


Offbeat Holidays  
August Tops the List

## Mountain West Outdoor Club

<p>A big welcome to July's new and returning members</p>	<p>Patricia Johnson, Melinda Mazo, Debra Purcell, Katie Sewell, Mary Tate, Gary Wright, Shari Wright</p>
	<p><b>August's Offbeat TRIVIA</b> In lieu of a formal trivia question this month and in anticipation of the August 6th annual MWOC picnic, here are some tasty tidbits of offbeat August trivia: Aug 1 - <i>National Girlfriends Day</i> - give your best gal pal a hug; Aug 5 - <i>International Beer Day</i> - tip a foamy one with your favorite friend; (also) Aug 5 is <i>National Underwear Day</i> (who <i>knew?</i>); and Aug 6 is <i>National Fresh Breath Day</i> - something we can all celebrate at the picnic! <i>Answer to July Trivia Question:</i> The false answer was: The Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4, 1776. Congress approved the final text of the Declaration on July 4 but it was not signed until August 2, 1776.</p>
<p>July 27, Friday - July 29, Sunday</p>	<p><b>BACKPACK TO BELLAS LAKES IN THE PIONEERS</b> Interested in a 2.5-3 mile back pack? Then this back pack is for you! The plan is to drive up on Friday and hike in on the trailhead out of Copper Basin. The group will explore the basin on Saturday, hike out on Sunday and drive home. If interested in this fun, three day adventure, call Alvena Kinkade at 208-658-9081 for details.</p>
<p>August 6, Monday 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>MWOC ANNUAL PICNIC</b> Members! MWOC's annual picnic is just around the corner. Come and enjoy a luau-themed dinner from Kanak Attack Katering at the Kristin Armstrong Municipal Shelter. We have awesome raffle prizes this year! The picnic is free to members and you may register a guest for \$10. If you haven't registered, please email <a href="mailto:MWOCID@gmail.com">MWOCID@gmail.com</a>. See you at the shelter for socializing and fun in the shade.</p>
<p>Sept 3,</p>	<p><b>MWOC PLANNING MEETING <u>AND</u> OUTDOOR POTLUCK PICNIC</b></p>

<p><b>Monday</b></p> <p><b>4:30 pm</b></p> <p><b>6:00 pm</b></p>	<p>The MWOC officers decided to try meeting the same day as the monthly potluck. The officers plus anyone else who'd like to give input, will meet at 4:30 pm at the Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park shelter, prior to the potluck.</p> <p>The Potluck will be at 6:00 pm at the Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park shelter. We will not have a speaker this month, but can enjoy good old fashioned socializing with other club members.</p>
<p>Plan now!</p> <p><b>Early September</b></p>	<p><b>BICYCLE NORTHERN IDAHO</b> September 4-7, 2018. It's not too early to get this scenic and fun trip on your calendar! Peg Killen (<a href="mailto:pegkillen@mac.com">pegkillen@mac.com</a> or 208-484-7946) is organizing a ride on the "Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes" Sept 5th and 6th and the famed "Hiawatha Trail" on Sept 7th. The plan: Meet in Wallace on September 4th at the Wallace Inn. Cost for 3 nights in the hotel, an historic tour of Wallace, shuttles to the Trail and trail pass for the Hiawatha is \$235 per person (room with 2 queen beds) or \$411 for a single room. Bike rental is separate. Contact Peg directly if you are interested. Early September is a beautiful time for a ride in some over-the-top beautiful country.</p>
<p><b>Important changes to fall member directory</b></p>	<p>Starting this October, the member directory that MWOC distributes in PDF or paper format will include only members' names, email addresses, and phone numbers. This is a response to concerns about member privacy. You can find a member's physical address or PO Box number in the Directory on the website (under Members-Only). You must login to see the Directory. Please contact <a href="mailto:laura.jenski@gmail.com">laura.jenski@gmail.com</a> for assistance with login procedures.</p>

### 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.

**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](mailto: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 - Anne Schorzman at [aschorz@cableone.net](mailto:aschorz@cableone.net)

**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](http://stlukesonline.org/air) or 208-706-1000

**MWOC WEBSITE:** You don't have to login to visit most of the MWOC pages, including the calendar of events, news, and resources. The pages that require login are your own profile, membership directory, Members' Marketplace, and Gallery. if you haven't already created a password for the website, click on Login at the top of the page, enter your email address, and click "Forgot password." You will receive an email message with instructions. Please address questions to: [laura.jenski@gmail.com](mailto:laura.jenski@gmail.com).

**SAVE A TREE; CANCEL UNNEEDED PAPER MAILINGS:** Most communications from MWOC are by email and through postings on our website. If you are still receiving paper copies of newsletters and directories mailed to your home, and you do not need the hardcopies because you are also receiving the information electronically, please contact Laura Jenski ([laura.jenski@gmail.com](mailto:laura.jenski@gmail.com), 208-860-9477) to stop the paper copy mailing.

**THE MEMBERS' MARKETPLACE** is a website feature where you can list outdoor gear and supplies you wish to buy, sell, or swap. You can post items yourself or have a website administrator do it for you. Go to the website, [www.mwocid.org](http://www.mwocid.org), and click on Members Only (you must login in to see Members-only Content).

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