real Estate Sales Contract.
- **3. Are there any restrictions on the Foundation management of the lodge?**No. They will own the building and be responsible for its future. Whenever a property is owned by a non-profit corporation, the donors have to trust the directors to stay true to the organization's purpose and do the right thing. Any attempt by the WMC to restrict the Foundation would be contrary to the goal of the Foundation being legally treated as a public charity under IRS rules.
- **4. How are WMCF directors replaced?** As stated in the bylaws, the WMCF directors served staggered three-year terms. The WMC president will serve as a non-voting advisor to the foundation board. New directors are elected by the WMCF board from a slate proposed by the nominating committee. The nominating committee consists of five members; three of whom are appointed by the WMC board. This was a compromise that preserves the independence of the non-profit foundation, yet gives the WMC an ongoing role in proposing new board candidates.
- **5. Why doesn't the WMC have more control over the Foundation?** Having too close a relationship between the recreational club and the charitable foundation jeopardizes the eligibility for IRS charitable status, which is essential to the strategy of increasing major donations, as well as reducing the property tax and lease fee.
- **6. What about future WMC use?** The WMC will be able to rent the building on the same terms as other members of the public. In recent years, we have been having 3 to 5 club events a year at the lodge and expect that this will continue. The use fee paid to the Foundation will, in practice, be a redirection of the WMC money now being used to subsidize the lodge-operating budget.
- **7. Why do this?** The goal on the separate foundation is to put the lodge on a more secure financial condition by:
 - Securing favorable tax treatment for individual donations to the lodge.
 - Being eligible for more favorable property tax and FS lease fee status.
 - Having the lodge managed by a board focused on preservation of the building.

THE WMC LODGE

The WMC lodge sets at the top of Big Cottonwood canyon, a short distance above the Brighton Ski Resort parking lot, above the Mt. Majestic Hotel. The building is tucked away in a grove of evergreens approximately 100 yards above the hotel. The building is accessible in the summer by automobile, but since the lodge is within the groomed slopes of the Mt. Majestic ski area, one must be able to travel over snow in the winter to get the lodge, which is uphill from the parking lot. It was built in 1930 by the early founding members of the club and was used as an overnight and weekend destination when travel in and out of the canyon was in a much more difficult period. In fact, the early members also built the first rope tow at Brighton for their weekend adventures, which later became the chairs lifts of the resort. The lodge is one of the only remaining original log buildings in the Brighton area and because of its history and importance, has been placed on the National Historic Register for buildings.

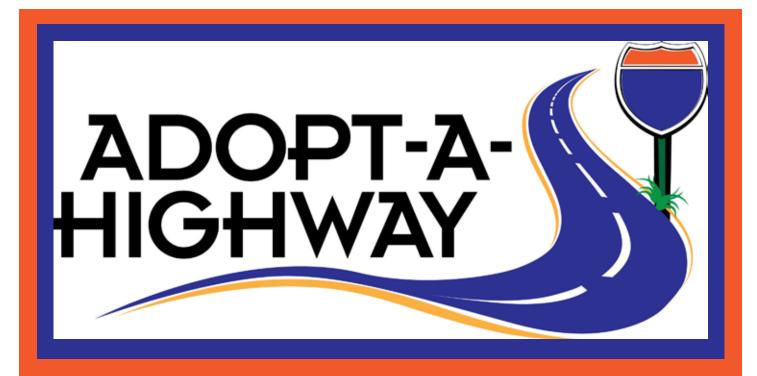
The lodge is currently used by the charitable organizations, the general public who may want to use the facility for a special social function, and an occasional use by the club for educational and charitable events. All of the Club's social and educational events are also open to the general public. Those wishing to use the lodge are asked to help support and fund the maintenance and upkeep of the building by paying a standard users' fee.

Through the years there have been a number of improvements in the lodge, with the most significant being the construction of an addition with modern bathrooms. The building now has a sanitary water supply, flushing toilets, showers and hydronic heating for the addition. We also have a live-in caretaker who resides in the upstairs of the addition. The main floor can handle parties up to 70-80 people comfortably. There are also outdoor porches and a barbeque area with picnic tables and additional seating during the summer. Sleeping accommodations are on the second floor of the main lodge, where there are two dormitory-style rooms capable of sleeping up to 20 people. You can find a link to our website which will further show pictures of the building and many of the unique characteristics of the building. The link to our website is http://www.wasatchmountainclub.org/Lodge. The website offers an online reservation system which will accept any major credit card

Currently the lodge is owned and managed by the Wasatch Mountain Club. The club is in the process of forming a separate charitable tax-exempt organization called the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation. This organization will be a separate entity, with one of its purposes being owning and managing the building. The mission of the WMC Foundation is to preserve and maintain the building and allow it to be used for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, and to further its use by the general public.

To learn more about the lodge, visit our website or become involved as one of our maintenance volunteers. Maintenance is a year-round requirement with roof snow removal in the winter, to painting, repairs and remodeling in the short summer months. We encourage you to call and get involved in one or many of our work parties. Our activities for your involvement are listed in the calendar of events on our website, or by calling the Lodge Director, Robert Myers.

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ADOPT A HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

JAMIE KULJU, COORDINATOR

WHEN: November 6, 2010 at 9:00 AM

WHERE: 6200 South & Wasatch Park and Ride

Please join the Conservation Group and offer a hand in tidying up Wasatch Blvd. before this season's trash gets buried for the winter. Consider helping out if you have been enjoying the canyons this summer and fall. A special appeal to WMC roadies: come on out and help keep this stretch of road free from tire puncturing, swerve causing obstacles.

Trash bags and flattering orange vests provided; please bring your own gloves (you will want them). Clean up should take just an hour or two and is a surprisingly good time.

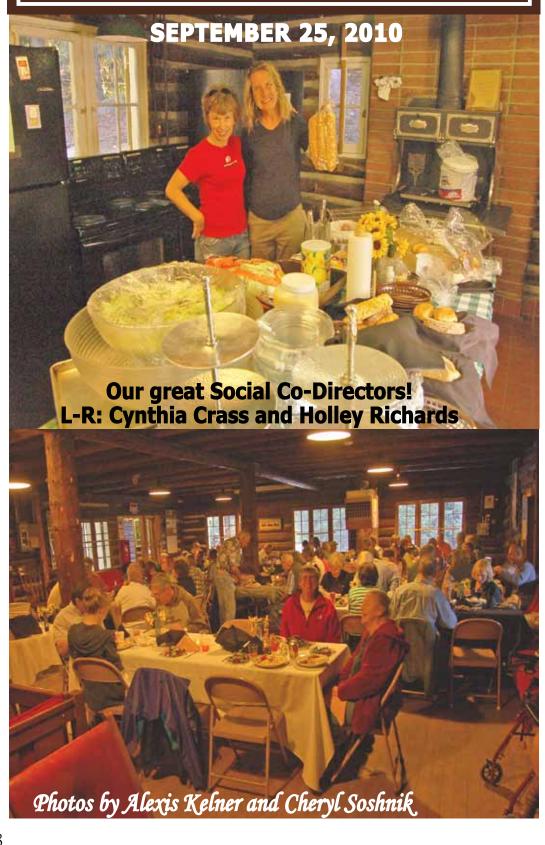
Call Sarah at (214) 264-6295. Thanks!

CONSERVATION NOTES WILL MCCARVILL, DIRECTOR

The Alexis Kelner Award was presented to Carl Fisher of Save Our Canyons at the Organizer's and Awards dinner at the lodge. This award recognizes significant contributions to preserving and protecting the Wasatch, our recreation core. It is a non-denominational award and it has gone to WMC members, Sierra Club members, and business leaders like Peter Metcalf, CEO of Black Diamond. Carl was born and raised in Utah, becoming a volunteer at SOC and even getting paid for it starting in 2005. SOC has been working hard on the Wasatch Water Conservation and Wilderness Act, as well as stopping Solitude from expanding into Silver Fork Canyon and getting the Forest Service to crack down on illegal trail construction. The WMC and SOC work together on trail maintenance.

I need help. There is a lot going on where the WMC can be a positive influence and where our long history as a club does provide some leverage. Usually someone who wears a hat can typically be invited to join a committee or group. By wearing a hat, I mean that you represent an organization, not just yourself. This gives you extra clout. I recently spent nearly a year on the Envision Utah Wasatch Canyons General Plan Update. I met representatives of a number of groups and agencies and was able to add my voice to the discussions on planning for the next 20 years. It was a great window on what is going on in our valley. When I started on it, I felt committed to see it through and now I am eagerly waiting to see the result of all the work. It will be satisfying to have played a role in determining the future of our mountains. There are other less consuming tasks to take on. In fact, the job is open ended, and you can pick the places where you would like to contribute and make a difference. By having a hat you represent a part of the outdoor community that enjoys human powered recreation. You have an important role to play; otherwise the voices that will be heard will be those of ski areas and developers. The representation and protection of our interests is just as important as anyone else's. You don't need to be a trained professional. I learned as I went and so can you. The usual rules of working with others will take you a long way - respect, consideration, honesty - you get the point. But you will also be respected for standing up for your views and convictions.

2010 WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION AND AWARDS DINNER



Most of the time, the only rewards of a successful hike/ bike/climb/boat/ski or snowshoe are the physical exertion, social stimulus and the views. If you are lucky, you brought your camera and can remember the adventure for weeks to come, until another adventure catches your attention and you head off in another direction. But once a year, the WMC tries to thank its volunteer members as only a volunteer, non-profit club can – we buy you dinner. The Leader's Party is a yearly event where everyone who has organized a club activity is invited to the Lodge for a social feast. The club may have a board of directors, but it wouldn't last very long without the day-to-day volunteers. We thank you, and hope you will continue to volunteer in the future; it's what the WMC is all about!

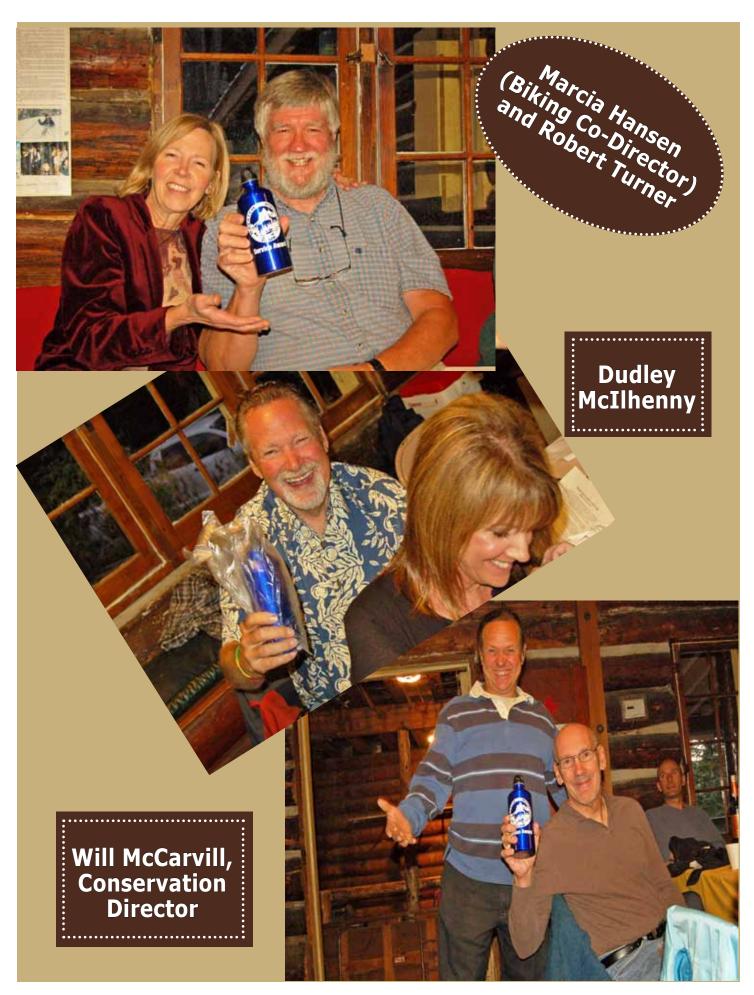


John
Veranth,
President,
discussing
ownership
transfer of
the Lodge
from the
Wasatch
Mountain
Club to
the WMC
Foundation.

John with plaque that will display donations to the WMC Foundation. First donation of \$1,000.00 was received from Bruce Parsons.











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Remember to call your WMC activity director and volunteer to organize an activity.



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7TH ANNUAL GREAT WESTERN/MORMON TRAIL MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE AND BBQ

By Greg Libecci

This year the weather could not have been better and the climbs could not have been tougher... well, at least for me. Maybe it was because I was stuffed into Hardy's spare bike shirt (he says it was a large) and could hardly breathe? Or maybe the hills are just steeper than ever? Regardless, the day was beautiful and views spectacular. The upper Great Western Trail north of I-80 provides a unique vantage point from which to view some of the Wasatch gems, including Raymond and Gobblers, with Mountain Dell glistening in the foreground. Too bad the trail didn't take us closer to the reservoir, where George would have most certainly indulged in a shore-to-shore swim. Instead, he rode shirtless and provided entertainment with his grunts, moans and stories. Suzanne and Jennifer were the ladies of the day, and they proved to be fierce warriors as they conquered the mighty climbs without any whines. Nick was always ready with his camera when the time was right and, as usual, led the way with a steady and strong pace.

Things went along just fine until towards the end when Hardy started having issues ... mechanical and physical. Thank goodness for Power Bars, new tubes and friends who don't leave you stranded. When the riders arrived at The Mormon Flat campground, the smell of burning charcoal briquettes and brats were in the air. A cold beer never tasted better and when the sun dropped down behind the ridge, the heat from the campfire never felt better. The circle grew closer and closer to the fire, as the temps dropped and our inner energies were distracted by food digestion. Great food, I might add... homemade pies and yummy sides were shared by all. George cooked a fish he

Great Western Glory!

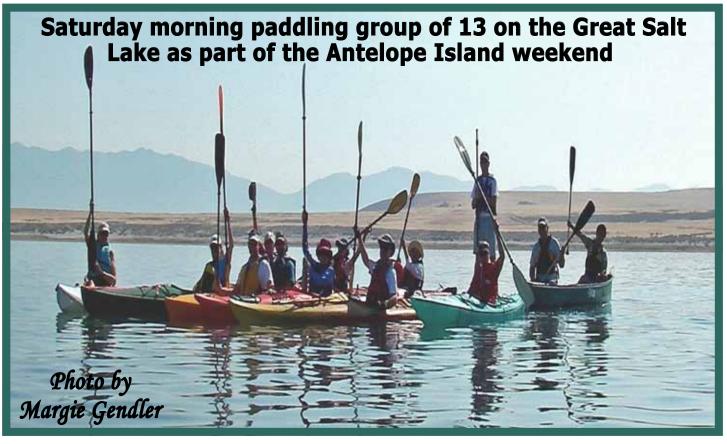
pulled from the freezer that he caught a few years ago... he thinks...

This has become a nice traditional way for our "Tuesday Night Ride" regulars, and other club mountain bike riders, to tie up the end of the riding season. Hopefully YOU might be able to make it next year so it will be even more fun! Here's to another great bike season with many more to come. Now, let's pray for snow! Best, Greq Libecci





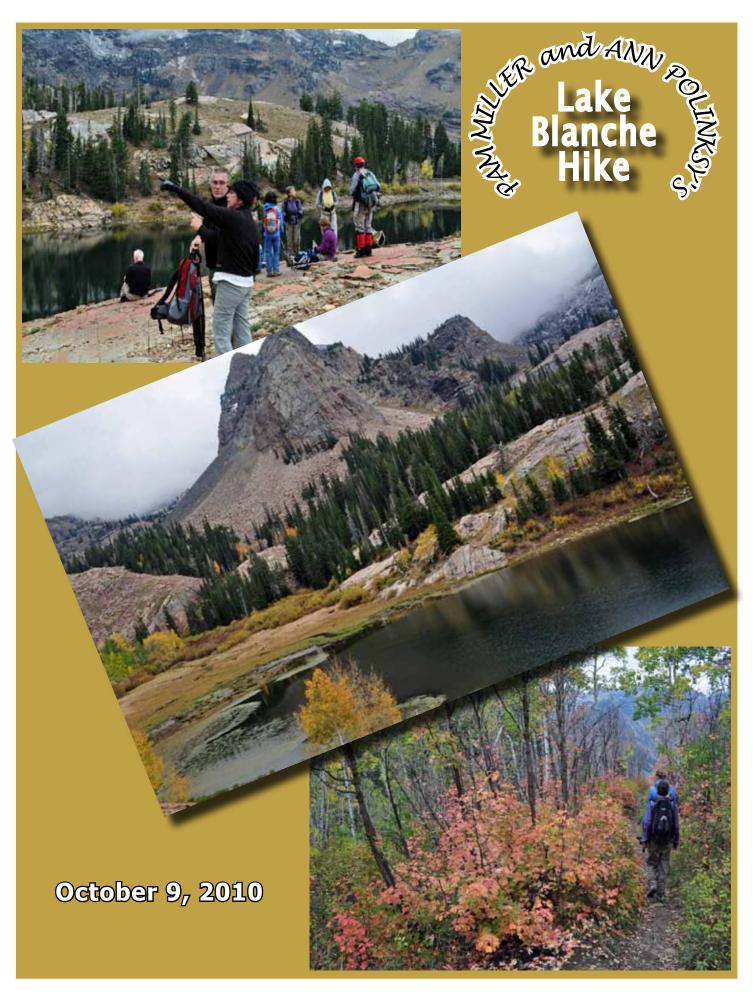


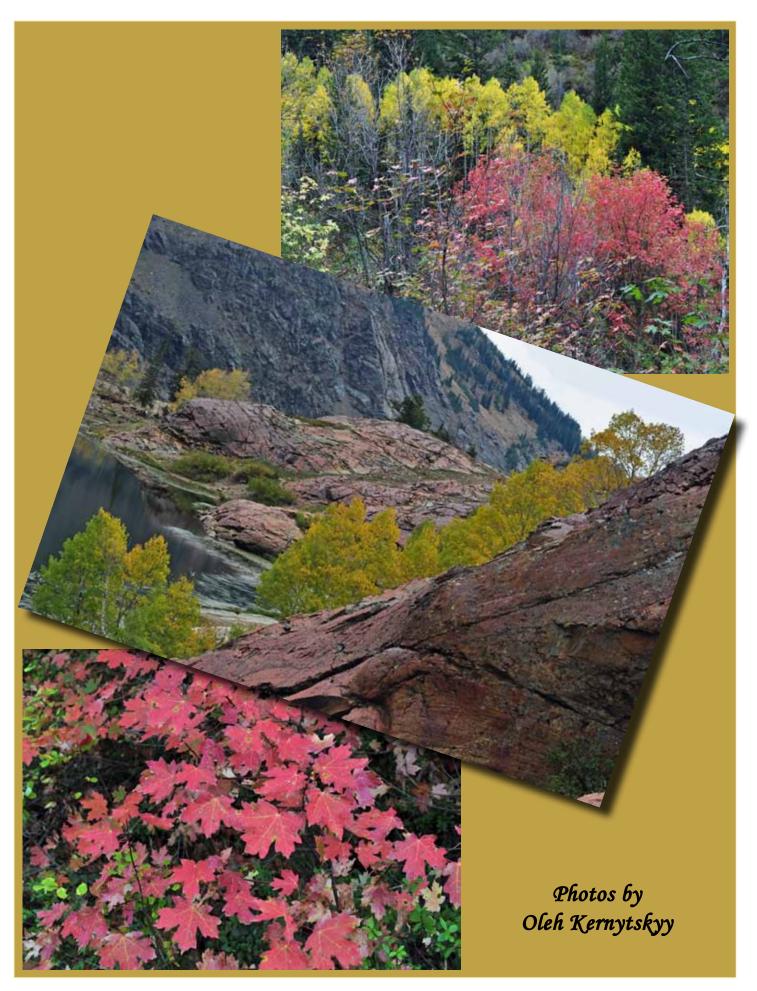












MIKE BUDIG'S YELLOWSTONE BACKPACK September 11-19, 2010 Sunset over Yellowstone Lake By Dianne Dedrickson

This annual trip to Yellowstone was again led by Michael Budig. Traveling with him were Mark Bloomenthal, Aaron Jones and Dianne Dedrickson. We spent 9 days and 8 nights, covering 70 miles of the beautiful backcountry of Yellowstone National Park. The mid-September weather, with its warm sunny days and cool nights, was very comfortable.

Day 1: We picked up our permit and headed into the backcountry, via the Heart Lake trailhead, and set up camp on the shores of Heart Lake. Backcountry it was, but we had the luxury of a pit toilet at our campsite.

Day 2: We hiked to the top of Mt. Sheridan, elevation 10,300 feet, where we spent some time enjoying the views of Yellowstone Lake, Heart Lake and guite a bit of Yellowstone National Park. The Tetons were also visible and impressive from there. Bear paw prints spotted in the snow were evidence of the bears with whom we were sharing the mountain; probably a sow and her cubs. This hike was followed by a much-enjoyed soak in, Factory Hill hot spring fed, Witch Creek. Soaking in Witch Creek was not without its bit of excitement though. Mark discovered that there were little red worms sharing the creek with us, and several of them seemed to like Mark well enough to crawl on him; a bit freaky for everyone. As the guys checked out the worm situation, I hiked on ahead of them toward camp. I ran into the rangers at the ranger station and inquired about the worms. They said as far as they knew, they were perfectly harmless. The guys talked to the rangers just a few minutes later and said they wanted to ask them a question. The rangers asked if it was about the "brain-eating worms" in Witch Creek. The guys caught on quickly and figured I had already talked with the rangers, who were primed and ready with a bit of humor. We had hoped to venture on to Rustic Geyser, but the trail was closed due to bear activity in the area. It had been an enjoyable 14 mile day hike by the time we were back at camp.

Day 3: We hiked around Heart Lake and crossed Heart Creek, after which we camped near the banks of the Snake River. We awoke in the morning to the distant sound of howling wolves, the call of the wild.

Day 4: We hiked through the Snake River Valley. It was beautiful because the slopes leading to the river were covered with the colors of fall. There were some small Aspen trees starting to reestablish on the hillsides. This is noteworthy because they

had become almost nonexistence in the park because of overgrazing by elk. The elk population exploded because of the absence of predators. It seems to be more in check with the reintroduction of wolves to Yellowstone. This day the trail was just muddy enough to spot many great grizzly paw prints, and there was also plenty of scat to prove there were many bears sharing the park with us. The hiking ended this day with a trip through gorgeous Fox Park Valley where we spotted a beautiful elk across the valley. After we went to bed that evening it rained and froze. When we got up in the morning, there was ice on the tents and our food bags were frozen to the bear poles. Waiting until the sun thawed the rope solved that problem, so we had a bit of a late start that day.

Day 5: We hiked the Upper Pass - one of the most remote areas we visited. That night we were treated to a serenade by owls.

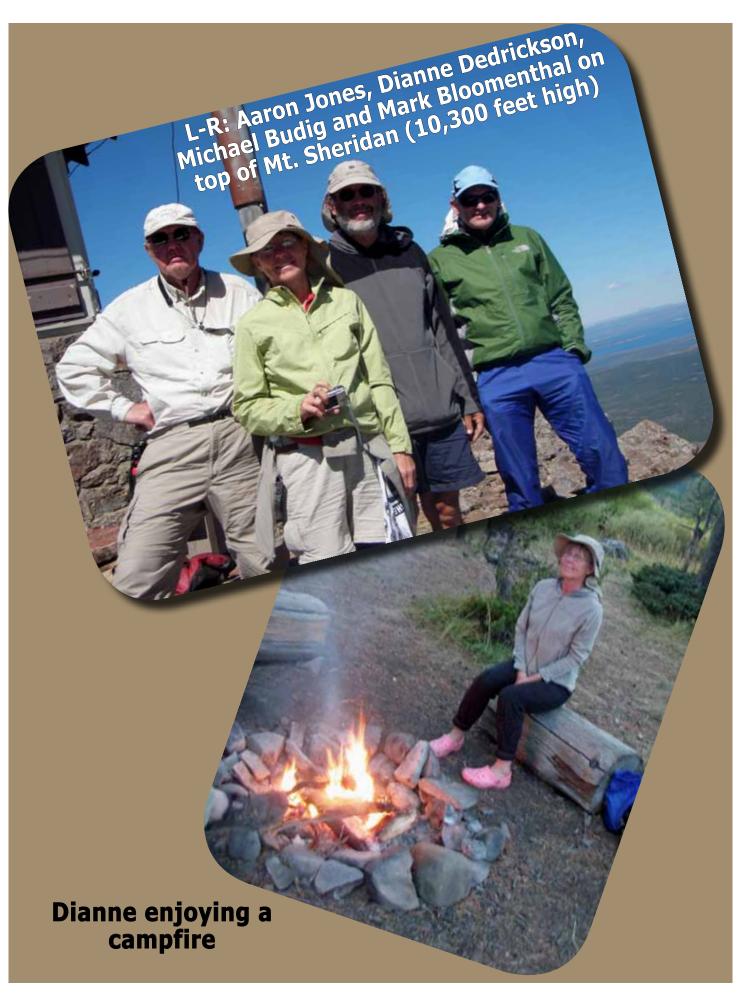
Day 6: Our hike to Trail Point started out as another sun filled day of fall colors and beautiful valleys and streams. Somewhere along the way we lost our trail and wound up wandering over deadfall and along the stream. But where oh where was our trail? Following the stream we found a trail, but which trail was it and where exactly were we? With the aid of the GPS and the map, Michael figured out we would meet up with the trail we needed, but we were a bit farther out than we thought. We were rewarded for our meanderings, though, with the sight of two huge bull elk in this area. They were quite confused because, we mused, they knew we weren't supposed to be there. Camping on the shores of Yellowstone Lake that night was peaceful and beautiful.

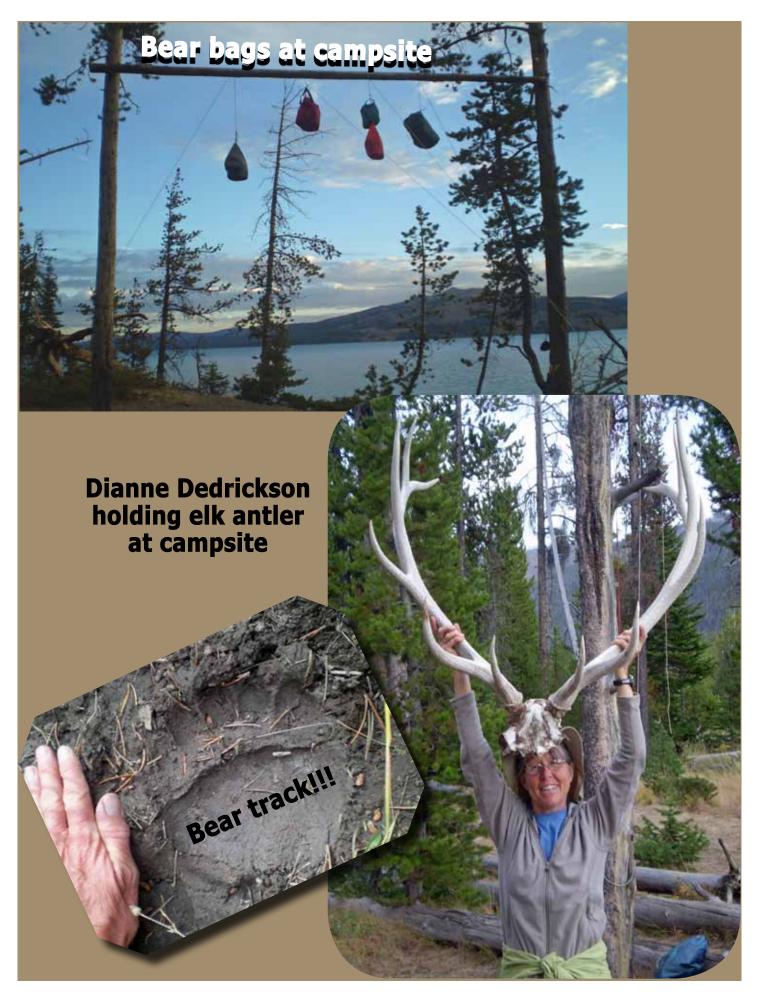
Day 7: Took us along the shores of Yellowstone Lake and along the banks of the Yellowstone River. The Bald Eagles, perched on trees by the trail, looked quite majestic. The river was fun to ford and only about knee deep, so very doable. We stopped for a lunch break after our crossing, and were entertained by the frolicking of a family of river otter in the water. What a fun sight to see. Our camp that night was on top of a steep embankment overlooking the Snake River Valley and provided us with spectacular views.

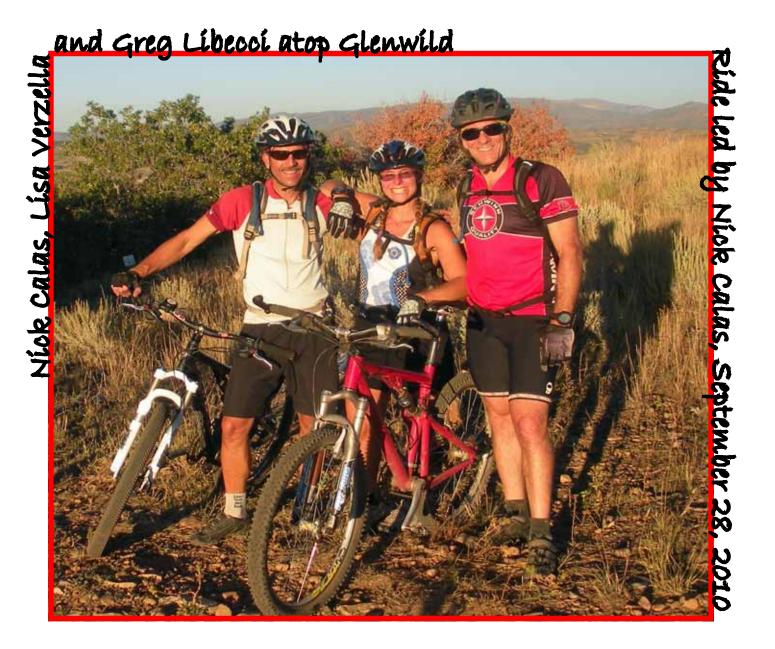
Day 8: We hiked to our last campsite on the east side of Yellowstone Lake, Park Point North. We were treated to a beautiful moonrise, with its reflection on the lake, and a very colorful sunset on the other side of the lake. As if that weren't enough, the Tetons were visible above the Yellowstone Peaks. It was beautiful.

Day 9: The hike out was very short. We encountered other people and noticed how good they smelled--day hikers for sure. The Heart Lake section and the last day were the only days we saw anyone else on the trail, besides a mule driver carrying supplies for the ranger cabin.

Warm campfires, sunrises, sunsets, calls of the wild and good company. Thanks Michael, it was a great trip!









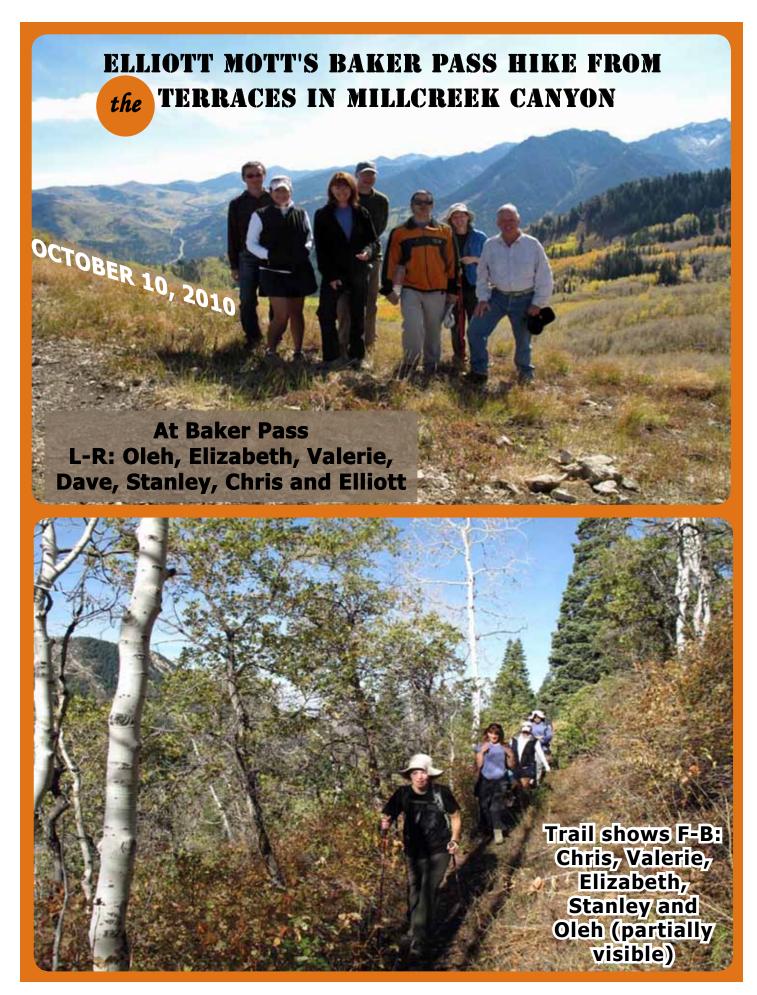
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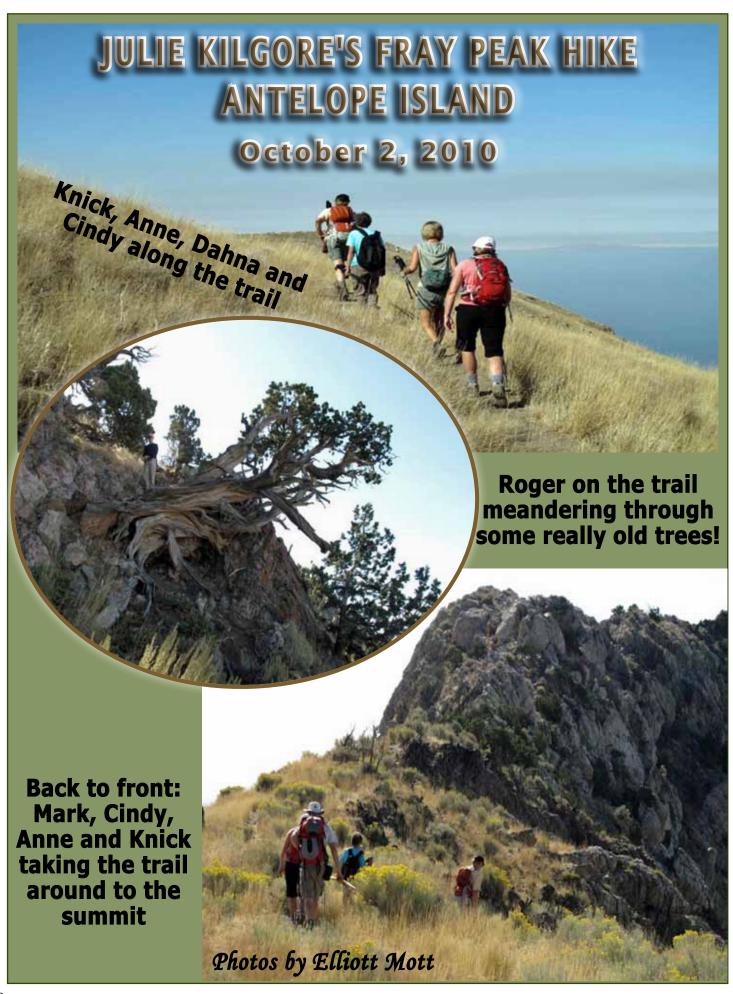
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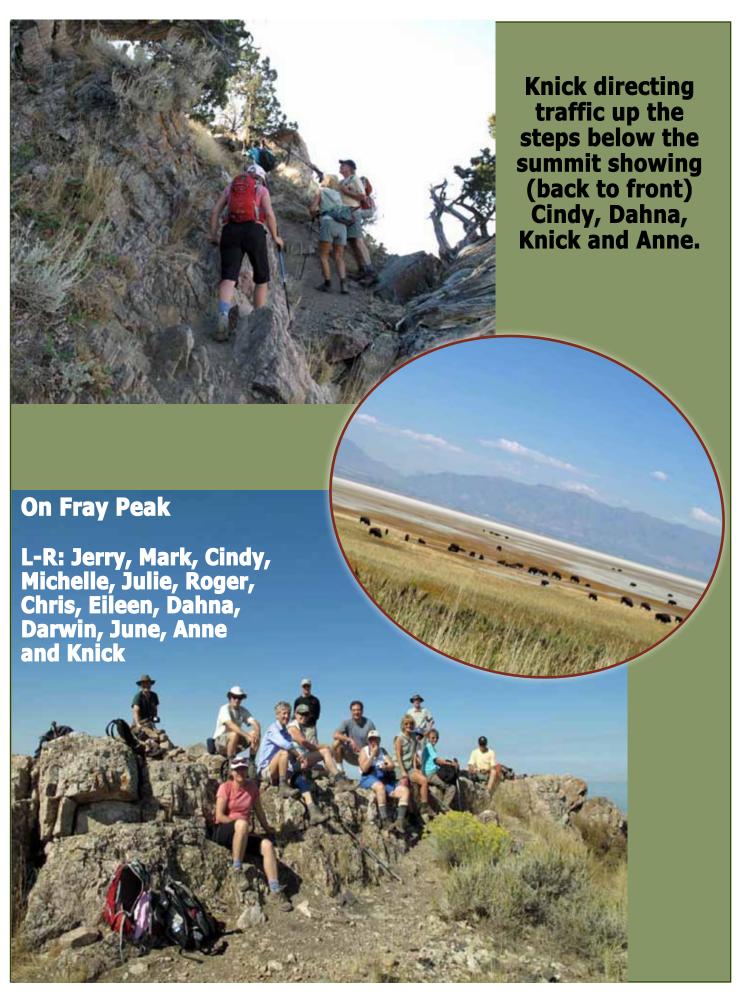
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Sharon Marston

Kyle Menlove

Catherine Baker

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Bruce & Thelma Parsons

S Forrest & Kim Hartley

Robert Partridge & Mindy Dummer

Beatrice Lufkin & Peter Hansen

IF YOU'RE A NEW MEMBER . . . depending on your age and background . . . you might have a few questions:

- 1. How do I get involved in activities?
- 2. What kinds of activities can be organized?
- 3. What is the average age of WMC members?
- 4. How many people participate in the activities?
- 5. How aggressive are the various activity groups?

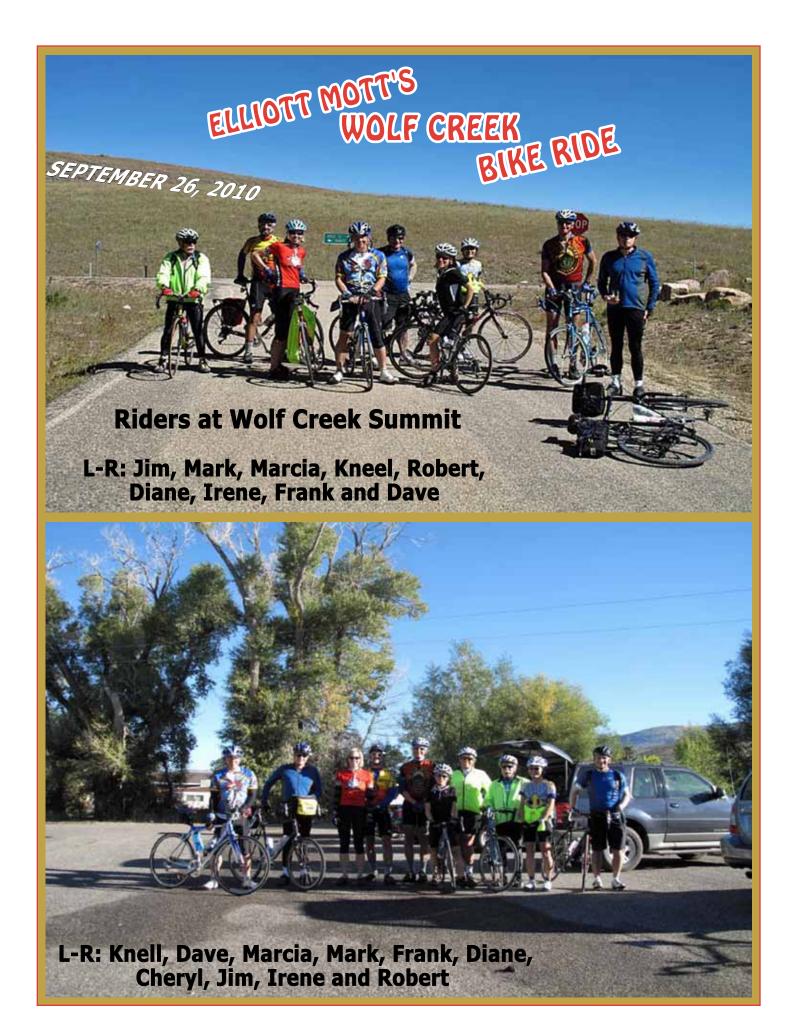
The answers ... ask away! Ask someone in the club! Send an e-mail to wasatchmountainclub@gmail.com or call someone from the governing board (inside front cover). The average age is... honestly, we don't know. Why don't we know? 1. We haven't yet started tracking that information. 2. It doesn't matter. There are older folks who can out-hike/-bike/-paddle any younger person. There are also younger people who like to do light activities. Sometimes tons of people show up for activities; sometimes only a couple. This is the nice thing.

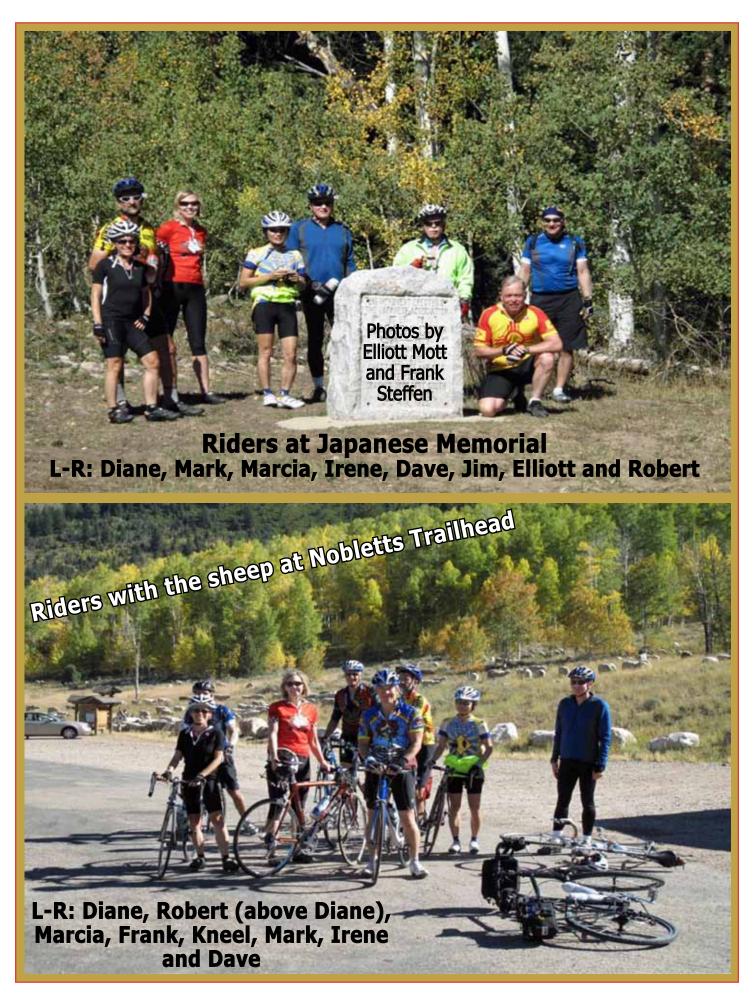
The WMC activities allow for flexibility; if you can show up, do--if you can't, don't. As for how vigorous and aggressive the various activities and groups are (hikers, bikers, etc), contact the director or coordinator. Please don't feel like you can't organize an activity if you don't know your way around. There are so many people who can help you, and you can even decide on a destination at the time of meeting! You might have one or two awkward activities, but just get together with people who share the same interests as you, and you'll be on your way to tons of fun and excitement—things you never thought were possible!

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FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

Butler Fork - Soldier Fork Trail

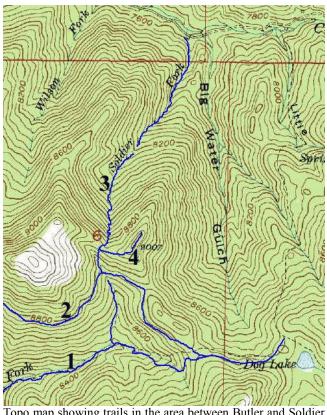
Here is a faint trail that is difficult to follow because some of it has disappeared completely while other parts are terribly choked by downfall and avalanche debris. More is the pity, for it once was the route for an enjoyable evening hike, going up the Big Water trail in Mill Creek Canyon to the pass above Dog Lake, following the Desolation Trail part way around the head of Butler Fork in Big Cottonwood Canyon, then up this lamented trail to Soldier Fork pass and down Soldier Fork to the starting place. But this trail was in place long before the Desolation Trail was made. Its southern terminus was on the Butler Fork trail about a half mile below the pass at the head of the fork. It went up the usually dry drainage to Soldier Fork pass and then down into Mill Creek Canyon. After the Desolation Trail was built in the 1960s the upper part of the Soldier Fork trail received intermittent use, but the lower part was ignored and left to Nature.

What, you may ask, was the purpose of this trail? We have no hard documented evidence of its creation or existence, but there are a number of possibilities. In the late 1850s and on through the 1860s both Big Cottonwood and Mill Creek Canyons hosted a number of sawmills. Archibald Gardener had a rather large operation in Mill Creek Canyon, very close to the end of today's paved road which, incidentally, is where Soldier Fork joins Mill Creek. On the other side of the divide, a Topo map showing trails in the area between Butler and Soldier number of mills were operating, but the ones closest to Forks and Big Water Gulch. No.1 is the Butler Fork trail, No.2 is this trail were Mill D near Mill D North Fork and Mill A the Desolation trail and No.3 is the Soldier Fork trail, whose down Big Cottonwood Canyon a short distance at Mill A northern end is at the lower parking lot at the end of the Mill Creek Gulch. All required much labor, both at the mill and up on the slones cutting and hauling timber. The man on the slopes cutting and hauling timber. The men engaged in this work would have moved from one mill to another as the need for their efforts shifted, just as the miners did a decade later, and this trail was a convenient route to be used.

The northern part of this trail in Soldier Fork may well have been built to access the timber resources there. To be sure, if one walks through the forest on either side of the drainage, a number of logging slides can be



View looking west on the ridge between Soldier and Butler Forks with a transverse prospect trench in the foreground. The Soldier on the distant skyline, Kessler peak at the left.



found. Also, in the 1860s the troops at Camp Douglas had a wood detail in this area, providing some of the camp's need for firewood, poles and lumber, and most likely gave Soldier Fork its name.

While there was very little mining activity in Mill Creek Canyon, the part of this trail in Butler Fork probably did receive use in 1903 when exploration activity took place on the ridge east of Soldier Fork pass. In the spring of that year a miner by the name of Henry Jones filed at least two dozen claims along the Big Cottonwood - Mill Creek ridge. At this time Henry Jones was about 51 years of age. He was a native of Blaenafon, Wales, a mining community where he surely was introduced to mining at a young age. In 1878 he immigrated to the United States with his wife and two children, settling in Colorado for a number of years before moving to Utah about 1895. By that time he had gained a considerable reputation as a mining expert. He Fork pass is down on the right edge of the photo. Twin Peaks are spent some time as superintendent at the Golden Gate Extension mine in Mercur, but other than that his

activities in Utah remain obscure before 1903. He was not a prospector, at least not in the Big or Little Cottonwood Mining Districts because there are no claims on record with his name before that time. The claims he filed then were located to the west of the area of interest here, they being in and above Maxfield Basin. Almost immediately he transferred them to the Maxfield Mining Company for the sum of \$100. Since this happened so fast it causes one to wonder if he was not acting as an agent for the company, but nothing has been found to verify that. He then went farther east and began prospecting on the ridge between Butler Fork, Soldier Fork and Big Water Gulch. In September of 1903 he filed nine claims in that vicinity. Curiously, four of them were given names he had already used earlier that year, but they were not at the same location. Almost immediately after that event he was placed in charge of operations at Steep, heavily wooded slope on the north side of Soldier Pass. the St.Louis-Vassar company's mine at Park City and



nothing more was done with his claims in the Big Cottonwood Mining District, either by him or anyone else. After this time his career took him to many places and positions, including superintending the Little Bell mine at Park City and the Scranton mine in the Tintic district, holding interests in mines in Mercur and western Nevada, and traveling throughout the western states to examine mining properties for various companies. It was not until 1925 that he returned to the Wasatch briefly as a mining engineer for the Logger Mining Company in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Throughout all those years he maintained a residence in Salt Lake City for his family. He died there on 28 June 1925. Henry Jones left a few faint marks from his efforts in 1903. There is a faint trail that runs from the Butler Fork - Soldier Fork trail toward the east along the ridge, and there are a number of trenches across the ridge. The trenches were commonly used by prospectors to explore the rocky backbone of a ridge for suggestions of ore deposits.

As mentioned earlier, the southern terminus of the Soldier Fork trail is on the Butler Fork trail where a shallow drainage comes down from the north, about a half mile below the pass at the head of the fork. The trail climbed to the north, staying close to the bottom of the drainage, but generally keeping to the west side. Early in the year, after the snow has melted but before the grasses grow high, or late in the year after the frost has flattened the vegetation, parts of this trail can be found. As the slope gets steeper, the trail becomes less distinct until it disappears altogether. But it did follow the drainage all the way to the pass.



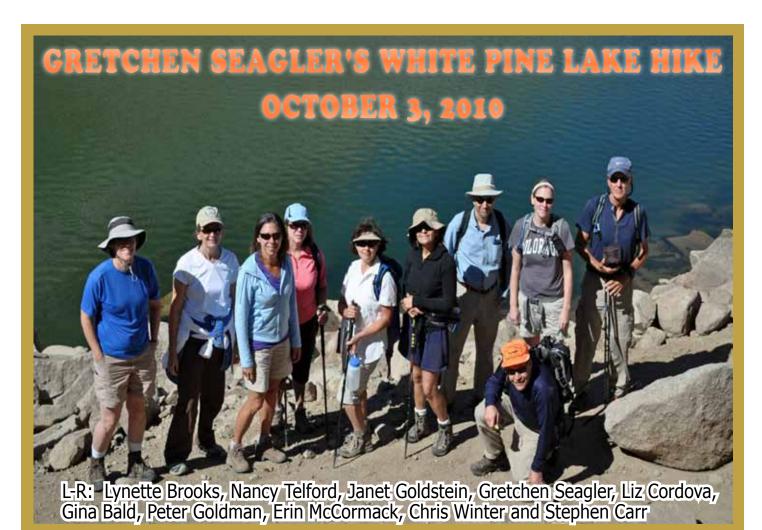
View down the drainage below the north side of Soldier Fork pass. The meadow at the head of the fork lies below, while Mill Creek and a trail becomes clearly visible. Canyon is in the background.

From Soldier Fork Pass the trail headed northeasterly and entered the very dense conifer forest. Being on a steep north facing slope, little light gets through the trees, leaving the slope bare of vegetation and giving it an eerie appearance in the half light. The trail went through numerous switchbacks as it descended, some of which are still apparent among the many transverse animal trails, then left the forest and followed the drainage toward the meadow at the head of Soldier Fork. The trail might be visible in the meadow before the vegetation grows too high, but here the avalanche debris starts to show up and gets worse as the lower end of the meadow pinches down into a narrow gully. The trail used to go on the south side of the drainage, which now is almost completely choked with debris. This continues for about half the length of the fork. Then, if the hiker has not taken refuge in the woods up on the side of the gully, the devastation ends

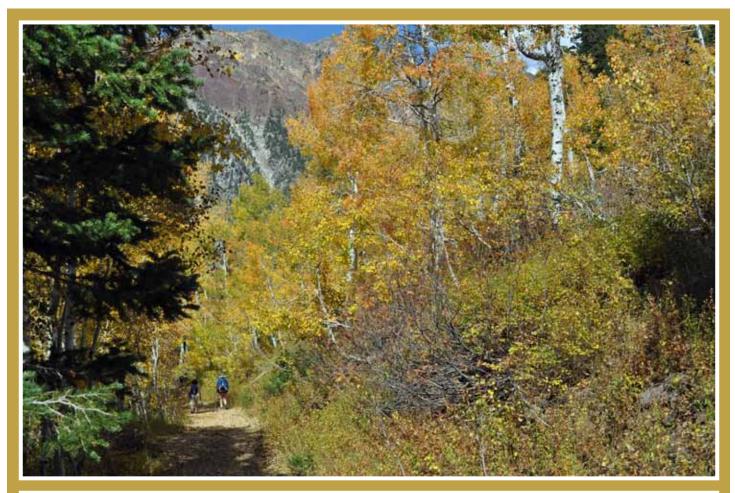
The lower end of the trail, as well as the Soldier Fork drainage runs into the lower parking area at the end of the

Mill Creek Canyon road. It also crosses the Big Water trail a short distance above the parking lot. Since this is a very popular area for hikers, dog lovers and bikers, those who notice the Soldier Fork trail and are the least bit adventurous might follow it to see where it goes. As a result this lower end does get a bit of use and is easy to follow until it runs into the avalanche debris at the point seen as a gap in the trail on the accompanying map.

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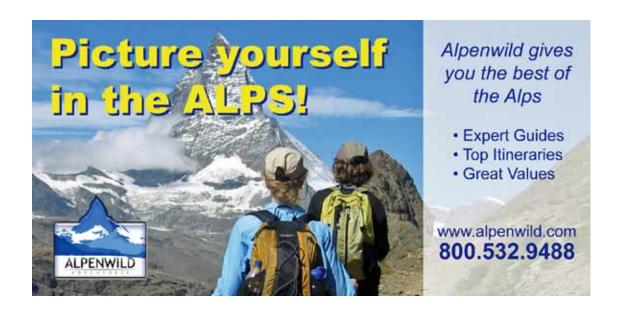
Conference will be held Friday,
November 12, 7:00pm in the Chase Mill at
Tracy Aviary in Liberty Park, Salt Lake City.
The keynote speaker is Kim Crumbo on
"Wolves Returning to Utah: Lessons from
the Arizona Experience". He is an active
member of the Grand Canyon Wolf Recovery
Project and The Wildlands Network steering
committees.

Enjoy scintillating conversation with fellow forest and wildlife lovers, indulge in tasty finger foods and libations, and pick up some great items at the silent auction. Registration for the conference is \$20. For more info, visit www.uec-utah.org.





Chris Winter and Carrie Clark Biking Antelope Island October 2, 2010



2010 TRAIL MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE BY DAVE ANDRENYAK, TRAILS COORDINATOR

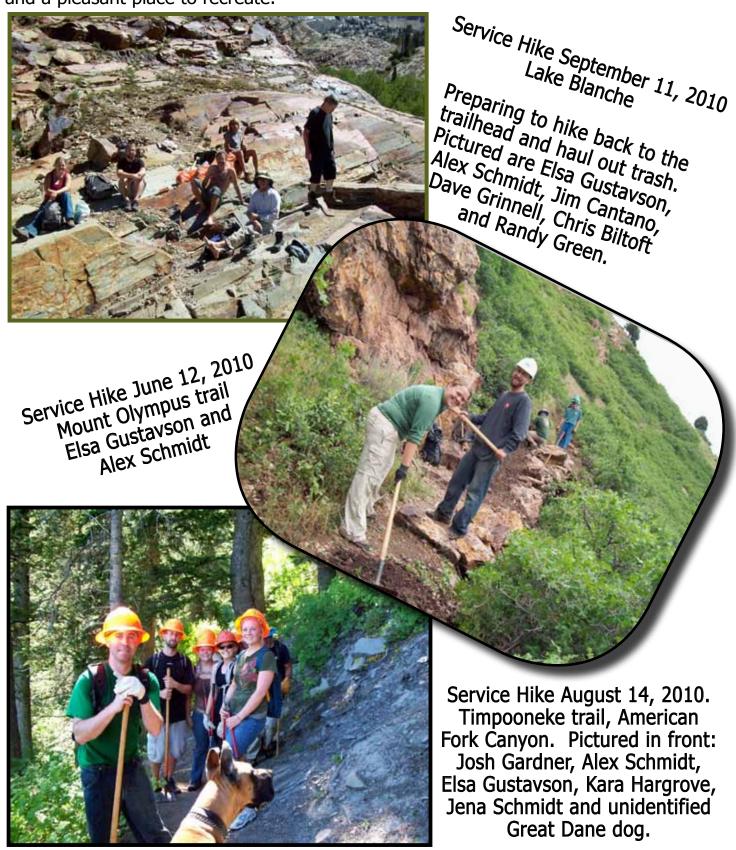
During the 2010 summer hiking season, volunteers from the Wasatch Mountain Club and Save Our Canyons participated in several trail maintenance/service hikes. This service work was performed in cooperation with various land management and trail organizations. The 2010 activities are listed below.

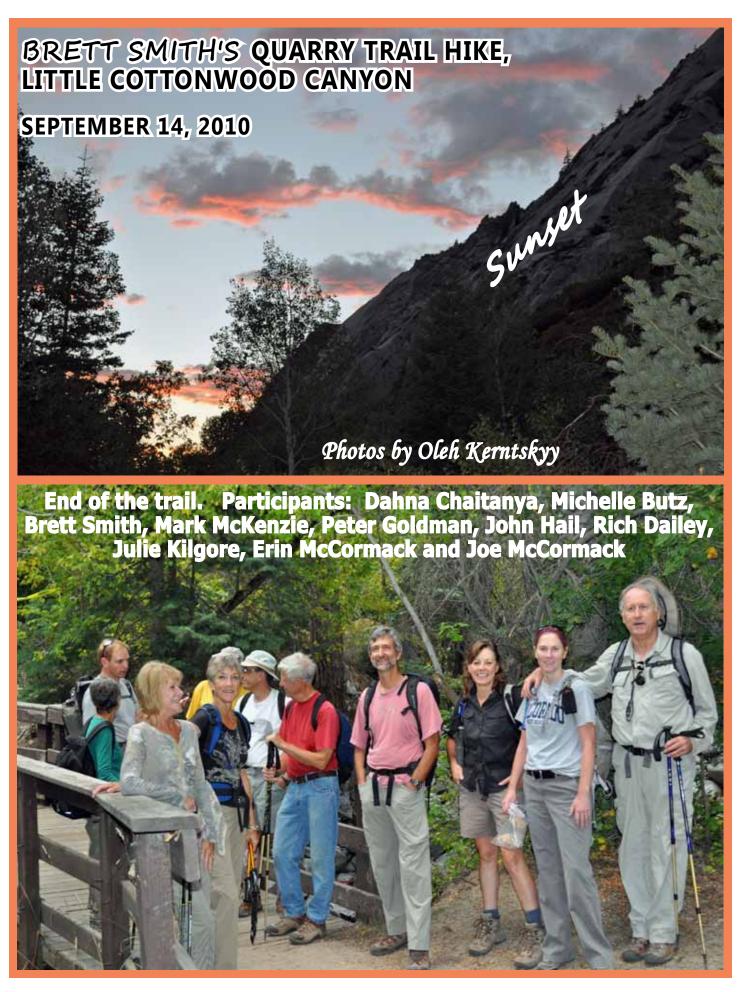
<u>Date/Place</u>	Organizing Agency	<u>Work</u>
May 15	Bonneville Shoreline	Remove berms
Dry Creek	Trail Association	Filled in ruts
June 12	Cottonwood Canyons	Improved tread
Mt. Olympus Trail	Foundation and	Closed illegal trail spurs
	Forest Service	Trimmed back overgrowth
July 10	U.S. Forest Service	Inventoried campsites
	Red Pine Lake area	
	Salt Lake R.D.	Cleaned up trash
	Wilderness Rangers	Rehabilitated campsites
August 14	Wilderness Rangers U.S. Forest Service	Rehabilitated campsites Trimmed back overgrowth
August 14 Timpooneke Trail	•	•
•	U.S. Forest Service	Trimmed back overgrowth
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Timpooneke Trail	U.S. Forest Service Pleasant Grove R.D.	Trimmed back overgrowth Removed rocks off trail Maintained grade dips

These activities help maintain popular travel routes and preserve the ecological integrity of the natural areas. It also provided opportunities for the volunteers to connect with the mountains, forests, and each other, in ways that are service oriented.

The volunteers on the service hikes were: Peter Anderson, Laurel Casjens, Ed Chillington, Scott Crabill, Carl Detar, Joe Fisher, Gabe Glass, Max Goldsmith, Taylor Graves, Aaron Heberer, Henry Liston, Julie Shrieve, Gina Ramoz, Taylor Williamson, Brett Smith, Marv Stoddard, Aerie Debevec, Elsa Gustavson, Alex Schmitt, Margie Gendler, Sushil Sompusm David Grinnell, Gina Klimovira, Joanna Libby, Lila ___, Fred Swanson, Jim Kucera, Michael Yomel, Steve Willis, Jena Schmitt, Josh Gardner, Kara Hargrove, Jon Kamerer, Carl James, Chris Biltoft, Jim Cantano, Carl Fisher, Randy Long and Dave Andrenyak. THANK YOU volunteers for your outstanding efforts on the service hikes. If I missed anyone, let me know so that you will be recognized.

In addition to the service hikes, it is important to recognize that Wasatch Mountain Club members perform trail maintenance tasks on regular hikes. These tasks include picking up and carrying out trash, removing rocks from the trail tread, and pruning back plants that have grown into the trail space. Some members go to great efforts to preserve the faint trails of the Wasatch. THANKS to all that keep the Wasatch beautiful and a pleasant place to recreate.









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Photo taken by Bruce Moore on the Box Elder Trail

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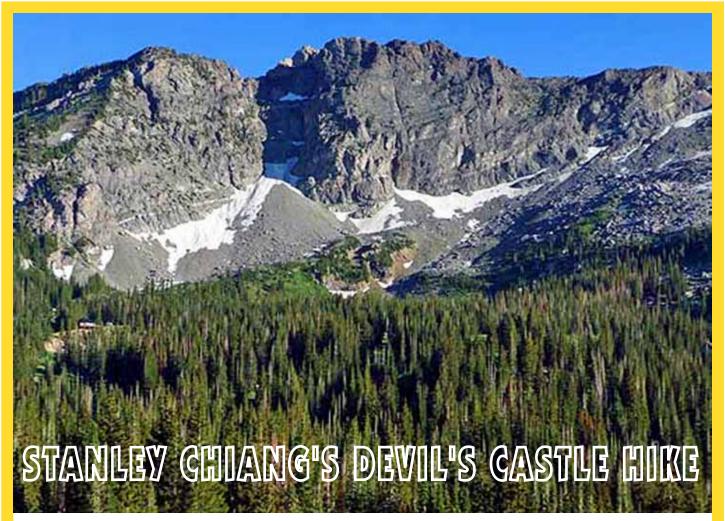
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This space is reserved for those members placing ads for used and recreational gear or for private and non-commercial and not-for-profit activities. To submit an ad, e-mail it to wasatchmountainclub@gmail.com by the 10th of each month prior to publication. Non WMC members \$5.00 up to 20 words, \$0.20 per additional word.

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REMEMBER: There is also a "Gear Swap" area online where you can post what you are looking for, or place something that you want to sell or get rid of. It seems to be more up-to-date most of the time, due to the hard copy of the Rambler only being produced once a month.



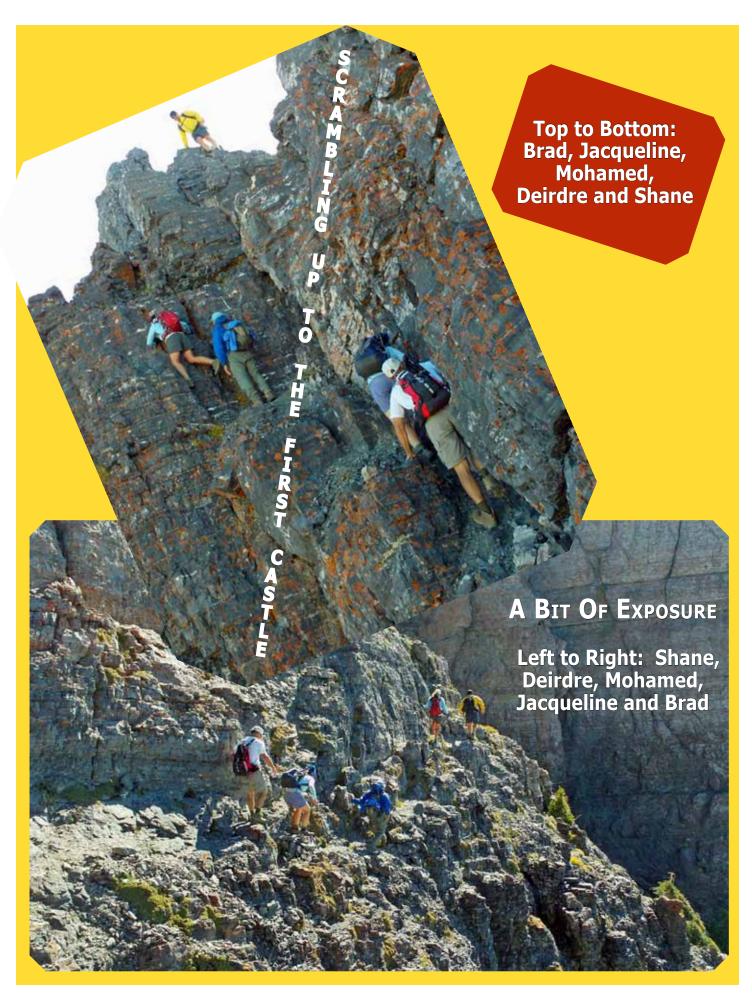


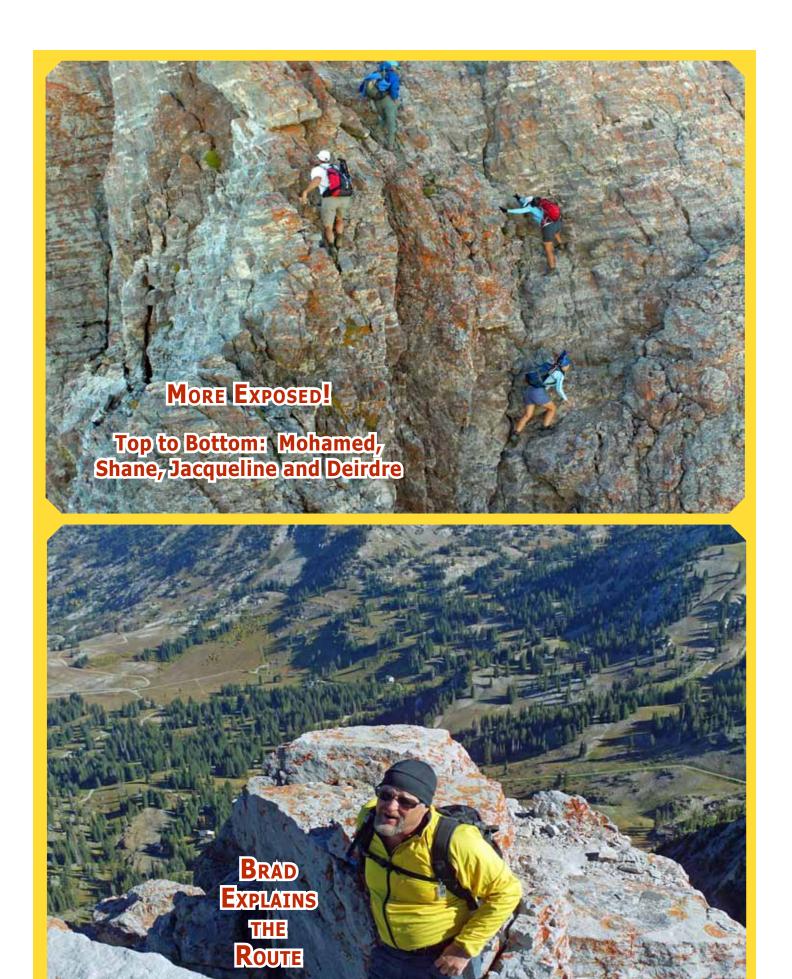
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Devil's Castle is a dark, rugged peak (elevation 10,920 ft/3,328 m) that rises above Cecret Lake in Albion Basin high above Alta Ski Resort. Albion Basin is a beautiful place and Devil's Castle provides the ultimate backdrop. The rock of Devil's Castle is of high quality and is surpassed only by the rock quality of Lone Peak. It is a short hike to the base of Devil's Castle, but the easiest climbing route requires Class 5.2-5.5 YDS moves with exposure.

Albion Basin is located at the end of the road up Little Cottonwood Canyon and begins at the town of Alta. Follow the paved road 8.5 miles passing both Snowbird and Alta Ski Resorts along the way. After 8.5 miles, the pavement ends with a dirt road continuing 2.5 more miles to the Albion Basin trailhead. (from summitpost.org)

Participants: Brad Yates, Mohamed Abdallah, Shane Bode, Jacqueline Bode, Deirdre Flynn and John Ostrowski. Photos by Stanley Chiang.







THE BOATERS PINK FLAMINGO PARTY

SEPTEMBER 11, 2010 BY DON URRIZAGA

Flamingos of a Feather migrated to our gracious host Cindy Crass' house in the early evening on September 11th to attend the World Famous "Pink Flamingo". The "Pink Flamingo" - a tall slender pink bird with long legs - is the WMC Boaters' time-honored annual celebration to toast the end of another successful boating season.

Attendees wear pink attire and strut, inflate, ruffle, fan, bob, weave, and swirl, as they perform the, seldom witnessed by humans, Pink Flamingo mating ritual.

We started the evening with cocktails and socializing. More socializing followed after more cocktails. We lounged and mingled on Cindy's veranda enjoying perfect weather, a gorgeous backdrop, and a slowly setting sun in the West. Bret Mathews was silhouetted by the setting sun as he toiled over a hot grill barbequing chicken.

Dinner, augmented by Bret's barbecued chicken, was an attractive array of potluck dishes brought by everyone for our pecking enjoyment. A flamingo's pink or reddish feather, leg, and facial coloration come from a diet high in alpha and beta carotenoid pigments, including canthaxanthin. The richest sources of carotenoids are found in the algae and various invertebrates that make up the bulk of the flamingo diet. Unfortunately the array was somewhat short on algae and invertebrates; however we did have plenty of shrimp.

Mark McKenzie, Bob Cady, and Rick Thompson had jaw-dropping tales to tell about

Our Best Costume \$25 gift certificate winner, Connie Nelson

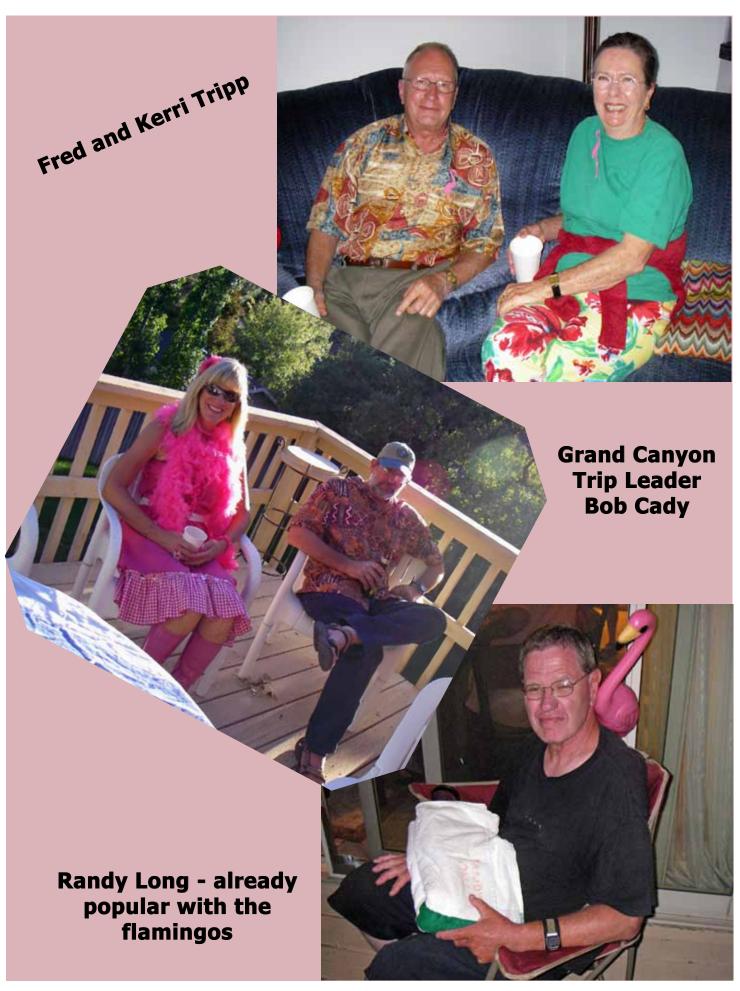
their bold adventures, skillfully overcoming perils and hazards on big water, on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon and on the Payette River in Idaho.

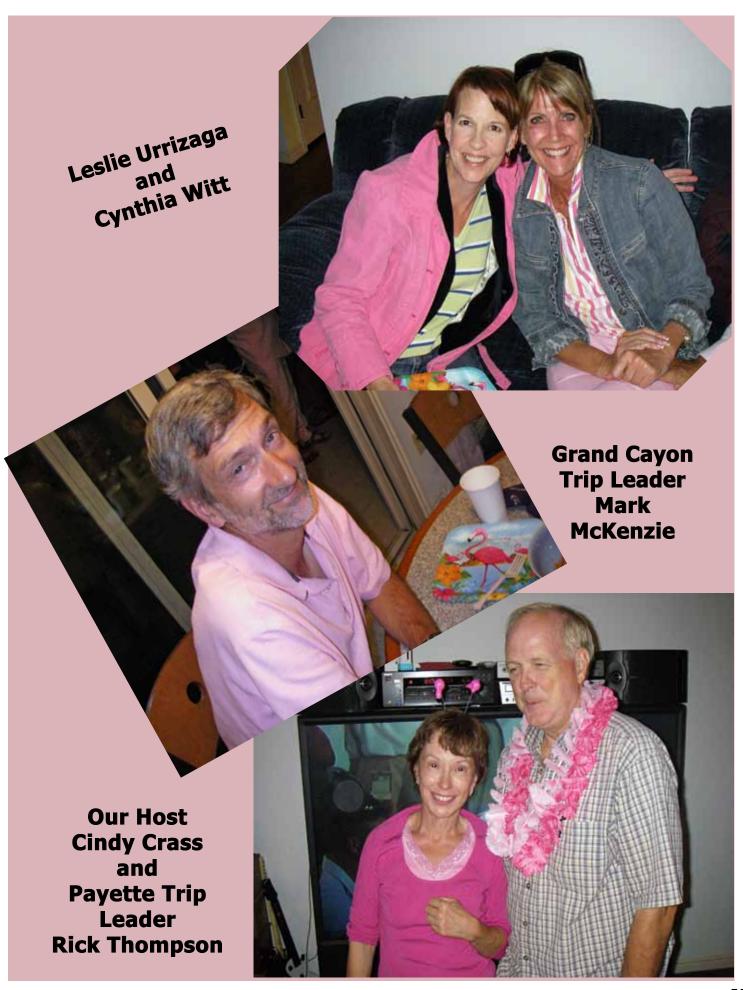
We judged who had the best costume – and wondered if some were actual costumes or real scales and feathers – and awarded a \$25 gift certificate from Kirkham's Outdoor Sports to Connie Nelson.

Time, as time does, like flamingos, flew by, and it was time to go home to our own roosts and have happy dreams about future endeavors.

A BIG HUGE THANK YOU to Bret Mathews and Cindy Crass!!!







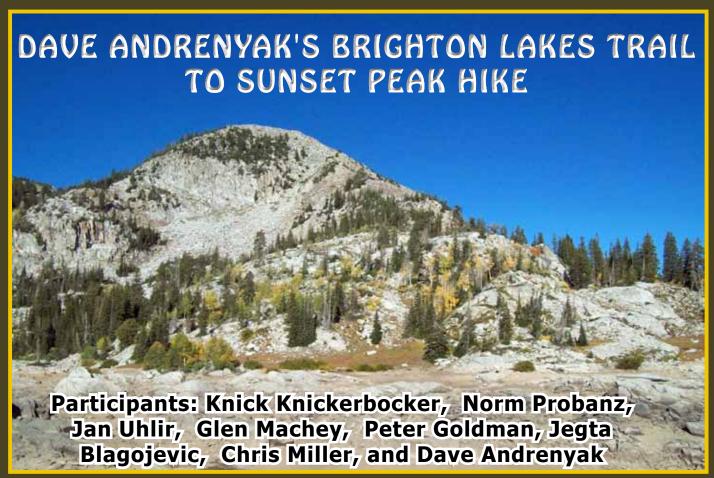


Roger Upwall and Margie Gendler

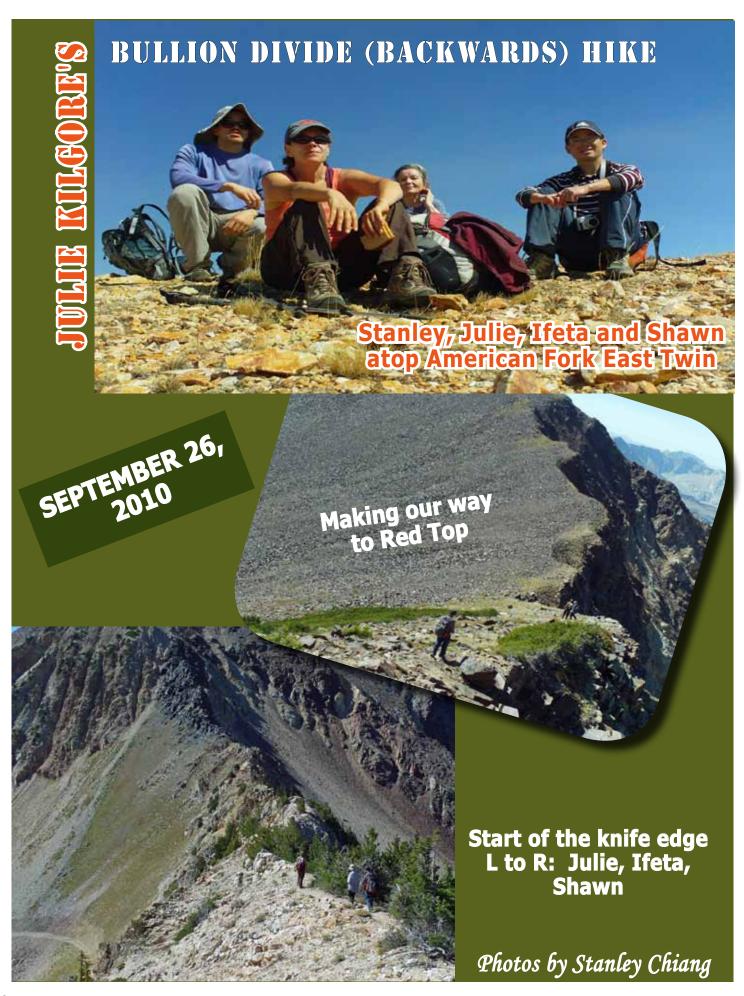
Tales around the round table - Mark McKenzie and Margie Gendler

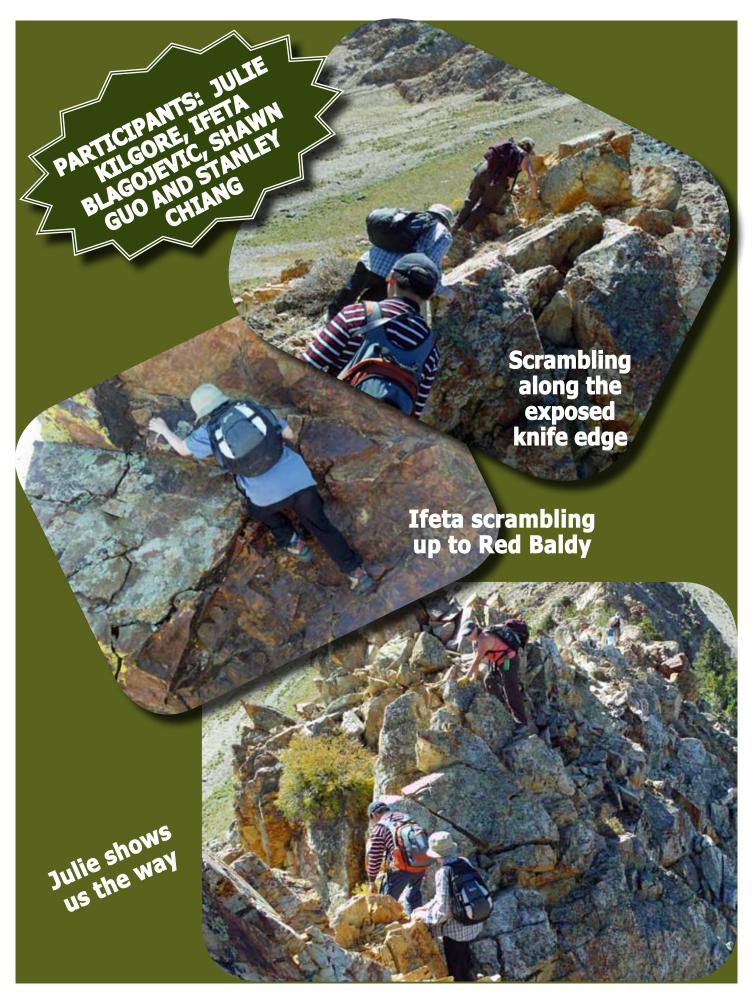


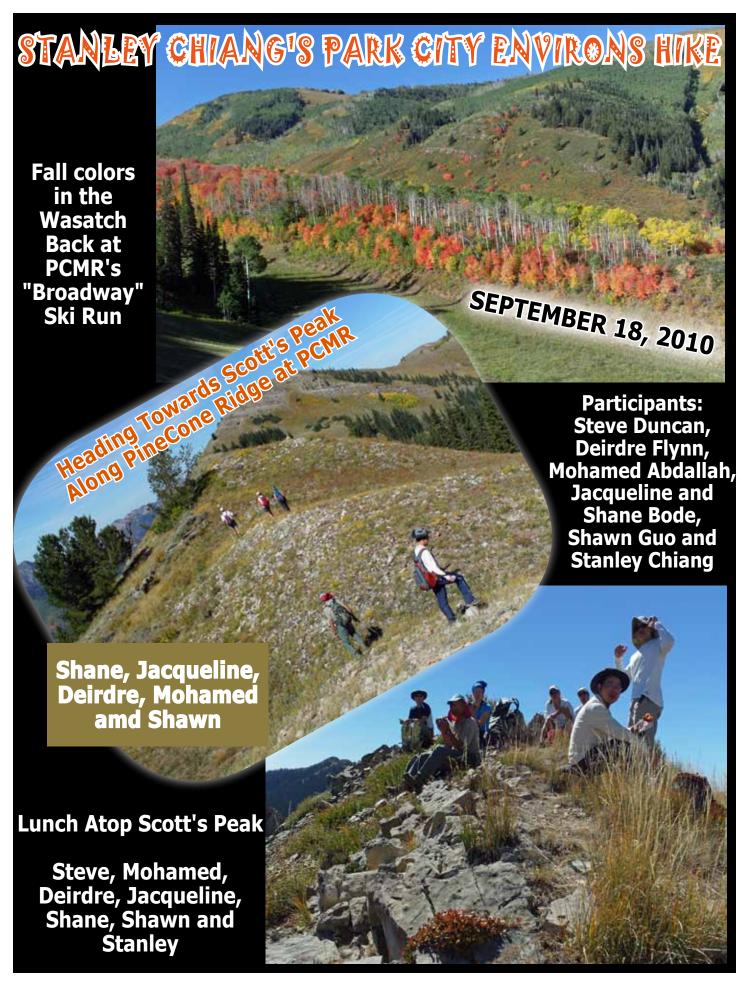
The display of potluck









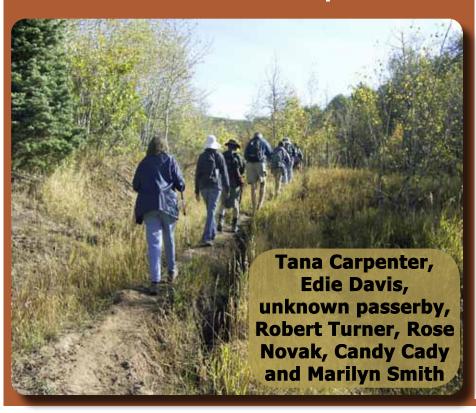


MARILYN SMITH'S KILLYON CANYON HIKE

OCTOBER 10, 2010



Robert Turner (back row), Rose Novak, Marilyn Smith, Eileen Gidley, Candy Cady, Edie Davis and Tana Carpenter



Killyon Canyon is recently purchased by the Utah Open Lands, with help from the Wasatch Mountain Club Conservation Fund. If you value this use of WMC funds, you might want to consider making a donation along with vour next membership renew. Killyon is a lovely hike with several options. It's a great destination for an after-work hike or snowshoe. From the trailhead, one reaches a saddle about 2 miles in. There one can extend the hike in different directions to **Lookout Point, Little** Mountain or Affleck Park in East Canvon.

Our group of 8 decided on a leisurely hike to Affleck Park, which is about another 1/2 mile on. The leaves were brilliant colors and the trail was in good condition. WMC members Bob Grant, **Robert Turner, Rose** Novak, Eileen Gidley, Candy Cady and **Marilyn Smith were** joined by not-yetmembers Edie Davis and Kama Carpenter.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC director can be listed in The Rambler. Direct submissions to the Editor are NOT accepted. To submit your activity to the club, login to the WMC website and click on "Volunteer to Organize An Activity". The appropriate director will approve and/or edit this event for inclusion in both the web calendar and Rambler submissions. The deadline is 6:00 p.m. on the 10th of the month.

Rules and Regulations:

- 1. Dogs & Children are not allowed on WMC activities, except when specifically stated in the activity description.
- 2. **Car pool rates:** Gas plus \$0.15/mile, shared by everyone in the vehicle (including driver) on 2WD roads, OR gas plus \$0.25/mile on 4WD roads.

Notice to Non-Members: Most WMC activities are open to prospective members except when specifically stated in the activity description.

Find out about unofficial activities on our email lists. Activities formed with these lists are for members only. Lists are to be used only for the scheduling of outdoor activities. Any use of this service for any other purpose, such as advertising, SPAM, jokes, etc, will result in the loss of privilege. To subscribe: Once logging into the website, click on "Email Lists" on the left-hand side. Then follow the online instructions. (Boaters: E-mail the Boat Director—inside front cover—for more information.)

Group size limits in wilderness: Some National Forest ranger districts limit the size of gropus hiking in wilderness areas. For such hikes, the hike listing will indicate the maximum number of participants (not including the organizer). Please help our organizers on hikes with group size limits by arriving promptly and being understanding if you cannot be accommodated on the hike because of a limit.

Activity Difficulty Rating

0.1-4.0 > Not Too Difficult (NTD)

Lightly Strenuous

4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD) Moderate to Very Strenuous

8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD)

Very Strenuous, Difficult 11.1+ > Extreme (EXT)

Very Strong, Well-Seasoned Hikers

B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking

E > Elevation change > 5,000 feet M > Round trip mileage > 15 miles

R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding

S > Scrambling

X > Exposure

W > Wilderness area, limit 14

Be kind. When you carpool up local canyons, please give the driver \$1.50 or \$2.00 to help with gas and the wear and tear on the vehicle.

Directions to Meeting Places

Mill Creek Canyon Park and Ride Lot: Between 3800 S and 3900 S on Wasatch Blvd (3555 E), between the I-215 freeway and Wasatch Blvd along 3900 S. It is on the northwest corner of the intersection. You can ONLY enter it from the west-bound lanes of 3900 S. To get to the Mill Creek Canyon Rd from the Park and Ride lot without making a U-turn, go west (right) on 3900 S, proceed under the freeway, then turn north (right) at the next available street, which is Birch Dr; proceed north to Upland Dr (across from Skyline High School); go east (right) under the freeway and across Wasatch Blvd to the Mill Creek Canyon Rd (3800 S).

Skyline High School: 3251 E Upland Drive (3760 S). From the intersection of Wasatch Blvd and the Mill Creek Canyon Rd (3800 S), go west under the I-215 freeway, then turn north (right) into the entrance opposite Birch Dr (3330 E). **Butler Elementary:** 2700 E just south of 7000 S

Big Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride Lot: At the northeast corner of the Big Cottonwood Canyon Rd and Wasatch Blvd. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon.

6200 Park and Ride Lot: 6450 S Wasatch Blvd. Go two lights east and south on 6200 S from the I-215 overpass and turn east (left) onto Wasatch Blvd; the lot is immediately on your left. Sometimes used as an overflow lot for access to Big Cottonwood Canyon.

Ft. Union Lot #4: 200 yards west of Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride, near the Porcupine Pub & Grille (which is located at 3698 Ft. Union Blvd).

Little Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride Lot: 4323 E Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd. On the north side of the intersection of Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd and Quarry Rd at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.

Utah Travel Council Parking Lot: About 120 E 300 N. Go east from the intersection of State St and 300 N and turn south (right) into the first parking lot.

Parleys Way K-Mart Parking Lot: 2705 Parleys Way. From Parleys Way, turn north into the parking lot; or from Foothill Drive, turn west on Stringham Ave (2295 S) and then south into the lot.

ACTIVITIES LISTING

See online Calendar for updated and additional events and trips.

Date	Activity
Nov 2	Evening Hike: Avenue Twin Peaks – ntd
Tue	Meet: 6:00 pm at Alexis Kelner's home
	Organizer: Alexis Kelner 801-359-5387
	Join Alexis for this first in a series he'll organize up to the Avenue Twins. Each time Alexis will take a different route. See spectacular views of the valley and the Salt Lake cityscape. There's about 1000 feet of elevation gain and a round-trip of about 2.5 miles. Meet at Alexis Kelner's home at 1201 1st Avenue (corner of 1st Ave. and "U" Street). There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.
Nov 4	Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods – ntd+
Thu	Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)
	Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703
	Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the "over the hill" bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time.
Nov 6	Cedar Mountains Day Hike – mod – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 3000' ascent – Moderate pace
Sat	Meet: Registration required
	Organizer: Gregory Bronder 435 843-9495 gdbkcb03@comcast.net
	With cooler weather and impending snow in the higher elevations, the west desert becomes more attractive to those not wanting to quite give up the hiking season. We will be hiking the highest peak and maybe a few other minor summits (Tabby's Peak) in the Cedar Mountains. The Cedar Mountains are directly west of the Stansbury Mountains on I-80 in Tooele County
Nov 6	Snowshoe?/hike – mod
Sat	Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
	Organizer: Shane Bode 801 272-7412 shanejaq@msn.com
	Organizers choice. Weather determines destination. Come prepared for snowshoeing or hiking.
Nov 6	Conservation: Adopt-a-highway
Sat	Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
	Organizer: Jamie Kulju 360 606-9405 jrkulju@gmail.com
	Please join the Conservation Group and offer a hand in tidying up Wasatch Blvd. before this seasons' trash gets buried for the winter. Consider helping out if you have been enjoying the canyons this summer and fall. A special appeal to WMC roadies, come on out and help keep this stretch of road free from tire puncturing, swerve causing obstacles. Trash bags and flattering orange vests provided; please bring your own gloves (you will want them). Clean-up should take just an hour or two and is a surprisingly good time. Call Sarah at (214) 264-6295. Thanks.

Nov 6 Snowshoe/hike: Happy Valley Adventure - mod

Sat

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Andy Beard and Jude Elizondo 801-971-8001 judelizondo@aol.com

Andy and Jude will be doing a hike/snowshoe in the South end of the valley. Plan on about 10 miles and about 3,000 ft elevation gain. Might even be a MOD+. They will be going from Dry Creek to BattleCreek. A car will need to be spotted for a shuttle. If you are coming from Salt Lake you can meet at the Draper 12300S park and ride - just north of the Flying J - at 8:45. The SL group will leave sharply at 9:00am to meet Andy and Jude and the rest of the South valley crowd at Kohlers at 9:20. To get to Kohlers: take the Alpine exit of I-15 and go east on 92 to the junction with the Alpine Hwy. No dogs please. Please call to register. Jude's cell phone is 801-971-8001 and Andy's cell is 801-671-2434.

Nov 6 Ogden Frontrunner Loop Road Bike – mod – 70.0 mi Loop

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Salt Lake Central FrontRunner Station, 250 South 600 West

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

This is half bike ride and half train ride. Our itinerary is to ride our bikes north in a sweeping clockwise loop through the scenic rural agricultural lands west of Ogden, and then let UTA's FrontRunner buck the south headwind on our return to Salt Lake. Plan on a ride of about 70 miles over easy flat to rolling terrain with stops along the way to regroup, and a late lunch in Ogden. Bring lunch money, and an extra \$5.00 for a train ticket back. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at the Salt Lake Central Station, 250 South 600 West, at 9:00AM.

Nov 7 Snowshoe/hike: Dog Lake - ntd - 6.0 mi - 1400' ascent

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Chris Winter 801-532-1646 cdw mmn@yahoo.com

Chris is headed to Dog Lake at 9am. Come prepared according to the conditions to either snowshoe or hike.

Nov 7 Hike: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at 6100 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark McKenzie 801-913-8439 mark.mckenzie@slcc.edu

Mark will pick a destination suitable for the conditions and weather today. Come and enjoy late Fall in the Wasatch!

Nov 9 Evening Hike: Avenue Twin Peaks - ntd

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Alexis Kelner's home

Organizer: Alexis Kelner 801-359-5387

Join Alexis for this second in a series he'll organize up to the Avenue Twins. Each time Alexis will take a different route. See spectacular views of the valley and the Salt Lake cityscape. There's about 1000 feet of elevation gain and a round-trip of about 2.5 miles. Meet at Alexis Kelner's home at 1201 1st Avenue (corner of 1st Ave. and "U" Street). There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

Nov 11 General Membership Meeting

Thu

Meet: 7:30 pm at Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church, 3280 East 3900 South, South side of street, just west of I 215 off ramp.

Organizer: John Veranth 801 278-5826 veranth@xmission.com

Agenda: 1) Discussion and vote on the lodge 2) Vote on new life members 3) Presentation to be announced next month.

Nov 11 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the "over the hill" bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time.

Nov 13 Day Hike, Organizers Choice - mod

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6100 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Steven Duncan 801 474-0031 duncste@comcast.net

Organizers choice depending on weather.

Nov 13 Snowshoe Or Hike: Organizer's Choice - ntd+

Sat

Meet: 10:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Join Tom for an outing in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Call ahead of time if you want to know weather to bring Yak Trax, snowshoes, or just hiking boots.

Nov 14 Afternoon Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd

Sun

Meet: 1:00 pm at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129

Join Robert Turner at 1pm to find out what great destination he has in mind for today. If there's no snow, we can always hike!

Nov 14 Hike: Little Black Mountain - mod

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at 11th Ave Park

Organizer: Roger Young 801-943-6673 rsyoung@rockwellcollins.com

Roger is heading to Little Black Mountain from the Avenues. Meet him at the 11th Ave Park which has a parking lot on the Northwest corner of 11th ave and Terrace Hills Drive (North of the cemetary and East of the Mausoleum). Bring appropriate footwear for the conditions that day.

Nov 16 Evening Hike: Avenue Twin Peaks - ntd

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Alexis Kelner's home

Organizer: Alexis Kelner 801-359-5387

Join Alexis for this third in a series he'll organize up to the Avenue Twins. Each time Alexis will take a different route. See spectacular views of the valley and the Salt Lake cityscape. There's about 1000 feet of elevation gain and a round-trip of about 2.5 miles. Meet at Alexis Kelner's home at 1201 1st Avenue (corner of 1st Ave. and "U" Street). There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

Nov 18 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the "over the hill" bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time.

Nov 19 Social: Sing-a-long At Rocky Mountain Pizza Restaurant

Fri *Meet:* 6:30 pm at Rocky Mountain Pizza restaurant: In the Olympus Hills Shopping Center on Wasatch Blvd at 3900 South.

Organizer: Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 435-649-4507 or cell: 301-461-0161 fredgtripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

NOVEMBER 19 - FRI SOCIAL: SING-A-LONG, definitely NTD. A fun evening of song, socializing and enjoying good food. The festivities begin at 6:30 PM and last until 10 or so. Stretch your vocal chords (and bring any musical instrument that you'd like to play) and join the singers at the Rocky Mountain Pizza restaurant located in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center on Wasatch Blvd at 3900 South. Pizza, salads, subs, calzones, beer and soft drinks are available for purchase. This is not a potluck. Questions? Need encouragement? ..or would like more information call Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 (email at fredgtripp@gmail.com) or Frank Bernard at frankbernard55@earthlink.net Be sure to add your name to our email list to receive any updates and info on future sessions. Just go the WMC web site: Click on Member Menu; Click on EMAIL LIST SUBSCRIBE & UNSUBSCRIBE; Log In, follow the directions to subscribe and select the "SOCIAL" category. When finished return to Member Menu and Log Off.

Nov 20 Hike/yak Trax - Coyote Hollow - ntd

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Ballard Equestrian Park Trailhead, 1600 East Highland Drive

Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com

Draper City has built and/or improved several foothills trails and Julie would like to go explore them. The Coyote Hollow trail begins very near the Draper temple but parking is limited. Meet at the Ballard Equestrian Park to car pool. Call the morning of the hike if weather is questionable.

Nov 20 Snowshoe Or Hike: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Karen Perkins 801-272-2225 karenp@xmission.com

Join Karen at 9:00 am to see where she will be taking the group today. Come prepared to either snowshoe or hike - the activity will depend on the conditions.

Nov 21 Nordic Ski Tour: Upper Reaches Of The Uintas - ntd+ - Out & Back - Slow pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721 Early season cross-country ski tour.

Nov 21 Hike: Birch Hollow - mod

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Liz Cordova 801-486-0909 lizc@email.utcourts.gov

Join Liz for a hike in Millcreek at a steady but relaxed pace. Bring the most appropriate footwear for the weather and conditions - boots, Yak Trax, Microspikes or snowshoes. The destination will be Birch Hollow trail or something similar.

Nov 21 Dog Snowshoe Or Hike: Organizer's Choice - ntd+

Sun

Meet: 10:00 am at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Tom invites you and your four legged friends for an outing in Millcreek Canyon. Call ahead of time if you want to know weather to bring Yak Trax, snowshoes, or just hiking boots. Otherwise, come prepared for anything.

Nov 25 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the "over the hill" bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time.

Nov 25 Boulder Car Camp - ntd+

Thu - Meet: Registration required

Nov 28 Sun

Organizer: John & Martha Veranth 801 278-5826 veranth@xmission.com

Base camp from Veranths' cabin in Boulder UT. Get out of town and enjoy the late fall desert slickrock hiking. Camper vehicles and tents welcome or you can use the garage floor. Option 1. Join us for group Thanksgiving dinner and stay the weekend. Option 2. Drive down Friday. Contact us and we will email full details and logistics.

Nov 25 Day Hike, Neffs Canyon - ntd - 4.0 mi Out & Back - 1500' ascent - Moderate pace

Thu

Meet: 10:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: David Rabiger 801-964-8190 drabiger@utah.gov

Come join me with my dog Kona for a NTD hike up Neffs canyon to Wilderness Boundary before a day of feast and football. Yak Trak may be appropriate for condtions.

Nov 26 Snowshoe: Greens Basin - ntd - 4.0 mi - 1000' ascent

Fri Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark Jones 801-486-5354

Need to work off some pumpkin pie and that third helping of mashed potatoes? Join Mark Jones for a post-Thanksgiving snowshoe to Greens Basin.

Nov 27 Snowshoe Or Hike: Organizer's Choice - ntd - Slow pace

Sat Meet: 9:15 am at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Doug Stark 801 277-8538

Tom will choose a location in Millcreek for this outing. Come prepared for either a snowshoe or hike - at the time of this posting it is too early to know what the conditions will be. This will be a leisurely paced trip.

Nov 27 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Deirdre Flynn and Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 deirdre.flynn@marriott.com

Meet at 9am to find out where Deirdre and Mohamed plan to go. If there's not enough snow, we may do a yak trax/micro-spikes hike. Come prepared for either activity.

Nov 28 Snowshoe: Catherine's Pass - mod

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Liz Cordova 801-486-0909 lizc@email.utcourts.gov

Liz is headed to Catherine's Pass from Alta. Bring the most appropriate footwear for the weather and conditions -boots, Yak Trax, Microspikes or snowshoes. She plans on keeping a steady, but not rushed pace.

Nov 28 Nordic Ski Tour- Mill Creek Canyon Road - 9.0 mi Out & Back - 1400' ascent

Sun Meet: 8:30 am at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-582-6106 andrenyakda@aim.com

If there is enough snow, the plan is to ski from the gate at Maple Grove to the Big Water Trailhead parking lot. If snow cover is too thin, I propose walking or snowshoeing on the road.

Dec 2 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu *Meet:* 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

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Dec 3 Hike/yak Trax - West Granduer - mod+ - 4.0 mi Out & Back - 3200' ascent - Moderate pace

Fri Meet: 9:00 am at 3900 South Wasatch Boulevard UTA Park and Ride

Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com

The trail up the west side of Granduer is well traveled and makes a nice winter hike if it's been at least a few days since the last snow storm. Last year we made the summit on Thanksgiving day.

Dec 5 Snowshoe: Grizzly Gulch - mod

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Carrie Clark and Rick Gamble 801-519-9257 skithebrd@yahoo.com

Join Carrie and Rick on a snowshoe (or hike) to Grizzly Gulch from Alta. Meet at 9am and bring your 10E's.

Dec 9 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the "over the hill" bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time.

Dec 12 Nordic Ski Tour: Norway Flat, Upper Boulder Creek, & North Of Iron Mine Mountain – mod+ – 17.0 mi Out Sun & Back – 2200' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: 8:15 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

Cross-country ski tour up one the five side canyons that intercept SR-150 along the winter access route. All day tour, but carpools may be arranged for separate return times if there is enough interest. Generally, lighter weight backcountry touring gear (with swix, scales, or skins) is used, however, skiers need to make their own gear choices based on skill level and gear weight to ensure safe and efficient travel. Beacons and winter safety gear advised. Contact trip organizer if driving from the Park City area. Meet at 8:15 am for a prompt 8:30 departure. NTD+ to MOD+.

Dec 12 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sun

Meet: 9:30 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Kerry Faigle 801-232-8984 kfaigle@sisna.com

After enjoying the sun in Fiji last month, Kerry has returned and wants to play in the snow. He will pick a suitable destination in Big Cottonwood Canyon for the conditions.

Dec 18 Nordic Ski Tour: Wasatch Citizens Series (wcs) Race #1 - mod - 6.2 mi Loop - Fast pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

Soldier Hollow 10k Classic, visit www.utahnordic.com (non-WMC event).

Dec 26 Nordic Ski Tour: North Fork Of The Provo (uintas) – mod – 14.0 mi Out & Back – 1400' ascent – Moderate Sun pace

Meet: 8:00 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721 mberryxc@earthlink.net

Cross-country ski tour follows rolling terrain through forest and past meadows and beaver ponds to the 2.5 mile mark. The 'kick & glide' gives way to moderately difficult terrain leading up the the old yurt (site) ruins at the 3.0 mile mark. The long valley beyond and scenery is a just reward. Generally, lighter weight backcountry touring gear (with swix or scales) is used. Carpools may be arranged for separate return times if there is enough interest. Contact organizer if driving from Park City. Beacons are not reqired on this trip. Winter safety gear and head-lamps are advised. Meet at 8:00 am for a prompt 8:15 am departure. NTD to MOD.

Dec 31 Mountain Bike-test-no "characteristics"

Fri

Meet: 12:00 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Bret Mathews 801-273-0315 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

This event will be created without any of the Characteristics fields filled in, ie I'm leaving all of these files unset ===> Rating (NTD/MOD/MSD/...), Route(Loop/Out&Back/Shuttle), Pace (Slow/Moderate/Fast), Miles, Vertical Gain. Since the Pace is left unset the Organizer might include something like this "Obviously it makes sense for each of us to go at the pace we are comfortable with. For safety sake at the end of the ride we should regroup so we ensure everyone completed the ride".

Dec 31 Mountain Bike-test-pace Field Set - Fast pace

Fri Meet: 12:00 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Bret Mathews 801-273-0315 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

This activity has the Pace field set to Fast.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Do not use for renewals.)

Please read carefully and completely fill out	t both sides of the page. Print legibly, please.	
I am applying for membership as:	Single Couple	
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Name: Applicant 2:	Birth date	
Address:		
City, State, Zip		
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Applicant 2: Main phone:	email address:	
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Enclosed is \$ for application payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.	fee and first year's dues. Check or money order only. Please m	nake checks

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgement of Risk and Release from Liability

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in all WMC activities is voluntary. No one is forcing me to participate. I agree to abide by the rules of the WMC.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I am aware that WMC activities involve risks, and may result in injury, illness, death, and damage to or loss of property. These dangers include but are not limited to: the hazards of traveling in remote areas without medical services or care, the forces of nature, the inherent dangers involved in participation in sports, wilderness travel, and social activities, and the negligent actions of other persons or agencies. I understand that all activities should be considered exploratory, with the possibility of unexpected conditions and route variations. The WMC is not, nor does it provide, a professional guide service. In order to partake in the enjoyment and excitement of WMC activities, I am willing to accept the risk and uncertainty involved as being an integral part of the activity. I acknowledge this risk, and assume full responsibility for any and all risks of injury, illness, death, or damage to or loss of my property.

PREPARATION: I understand that it is my responsibility to evaluate the difficulties of any WMC activity I participate in, and decide whether I am prepared by having the experience, skill, knowledge, equipment, and the physical and emotional stamina to participate safely.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, personal or legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against the WMC, its activity organizers, directors, agents or representatives for any injury, illness, death or damage and loss of property resulting from my participation in any WMC activity even if they negligently caused the injury or damage.

LEGAL FEES: Should it become necessary for the WMC, or someone on their behalf, to incur attorney fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to pay the WMC reasonable costs and fees thereby expended, or for which liability is incurred.

INSURANCE: I understand that the WMC strongly recommends that I maintain insurance sufficient to cover any injury, illness or property damage that I may incur while participating in WMC activities. In the event of injury, illness or death related to any WMC activity, I recognize that I, or my estate, will bear the full cost of my evacuation or recovery, and any related medical care that I may need. I acknowledge that the WMC carries no insurance whatsoever for any participants in WMC activities.

My signature below indicates I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. I certify I am at least 18 years old.

Signature 1	Print Name 1	_Date:
Signature 2	Print Name 2	_Date:

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director Wasatch Mountain Club 1390 South 1100 East #103 Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

REI COMMUNITY CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTACT: Celeste Eppler, EMAIL: ceppler@rei.com, (801) 486-2100, ext. 207

SANDY CITY - 10600 SOUTH & 230 WEST

Ski and Snowboard Wax & Tune, Thursday, November 4th, 7pm

Wax on! Learning to wax your skis or board will help you increase your fun on the slopes. This class will focus on the basics of waxing, including base preparation, structure, major and minor repair, stone grinding, and the how and why waxes work. Our expert technician will also go into an in-depth examination of how and why waxing works.

Safety in the Wasatch: Ten essentials you need to know, Thursday, November 11th, 7pm

Planning on taking a hike or bagging that peak? Are you prepared for an emergency? This discussion by Salt Lake County Search and Rescue Asst. Team Leader, Brandon Dodge, will focus on "The Ten Essentials" to preventing and managing an emergency in the backcountry. Be prepared for your next adventure with prior planning, the right tools and the knowledge to use them.

SALT LAKE CITY - 3285 EAST & 3300 SOUTH

<u>Dressing for the Outdoors in Winter - Women's Workshop, Thursday, November 4th, 7pm</u>

In this free one-hour workshop, presented by professional outdoor athlete Julie Hudetz and brought to you by W.L. Gore, you'll experience the latest in comfort science through hands-on demonstrations and learn how to dress to stay dry and comfortable for all your winter pursuits. Try on the latest women's outdoor gear and find out how top brands are incorporating activity-specific design and technology created for women to enhance performance. Don't miss the workshop raffle for a chance to win great gear from our premier partner brands; Arcteryx, Outdoor Research, Marmot, Merrell, Solomon, Vasque, and Gore Bikewear.

Winter Bike Commuting, Tuesday, November 9th, 7pm

Have you been enjoying bike commuting during the summer, but are discouraged from continuing through winter by the thought of the cold, darkness, snow and ice? Presentation by REI staff member and veteran biker John Higgins. John will debunk the common perceptions about winter bike commuting, and discuss the appropriate clothing, cycle accessories, route selection, planning and skills needed to enjoy riding year round. Maintain your cycling momentum, motivation and fitness by learning how to keep pedaling from fall to spring.

Avalanche - Know Before You Go, Tuesday, November 30th, 7pm

This popular, multi-media talk includes an exciting 15-minute video on avalanche basics followed by a half-hour PowerPoint on how to stay alive in avalanche terrain. Subjects include: avalanche rescue, how avalanches work, reading avalanche terrain, obvious clues to instability, avalanche weather, safe travel practices and essential equipment. This talk is presented by staff of the Utah Avalanche Center. Suitable for ages14 and older. If you register for any of our free instore presentations, we will hold a seat for you until the scheduled start. If you do not arrive to claim your seat before this time, we will release it to the general public. Seating may be available at the door, even if the registration is closed.

CLASSES:

Hands-On Ski and Board Tuning Class, Saturday, November 6th, 9am-1:30pm at REI Salt Lake City; Saturday, November 13th, 9am-1:30pm at REI Sandy

Would you like to tune your toys at home? Learn basic tuning skills from our REI certified technicians while working hands-on with your own skis or snowboard. \$85 plus tax, for four hours of instruction plus your very own tune kit that will be used during class and taken home. \$40 members, \$60 non-members, education fee and \$45 plus tax for the Dakine Deluxe tune up kit. Kits will be purchased the morning of the class. Class limited to 5 students. Register online or at customer service.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

When: Thursday November 11, 2010 at 7:30 PM

Where: Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church 3280 East 3900 South, Salt Lake City, Utah South side of street, just west of I-215 off ramp

Agenda:

- 1) Discussion and vote on gift of the Lodge to the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation.
- 2) Vote on new life members.
- 3) Presentation Carol Masheter will show slides from her ascent on Denali.
- 4) Refreshments.

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