MOUNTAIN WEST OUTDOOR CLUB – December 2017

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If you have a question, but don't know for whom, email the Club at MWOCID@gmail.com.

CHECK YOUR EMAILS FROM YAHOO GROUPS FOR LAST MINUTE TRIPS, CHANGES IN CURRENT TRIPS

A Big Shout Out To All Our New Members in 2017!	Guy Ausmus, Jacquie Ausmus, Brent Beach, Susan Bless, William Brudenell, Marie Chroninger, Patrice Davies, Dotty Douglas, Jim Gemmill, Karen Gemmill, Ellen Gussie, Debbie Herzog, Mindy Judy, Chris Kantarian, Marie Kantarian, Margaret Langford, Mike Lechner, Marilyn McIntyre, Ellie McKinnon, Carol Meli, Michael Myhre, Kevin Noyce, Terry Noyce, Glenna Parkinson, Debbie Richeal, Mitch Richeal, Fred Robinson, Bill Rogers, Judy Rogers, Steve Schaps, Kelly Stribling, Glenda Talbutt, Carol Town, Marty Wilson (sorry if we missed anyone!)
Dec 4, Mon	 MWOC POTLUCK MEETING will be at Fish and Game (600 S. Walnut, Boise). Socializing starts at 6 pm. Dining starts at 6:30 pm. Our speaker will be Susie Osgood, archeologist at the Boise National Forest. One of her topics will be hiking the lookouts. Come and enjoy!
Dec 8, Fri 10 a.m.	WARHAWK AIR MUSEUM TOUR: If you are a history buff or someone who likes big shinny things that fly, join us on an hour-long tour of the Warhawk Air Museum! Register on the MWOC website (www.mwocid.org) under EVENTS. The tour cost is \$12.00 per person, \$10.00 for seniors, and will be payable at the door. Address: 201 Municipal Drive, Nampa Idaho
Dec 18, Mon	MWOC Planning Meeting Join us – Idaho Pizza Company, 6724 N Glenwood St. The meeting starts at 6:30. Add your voice to the discussion about the ins and outs of the club (and eat); bring ideas for hikes, ski, snowshoe and sledding trips
Dec 25, Sun That's right Christmas Day/Evening!	CHRISTMAS DINNER at the Worsley's! Christmas day/evening starting with Happy Hour at 5 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cheri will supply the turkey, stuffing and gravy. It's a potluck. Dig out grandma's famous holiday recipes in preparation of the feast. We will need appetizers, side dishes, desserts and breads. The address is 816 N Marshall St – on the bench near Emerald/Morris Hill cemetery. Please RSVP to cheriworsley@gmail.com or call 208-938-4435 if you would like to come.
Dec 30, 2017 thr Jan 1, 2018, Sat thr Mon	SPEND NEW YEARS IN THE SUN VALLEY AREA SNOWSHOEING, CROSS COUNTRY/SKATE/DOWNHILL SKIING WITH FRIEND – Our annual New Years' Celebration is on the schedule!
	Winnie Morrison has reserved the AmericInn suite on the 2nd floor; 4-6 people can sleep comfortably (still spaces for more in the suite). OR, Phone AmericInn (208-788-7950) to reserve your own room. Let them know you are with Mountain West Outdoor Club (host: Winnie Morrison). The Motel has nice breakfast choices <i>and</i> a hot tub and pool. <i>Potluck New Year's Eve.</i> If you are interested in this trip, or want more information, call Winnie at 208-631-4065 or email her at wesmo40@gmail.com.

Jan 4, THURSDAY	Mark your calendars! The January MWOC Potluck meeting is scheduled for <i>THURSDAY, January 4th</i> ! Everything this else is the same – it'll be held at the Fish and Game (600 S. Walnut, Boise). Socializing starts at 6 pm
Feb 5, Mon Annual MWOC Activities	MWOC'S ANNUAL SLIDE SHOW Please go through your photos taken this year (2017) of MWOC activities; pick out the ones you wish to share and email them to Judy Farnsworth or give them to her on a thumb drive. Contact Judy at 208-344-7973 or email jfarnsw@mac.com.

MID-WEEK/FUTURE ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY HIKES. Watch for a Yahoo Groups announcement each week for location and time. Hikes are of moderate difficulty, 3 to 5 miles, lasting approximately two hours. Lunch after the hike for those interested.

WEDNESDAY HIKES begin at 10 AM winter, earlier in the summer. Hikes are fast-paced, of challenging difficulty, 5 or more miles and lasting 3 or more hours, depending on trail and weather conditions. Challenging difficulty means that you'll need to be in good hiking condition because of significant elevation gain and/or increased mileage. Watch for the weekly Yahoo Groups announcement for meeting place and hike description. If you have questions, contact Scott Stolhand, 208-891-2214.

OCCASIONAL THURSDAY HIKES and other miscellaneous activities will be posted on Yahoo groups. If you have questions contact Liz McWhorter, 208-385-0100.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUESTIONS ABOUT YAHOO EMAILS. Local mid-week activities (hikes, paddles, bike-rides, etc.) are sent out through Yahoo Groups. If you have questions about receiving Yahoo e-mails (the subject line includes "Mountain West") please contact Cheri Worsley, cheriworsley@gmail.com.

Group emailing is not to be used to advocate for any political issue, whether national or local. Messages that provide only factual information, such as the time and place of a meeting, on an issue of likely interest to members are welcome.

MWOC ACTIVITIES: Planning a MWOC excursion? Or thinking of an excursion where you would like to invite like-minded souls? Send me the particulars and I'll publish it here – Judy Farnsworth at jfarnsw@mac.com.

AIR ST. LUKE'S MEMBERSHIP: A reduced Air St. Luke's yearly membership rate is available to MWOC members on request. Contact information: stlukesonline.org/air or 208-706-1000

MWOC BYLAWS: The Bylaws have been updated to reflect membership changes, the timing of officer elections, and added gender identity to the list of non-discrimination. Members will have the opportunity to vote electronically on the updated Bylaws with officer elections in December. See the proposed Bylaws revisions on the MWOC website (www.mwocid.org) under **Resources** (you do *not* need to login).

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM/LINK will be sent to members on ~ December 1. Membership dues are \$15/person. As before, you can choose to renew with cash, check, or electronic payment...with a paper form or online.

VISIT THE MWOC WEBSITE: Go to www.mwocid.org and you will be redirected to the club's website (https://mountainwestoutdoorclub.wildapricot.org). You can find the calendar of events, newsletters, and other resources. If you *haven't* already visited the website and created a password, simply click on the login icon in the upper left corner, enter your email address, and click on Forgot Password. You will receive an email message with a link to create a password. Then you can view members-only webpages, including the membership directory. Questions, comments, or suggestions for enhancing the website? Please contact Laura Jenski at 208-860-9477 or laura.jenski@gmail.com.