

TIMBERLINES

Barlow Road— Tracing the Traces

In 1992 the Mt. Hood National Forest began preparing for the Oregon Trail Sesquicentennial to be celebrated nationally the next year. It was predicted that thousands of people would take part in special events and visit segments of the Oregon Trail from Missouri to Oregon to celebrate the 150th anniversary. The major attraction on the Forest associated with the Oregon Trail, the Barlow Road, the last overland segment of the historic wagon road, was not pioneered across the Cascade Range until 1845. So technically, the Barlow Road would be only 148 years old when the predicted thousands of people were expected to arrive in Oregon. However, a little math problem was not about to deter the efforts of the staff on the Mt. Hood National Forest to provide a quality experience for visitors from across the country.

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A FEW WORDS FROM OUR FRIENDS OF TIMBERLINE PRESIDENT

Some of the most meaningful and positive moments in life are happenstance. What is recalled in memory are the people, the circumstance, the conversation. The smiles and the laughter. That one day, that one evening, that one rich experience somehow, without intention or design necessarily, gained permanency. Gifts of limitless enjoyment. A habit of recalling those good times as much as we look forward to whatever lies ahead seems requisite on this mysterious journey called life.



What brings people together and thus our lives closer can be a collective or shared event. Or, in the case of Timberline Lodge, a shared familiarity of place.

Anyone reading this can attest to that feeling of connection when the stories about Timberline are shared between strangers as much as between colleagues or friends. Along the way we might meet others who have joyfully been where we have been. Done what we have done. We listen with rapt attention to someone describing their unforgettable experience of looking out to the south while standing alone on the Roosevelt Terrace. Or maybe a vivid recounting of a certain party or family gathering in the Cascade Dining Room.

We have all had ample opportunity for humble reflection and personal growth these past couple of years amidst the global pandemic and unfortunate news of loss while enduring the uncertainty of social restrictions and economic disruption.

But now is the time for reconnection. With life unencumbered, remember that Timberline Lodge faithfully awaits. The familiar comforts after so much of the unfamiliar. We as members of FOT understand the power of place and the power of kinship. A return visit will do good.

New friends and new memories await. See you soon in front of the Main Lobby fireplace.

With gratitude and warm regards,

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On the cover—

Jeff Jaqua points out an arrow carved by the Barlow Road pioneers to mark a turn in the road.

A US Forest Service sign along the trail commemorates the building of the Barlow Road which was so painstaking cut through dense forest and rough terrain.

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TIMBERLINE CURATOR'S CORNER

Times have changed and are still changing. Yet positive support continues from those among us. Hard times in our Portland, our Oregon and the Northwest and beyond have been frustrating and tiring. The mountain's weather storms and power and WIFI outages all winter slowed things down too. Yet neighbors were bonding, helping where needed.

The Lodge itself had issues from full closure and product supplies to pandemic group concerns and employee staffing. Yet keeping up with the snowboarders, skiers and tourists amid overloaded traffic and crowded parking continues to be a challenge. Good business means funding dollars to repair things where needed, so the restoration continues in usual fashion. Weavers are hand-weaving upholstery and wood furniture, walls and floors in guest rooms and public areas are being detailed. The Cascade Dining Room ceiling was cleaned and cleared of water damage stains and the dining room floor was refinished. New chair glides have been added to help protect the new floor finish. The white oak lobby floor is still receiving wood patch splices where worn areas need attention.

Art in the Lodge has not been overlooked. Framing of the WPA guest room art through a Saving America's Treasures grant is happening. The Barlow Room linoleum panel restoration work will be completed this fall. Henk Pander's C.S. Price portrait is scheduled to be cleaned by Lucas Conservation Lab in Vancouver, and Artworks Fine Art Services of Portland will address the huge display case and the RLK Himself portrait by the registration desk. Planning has begun to change out some of the museum area and add Native American design interpretation. An updated inventory of Friends of Timberline gifted artwork and framed photographs in the Lodge and the Day Lodge is being completed. Those gifted items become the property of the Forest Service once all paperwork is completed.

The handwoven drapes in the main lobby and dining area are now forty years old. We still repair as needed, but are looking into replacing them as well as looking at ways to reinforce them from the back side as the linen structure has weakened. Several new Trillium and Blue Gentian hand applique guest room draperies were completed and added. Others were relined and hung matching up with the wooden curtain rings, and new wood closet poles are being added. A colorful privacy banner was created and made its way up to the Silcox Hut bunkrooms. But repairing leather parchment lampshades and lamp bases is on hold due to problems finding supplies, and restoring the three main lobby chandeliers is also on hold.

New plumbing and boiler projects are beginning throughout the Lodge, which includes necessary work in the Curator office area. Clearing out the office for workers was a huge endeavor, made a little better by finding a few forgotten things. Purguing files of years gone by projects has been refreshing,

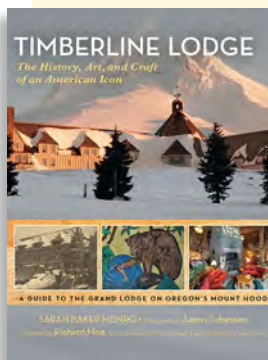
allowing a rethinking of goals as everyone looks forward in anticipation of the 2025 Friends of Timberline 50th Anniversary.

Forest Service staff brought in a drafting table and set up shop in their Lodge office again; for months, they have been working from their homes due to pandemic restrictions. Masks are still mandated in the Lodge, and no Forest Service tours have been given. The volunteer guides program is still on hold but the Builders of Timberline film plays constantly, providing a glimpse of history. One VIP tour did happen, though, through last minute efforts of myself and Friends of Timberline office manager Randi Black. The 2021 Rose Festival Princess Court visited the Lodge in mid-June and had hoped to see Friends' latest project, restoration of the Naturalistic Pools behind the Lodge. Alas, snow still covered the area. But just the opportunity to see the mountain for these young women who had never been to the Lodge seemed to be enough. It was a memorable experience.

Linn Adamson
Lodge Curator

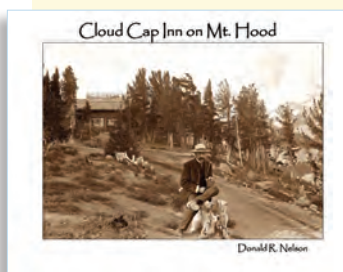


Some books of interest



Timberline Lodge: The History, Art, and Craft of an American Icon

has been out of print since 2012. Significantly updated, it is now in a larger paperback format. The only complete guide to Timberline's art and craft, it is available for \$30 (plus postage) from Sarah Munro at: sarahmunro@comcast.net.



Cloud Cap Inn on Mt. Hood

This book follows the history of the Inn from its construction in 1889 to the present. The book will be available in both hard cover and soft cover; the price will be set shortly.

Proceeds will help fund needed maintenance at the Inn and support the Cragrats Search and Rescue organization. For more information, contact Penny Hunting at: hoodrivercragrats@gmail.com.

TRACING THE TRACES — Jeff Jaqua

Continued from front cover.

As an archaeologist stationed at the Zigzag Ranger Station, I was recruited to verify the location of traces and any significant sites associated with the Barlow Road. I welcomed the assignment since I had not had the opportunity to study this important part of the Forest's history. Agency archaeologists are nothing like Harrison Ford's Indiana Jones or the academics excavating massive sites on public television with a huge staff of various experts and an endless budget. Agency archaeologists are usually solitary creatures that are sent out to ensure that any known (or unknown) cultural properties or archaeological sites are not disturbed by federally funded or permitted projects; in government parlance—"undertakings". At some Forest management level a decision was made that inviting thousands of sesquicentennial celebrants from across the country to tromp around in the woods qualified as an "undertaking" and thus my direction to study the consequences.

I figured this would be pretty easy. The Barlow Road had already been well documented in journals, diaries, maps, notes and remembrances. The historical importance of the road was identified even before there was a United States Forest Service or a Mt. Hood National Forest. By the time I began my studies and fieldwork there was no lack of quality scholarly work done on a number of aspects of the Barlow Road. Interestingly, some of the very first cultural resources recorded on the Zigzag District, prior to even having a professional archaeologist on staff, are specific sites associated with the Barlow Road. It appeared to me that my task would simply be to go into the field and verify what was already known.

One of the first questions I had to answer for myself was what is meant by the term "Barlow Road". There are many traces that present evidence of wagons passing. Some are contemporaneous which might be evidence of a detour selected around a stalled wagon, a downed tree, or simply a choice of a better route. Others are the result of the wagon road being purposefully and systematically improved over time. The Barlow Road was continually being improved and rerouted until the 1920s when the Mt. Hood Loop Highway was constructed. All routes of the Barlow Road are historically significant but I chose to focus on the route chosen and cleared by the first intrepid pioneers that decided to find a route to the Willamette Valley across the south flank of Mt. Hood. I figured that once the route of those very first wagons was verified, subsequent improved routes would be easier to identify. And to be honest, trying to follow the footsteps of the very first road pioneers seemed the most exciting.

To find evidence of this original route, it's important to understand the mindset, the knowledge, the skills, the experience, the expectations, and the objective of these pioneers that hoped to find an alternative overland route across the Cascades rather than trust their luck by placing their possessions, and themselves, on wooden rafts to float down the hazardous Columbia River. While camped at Wascopam (today's The Dalles) Sam Barlow made the decision to try to find a route for the wagons of his party around the south flank of Mt. Hood. He had reports of trails in the area that were used for thousands of years by indigenous peoples. He probably followed

one of these established trails south to Tygh Creek and then up the White River drainage. Hearing of Barlow's intention, Joel Palmer and William Rector led their parties to join Barlow's within a couple of days. This action provided much needed labor and resources to scout ahead for a suitable route and to clear a path wide enough for the wagons to pass.

The objective of the group was to connect to a known trail that crossed Lolo Pass on the west flank of Mt. Hood. It was thought that if they could reach this established and well-used Lolo Pass trail where it reached the Sandy River valley, the remaining miles to the Willamette Valley would be relatively simple. The Lolo Pass trail was used as early as 1838 by Daniel Lee to drive cattle from the Willamette Mission to the mission at Wascopam. Though it was later used by Oregon Trail pioneers to drive their livestock the other direction into the Willamette Valley, the trail was not suitable for wagons. Though Barlow and Palmer may not have known it at the time, archaeological and ethnographic evidence suggests that the trail they chose to follow up the White River drainage had long been used by indigenous peoples to access high subalpine regions on the south flank of Mt. Hood in order to harvest huckleberries and whitebark pine nuts, important food resources. While the main party struggled to clear the trail to allow passage of the wagons, scouts went ahead to ascertain a viable route. Livestock drawn wagons presented particular challenges. The road had to be cleared of trees, down logs, and brush. Water crossings would be difficult. Rocks could damage fragile wheels and axles. The wagons tended to be top heavy so side slopes had to be avoided. The wagons had a very limited turning radius so switchbacks and tight corners were not negotiable. All of this had to be taken into account as the scouts searched ahead. Scouts would either return to the main party to report their findings, or simply carve blazes in trees or leave other signs of the selected route.

On October 11, 1845, while scouting ahead of the main party still proceeding up the White River drainage, Barlow and Palmer met livestock drovers on the Lolo Pass trail. It was obvious that crossing the Zigzag Canyon with wagons high on the mountain would be impossible. From a high vantage point on the south side of the mountain (likely near where Timberline Lodge stands today), Palmer identified a feasible route from Summit Meadows, down Camp Creek, the lower reaches of the Zigzag River, and into the Sandy River valley. One must remember that Palmer did not have a nice printed map with rivers, mountains and geographic features drawn and named. The geography he was noting existed in his mind and as well as what he managed to share with Barlow, Rector and other members of his party.



The lateness of the season reinforced the critical importance of reaching the relative safety of the Lolo Pass trail and hopefully making contact with some of the cattle drovers that frequented it. One of my favorite points to visit on the Barlow Road is where I believe the final turn was made from a continual gentle ascendancy up the eastern flanks of Mt. Hood to a deliberate skirting around the south side at a lower elevation to avoid Zigzag Canyon. A critically important objective was to reach the meadows (Summit Meadows) that Palmer had seen from high on Mt. Hood that would provide much needed forage for the livestock. Palmer and Barlow returned from their scouting trip to the main group, anxious to share what they had seen. According to Palmer's journal the date was October 12th. I can imagine all gathered around Palmer and Barlow as they scratched a rough map in the dirt. A decision was made to leave the White River drainage but continue ascending the mountain up what would eventually be named Barlow Creek. The next day, Palmer began scouting a direct route to what is now known as Summit Meadows. The stage was now set for the original route of the Barlow Road, the historic Mt. Hood Loop Highway of the 1920s, development including Timberline Lodge and Government Camp, and construction of modern Hwy 26.

As it turns out, the original route of the wagon road was not even completed in 1845. By late October it was decided that a passage for the wagons would never be completed before the winter snow. The immediate objective for Barlow and his partners in 1845 was pretty clear: to reach the safety of the Lolo Pass cattle trail and proceed to the Willamette Valley. Time was of the essence since winter was fast approaching. The wagons and much of the party's supplies were cached in the Barlow Creek drainage and the party proceeded without the wagons, to Oregon City. This was a harrowing time for what was, by all definitions, a stranded group of pioneers with limited supplies. It was not until late December that all but one was safe and secure in Oregon City. The one exception stayed at the cache site to look after the possessions over the winter. Barlow never abandoned his idea for a viable road across the Cascades and by the time he returned to retrieve his wagons and possessions he had been granted a charter by the territorial government in Oregon City for a toll road. Not only did Barlow eventually return to retrieve the wagons and supplies, he had a pretty good idea for a viable route that he could improve for Oregon Trail pioneers that would be hoping to follow in his footsteps.

Once I had an idea of the historical context, it was now time to get back to my official, and Federally funded, assignment to actually find and verify the original route of those very first wagons that traversed the original route of the Barlow Road. It didn't take long for reality to hit. Nature, especially on the west side of the Cascade Range, is pretty successful in reclaiming its own, and many segments of the original route were only used for one or two years before Barlow established a more viable route. One or two years of use, 150 years ago! To further add to the challenge, many of these traces of Barlow's original road are remote, difficult to access, and thus have been seldom visited since Barlow abandoned them.

I discovered, in 1992, that much of the evidence of this original route was very successfully melting into obscurity. But as an archaeologist, I've learned that all human presence on the natural landscape leaves evidence, no matter how subtle.

So, what to look for? When Barlow returned to retrieve his cached possessions in 1846 he now had a secondary objective; to clear the trail not only for his own wagons but to pioneer a toll road that could be used by the settlers anxious to find a safe route to the Willamette Valley. He had gained much knowledge of the terrain the year before during his scouting of the route and his desperate efforts to bring all to safety. Barlow and his partners did not have time or the resources in 1846 for road construction, and without excavation, the original road could not be located on a side slope. The road had to go either straight up or straight down, and large rocks had to be moved to the side of the road. Forage had to be located for livestock. The passage of many wagon wheels and livestock pulling the wagons created parallel ruts in the soil or at least compacted the soil that modified the observable vegetation patterns. Campsites along the route were established and used repeatedly. Wagons broke down, possessions were lost or



A plaque along the road honoring one of the many deaths that occurred on the arduous journey.

abandoned, and sadly, pioneers lost their lives and were buried along the route. Evidence of the original route can still be observed today and specific sites have been carefully documented and recorded by the Forest Service.

I spent many hours in 1992 searching for evidence that would verify the route of the original wagon road. I had help from sources I hadn't expected. As it turned out there were a handful of amateur Barlow Road historians with whom I would cross paths that had the same objective as mine. They were quick to share their theories and loved to debate the evidence. Though my interactions with these "rutnuts" started as chance meetings in the woods, it soon advanced to dragging me out of the office to show me their latest discovery. I can proudly claim that since my retirement from the Forest Service, I have joined the rutnut fraternity.

By the summer of 1993 the Forest was ready for the sesquicentennial celebration. Informational brochures were printed and distributed, a few interpretive panels were installed, and a few subtle signs were installed along the most difficult to identify traces. I continue to visit and enjoy the route of the original road and have taken the opportunity to share this disappearing resource with many friends, family and other visitors. The Mt. Hood National Forest still manages the Barlow Road Historic District as a landscape significant to our history and continues to invite the public to responsibly visit.

Jeff Jaqua
FOT Board Member

DON'T MISS THESE COMING EVENTS!

Sunday, September 26 • 9 a.m.

FOT Work Day at Timberline

Get out of the house, and spend a day making a difference up at the Lodge! See the back page of this newsletter for all the details.

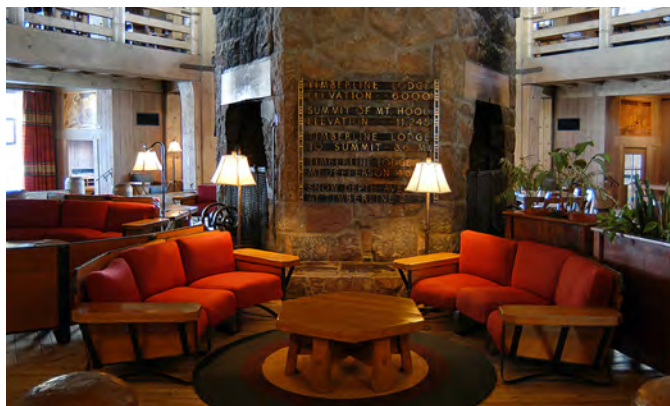
You will find live links for the following virtual events at our friendsoftimberline.org website. Please visit the **EVENTS** page there, and plan to participate with Friends.



Thursday, September 30 • 4 p.m.

Zoom FOT Annual Members' Meeting

The Friends of Timberline Annual Members Meeting will be a virtual event again this year. We will elect new FOT Board members and announce candidates for FOT Officers (for 2021/2022). The meeting will include a recap of the FOT activities during the last year.



Saturday, October 2 • 4 p.m.

"An Evening with Friends" Zoom Event

Join us for a Zoom Party broadcast from Timberline Lodge. The event will include a virtual visit to the Lodge for an update on what has been going on this year followed by our 2021 **Friends of Timberline Auction** kickoff. Auction bidding starts at 6:00 pm.

Guest speakers include:

Ron Wyden, United States Senator

Jeff Kohnstamm, President, RLK and Company

Bill Westbrook, new Forest Supervisor, USFS

Brent Dahl, President, Friends of Timberline

Laura Henderson, FOT VP, Auction Committee Chair

Cal Bertram, Naturalistic Pools Restoration Committee Chair

Todd Davidson, Travel Oregon

Kerry Tymchuk, Oregon Historical Society

Saturday, October 2 • 6 p.m.

Annual FOT Fundraiser Auction



The auction this year has a wonderful assortment of unique items and experiences.

Scan the QR code below with your smart phone to register, and to see all the items we have to date. This list is just a sample, so be sure to check back, as we are adding more almost daily!

An added bonus for registering, all registered bidders receive a Columbia Sportswear pass to the Employee Store, big savings on great items!

- A guided walking tour of the Barlow Wagon Road on Mt. Hood with refreshments at Timberline Lodge
- A night at Silcox Hut for 20 people with breakfast, dinner and roundtrip transportation
- 4-night stay in a lovely home on the McKenzie River with golf for four at Tokatee Golf Club
- Two nights at Rainbow Valley Lodge in Ennis Montana with a gift certificate for dinner
- Pucci chair lift for Timberline Lodge — Perfect to use as a unique porch chair
- A vintage Pucci Scarf
- Timberline Lodge embossed prints by Ann Marra
- A custom made bench upholstered with a prototype Pendleton fabric
- Wine tasting in the wine vault at Timberline Lodge and a \$200 gift certificate for dinner—or a room for the night.
- Timberline Lodge related original art and vintage collectibles
- Wine tour for two people with tastings at three wineries, plus a gourmet food course at each location. Transportation is included.

Participating in the Friends of Timberline Auction is a way to ensure we can continue with our restoration and preservation programs at the Lodge. Please support our work at the Lodge and win the bid for a special item, too!



Take a picture of this QR code with your smart phone, and you will receive a link to register for the virtual auction.

Will You Help Us Succeed?

FOT is excited in anticipation of our 2021 Auction to be held on October 2. Once again, the auction will be online—we are building on the success of last year's wonderful event with this year's focus on securing more auction items and more participating bidders! Our goals are ambitious and with your help, we are confident of our success. The annual auction is FOT's primary fundraiser, enabling us to fulfill our mission to undertake projects that preserve Timberline Lodge and provide positive experiences for the millions of local and international visitors who tour the Lodge (and Oregon) each year.

From the feedback we've received from bidders and from our research of other nonprofits, we are finding "experience donations" to be of high interest. Those experiences can be as broad and diverse as imagination might create, but some examples are:

- Giving a tour of your favorite trail (hiking, snowshoeing or crosscountry skiing)
- Donating a golf package
- Guiding a wildflower hike
- Securing a wine tasting for four at your favorite vineyard or tasting room
- Providing a hands-on demonstration on making ravioli or artisan bread
- Providing lodging at your beach house or mountain cabin
- Hosting a tour of whiskey distilleries in downtown Portland
- Hosting a picnic at an outdoor location that offers a spectacular view
- Donating a gift certificate to a trendy restaurant
- Teaching a group the essentials of fly tying
- Donating a gift certificate to tour the Chihuly Garden and Glass House in Seattle
- If you are a sailor, hosting a cruise on the Columbia

At last year's auction, there were several memorable experiences donated—making craft beer, bushwhacking to an unknown waterfall, a fly fishing vacation and a tour of several sections of the Barlow Trail, to name a few. The Barlow Trail experience was guided by Jeff Jaqua, an FOT Board member and retired US Forest Service archaeologist who was recruited by the Forest Service to verify the location of traces and significant sites along the Barlow Road in preparation for the Oregon Trail's 150th Anniversary in 1993. Like Indiana Jones—research, curiosity and extensive field work in preparation for this assignment made Jeff a historical knowledge expert on the subject of the Barlow Trail.



Hike leader Jeff Jaqua explains the difficulties of the wagons navigating the trails to last year's lucky participants

I had the good fortune to be a support host for Jeff's Barlow Trail experience hike. It was nothing short of amazing—to personally witness the wagon wheel traces and ruts that still remain on the flanks of Mt. Hood after so many years, to visualize the signs carved on the rocks along the trail by the scouts who provided directions to the wagons where to turn, and to gain insight on the challenges and struggles the pioneers faced on their journey and how lives ended with the remains buried next to the trail. For me, this experience was like walking in the shoes of an Oregon Trail pioneer. It was informative, an adventure, a valuable educational opportunity, and moreover, a great life experience! And Jeff has graciously agreed to donate another guided hike for this year's auction. Thank you, Jeff!

Jeff has documented his involvement with the Barlow Trail in the preceding article, "Tracing the Traces". Reading his article, you will absorb the history and marvel with amazement at the resiliency of our pioneering families who brought us to Oregon. And resiliency is clearly the mantra for Mt. Hood considering all the challenges Timberline Lodge has faced over the years, particularly during the pandemic. With wonderful auction donations and enthusiastic bidders, both resiliency in funding efforts for projects and resiliency in spirit as we emerge from this dark time can be achieved—and savored. Feel free to contact Randi Black at the FOT office (fot1@comcast.net or (503) 295-0827) to discuss any possible experience donations you might consider. We would like to make our 2021 Auction the best ever!

Laura Henderson
FOT Auction Committee Chair

Friends we will sadly miss...

Fred (“Ike”) Bay III **March 8, 1942–May 9, 2021**

Ike Bay celebrated the craft of blacksmithing in the Northwest and worked to promote awareness of the blacksmiths of Timberline Lodge. Ike’s particular interest was Orion B. Dawson, superintendent of the Oregon Works Progress Administration blacksmithing shop. He sought to identify all remaining hand wrought ironwork by Dawson and to educate others about Dawson’s work by arranging for local blacksmiths to see ironwork at Gresham High School and the 1932 Little Chapel of the Chimes on NE Killingsworth (now McMenamin’s Chapel Pub), and elsewhere. In 1979, Ike joined other smiths to found the Northwest Blacksmith Association, a nonprofit group dedicated to preserving the art and craft of blacksmithing. He was an active member of the Fort Vancouver Trades Guild and had served as President and Treasurer. When Colonial Williamsburg smiths came to Fort Vancouver to conduct training sessions, Ike would invite them to be guests at his home.

Among many other interests was his involvement with draft horses and stage driving; he was active in the Annual Draft Horse Plowing Exhibition. All of Ike’s friends remember his generosity and kindness. Ike donated his collection of research on O.B. Dawson to the Friends of Timberline archive.

Liz Grube **December 1, 1932–June 21, 2021**

To say that Elizabeth “Liz” Grube led an amazing life does not begin to scratch the surface of her story. Born in Germany, her family fled to Portland, Oregon before the war and Liz became an art student at Lewis and Clark College. Following the war her father, Hermann Rauschnig, became an advocate against the movement to force East and West Germany to join the East and West defense pacts because this would eliminate any chance of reunification. Rauschnig returned to Germany in 1954 to lend his voice to the anti-rearmament movement prior to the debate on the Paris agreements, staying in the Grube apartment in Neumunster. The following year he persuaded Liz to join him for a few months and travel together to places they had lived during their escape from Europe. Liz and Joachim met, and their friendship bloomed into romance. Liz went back to Portland to wrap up loose ends and then returned to Berlin in 1956 where Joachim had found work with a local architect.

They married in 1957 in Neumunster. In 1958, expecting their first child, Liz and Joachim decided to move the family to Portland where Liz’ parents lived. Liz left, but Joachim’s trip was delayed due to complications in obtaining an emigration visa, and he arrived two days before Liz gave birth. In 1965, Joachim became cofounder of the Portland architectural firm later known as Campbell Yost Grube, and the couple built their home in the Southwest hills.

Joachim’s work designing and overseeing construction projects took him to many countries around the world; through 2016, his firm had project involvement in fifty six countries. Liz accompanied him

whenever possible, and her presence, unflinching support and serving as a gracious hostess to dozens of their developing country friends was a godsend to Joachim. When they returned for good to Portland, Liz provided delectable dinners and charming company at the numerous dinners the couple donated to the annual Friends of Timberline auctions.

That Liz and Joachim were blessed was evident on their last trip abroad. Walking back to their hotel after browsing in a bookstore in Prague, Joachim noticed that his wedding ring was missing. They returned to the bookstore, and after a fruitless search and on the steps to the exit, Liz looked down and spotted the golden ring sparkling on the floor. Kismet and the true bonds of love came to the rescue. Liz will be missed by all who knew her.

Maryanne Hill **October 21, 1921–February 19, 2021**

A truly avid skier, long-time Friends of Timberline member and Mt. Hood devotee, Maryanne Hill passed away on February 19, just short of 100 years of age. Her family moved from Nebraska to Forest Grove when she was two years old, but because of her father’s asthma the family spent summers in Government Camp to escape the pollens in the Willamette Valley. The family moved to Government Camp in the 1930s and her father fashioned wooden skis for her, beginning her lifelong passion with the sport. Skiing at Skibowl in the pre-lift, pre-tow days, she was on the Winter Sports Court in 1937, traveling to Mexico City. Maryanne raced for Government Camp’s Cascade Ski Club and competed in the 1947 Olympic trials, then became a Certified Ski Instructor at Mt. Hood as well as a Certified Ski Instructor Examiner. She cofounded Skiyente (“Ski Maiden” in Norwegian) Ski Club in 1955—now the oldest active chartered ski club in the United States, serving as its first President. The club honors her with an annual Maryanne Cup Race which she attended until 2018, to cheer the girls on. In addition to her devotion to skiing, Maryanne cofounded the Government Camp Museum in 1988. She is truly a legend of the slopes, and will be missed.

Gary Hohnstein **June 20, 1941–January 28, 2021**

Gary began his long association with Timberline Lodge after four years in the U.S. Coast Guard and several summers of commercial fishing in Alaska. Encouraged by a long-time friend, he got a job at the Lodge in 1968. After a brief interlude as General Manager of Red River Ski Area in New Mexico, Gary returned to the Lodge in 1978, working in outdoor operations and then inside operations. His career at the Lodge culminated as General Manager of Hotel Operations. Gary retired in 2000 and before his passing spent winters in La Ventana, Mexico and summers at his house on Mt. Hood. Friends and coworkers will always remember him as the Life of the Party.

Dexter Martin

February, 1939–June 27, 2021

Dexter Edward Martin passed away June 27, 2021 due to complications from Alzheimer's Disease. He was born in Portland on February 11, 1939 to Edward C. Jones and Hazel Edgerton, raised in Oregon by his mother and stepfather, Maurie Martin, and grew up with one sister, Janna Crabb.

Dexter went to work as a teenager when his stepfather died and he became the sole support of his mother and sister. While working full time, he attended Portland State University and following graduation went east to University of Virginia Law School. He will be forever grateful to his professors for encouraging him to attend law school. Practicing corporate law was his passion and he was so good at it!

Dexter was a senior partner in the law firm of Stael Rives where he practiced for 35 years until his retirement in 2000. He used to plan his business meetings in the mornings so he could sneak out of the office and attend his boys' sporting events! His boys were his world and he loved each new phase of their growing up.

He married the love of his life, his "forever lady" Lenore, as he often called her, and they had 36 happy years together, 30 of which were spent in "an old house on the Salmon River" on Mt. Hood. They loved to travel when it wasn't for business and enjoyed learning about the Arts and Crafts Era. He took up woodworking in retirement and built lovely pieces that grace his home.

It was also after retirement that he and Lenore became actively involved with Friends of Timberline, spending several summers volunteering with the US Forest Service Interpretive Program at Timberline Lodge, staffing the USFS desk, giving tours of the historic lodge and hiking trail information to visitors.

Dexter has two sons, David (Sarah) and Brian, and two grandchildren, Kennin and Julia.

At his request, no services will be held except a private family celebration of his life sometime this fall, his favorite time of year on Mt. Hood.

Dexter was always fair, always a gentleman, always loving and kind, even when the cruel diagnosis of Alzheimer's altered his life forever. He was able to stay at home with Lenore as his care giver until the end. May he rest in peace.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to Friends of Timberline to support the US Forest Service Interpretive Program at Timberline Lodge.

Frank Menard

December 31, 1929–January 18, 2021

Francis L. Menard (Frank) had a long connection with Timberline Lodge as a U.S. Forest Service employee. On most weekends, he donned a different uniform as an instructor for Timberline Ski School and Powder Hounds Ski School. Frank met his wife Barbara as a ski school student at Timberline, and they were married for 47 years. While living at Parkdale and still with the Forest Service, he became the first Snow Ranger at the Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area. One of his most significant endeavors was earning his Sixteen Major Peaks award as a member of the Mazamas. Frank's life was filled with outdoor adventures and a loving family.

Lee Perry

June 3, 1930–January 5, 2021

Lee Perry passed away at his Government Camp home at age 91. His passion was skiing and teaching others to enjoy the sport. He garnered many honors, including becoming a Full Certified Ski Instructor, membership in the Professional Ski Instructors of America (PSIA), and serving as an examiner, board member and twice President of the PSIA Mt. Hood region. Wanting his friends who were amputees to ski with him, Lee is credited with developing the first equipment and teaching methods for single leg amputee skiers. He later taught skiing for the Timberline Ski School and the Powder Hounds Ski School. Skiynet Ski Club named him the 1969 King Winter, and he was the honored guest for the Mt. Hood Museum's 2012 Ski the Glade.

Memorial Gifts

Friends of Timberline encourages recognition of loved ones, past or present, by making a donation "in memory of" or "in honor of" those individuals. Donations go to support FOT's projects at the Lodge. Donations can be attributed or anonymous.

Since the last newsletter, the following donations have been received:

- **Chuck Scott**, a multi-year FOT Board member and President.
Memorial gift from **Mike Gentry**
- **Joachim Grube**, a long-time Board member and President, project head for the award-winning Winter Entrance, and 2019 Architectural Foundation of Oregon Honorary Citizen.
In honor of gift from **Mike Gentry**
- **Liz Grube**, beloved wife and companion of Joachim Grube and a marvelous hostess.
Memorial gift from **Mike Gentry**
- **Chuck Clemens**, a past FOT Board member.
Anonymous memorial gift
- **Richard Boos**.
Anonymous memorial gift
- **Jack Hilbourne**.
Memorial gift from **Irene Hilbourne**

Friends of Timberline Merchandise



Pendleton Wool Blanket \$350

Exclusive Friends of Timberline design. The blanket is fully reversible, and equally dramatic on either side. Color is off white on one side, black on the other, with a red border.

Size 64" X 80"

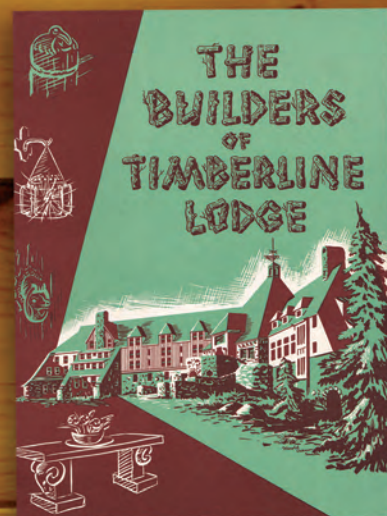


Friends of Timberline Exclusive Framed Trio of Ray Atkeson Photos \$300

The estate of Ray Atkeson has gifted the use of these three iconic images as a tribute to Timberline Lodge on its 80th anniversary. This is a limited edition of 80, numbered, and custom-framed. Ray's signature is embossed in the lower right corner of the matt.

Overall dimensions 25" x 12." Photos are 3-3/4" x 5" and 6-3/4" x 5-1/2."

This unique piece of art is created when you order. Please allow two weeks plus shipping time for delivery.



The Builders of Timberline Lodge \$50

Created by the Works Progress Administration. Very limited quantity from original 1937 inventory. 30 pages of beautiful drawings by Virginia Darce, Martina Gangle, and Howard Sewall. The text documents the story of building the Lodge as if you were there.

Collector's Plate \$35

Jennifer Lake collection created for the 75th Anniversary of Timberline Lodge. Limited edition signed and numbered collectors plate featuring "Snowflake Paradise." 8 1/2" diameter with a 22 karat gold rim. Presented in a silk lined box.



To order call FOT at 503-295-0827 or e-mail fot1@comcast.net.

All items are plus shipping unless noted. Merchandise can be picked up at the FOT Portland Office by prior arrangement.



FOT Silk Scarf \$100

Whether you frame it or wear it, don't miss this opportunity to enjoy the Timberline Silk Scarf. Created by Friends of Timberline to showcase the much loved iconic symbols of Timberline Lodge, this scarf is a limited edition with only a few left. It is a 35" square in silk twill with a hand stitched rolled hem. Be sure to indicate your preferred border color: brown or ivory.

(Free shipping in the U.S.)



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE US FOREST SERVICE

Protecting Timberline from Fire

The summer and fall of 2020 was a particularly painful one for Oregonians, witnessing over one million acres of land burn during wildfires. Staying prepared and having strategic plans of action to combat fires when they reach our doorstep is extremely important. A common term used in the firefighting world to describe things we want to protect when fire threatens is "values at risk". Values at risk can refer to anything from power lines to structures and whole communities. Because Timberline Lodge is a valuable landmark for the entire nation the staff on the Mt. Hood National Forest have been working on updating the fire protection plan that is specific to the Lodge and ski area. This plan covers everything from the types of fuels present on the ground around the permit area to logistical and safety concerns for fire personnel, evacuation plans for visitors, and anticipated critical equipment needs. Friends of Timberline is working closely with the Forest Service to help write an art evacuation plan which will give clear instructions on priority artifacts and art to be removed from the Lodge in the event of a wildfire emergency and how to safely handle and treat those items to prevent damage. Together, these plans will provide firefighters critical information to make informed decisions on how to best protect all of the values at risk in the area. This summer, when you're out enjoying your public lands, remember that we all have a role in protecting special places like Timberline Lodge from wildfire so please follow proper campfire safety practices!

Allison Sweeney
US Forest Service

AUTHENTIC TIMBERLINE LODGE GUESTROOM BEDSPREADS

The US Forest Service has decommissioned these iconic bed coverings and gifted them to Friends of Timberline as a fundraiser.

Three sizes available:

Queen \$90
Double \$75
Twin \$50

Background is red, with zigzag design.



To order:
Call Randi at 503-295-0827

This is a unique opportunity for you to own a piece of the Lodge.

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- \$50 \$100* \$250
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- \$500 \$1000 or more**

*\$100 or higher levels earn a 10% discount at the Wy'East Store and 10% off Timberline guest room rates each time you stay (mid-week/non-holiday periods)

**\$1,000 or higher donors earn an additional gift of two tickets to the FOT Annual Meeting, Dinner and Auction. (First Saturday in October.) Minimum value \$170

Your gift is tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Friends of Timberline is a member of the Oregon Cultural Trust. Your support is needed and appreciated.

The Friends of Timberline Ram's Head Pin is available as our membership thank you at all levels.



Send Gift?

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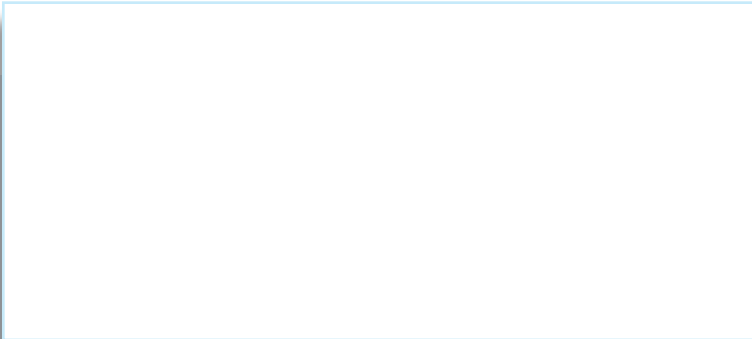
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FRIENDS OF TIMBERLINE MISSION STATEMENT

To preserve and conserve Timberline Lodge, protect its historical integrity and communicate the spirit of its builders by providing counsel and raising funds and coordinating community efforts to accomplish these goals.



Third Time's a Charm? Join us for the FOT Work Day Sunday, September 26

As those of you who frequent the FOT website or read these newsletters know, each summer Friends of Timberline members gather for a work day on a project at the Lodge. A regular task on the list has been the biennial cleaning and restaining of the Amphitheater benches. However, the elements have not smiled kindly on that goal in recent years. The benches were last treated in 2017. The 2019 work day was rained out, and plans to catch up in 2020 were cancelled due to the pandemic. This year finally should provide the opportunity to catch up on that need.



Fortunately, the benches have weathered the intervening seasons well, so all that should be necessary will be the normal preparation and staining. The work crew will gather at the Amphitheater at 9 a.m. and the work usually takes two hours or so. Stain, brushes, buckets, gloves, rags and brooms will be onsite, and box lunches and soft drinks will be provided.

If you can help out, please contact Mike Gentry at (503) 636-0061 or michaelgentry04@comcast.net to be added to the work crew list; updates and final plans will be emailed to all as the date approaches. This is a nice "feel good" outing, and long overdue!



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