

2015 NWCC Annual Meet
The Dalles, OR / Columbia River Gorge
May 22-25, 2015

FRIDAY MAY 22

- **MEET AND GREET AT THE SHILO INN**

NO SPECIFIC TIME...JUST WHENEVER YOU GET THERE, WE WILL TRY TO BE VISIBLE IN THE LOBBY/PARKING LOT/AND *PORTAGE GRILL* (RESTAURANT) AREA. EVERYONE IS ON THEIR OWN FOR DINNER FRIDAY NIGHT SINCE PEOPLE WILL BE ARRIVING AT DIFFERENT TIMES THROUGHOUT FRIDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING.

- **SHILO INN – THE DALLES, OREGON**

CHECK IN @ 4PM CHECK OUT @ NOON

MOTEL'S FREE BREAKFAST 5:30AM-11:00AM NEXT DOOR@ PORTAGE GRILL

http://www.shiloinns.com/search_results.asp?PI=EDAOR&checkInDate=5/6/2015&checkOutDate=5/7/2015&numAdults=1&numChildren=0&promoCode=&restrictToCategory=RACK THANK YOU TO LINDA FOR SETTING THIS UP ☺

- **PORTAGE GRILL** <http://columbiaportagegrill.com/index.html>

DINING ROOM 5:30AM – 9:00PM

LOUNGE 11:00AM – MIDNIGHT

- FYI WE WILL BE DOING A POKER RUN THAT WILL COVER **BOTH** DAYS, SATURDAY **AND** SUNDAY WITH THE TROPHY GIVEN OUT SUNDAY NIGHT AT DINNER. MORE DETAILS/RULES WILL BE GIVEN AT EACH AM MEETING SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. CASH NEEDED TO PLAY. LAST YEAR IT WAS \$5 TO PLAY, THIS YEAR'S AMOUNT TBD.
- BRING YOUR CAMERA! WE HAVE SEVERAL PHOTO OPS STOPS IN MIND...THERE WILL BE SOME GORGEOUS PICTURES TO TAKE! GET IT? **GORGEOUS** ;) HAHA!
- SUNDAY WE WILL CROSS BRIDGE OF THE GODS, WHICH IS A TOLL BRIDGE. CASH NEEDED FOR TOLL \$1.00 – \$2.00 APPROX. NOT MUCH. BUT THIS IS YOUR WARNING! ☺
- IF YOU HAVE 2-WAY RADIOS OR **EXTRA** 2-WAY RADIOS ...PLEASE BRING THEM! I WANT AS MANY AS POSSIBLE TO HAVE A RADIO IN THEIR CAR. THIS MAKES A LONG LINE OF CARS MUCH EASIER TO MANAGE IF EVERYONE IS *IN THE KNOW*. ALSO, DEPENDING ON HOW MANY CROSSFIRES SHOW UP, THIS MIGHT BE THE FIRST YEAR WE WILL SPLIT INTO TWO SMALLER GROUPS ON OUR DRIVES. TBD WHEN WE GET THERE.

SATURDAY MAY 23

DRIVE MT HOOD / TIMBERLINE LODGE (HERE'S JOHNNY!) / BRUNCH

- **ON YOUR OWN FOR BREAKFAST** (KEEP IN MIND WE ARE EATING A FABULOUS BRUNCH AT TIMBERLINE AROUND 11:30 OR SO...)
- **8:30AM - MORNING MEETING**
- **9:00AM - LEAVE SHILO INN**
- **DRIVING TO MT HOOD AND TIMBERLINE LODGE**
<http://www.timberlinelodge.com/>

Are you ready to relive some of the most intense cinematic memories ever to hit the silver screen? The 1980 movie – The Shining – used aerial shots of Timberline Lodge as part of its opening scene, and exterior footage for some establishing shots of the fictional Overlook Hotel throughout the movie. The movie The Shining was based on the Stephen King novel of the same name, which was inspired by The Stanley Hotel in Colorado. Several of the exterior shots in the film which purport to show the lodge, such as those of the hedge maze and loading dock, were taken at Elstree Studios in England, using a mock-up of the south face of the lodge. There is no hedge maze (and hardly any level ground) at the Timberline Lodge. All interior scenes were shot at Elstree Studios as well, and do not depict the interior of the Timberline Lodge. Kubrick was asked not to depict room #217 (featured in the book) in The Shining, because future guests at the Lodge might be afraid to stay there. So a nonexistent room, #237, was substituted in the film. Curiously and somewhat ironically, room #217 is requested more often than any other room at Timberline. Built in 1937 and declared a National Historic Landmark in 1977, Timberline Lodge is one of Oregon's most popular tourist attractions, drawing nearly two million visitors every year. Considered an architectural wonder, it's still being used for its original intent—a magnificent ski lodge and mountain retreat for all to enjoy.

- **TASTE OF OREGON LUNCH BUFFET. COST IS \$19.50 PER PERSON**

FEATURING Artisan Bread, Butter and Cheeses Assorted Fruit & Berries Cured Meat Cut with Vintage Slicer Seasonal Selection of Assorted Salads Fresh, Local Vegetable Selection Made to Order Belgian Waffles Carved Northwest Natural Meats Chef's Selection Potato, Rice or Pasta Specialty Soup Made Fresh Daily Timberline's Pastry Team's Dessert Buffet.

- **SATURDAY'S DINNER LOCATION AND TIME TBD**

SUNDAY MAY 24

*DRIVE TO CROWN POINT / MULTNOMAH FALLS / CASCADE LOCKS / BONNEVILLE DAM TOUR / STONEHENGE / *MARYHILL WINERY AND *MARYHILL MUSEUM OF ART *(TENTATIVE)*

THIS WILL BE A LONGER DRIVE THAN SATURDAY'S, BUT WE WILL BE STOPPING SEVERAL TIMES AND WILL HAVE SOME AWESOME PHOTO OPS!! HERE ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS...THE ORDER OF WHEN/HOW WE DO EACH OF THESE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

- **ON YOUR OWN FOR BREAKFAST**
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- **9:00AM LEAVING SHILO INN**

- **CROWN POINT / VISTA HOUSE**
http://www.oregonstateparks.org/index.cfm?do=parkPage.dsp_parkPage&parkId=108
ANY PUBLICITY SHOTS YOU SEE OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE ARE MOST LIKELY TAKEN FROM THIS POINT.

- **MULTNOMAH FALLS** http://www.oregon.com/attractions/multnomah_falls
WE WILL STOP AND VIEW THE FALLS...POSSIBLY TAKE AN NWCC GROUP PHOTO ON BENSON BRIDGE IN FRONT OF THE FALLS DEPENDING ON HOW MANY ARE WILLING TO TAKE A SHORT HIKE UP THE PAVED TRAIL. THERE IS A SNACK BAR, ESPRESSO STAND, RESTROOMS, AND THE HISTORICAL LODGE TO CHECK OUT.

- **CASCADE LOCKS, OREGON / LUNCH**
LUNCH AT *CHAR BURGER* AT CASCADE LOCKS, OR.
<http://charburger84.com/>
SUPPOSED TO HAVE EXCELLENT FOOD, AND POSSIBLY ANOTHER PHOTO OP WITH THE BRIDGE OF THE GODS IN THE BACKGROUND.

- **BONNEVILLE LOCK & DAM**
I'M ALSO TRYING TO SET UP A DAM TOUR OF BONNEVILLE LOCK & DAM. INFORMATION ON THAT TO FOLLOW. CAN'T GET THE DAM RANGER TO GIVE ME A DAM CALL BACK. ANY DAM QUESTIONS? 😊
http://columbiariverimages.com/Regions/Places/bonneville_dam.html

- **STONEHENGE**

FROM CASCADE LOCKS WE WILL CROSS OVER THE RIVER FROM OREGON INTO WASHINGTON VIA THE BRIDGE OF THE GODS AND TRAVEL UP THE WASHINGTON SIDE TO STONEHENGE MEMORIAL FOR ANOTHER PHOTO OP. <http://www.roadsideamerica.com/story/2601>

- **MARYHILL WINERY & MUSEUM OF ART**

WE'VE TALKED ABOUT ALSO GOING TO THE MARYHILL WINERY AND MARYHILL MUSEUM OF ART. IT'S A **BIG, BIG** WEEKEND FOR THE WINERY AND IT WILL BE EXTREMELY CROWDED I'M TOLD, SO DEPENDING ON WHAT TIME WE ARE IN THE AREA, AND WHAT EVERYONE WANTS TO DO WILL DETERMINE IF WE STOP THERE OR NOT, SAME WITH THE MUSEUM WHICH HAS A \$9.00 ADMISSION CHARGE.

<http://www.maryhillwinery.com/>

<http://www.maryhillmuseum.org/>

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REMEMBER WE MEET TO HAVE FUN, SEE AND MEET NEW FRIENDS, AND MOST OF ALL TO SHARE OUR LOVE FOR OUR CROSSFIRES...NONE OF THE ABOVE AGENDA ISN'T FLEXIBLE ENOUGH TO ALLOW US ALL TO ENJOY THE WEEKEND. LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS! THANKS EVERYONE!

SEE YOU ALL SOON!

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