



## **CHAPTER ONE, FEBRUARY 2019**

**Next Meeting: Monday, Feb 11, 7 PM, Lincoln HS  
room 169**

### **The Climbathon Approaches!**



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*The biggest, baddest, most successful annual fundraiser in the history of  
the Post is this February 24th*

The Climbathon is an annual event in the Post where all members come together to climb *for free* at the Portland Rock Gym, fueled by passion, sponsors, and love. It's one for the record books as the largest gathering of people climbing *together* in the history of Portland! With your participation, we can raise more than \$20,000. But the climbathon is more than just a fundraiser. It's also an amazing social event where the entire post gets together, just like the snowshoe trip. Not only that, but the post will have *exclusive* use of

the gym! That's right--there will no 26 year old bearded hipster waiting for you to finish your climb. (except for of course Charlie Grant)

To participate, you will first need to collect donations from sponsors. Call your aunts, uncles, grandparents, your mom's coworkers, that lady down the street who used to buy your girl scout cookies--be fearless in asking for donations to this wonderful organization that you are an essential part of. The donations can be either flat rate, or based on the amount of climbs you do--for example, \$1 per climb. **Record** these on your pledge sheet, enclosed in the very same envelope as this newsletter. Keep in mind that the goal is for each person to raise 100-500+ dollars. The record is \$760--think you can beat it? Inflation is on your side.

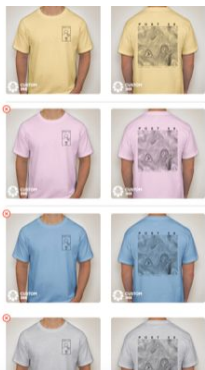
The next step is to attend the climbathon, at the Portland Rock Gym on NE Burnside and 12th ave, from 6-9pm. If you know how to belay, it is **essential** that you go to the gym beforehand and ask for a belay certification test, which they will give you for free. You **will not** be able to get certified at the climbathon. If you do not know how to belay, fear not, as others will be able to belay you.

After the climbathon, you will need to contact all of your pledges to collect their donations, which will be turned in at the March meeting. They all go to causes that directly impact YOU, such as lowering the cost of trips, buying accident insurance, training new advisers, liability insurance and gear for students to use. Don't be afraid to contact your climbathon group leader personally with any questions about this amazing event!

## Things to Know

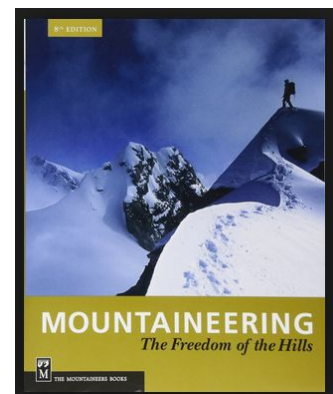
**Speaker of the Month:** The speaker at the next meeting be an expert on avalanche safety--how to recognise danger, weigh risk, and more! Buckle up for an important presentation.

**Dues are Due:** If you have not yet turned in your dues, bring them to the February meeting! They are now \$235, and increase by \$10 with each month they are late!



**Freedom of the hills for sale: Bring \$10 to the next meeting** to get your copy of the climbing scripture! This is cheaper by far than you will find anywhere else.

**Cotton Mountain:** Surprisingly, we're not talking about the mountain in New Hampshire. Rather, we're talking about the cotton and ink that looks like a mountain! They are on shirts you could buy at the next meeting! **Shirts are \$15** and are available in yellow, pink, blue, and gray. Small, medium, and large shirts available!





**Tuesday, Feb 12:** Volunteer at the Children's book bank on NE 7th ave, from 4-6. Sign up at the meeting and/or contact [ursafreeman07@gmail.com](mailto:ursafreeman07@gmail.com) for more details.

**Sunday, Feb 17:** A fun afternoon of casual climbing with fellow postees at the Portland Rock Gym, starting at 3pm. If you do not yet know how to belay, there will be a lesson at a separate location beforehand around 1 and you can get certified at PRG right afterwards. Listen for more information at the upcoming meeting.

**Saturday, Feb 23:** Bake sale at Prana on NW 23rd from 11-6. Sign up for a shift at the meeting. Talk to Joanna Cloutier for details ([cloutierjo@go.oes.edu](mailto:cloutierjo@go.oes.edu))

**Saturday, Feb 23:** Nordic ski trip to Mt. Hood area! Email Kayla ([kdonnelly2854@gmail.com](mailto:kdonnelly2854@gmail.com)) to sign up, or at the meeting. Space is limited.

***Sunday, Feb 24: The Climbathon! At PRG on NE Burnside and 12th, from 6-9pm.***

**Sunday, March 10:** Mt. Hood Climb! More information at the meeting. Will only be open to members who have already completed snow school. This will be open to Chapter Two members as well. The climb costs \$55, but if you **bring a check to the meeting** it is only \$45.

**Sunday, March 17:** St. Helens Climb! The group will drive up the afternoon of Saturday March 16th and camp the night near the parking lot. More information at the meeting. Will only be open to members who have already completed snow school (except for Jaden). The climb costs \$50, but if you **bring a check to the meeting**, it is only \$40.



*(Peter Green in a time machine, asking, "What Happened?")*

## **Post Takes Foster Youth Tubing!**

by you (Jackson Schroeder)

Three Saturdays ago, you, Josiah, and Alex met at Fred Meyer. You all bought some righteous snacks for the day, then headed over to Wells Fargo. Advisors Maya and Ellie showed up! So did 13-year old Michael from Tigard. On the way to wells Fargo, the Marty Mobile picked up four foster youth in Gresham, then one more little dude named Jaleek at a Walgreens. With all eight of you in the car together, you all were pretty happy. Then you got to Skibow!



It turned out nobody had been tubing before, but you all felt overjoyed on your first trip down the hill. You ran yourselves silly until you could no more, then finally went to Summit Ski area and had yummy yummy sandwiches prepared with the ingredients from Fred Meyer. On the drive home, you all played the alphabet game. Next time won't you tube with me?

## **A Soliloquy by AJ...**

Hi everybody, how are we all doing?  
Rad, rad, okay, so today's been a weird day.  
This morning I accidentally mooed for two minutes straight! You know, like a cow! Cows are funny, yeah? They aren't very destructive per say, but if they were in a superhero movie, and they destroy the whole city like superheroes always do... Let's just say if cows were superheros it would be udder destruction. Thank you everybody! You've been lovely.





## **Teacup Ski Trip**

By Claes James

Last month, a few postees and I ventured off in a snowy ski land at the Teacup Lake! All of us skiers, some with experience and some like myself without had great fun skiing and getting warm in the warming hut! Every now and then we stopped to take snack breaks, play two truths and a lie, and build snowmen. The Teacup was a great area for me and ski masters to enjoy the outdoors while zooming down trails!



### **A Love Card for Your Use!**

Valentine's Day is approaching! And while that may be important, every day is the day to love your parents! They made you what you are and support you being in the Post! You can cut out this card, write in your name, and give it to your parents, along with a big hug!

### **Are you going on a Spring Break Trip?**

If so, there will be a meeting with your trip leaders from 9:00-9:15 p.m. just after the end of the general meeting. This will be an opportunity to ask questions, and meet some new friends before heading out! Be sure to tell your parents to pick you up at 9:20.