



*Cascade Geographic Society's*

## Year 2019 Mount Hood Festivals & Events



6th Annual

### Rationing The War

### (World War II On the Domestic Home Front & Abroad --- An Exhibit)

(Sunday) June 23rd, 2019 ~ Noon to 5:00 p.m.  
at the "Oregon Country Settlement" (a living history village)  
73341 East U.S. Highway 26  
in the historic Village of Rhododendron, Oregon  
Free Admission! Free Parking!  
[Located Directly Behind Still Creek Inn]

December 7th, 1941, changed the history of the United States forever. With the bombing of Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, America entered a four-year war against Imperial Japan and soon after the fascist Nazi Germany. To aid the war efforts in Europe and the Pacific, citizens had to sacrifice the way they lived their life and rations were put in place. Everything from gas to nylons to scrap metal was not only rationed, but became a new way of surviving while the country was at war. Sadly, some men, women, and children --- all Japanese Americans --- (because of their ancestry) were considered potential spies, and eventually found themselves without any rights and were confined to internment camps while their sons were sent overseas to fight against Adolf Hitler. This exhibit tells the story of domestic survival at home, as well as the efforts to halt the aggressiveness of the enemy. Through artifacts, music, and radio broadcasts, what happened over 70 years ago reemerges with a better understanding of why history defines those who underwent this four-year period as being the "Greatest Generation."



22nd Annual

**Mount Hood Oregon Trail Quilt Show:  
Past & Present (A heritage exhibition)**

(Saturday) July 13th, 2019 ~ Noon to 5 p.m. & (Sunday) July 14th, 2019 ~ Noon to 5 p.m.  
at the "Oregon Country Settlement" (a living history village)  
73341 East Highway 26 in the historic Village of Rhododendron  
[located behind the Still Creek Inn]  
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The heritage of our quilting traditions is celebrated in this two-day event. Held in the Village of Rhododendron during the month of July, this special event brings together heritage quilts of the past --such as those dating back to the days of the Oregon Trail, hand-sewn by those who made the 2,000-plus mile journey westward -- with the artistic quilts of contemporary times. Besides quilts there will be arts and crafts on sale, Huckleberry jam and other wildberry goodies, historical and Nature books, and unique Oregon Trail walking sticks, plus storytelling. On Saturday and Sunday, an entertainer performing Native American flute music as well as old-time music will be on hand. It is said that there are more historic quilts in this one area than you'll see anywhere else.



35th Annual

**Mount Hood Huckleberry Festival & Barlow Trail Days**

August 17th, 2019 (Saturday) --- 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ~  
& August 18th, 2019 (Sunday) --- 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ~  
at the "Oregon Country Settlement" (a living history village)  
73341 East U.S. Highway 26  
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35th Annual

**Mount Hood Huckleberry Festival & Barlow Trail Days**  
**along the Oregon Trail at the Oregon Country Settlement**  
**(a living history village)**



1840's Oregon Trail emigrant Samuel Welch founded the Village of Welches in the western foothills of Mount Hood in 1880. By 1890 he had modified his two-story farmhouse at the Welch Ranch into a hotel to go along with the campground he had built two years earlier. To celebrate, he decided to hold an annual festival to celebrate the birth of tourism on this Mountain that the Native Americans called "Wy'East". This pioneer celebration survived up until the realities of the Great Depression in the 1930's forced it to come to an abrupt halt. Then, 35 years ago, the Cascade Geographic Society revived it and started out with a table in a parking lot trying to get people to remember this Mountain's great heritage. Today, we are celebrating our Thirty-Second Anniversary. One

of the highlights is the "World's Record-Breaking Watermelon Launch" (Saturday afternoon), where catapults and other uniquely-designed contraptions launch watermelons and other produce into outer space. There are lots of delicious Huckleberry, Huckleberry jams and sauces and a selection of other Wild Berry jams, even fresh Huckleberries, not to mention Huckleberry Coffee. There's a Native American Salmon bake, Native American storytelling, flute music and drumming, a "Huckleberry Ceremony", and much, much more, including "Great Northwest Music" featuring incredible singer-songwriters all day long, with special "Huckleberry Concerts" between 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. There will be something for the whole family! This two-day event is always held during the month of August the weekend before Labor Day Weekend.

Located along several routes of the Oregon Trail and its rich heritage sites, which creates a great opportunity to take a journey back into time with Cascade Geographic Society with their popular "Mount Hood Huckleberry Festival & Barlow Trail Days" being held at their special living history village known as the "Oregon Country Settlement." Here, on beautiful Mount Hood and located along the paths where Native Peoples traveled, camped, and, in some cases, died, the sights, sounds, and smells of frontier life can be revisited once more as interpreters in period clothing take you on a unique journey of history and wonderment. Amongst this cluster of protected historic buildings and wilderness shelters, the 1840's is alive and well. View life as it once was as you visit Echo Lodge (Storytelling Lodge), the "Wilderness House", the "Trading Post", the "Blacksmith Shop", the "Wash House", the "Spirits House", the "Parlour", the "Community House" (school and church), the "Cook's Shack", the "Pantry Building," the "Mess Hall", the "Carpenter's Shop", the "Stables", the "Hermit's Shack", the "Tyee Bear Lodge", the "Smoke House", the "Bell Tower", the "Native American Lodge", and other unique structures. Purchase special traditional foods at our Native American salmon bake (including fry bread), listen to great traditional Native American flute and old-time music, Oregon Trail and Native American storytelling, and take advantage of our gift shop where Huckleberry Jam and other goodies awaits you along with history and nature books, nickel postcards, and a whole lot more. A great family experience!





28th Annual  
Mount Hood Salmon, Mushroom, &  
Bigfoot Festival



(Saturday) September 21st, 2019 & (Sunday) September 22nd, 2019  
Featuring “Native American Salmon Bake” (on both days),  
&  
“Mount Hood Scarecrow Contest” (on both days)  
&  
“Mount Hood Scarecrow Fashion Show” (on both days)  
&  
“Sasquatch Talks” (on both days)

~ 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday/10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday~  
at the “Oregon Country Settlement” (a living history village)  
73341 East U.S. Highway 26  
in the historic Village of Rhododendron, Oregon  
Free Admission! Free Parking!  
[Located directly behind the Still Creek Inn]  
No Admission! Free Parking!

Two of the Northwest’s greatest bounties are the Salmon and Wild Mushrooms, which are the honored celebrities at this festival, are featured at this 28th annual event. This two-day, family-oriented event is held during the month of October to welcome home the return of the Salmon to the streams of Oregon’s Mount Hood and the Wild Mushrooms to its forested landscapes. Featured is Native American storytelling, original music from singer-songwriters, arts and crafts, exhibits on Salmon and Wild Mushrooms (including Mushroom identification by the Oregon Mycological Society), along with great food, including a Native American salmon bake. A scarecrow-making contest will take place on both days. Over the course of two days, there will even be a number of Sasquatch Talks with speakers discussing the rich oral traditions of Northwest Native American tribes about these Wild People of the mountains and forests, including the most updated contemporary scientific research. In addition, an exhibit featuring these hairy giants will provide even more educational and intriguing information about these hairy creatures.

Special Halloween Ghost Tours  
at the Shanghai Tunnels  
3rd Week of October through 1st Week of November

(Hobo's Restaurant, 120 N.W. 3rd Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97209)



October Special Event at the  
Museum of the Shanghai Tunnels Spooky Harvest:

(Tuesday) October 1st, 2019 through (Saturday) November 2nd, 2019

*Spooky Harvest:*

Autumn-Halloween Victorian-Era Celebratory Art & Decoration



November & December Special  
Educational Event  
at the  
Museum of the Shanghai Tunnels

(Thursday) November 7th, 2019 through (Sunday) December 30th, 2019

# Rose City of the World Holiday Experience:

*Victorian-Era Christmas Celebratory Art & Decoration*





## 35th Annual Christmas Along The Barlow Trail

(Sunday) December 1st, 2019 ~ “Oregon Trail Christmas Village” ~  
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
at the “Oregon Country Settlement” (a living history village)  
73341 East U.S. Highway 26  
in the historic Village of Rhododendron, Oregon  
[located behind the Still Creek Inn]

No Admission! Free Parking!

This 35th annual celebration is a free, festive gathering held on Mount Hood that features two special events associated with the history of the Oregon Trail, where it traversed around the Mountain’s southern flank. Held on Sunday during the day a few weeks before Christmas, this is an event for the entire family.

On Sunday afternoon, visitors will gather at the “Oregon Trail Christmas Village” [the Oregon Country Settlement] from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Featured is a traditional holiday festivity held at a pioneer village [the Oregon Country Settlement] along a section of the Oregon Trail through the Cascade Mountain Range, known as the Barlow Trail, in which the Willamette Valley-bound emigrant’s traversed a route along the southern flank of the 1,295-foot Mount Hood.

“Pioneer Spirits Along Mount Hood’s Oregon Trail” will be a special feature this year. Situated in the various historical buildings on the property, re-enactors, dressed in period clothing, will allow visitors to listen in on the conversations that would have taken place back in time, interpreting this Winter holiday as it was in our past. These are not only historical characters, but all are those who traveled this emigrant path over Mount Hood and camped in one of the several meadows on this 18-acres owned by the Cascade Geographic Society.

There will be traditional Christmas caroling, Native American flute and pioneer flute music, free Christmas goodies and hot drinks. This is also an opportunity to shop for unique historical and nature books, Huckleberry and other Wildberry jams, and specialty products made from this wildland bounty, that would be ideal for gifts...especially for those who are hard to buy for. And, naturally, Santa Claus will be there on duty from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

One of the main features will be “Christmas Tales of Old Oregon” that begins at 3:00 p.m., which is a unique storytelling program that takes you from the days of the Lewis & Clark Expedition at the rainy and cold Pacific Coast in 1805, to the days of the Oregon Trail and pioneer settlement, and concluding on the slopes of Mount Hood in the early 1900’s. The oral tradition being shared makes this an ideal event for adults and children alike.



19th Annual  
Pioneer Harvest Feast  
(volunteer appreciation dinner)

(Sunday) December 1st, 2019 ~ 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
at the "Oregon Country Settlement" (a living history village)  
73370 East Buggy Trail Drive  
in the historic Village of Rhododendron, Oregon  
Free to Cascade Geographic Society Members --- \$15.00 Non-Members

This annual dinner celebrates the efforts of the volunteers of the Cascade Geographic Society. It is a time to enjoy good food and company, reflect back on the successes of the past year, and look forward to the next twelve months. This is a special thank you event for those who have given so much of their time. And, of course, there are awards for those special efforts that people have made in order to make dreams turn into reality. Lots of fun and memories!



**Join Us in Preserving Our Heritage for Future Generations!**

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