



Calendar

- February 4 7:00pm UNIT MEETING – Training: **Glacier Travel and Safety** by *Matt Vitagliano* and *Aaron Lee*.
- February 15/16 TBA FIELD TRAINING – **Ski Traverse from McKenzie Pass to Santiam Pass.**
- February 21/23 TBA SEARCH MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS COURSE
- February 24 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
- March 4 7:00pm UNIT MEETING – Training: **Radio Communication Skills and Drills** by *Matt Crawford*.
- March 12 7:00pm TRAINING SESSION – **Map, Compass, and Navigation**
- March 15 9:00am FIELD TRAINING – Map and Compass skills and drills.
- March 24 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MISSION REPORT 03-01: Stranded Climbers, Mt. Hood

A group of five climbers ascended Leuthold's Coulior route late Saturday, January 11th, and were caught on the summit ridge of Mt. Hood by a fast-approaching storm. Visibility was so poor, the group was unsure of its location and elected to dig-in and call for help. They were carrying a MLU and activated the locating transmitter.

CMRU was activated with a pageout at 0340 Sunday morning and responded with the truck and 6 members to assist with a possible evacuation. We arrived at Timberline about 0900 and were assigned to stage at the top of Palmer lift with equipment to be used if members of the party required evacuation. CMRU member Iain Morris is also a member of PMR and was on the PMR team which ascended to the summit to locate the climbers.

Once that team from PMR reached the stranded climbers, it was determined that all five would be able to evacuate on their own. CMRU members returned equipment to Timberline and departed in the late afternoon.

Participants: Clunes, Crawford, Dagata, Leach, Lee, Morris Vitagliano.

ID CARDS – change-out

Bring your Benton County ID card to the February Unit Meeting to exchange it for a current issue. If you are unable to make the meeting, you'll need to make arrangements with Mike or Peggy at the Emergency Services office to exchange your old card for a new one.

SIGN-IN SHEETS – remember

When including travel information on a CMRU sign-in sheet, the information is considered "round trip" time and distance. Be sure to sign-in at each event so your hours will be properly credited. Also, if you participate in other events while representing CMRU, include those hours (and a short description of the event or activity) at the bottom of the current sign-in sheet.

PAST MEMBERS – news

We have received news that Ltjg. Eric Benson began a six month deployment in early January. This time he is aboard USS Tarawa as part of an amphibious task force. His e-address is cpr7n95@tarawa.navy.mil.

We also have heard from Angela and Ken Parton. They have moved from Virginia to Maine and can be reached at: aparton@mdibl.org and kenny_parton@juno.com.