

THE RESUSCITATOR

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2018 CALENDAR

Spring Reunion: May 19th

OH Trail Work Day: TBD

Mountain Day: July 21st

Oktoberfest: TBD

Fall Fest Reunion: Nov. 3rd

Trail Crew Reunion: TBD

And, looking ahead:

TCA 100th Anniversary

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From the Desk of the Editor

Hello to my Fellow OH!

Welcome to another edition of our dear *Resuscitator*. This Spring 2018 issue is replete with a panoply of entertaining stories, photos, memories, and humorous adventures. Enjoy - and please send some of your own for the Fall issue!

Couple of important tidbits to highlight - firstly, that **the OHA is fundraising to assist in the re-location of the AMC Archives from Boston to Highland Center, Crawford Notch**. This puts our own history right in the center of the mountains that generated it. The OHA is offering to match the first \$5,000 donated by OHA members, making for a total OHA donation of at least \$10,000. Please see details on page 5 for how to be part of this opportunity to remember our own Jim Hamilton and support the historical and preservation work represented by the AMC Archives.

The 2018 season is gearing up in the Huts as I write this, with summer hut croos hired, and the higher huts about to be opened and reamed. Within the OHA, our own season of events are about to kick off as well. Join us at the cabin for **Spring Reunion** - a chance to fling open the cabin's windows, kick off the winter dust, and welcome the warmer months to this special nook of a retreat. Food, drink, talk, and an unbeatable view for all who come: at the Cabin, **May 19, 2018**.

OHA is once again marking **Mountain Day on July 21st** - a chance to connect OHA adventurers around the world via social media. Post your mountain adventure of choice. Grab some hiking buddies and share your adventure: #ohcroc, @ohcroc, and on facebook. The **Oktoberfest** date will be set as the time of year draws closer, and will once again mix the annual autumn scrub of the cabin with tasty german victuals. Stay tuned for date and details.

Our crowning event of the year is, of course, the **2018 Fall Reunion and Annual Meeting at Highland Center**, set to take place on **Saturday, November 3, 2018**. This year will feature a "Huts Then & Now" presentation - for which we are excited to collect a panel of humorous speakers from the 40s through the 'teens: Hank Parker, Tom Deans, Ken Olsen, Dave Albala, the Bensons, Jen Granducci, Miles Howard, plus a yet-to-be-determined representative from recent years! The full schedule of events for the day will be determined in short order; suffice it to say that the usual mix of music, food, drink, mingling, and story-telling are slated to take place as in past years.

Most importantly, **Moose Meserve, our selfless and dedicated Treasurer is warning us that he will indeed be stepping away from his post of 30yrs at the end of 2019**. While he is happy and willing to assist his replacement, he will no longer be holding the OHA's financial books - so we are looking for a replacement! A willingness to learn, and a commitment to put a few years (three decades is above and beyond the call of duty) into the job are essential. More information is on page 9.

Also of note, the **NEW WEBSITE** is complete. Check it out and activate your account at www.ohcroc.com. An inordinate amount of labor and care has gone into making this a reality: a huge thank you to our Chair Stroker for stewarding the process. Sign-in to the site today!

I'll close with the usual-but-essential reminders: the existence and well-being of the Cabin is supported by the overnight fees we all pay to use the building - please pay to stay!! And double please, don't block the road. We have neighbors above us, and they appreciate easy access in and out of Washburn Way.

Solvitur crumpus,

Beth



OLD NEWS: The OHA is on **Facebook**.

NEW NEWS: The OHA is on **Instagram!**

(@OHcroc; #ohcroc)



We're also on **LinkedIn** and **Twitter**, and constantly looking for other ways to connect with each other, now that we can't have social call or send notes on truck. **Plug in with the portal of your choice!**

(USPS is good, too.) All info can be found on the **NEW** OHA website: www.ohcroc.com

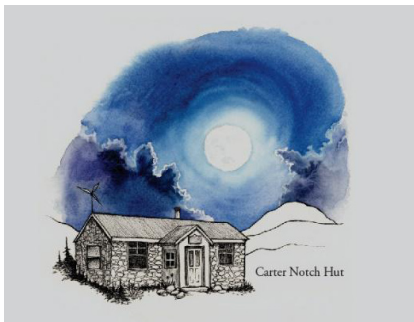
Huts Update 2018

From the hallowed Huts Department Office Suite comes a little update on what we've been working on this winter. We spend most of our time in the dark months drinking tea (from our Equal Exchange sample array) and chatting, but every now and then we try to think of how we can make the huts better places- for the guests, the croos, and the world. In other words, we stay busy.

We spent much of this January and February hiring for this summer season, and we would love to welcome the following folks to the huts community: Virginia Majka, Imara White, Robin Roianov, Caroline Eyman, Katie Benoit, Maya Hamilton, Peter Jacobson, Misha Klassen, Alex Sinson, Sara Jadbabaie, Grace Garrison, Josiah Oakley, Rita Sherwood, Kyler Phillips, and Maddi Terry.

Additionally, **Jesse Keck** started at the beginning of April as the new Huts Education Coordinator (formerly Backcountry Education Assistant). Jesse takes on this role after multiple seasons' experience in the huts as a naturalist, hutmaster and caretaker. A note on the title change: HEC will hopefully be just as fun an acronym as BEA while being slightly more descriptive of the job to folks who have not worked in the huts (such as someone reading a resume).

Molly Mundy put in a lot of hard work this winter to design two of our shirts that we will be selling. She did a fabulous job (see images below!). You can buy your very own when you visit the huts this summer! In addition to painting 16 images for shirts, Molly also created artwork for several new Junior Naturalist pages. Thanks for all your hard work, Molly!



We have been successful in locally sourcing several of our food products this summer. One of the most exciting products that will be in use in hut kitchens is lettuce for our salads from the organic **Pork Hill Farm** located in Ossipee, NH. If you're lucky enough to live in the Mount Washington Valley you should check them out for a CSA!

In November, James Wrigley took a training with the Avarna group and several other AMC staff members on how to become a trainer in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for the organization. Thanks for taking the lead on this important work, James!

The AMC Construction Crew is busy as ever in the huts. This fall, the Lonesome Lake hut's croo room was completely renovated, and is now insulated and has a woodstove in the self-serve season. Caretakers no longer need winter sleeping bags, as their room is perpetually 70 and sunny now. Lakes of the Clouds is getting a much-needed facelift in the guest bunkrooms- make sure to check them out when you're up at Lakes buying one of Molly's shirts!

As we are writing this the summer season is still 2 months away, but we have already begun hiring for the fall season. Those of you who have worked falls in the huts can attest to how special they can be. The application for fall huts will be open until the end of June, and can be found through [outdoors.org](https://www.outdoors.org) or [OHcroo.com](https://www.OHcroo.com). Any questions about this process can be directed to Eric Gotthold at egotthold@outdoors.org.

Yours,

Whitney, Nancy, James, Eric and Jesse



OH Cabin Photo Project

The OH Association has long honored our absent friends by placing their photographs on the Cabin wall. Over the years the wall space for images and other items has become congested.

These memorial photos are of iconic OH figures including Red Mac MacGregor, Joe Dodge, Al Folger, and others. **The Steering Committee has authorized an archival project to preserve these photos and gain space for current images.**

The photos have been removed and Sally Dinsmore Baldwin is scanning and printing them for mounting, with captioned plaques giving dates and the particular huts in which they worked.

Doug Hotchkiss is overseeing the project and invites donations to cover costs. **Doug and Sally hope to have some of the work ready to re-hang by Spring Brawl this year.**



Henry Barbour, Joe Dodge,
& Carl Blanchard



8 Ball & Joe Dodge

Hey Y-OH! Want to see more photos of your generation on the walls at the OH Cabin? Here's your go-ahead: really, *hang up your favorites*. The OHA wants everyone to see themselves on the walls of this special place. So, with **courtesy and respect** of course, you are invited to **decorate with your dearest photos**. Photo albums are encouraged, too. *We can all contribute to our own history*. Thank you!



Lonesome Lake 2017 Summer Croo

"Theoretically, perhaps, the hutman's job is a twenty-four hour proposition...It may seem on some days as if the "practice" exceeded the "theory" - that is, the day exceeds twenty-four hours work and possesses less than twenty-four hours time - but that is part of the nature of our business." -- excerpted from *Hutman's Handbook, Season of 1935*

Need a joke? Courtesy of Lakes Fall 2017:

Cloud Catcher? I hardly know her!

Lakes Raid on Madison, '55

as lived by Lewis Lloyd

During the summer of 1955, our crew was convinced, as are all the crews at the Lakes of the Clouds even to this day, that we were obviously the best hut and the best crew in the whole hut system. After all, we were the biggest hut and we knew that size matters. We could cook, set up and serve dinner and breakfast for 110, which was our capacity. We regularly packed the heaviest loads in the system, 1.6 miles downhill, in good weather and bad from the summit of Mt. Washington, of over 200 lbs by the three big guys and over 150 lbs by the three smaller guys. And of course, being on the main trails used by the girl's summer camps, we had a ready supply of pretty young female visitors who thought we were just fabulous.

But there was something that didn't fit this picture. Our archrival, Madison Springs Hut, had in its possession the prize that both huts treasured: The Green Rocking Chair. This old, front porch style, wooden rocking chair was the source of raids back and forth between our two huts across the Presidential Range. For the time being, The Green Rocking Chair was inside the darn hut at the other end of the Range.

We sat around our table in the kitchen, trying to come up with a scheme that would get the rocking chair back to Lakes. The tough part was that we had heard that the Madison crew had become so paranoid about us stealing the rocker back that they actually locked the hut at night! So much for leaving the latch-key open.

However, with us that evening was a regular visitor to our hut, Jean Hoag, sister of Carter Notch Hut's hutmaster. Jean volunteered to visit Madison on the night of the raid. She'd be inside and would let us in. It sounded perfect. We picked a date.

On the night of the raid four of us left Lakes after serving dinner and making trail lunches. One of us stayed behind to look after the hut and the hikers (the sixth member of the crew was on days off). I can't remember which of us stayed behind, but it wasn't me. We reached Madison at the agreed time and silently crept near the hut. Slowly Jean opened the door. Once we were inside she pointed out the Green Rocking Chair, hung up on the wall above the registration window. We reached up for it.

Suddenly the Madison crew pounced! There was a great pulling and tugging and shouting. But it was all to no avail. They'd suspected Jean from the moment she came in the door. She'd made no secret of her affection for Lakes of the Clouds. We were undone. Several sleepy but much amused goofers appeared from the bunkrooms. There was a good deal of laughter, at our expense. Having hiked over to the hut on a fine moonlit night it wasn't much of a problem to hike back to Lakes. We were there in time to serve breakfast, tired, and unhappy.

We had a bigger problem than leaving the Green Rocker at Madison however. One of the hikers spending the night at Madison was Bradford Swan, an AMC member (this was at a time when the AMC was an exclusive club in that you had to be nominated and seconded for membership etc.) but worse, Brad was a much loved writer for the Providence Journal in Rhode Island. He delightedly wrote up the story for the newspaper a few days later. Many AMC members read it. Several called Joe Dodge at his office at Pinkham Notch, all pretty much with the same question, "What the hell is going on up there anyway?"

You could practically hear Joe's reaction up at Lakes. Since he knew our days-off schedule and he knew that I was the next member of the crew to be headed out of the hut, he sent a colorful version of: "You tell Lew Lloyd to come to my office as soon as he gets down here!" Joe was well known for both his volume and the colorful quality of his conversations.

In those days we had 2 ½ days off every two weeks and we typically left the hut the night before our official day off started, after cleaning-up dinner and the trail lunches. So it was that I crossed over to the headwall of Tuckerman's Ravine that night and hiked down to the fire trail to Pinkham. I can still recall very clearly how I felt as I went up the stairs to Joe's office where he was waiting for me. "I'm taking one for the team," I reminded myself. Joe was loud. Joe was profane. The easiest way to say it is just this "Clean up your act. I don't want to hear one word about you guys for the rest of the summer..." and so on. "Yes, Joe." "Right, Joe." "I'll tell Al (the hutmaster) and Roger (the assistant), Joe." "You bet, Joe!"

Worse, we never did get that darned rocking chair back to Lakes that summer.

NEWS FLASH!!

AMC Archives & Library moving from Boston to Crawford Notch!



Do you love the Huts? Do you love history? Support the relocation of the AMC Library & Archives, and all of the amazing huts and croo history therein, from the AMC Boston Headquarters to the Highland Center at Crawford Notch, smack dab in the middle of the Hut System.

In 2017, AMC moved its Headquarters to a new building at 10 City Square. Space is tight and the Archives lost ground in the transition. It's hard to do the job of sharing our history when there is no grand library reading room and much of the collection is stored offsite. However, the challenges posed have opened the door to a marvelous opportunity. We now have a plan to relocate the Archives to Thayer Hall at the Highland Center during 2018, where they can serve as a forward-facing, public resource to all.

Space for the Library & Archives is all picked out! The northwest corner of Thayer Hall will be outfitted with appropriate climate control, a secure area for collections storage, and adjacent public space for visitors. Upgrading the space to accommodate the Library & Archives requires light renovation to enclose a storage area, the installation of shiny new high density shelving to accommodate nearly 800 cubic feet of records, and the redesign of a meeting space to act as a reading room for the Archivist and Archives guests. Heck, we might even hang some Hut pictures on the walls!

Basing the Archives at the Highland Center is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to show off our rich and fascinating history at a public site, not in an office building. The Archivist will be able to help visitors find just what they are looking for in our collections, design and install exhibits onsite, keep up with outreach to every year's incoming croo, and lead programs and tours galore. On-site lodging and meals can assist visitors who prefer not to deal with the headache of Boston driving! Plus, we'll still have the capability to serve patrons who can't make it to the mountains – pick up the phone or send an email and all kinds of historical material can be sent direct to you in digital form. The AMC Library & Archives will have room to breathe, room to grow, and room to let folks study and reflect on the past 142 years of AMC.

The Library & Archives are home to thousands of photographs, documents, artifacts and other pieces of AMC history. Although they cover everywhere the club has been, from Acadia to Zermatt, a large portion of our collections has to do with the White Mountains and specifically with the Huts. Snappy letters from Joe Dodge? Papers on the origins of the OH Cabin? Meeting minutes and other bidness from Steering Committees of old? We've got that. Oral histories from croo working in the 1920s? Hut logs dating back to 1889? The greatest collection of Huts photos ever assembled in one place? All right here. And wouldn't it be better if all that history was close to the place of its origins?

Our current, illustrious Steering Committee has offered to run a \$5,000 matching fundraiser toward a portion of the Archives Relocation Gambol! (ARG! – the acronym of choice for this project). But we need YOU, extraordinary-OH, Y-OH, over-the-hill-OH to help us get there! The Library & Archives are committed to keeping your stories alive and serving as the endless pack trail that connects all huts and all croo across the decades. Help us move a real, live mountain (of history) and come see it for yourself at the next Fallfest when I hope to welcome you all to the Library & Archives' new home.

To make your contribution, please send checks payable to AMC, to OHA Treasurer Moose Meserve at: 17 Brenner Dr., Newton, NH 03858. The deadline for contributions toward the OHA match is May 31st, 2018.



Sincerely,
Your Archivist, Becky Fullerton



Winter Camping- Really?

An old hutman's winter retreat

By Sheldon Perry

It is a well-known phrase: "Summertime and the living is easy." But what about winter? I have a counter phrase for this: "Summer gives you its love. In winter, you have to go out and earn it!" If you're not out in the quiet cold of winter playing and enjoying the beautiful low-angle sunlight, winter becomes scraping the ice off your windshield and driving around on those dirty, salt-covered roads.

So, when a friend of mine, Geoffery Burke (a fellow OH), showed me his 11 foot trekking toboggan, designed for hauling his winter gear, wanigan (a wooden chest for pots, skillets and kitchen supplies) and tent setup for a compact light weight wood stove, I saw the light. This could be days and nights in the woods, in comfort! After many years of canoe camping, I have learned that the point is not to "rough" it but rather to "smooth" it while in the woods. After all, it's rough enough in town.

To get started, I needed more information. The book "A Snow Walker's Companion" by Garrett Conover and Alexandra Conover Bennett is the iconic winter trekker's guide, absolutely stocked with detailed information about tents, stoves, toboggans, snowshoes, gear and food, as well as the preparation and the planning for extended trips. What a resource! In addition, if you want to rub elbows with extreme snow walkers, attend the Snow Walker's Rendezvous at the Hulbert Outdoor Center in Fairlee, Vermont. This November event is awe-inspiring. While there, my friend Geoffery, a wooden boat builder by trade, teaches a toboggan building course, and I, being a wood nut, thought, "I can do this!" By the fall of 2014, there were just two missing ingredients - a tent and its accompanying wood stove.

Finding a tent was easy. Tentsmiths (www.tentsmiths.com) fabricates traditional canvas tents for folks via the internet and is just up the road in Conway, NH. I chose a Civil War era wedge tent, large enough to sleep three people, with gear, including the wood stove. The tent is both fire

resistant and water repellant. They customized my tent with a 5' flexible thimble for the stove flue. My wood stove came from Snowtrekker in Solon Springs, Wisconsin. The sheet metal stove, including the stovepipe, only weighs 17 pounds. A heat reflector and the cloth hearth are necessary to prevent snow from melting underneath. At this point, in my own mind at least, I am ready to go! It's the fall of 2015 and snow is a-comin'!



Winter camping is a ton of work and hardly a solo endeavor. My vision is less about hauling and trekking and more about setting up a cozy base camp and taking day snowshoe trips from there. For my campsite, the White Mountains offer a plethora of choices, but I look for the following: Access should be on a moderately graded trail to a site deep enough in the woods to feel that I am away from the hubbub of civilization, yet close enough such that I will not drop dead getting there while hauling my loaded toboggan. There should be clear running water nearby and an assortment of interesting day hikes to keep me busy during a good portion of any day. Any site should be 200 feet from both a trail and any source of water. But keeping busy is not a problem. There is much to do in setting everything up. This is where company is really handy.

At this point, you have arrived with your trekking toboggan, loaded with all the gear (wanigan, food, clothing, sleeping bag, mat, and something "stiff" to sip if it gets really cold- hut style, of course). The first move is to pack down the snow with a generous area for the tent. This should be slightly crowned such that any moisture will drain away from the site. Set up the tent on a large water repellant tarp. I set my stove on thin Baltic plywood for stability and securely fasten the stovepipe with a tripod structure and wire. Allow for the wind! Rugs are a must, of course. Another person should be looking for dry (key word - dry) firewood situated nearby.



Downed hardwood trees with branches up off the ground are ideal. Undersize the wood to fit comfortably within the stove and expect to feed it often. Crosscut with a bow saw and, when necessary, competently split to size with an axe (Hut croo know how to use an axe- it's genetics, right?). I like to sort and stack the wood according to diameter both within and outside the tent. It's a lot of work, but you will feel great doing this knowing the reward will be a well-heated tent. If everything goes smoothly, you should do all this work and have a hot cup of tea (or gluvine) warming your hands within a generous hour. That is the goal!

Remind yourself that the further you are out into the woods and the nastier the weather, the better any meal will taste. Cooking is done on top of the stove. An accessory metal shelf that extends the stovetop area is well advised, as this will allow for more pots and the ability to simmer. Always have a large teapot full of hot water ready for drinks and cleaning up. Bring hors d'oeuvres. Live it up! Oh, did I mention to not even think about bugs or bears?

By now you are thinking about elimination, you know, the solid kind. No magic wand here. Dig (beyond the snow and into the earth, the deeper the better), squat and replace your divots. I always have hand sanitizer in abundance, because clean hands are way more than just a courtesy.

Ok, my first 4-night stay went amazingly well for a neophyte. My guests were also on their first winter camp trip, but they were the best at just about everything. Having a love for the outdoors in winter will make it work. But I did learn a few things: My long trekking toboggan, although great for the tundra of the far north, did not work well on a White Mountain forested trail. It would rather tip over than take a turn, and as I pulled it with a strap, I could not control the front end. Going downhill, I shifted positions to tether it from the rear - not very convenient.



Accordingly, I made several significant adjustments, which included cutting my toboggan in half to create a tractor (the front half) and a trailer (the rear half) and then used some quick-releasing marine hardware to hinge them together. I devised a rigid yoke to connect me to the tractor and a leather harness to connect me to the yoke. Yes, I am both the engine and brakes. With these three detachable elements, many advantages appear. I can fit everything in my car - nice. I can take sharp turns on the trail and if I come to a steep section, I can detach the trailer, proceed up with just the tractor and return with a strap to haul the trailer. Brook crossings or other obstacles are less problematic, as my load is divided into several units. One last important note: each guest needs a sled to haul his or her own gear, even if it is plastic.

So, every winter, I ditch the phone (or turn it off), and leave the world as I know it, behind. Everyone needs a break from the day-to-day routine. And where better to enjoy (and employ) all those high-hut skills? On a winter mountain adventure.



What
stories are you
thinking of right now?

Send 'em along, we want to hear them!

All stories, photos, recipes, classifieds,
gossip, fashion commentaries, personal ads,
etc. to the Editor:

b.a.weick@gmail.com

OHA Classifieds:

HOUSING

Will Murray is searching for a new place to live, in the Upper Valley region of VT/NH, beginning July 1st, 2018. Looking for a one-year lease. murraywd@gmail.com

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Robin Snyder would be happy to host OH passing through the Bend, Oregon area: snydertwn2@aol.com

PHOTOS

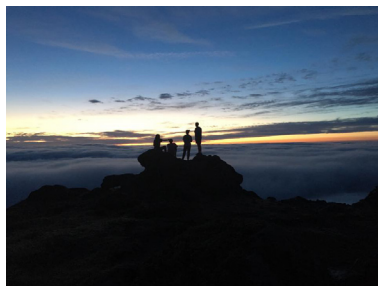
Hey, Y-OH, hang up your favorite pics on the walls of the cabin. Time for this special place to host photos of all generations. Go for it! Photo albums are encouraged, too.

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Having a hut reunion? A hutfolk outing - for beers, or on trails? Share your photos and selfies via Instagram (#ohcroc, @OHcroc), on the OHA Facebook page, plus any other social media outlet of your choice - we want to show that the OHA is more than just a couple events each year. It's a network that promotes the fun and lifelong friendships we all formed in the huts.

MIA OH

The OHA has lost track of the following folks - help us reconnect!

- *Alan Bebout
- *Timothy Campbel
- *Eric Johnston
- *Emmy Lawrason
- *Sarah Lichtenstein
- *Lynn Miao
- *Joel Nichols



GEAR

15 ft. Lapstrake Canoe: Good Condition



*White northern cedar over oak with cherry trim, solid tamarack stems, clinch nailed and screwed.

*Walt Simmons design, custom built by Geoff Burke, Tamworth, NH. Two wooden double paddles, carry yolk, and cart.

*\$6,000 value new. Asking \$3,000

*Contact Doug Hotchkiss. Dmhbythec@comcast.net 978-525-7063 Manchester, MA

AND A GENTLE REMINDER...

With all "due" respect, please pay your OHA membership dues! Please! Pretty please!

Dues pay for cabin expenses, ongoing picture projects, the forthcoming website redux, Y-OH outreach, etc., etc., etc., etc..

Dues receipts are running slow at the moment... and our Treasurer hopes you can help to change that! Thank you very much!

Treasurer Hunt!

The race is on to find a Treasurer before 2020!!



Our long-serving, mastermind-of-the-money Treasurer John "Moose" Meserve is officially stepping away from keeper of the OHA's financial books at the end

of 2019. Moose has diligently kept the organization successfully solvent for 30 years - we will miss him sorely!

Who will be the next to steward our organizational purse strings?? It could be YOU....

We're looking for anyone who has the interest in helping the OHA, the willingness to learn, and the ability to commit to a ± 5 years in the position. Moose will provide training, assistance, and reassurance, guaranteed!

Moose, "great work as Treasurer" -
Bob Proudman



Moose, "thank you again for taking care of our association and all my memories of the grand people from Joe Dodge himself on up and down - great memories from a glorious past." - David Fonseca

Interested?

Contact any of the following steering committee members for more info:

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Editor Beth Weick: b.a.weick@gmail.com



Hey there! How about volunteering in the Huts? The AMC is looking to send more OH back to their old haunts - through the Info Vol, Vol Natty, and Alpine Steward programs. Read on for more info:

Become a Volunteer Naturalist or Information Volunteer in the Huts! Eat and stay free at a hut while volunteering. Hut Info Vols greet guests in a friendly manner, give trail advice, and help with check-in and retail sales. Hut Volunteer Naturalists lead evening programs, helping guests learn about local natural or cultural history. Volunteer Naturalists can gear their evening program to kids, adults, or both, and depending on interest and expertise, they can offer just one program topic or offer multiple programs over multiple days.



The AMC is also looking for more volunteers to help protect the fragile alpine ecosystem as Volunteer Alpine Stewards. Hiking along the Franconia Ridge or on Mt. Washington summit trails, Stewards engage with hikers about Leave No Trace principles, alpine ecology, and backcountry safety. They also monitor alpine plants, collecting data for

AMC's Mountain Watch. Eat and stay free while volunteering. The Volunteer Alpine Steward Program is a partnership with the AMC,

USFS, and ATC.



To learn more about AMC's volunteer programs in the Huts & Lodges, please contact Kyra Salancy, the Outdoor Program Centers Volunteer Coordinator at amcvolservices@outdoors.org or call 603-278-3820.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND:

So many ways to give back while getting back to your favorite spots.

BECOME AN OHA AMBASSADOR!

Stay for free at a hut! Connect with current croo! Remember your old haunts!

The OHA runs this program summer and fall.

Please contact Josh Alper for full details:

jmalper@sherin.com

And, after your visit, we'd love to share your experience in the Fall Resuscitator. Please consider sending photos and a short write-up to the Editor

at: b.a.weick@gmail.com

HUT FILL-INS

THESE OPPORTUNITIES GO QUICK...

BE IN TOUCH WITH ERIC GOTTHOLD OF THE HUTS DEPT. TO ADD YOUR NAME TO THE FILL-IN INTEREST LIST: EGOTTHOLD@OUTDOORS.ORG

Yo, are you recent OH? Like, have you worked in the huts between 2016 & 2018? We're in need of Y-OH who are still known by current Croos to represent the OH during Gala, Fall Gala, EOS Party, and EOF Party. Interested? Contact me, (Beth), at b.a.weick@gmail.com or Eric or Whitney in the Huts Department Office Suite. Thanks a million!

THIS IS THE ONLY O.H. NEWSLETTER IN THE WORLD -- LET'S
MAKE IT EPIC-LY, AWESOME-LY, EXTREME-LY THE BEST!

THE OHA NEEDS YOU! PLEASE!

We're always looking for input, ideas, and volunteers to make things happen. In particular, here's our **WISH LIST**:

***Treasurer**

*OH with young kids to coordinate & participate in family-centered OH events

*Female voices!!

*Y-OH voices!!

*GALA/EOS reps (preferably Y-OH)

*Fall GALA/EOF reps (preferably Y-OH)

*Fall Fest presenters & croo representatives to offer highlights of past season

*Summer/Fall Hut Ambassadors

REMEMBER:

Hike fast, look good...and send something to The Resuscitator!



Hey! Look over Here! Read This!

Please! **I need YOU.** To write, send pictures, share updates for gormings...essentially, it's up to you to fill the pages of this newsletter.

Don't be shy, send me what you've got!

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"...I really can't think of a happier time in my life - I look forward to helping sustain the organization with whatever meager offering my young coffers can afford."

- Sam Morris, Madison, Fall 2013

Ted Vaill
125lb pack to
Galehead, 1958.



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Carl Blanchard



Vinnie Lamanna

Have croo photos? Pass them along!
We'll post them to our online database,
add them to the photo project collections
at each hut, and share them here in the
Resuscitator.

2018 SUMMER CROOS

8 Carter

JP Krol, HM
Emily Sherman, AHM
TBD, Natty
Alex Van Raalte
Virginia Majka

2 Madison

Ali Garvin, HM
Camden Blatchley, AHM
Imara White, Natty
Galen Von Wodtke
Maggie Barton
Robin Roianov

4 Lakes

Lindy Wenner, HM
Amanda Keohane, AHM
Joscie Norris, Natty
Caroline Eyman
Katie Benoit
Kevin French
Mackenzie Little
Maya Hamilton
Peter Jacobson
Russell Gens
Lauren Healey, Researcher

1 Mizpah

Ian Burns, HM
Maggie Kelly, AHM
Misha Klassen, Natty
Kyle Winchenbach
Alexis Ziebelman
Daniel Strodel

6 Zealand

Charlotte Price, HM
Asher Brown, AHM
Jesse Carlson, Natty
Alex Sinson
Sara Jadbabaie

7 Galehead

Amber Dindorf, HM
Jake McCambley, AHM
Abigail Stone, Natty
Grace Garrison
Thatcher Carter

5 Greenleaf

Holly Chase, HM
Jubilee Lopez, AHM
Jules Cranberg, Natty
Amy Bolton
Josiah Oakley
Reece Peters
Rita Sherwoon

0 Lonesome

Brian Taintor, HM
Emma Kolchin-Miller, AHM
Emma Brandt, Natty
Eddie Eseppi
Kyler Phillips
Maddi Terry

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welcome home to returning
Groo! Enjoy this summer
season like never before -
hike far and fast in your
favorite BFD attire, eat a
lot of chocolate cake, make-
out like a drunken bandit
at Madfest, sit quiet at sun-
sets, revel in the dramatic
weather, and find what
truth is yours.*

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the OH*

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Writer's Corner

LIFE AND DEATH ON MT. ADAMS

A Book Review by Doug Teschner

Where You'll Find Me: Risk, Decisions, and the Last Climb of Kate Matrosova

By Ty Gagne

TMC Books, 2017. 192 pages.

ISBN: 978-0-9962181-5-3. Price: \$19.95 (paperback).

After Kate Matrosova's death in the White Mountains, Ty Gagne, CEO of the NH Public Risk Management Exchange, began using her story in presentations on how decisions affect safety and risk. His thorough research, wide-ranging interviews, and superb attention to detail are now on display in this impressive and thoughtful book that takes mountaineering accident analysis to a whole new level.

A caller to New Hampshire Public Radio, on which Gagne was a guest not long ago, asked why we need this book. We sometimes hear questions like this from readers of the "Accidents" section of the Appalachian Mountain Club's journal *Appalachia* (of which I am a contributing editor). We know that readers peruse such reports out of curiosity (and perhaps sometimes with a sense of the macabre), but the educational aspect -- what they teach us about life-saving decisions -- really does matter. Yes, we need this outstanding book!

Gagne goes deep into the background and motivations of Matrosova, speaking with people who knew her well, including her husband Charlie Farhoodi. A clear picture emerges of this dynamic, vibrant Russian immigrant who stood out in academics and a financial sector career in New York City. She brought this same passion and energy to mountaineering and had her sights on the Seven Summits (the highest peak on each continent); she had already climbed four: Kilimanjaro, Elbrus, Denali and Aconcagua.

But this was only her second trip to New Hampshire's White Mountains. One month prior, Kate and husband Charlie had camped in the Madison-Adams Col, and she was disappointed when

they didn't summit Mt. Adams, which may have played a role in her subsequent decision-making.

The heart of this book are Matrosova's key decision points, starting with her plan for a 15-mile winter traverse of the Northern Presidentials in 13.5 hours. This was ambitious, but plausible in ideal conditions for someone of her high level of fitness and determination. But conditions on February 15, 2015 were far from ideal; a second key decision was sticking to the plan despite pending severe weather. I was also reminded of the Norman Maclean quote: "If you don't know the ground, you are probably wrong about nearly everything else."

With the benefit of her GPS technology, we learn precisely where she was and when, which makes the author's analysis that much more compelling. Availability of technology is one of the biggest changes in the mountains in the past 20 years, and Gagne observes that Matrosova, while traveling light, packed 2 Apple iPhones, a Garmin GPS, a satellite phone, and a personal locator beacon. Could all this technology have given her a false sense of security?

Despite the severe weather forecast, I wouldn't necessarily fault her for starting out that day at 5 am -- the key is to know when to turn around. Sadly, she pushed on until it was far too late.

Gagne focuses on the critical 10:27 a.m. decision at the closed Madison Hut where the temperature was minus 10 F with winds up to 50 mph. Already well behind schedule (including a surprisingly long 44-minute descent of Mount Madison), Matrosova passed on the safe option to head back down the Valley Way. Instead, she determinedly set off for Mt. Adams up the challenging Star Lake Trail.

What is harder to understand is that she did not turn back until a full 2 hours 20 minutes later, just short of the Adams summit. By then, the deteriorating weather included 80 mph winds. Matrosova never made it back to Madison Hut; 2.5 hours after turning around (having traveled only about 1.7 miles in nearly 5 hours), she set off the emergency locator beacon.

Where You'll Find Me includes a thorough analysis of the complicated nature of mountain rescues with so many phone calls to organize the agencies and people involved, as well as the

limitations of the technology which sent multiple conflicting locations of her whereabouts throughout the evening and next day. Gagne describes in detail the heroic efforts of New Hampshire Fish and Game, Mountain Rescue Service, Androscoggin Valley Search and Rescue Service, and others who put their lives on the line in extreme weather. Only the highest levels of preparation, self-care, and skill (plus some measure of good luck) enabled these talented rescuers to avoid serious consequences that could have compounded this tragedy. The temperature was -16 F with winds gusting to 125 mph on nearby Mount Washington at the time Matrosova's body was found 21 hours after she set off the beacon.

The book also includes many beautiful drawings that illustrate key moments of Matrosova's last climb. There are also helpful photos, including some dramatic ones of rescuers fighting the extreme winds.

Like many others, I had strong reactions when I first learned of this tragedy. I was offended by some of the public criticism towards her, what Sandy Stott called, "superior trash-talking. . . a sort of rabid drooling in print." * But why, I wondered, would anybody push themselves so hard in such extreme weather, risking their own life as well as the lives and well-being of so many others? Stott astutely observes that no one really climbs solo. (After all, the bottom line in life is the quality of relationships and connections with others, how we touch and influence people, and how they touch and influence us.)

But I also felt a kind of kinship with Kate Matrosova, a sense that, "There, but for the grace of God, go I," with recognition that the line between "not so bad" and "disaster" is sometimes very thin. Author Gagne, in this same spirit, writes a beautiful, humbling prologue about his own close call in the winter White Mountains. **

Yes, sometimes accidents happen in climbing, and all mountaineers know there are risks you can't always control -- but some risk-taking just seems so far out there. One's greatest weakness is invariably the flip side of one's greatest strength. Matrosova had a seemingly unbound determination and commitment to achievement which ultimately worked against her as she kept climbing upward in those deteriorating conditions with such slow times.

While we can never know what Matrosova was thinking, Gagne does an excellent job of incorporating research on decision-making, situational awareness, and hypothermia to lay out some possibilities. I was left wondering if this super achiever could ever admit a need to retreat, if she thought defeat was even possible. At what point did she realize that she was in trouble? What might have gone through her mind when she finally turned around short of her objective? How painful that must have been, perhaps only second to when she later activated the beacon.

But what of Matrosova's experience on all those big peaks? Gagne points out that she had climbed them all with guides, and, in that style of mountaineering, the guide makes all the decisions. An impressive climbing resume is not necessarily the same as having a high level of climbing skill, at least when it comes to what Gagne describes as the decision-making "soft skills." (Guided ascents of worldwide peaks is another big trend in the past twenty years, making big mountains more accessible -- but not necessarily making the participants fully experienced climbers.)

Reflecting on this tragedy, I was reminded of another Northern Presidential fatality in the January 1994 when two University of New Hampshire students intentionally set out in similar weather to what Kate Matrosova experienced. Jeremy Haas, who barely survived, told a reporter that his deceased partner Derek Tinkham had told him that, "this is something he very much wanted to experience," to "get near the edge of life and death."

Gagne, to his credit, avoids being judgmental of Matrosova and lays out the facts to let the reader draw their own conclusions. Thus, while he doesn't use the term, what comes to my mind is hubris, defined as excessive pride or self-confidence. In Greek tragedy, it refers to defiance of the gods; for Matrosova and the UNH students (and many of the rest of us from time to time), we could call it defiance of the mountain gods.

As Peter Kick, observes on the back cover, "in order to assess our own risk, we must visit places in ourselves we may not know as well as we should." After reading this book, I realize that, whatever my experience, I need to go deeper within myself to better ensure safety in future adventures.

I am also left agreeing with Sandy Stott that, despite the painful outcome, this tragedy is a kind of love story: love for this talented young woman most will never know; love between a husband and wife; love of mountains in the breathtaking winter season; love of adventure and personal achievement; love to put oneself in peril to try to save the life of another; love and bonding with fellow climbers; love of life itself and all it offers when we choose to embrace it (and the risks that come with that). On this latter point, author Gagne quoted Goethe at a recent presentation: “The dangers of life are infinite, and among them is safety.”

-- *Douglass Teschner of Pike, NH, has a five-decade resume of climbs across North America, Europe and Africa. His account of a solo ice climb on NH's Mt. Washington, unexpectedly turning into discovery of a dead man and the rescue of his severely injured companion, was featured in the AMC book anthology No Limits but the Sky.*

* Sandy Stott's eloquent accounts of the tragedy and attempted rescue appeared in the Appalachian Mountain Club journal Appalachia (“Too Cold” in winter/spring 2016 and “Looking for Kate” in summer/fall 2016).

** Author Gagne's prologue was also published, with some additional information, as “Weakness in Numbers” in Appalachia journal, winter/spring 2018.



OPINION/EDITORIALS

Spring 2018 Update from Keep the Whites Wild

We've been busy at KtWW....fighting the good fight to oppose the “luxury hotel” that the Cog RR proposes to construct at 5600' – just a few hundred feet from the AT and the rim of the Great Gulf.

The good news: We're approaching the 20,000 supporters mark at Change.Org (have you shown your support for the anti-hotel mission?) Sign-on at: <https://www.change.org/p/stop-the-cog-railway-from-building-luxury-resort-on-mount-washington/u/19763534> (Note: The pro-hotel Change.Org site has been recently terminated.....with well below 1000 supporters.)

We've been awarded a Patagonia grant to support the project.

KtWW's David Govatski (and former hushman/USFS naturalist) has prepared a great YouTube video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aTMNhMRwi_0

Keep a weather eye out for the next issue of Appalachia.....KtWW's Courtney Ley has an article about Protect Mount Washington....and the Cog-o-Tel.

Courtney also assembled a KtWW update back in December 2017:

<https://www.neice.com/2017/12/update-proposed-skyline-lodge-mount-washington/>

So.....as you're making plans for Spring/Summer 2018 trips, think about the impact that a “luxury hotel” at the rim of the Great Gulf would make on your day.....or on your view to the Mount Washington skyline.....you'll be able to see the hotel's lights from many locations in the North Country!

Don't just sit there.....join us.....support the Protect Mount Washington / Keep the Whites Wild project. Thanks.

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*The Resuscitator is happy to share opinions and ongoing efforts, such as those of KtWW, with our members. Please note that this does not constitute an official position of the OHA. We are a social organization, and simply wish to encourage the conversation!*

## GORMINGS:

**Lindsay Bourgoine** would like to send a wholehearted THANK YOU to **Ben Leoni, Jess Marion, Ari Ofsevit**, and 'honorary OH' Lincoln Benedict for hauling her out of the woods after they had a little too much fun skiing Randolph, NH's backcountry, which resulted in Lindsay's leg facing the wrong direction (a pretty classic broken tib/fib). Thanks goodness for lifelong friends, the OH wilderness medicine skill set, and whiskey. She's hobbling around on tiny crutches, but is on the road to recovery thanks to some pretty selfless OH.



**Anna Ready-Campbell** will be an RMC caretaker this summer! She welcomes visits from any all hut babes sunbathing in King Ravine, skinny dipping in Star Lake, or foraging for lingonberries between Mt. Madison and Mt. Adams.

**Karen Thorp** and **Dave Haughey** welcomed

their daughter Iona Rose Haughey into their family on 2/17/2018. 6lbs 7oz of cuteness!



**Jenna Koloski, Anna Rehm, Pheobe Howe, Morgan LaPointe, Lorne Currier, Dave Kruger, Scott Berkeley, Becca Waldo, Jason Maz, Michelle Savard,**

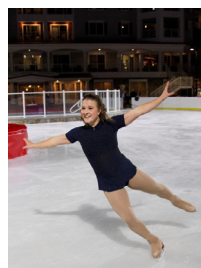
and **Roger Winters**, VT-based OH, gathered on December 2nd for a frosty ascent of Camel's Hump and a beer at Stowe Corral in Richmond, VT. Several VT OH also gathered to try



our hat at something new and took a telemark ski lesson at Pico Peak, including **Jenna Koloski, Anna Ready-Campbell, Pheobe Howe, Morgan LaPointe, Lorne Currier, Scott Berkeley.**

**Kathryn Barnes** has been busy this past winter covering the largest wildfire in California's recorded history followed by tragic mudslides in her current home of three years, Santa Barbara, for the NPR station KCRW. She was able to enjoy a quick respite from the destruction by visiting **JP Krol** and **Grace Pezzella** at Lonesome Lake during the holidays, where they celebrated sub-zero temperatures with plenty of boxed wine.

**Beth Weick** enjoyed some opportunities to perform in skating shows this past winter while she continues to coach skaters of all ages.



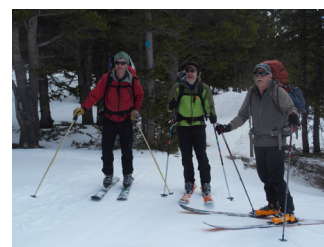
**Mike Kautz** had these photos to share, illustrating the various snow and ski adventures he's enjoying out in Montana.



Numerous aught-year OH gathered at the home of **Dan St. Jean** over the holidays, enjoying food, drink, and

much laughter despite the severe cold snap outside Dan's cozy Bartlett house.

Surviving members of the last 3-person full-service summer hut croo - **Page Dinsmore** and **Jay Coburn** - held a Carter '74 reunion at 10th Mountain Division Uncle Bud's Hut in mid-March. Joined by brother/fellow OH **Phil Dinsmore** and notorious dead-header Paul Cormier, they found great company, a warm hut, beautiful skiing and views...but no Ramparts in Colorado.





**Doug Hotchkiss** and **Josh Alper** led a group of OH and friends on a ski and snowshoe trip to four of the AMC Maine Lodges. This is the third annual trip and everyone enjoyed themselves, especially the new Medawisla camp which is very luxurious. This photo from West Branch Camp includes: John McRae (friend), **Linda** and **Andy McLane**, **Bill**



**Barrett**, Melissa Gormley (friend), **Doug Hotchkiss**, **Marty Womer**, **Josh Alper**, **Maria Van Dusen** and daughter Katrina, Caroline Eliot (friend), **Mary Womer**

This past summer **Steve Woodcock** completed his third (and final) motorcycle trip across the country raising funds for the Warrior Foundation - Freedom Station of San Diego. Ride 2010, 2014, 2017: total miles 38,000. Thanks to OH that contributed!

**Peter** and **Suzanne Madeira** made a week-long, seventy-five mile trek in September 2017 in the remote Massif Centrale Lozere/Languedoc region of France. This area features a limestone plateau at about 3,000 feet in which two rivers (Tarn & Jonte) have gouged out gorges 1,200 feet deep. In addition to the dramatic topography, evidence of pre-historic and more recent human activity was seen. They bracketed this trip with visits to their daughter heather's family in Luxembourg.

**Tom Deans**, **Judy George Stephens**, & **Barbara Freeman Douglass**, all Pinkham '56, met this past fall, and are planning another get-together in South Conway, NH next Summer. All old Pinkham '56 & '57 are invited to come! Contact **Barbara** at [barbaradouglass4@gmail.com](mailto:barbaradouglass4@gmail.com) for more info.

**Tom Heffernan** and his wife are enjoying the tiny town of Ridgway, CO (pop. 964) since moving there a year ago this past November. They are at the gateway of the San Juan Mountains, and have a great view of Mt. Sneffles (a 14,000-footer) from the living room. **Tom** climbed Class III 14er Mt. Wetterhorn last September on a beautiful fall day, plus a close-up photo of a Pika on the way down. Company are always well, so send an email if you're in the area: [heffslanding@gmail.com](mailto:heffslanding@gmail.com).

**Peter Fallon** writes that he and June are in the process of selling their beloved "cabin wreck," the site of Kip Wagner's and Mel Fisher's discovery of the lost 1715 spanish fleet. They've been there 29 years - where all the grandkids learned how to swim, dive, fish, and treasure hunt! It'll be bittersweet once it's sold. They are looking forward to more leisure time with the grandkids as they plan to travel unknown highways with the RV! **Doug Teschner** is back in NH (mostly) after 9 years overseas as a Peace Corps county director. He was last in Morocco with the Peace Corps, for a three month stint, during which he climbed a 12,000 foot peak in the Atlas Mountains which he had first explored in the early 1970s.

**Scott Lutz** writes that, although he only worked briefly, at the end of Sumer '84, his memories of Lakes is stil vivid. His love of the outdoors and mountains continues - he's currently living in beautiful B.C., Canada, east of Vancouver (who knew?). **Scott's** Canadian wife and new baby (Georgia!) will visit with him back to Lakes someday. **Barbara Livesey Ricker** notes that now that her sailing friends have all given up boat ownership, she has discovered Maine windjammer cruises and, for two years in a row, has sailed from Rockland, ME with and without her family on the schooners Stephen Taber and Ladona. This is wonderful sailing - and eating! **Barbara** was very sorry to miss the 2017 OH reunion due to Achilles tendon surgery, but plans to be there for 2018!

**Robin Snyder** gives a shout-out of thanks to the OHA and notes that she'd be happy to house any OH passing through the Bend, OR area -Latchstring is open! **Joan Wortley Bishop** writes that she is "hanging in there," watching the snow flakes fall this winter. She enjoyed seeing everyone at the 2017 Reunion.

**GORMINGS depends on you!** Please send news, photos, gossip, or personal ads to Editor **Beth Weick** at [b.a.weick@gmail.com](mailto:b.a.weick@gmail.com) or 107 Old Cemetery Rd., Dorchester NH 03266.





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## OBITUARIES

### Joseph Brooks Dodge

Joseph Brooks Dodge Jr., 88, passed away at his home in Jackson, N.H., in his son's arms, on Jan. 17, 2018. He was the son of the late Joe Dodge of AMC fame, and Cherstine Dodge. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 61 years, Ann Schafer Dodge, who died in March 2017. He was also predeceased by his devoted sister, Ann Dodge Middleton. He is survived by his two children: Joseph and Christl, and their spouses; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Brooks Jr., or "Hirum," as his dad called him, was born in North Conway, N.H., in 1929, and had a rugged upbringing in Pinkham Notch, in the shadow of Mount Washington. He began working on the AMC hut crew at 13 years old. From 1943 to 1946 he worked at Madison Hut, then worked on construction crew 1947-1953.

Brooks was brought up in an era when alpine skiing was just taking hold in America. His passion for skiing began at an early age and would end up landing him in the U.S. Skiing Hall of Fame and with the reputation of one of the pioneers of extreme skiing. While still a teenager in the 1940s, Brooks completed several first descents in Tuckerman Ravine including "Dodge's Drop." He added a total of 11 skiable routes in Tuckerman's by the 1950s.

He attended Dartmouth College with a scholarship and graduated with a degree in civil engineering in 1953, while continuing to ski. He competed in the 1950 FIS, followed by the 1952 & 1956 Olympics.

He married Ann Schafer in Switzerland in 1956. After settling in Cambridge, Mass., he attended Harvard Business School earning an MBA in 1958. He went on to work for Polaroid in 1958/1959, and in 1960 he joined Cabot, Cabot and Forbes, a commercial real estate development firm in Boston, where he became a senior vice president in the 1970s.



At mid-life Brooks developed a passion for flying. He became a competitive glider pilot and he and Ann were licensed pilots. After enduring a life-changing accident, he reinvented himself as a cyclist.

Brooks' love for the mountains and the outdoors pervaded his life. He had an analytical mind and a competitive spirit, always going after the elegant form. He is quoted as saying, "I was interested in skiing elegantly, precisely and well, from the top to the bottom."

In his later years he adored all his grandchildren and was proud of their accomplishments. He was blessed by having regular contact with his granddaughters and he taught all his grandchildren to play chess and his beloved game of cribbage.

### Al Kamman, Sr

*The OHA hopes to have a remembrance of Al Kamman, Sr to share in the Fall Resuscitator.*

*Are you interested in honoring a family member or dear OH buddy with a gift to the OHA? We'd welcome such generosity, and would love to start the conversation.*

*Memorial donations and bequest gifts can be important aspects of the OHA funding stream - let us know! Contact Treasurer John "Moose" Meserve at [jemkpm@comcast.net](mailto:jemkpm@comcast.net).*



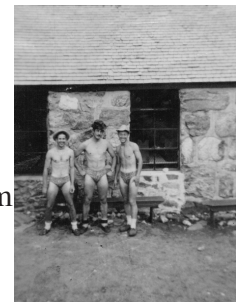
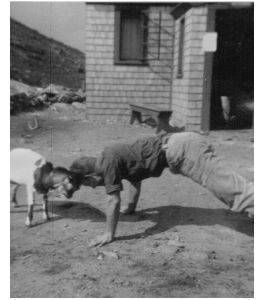
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## Don't Forget the Rules!!

### *Revisiting Willie Hastings*

#### Willie's Rules:

1. Don't get jazzed.
  2. Don't tie to the goddam bar.
  3. Don't tie knots in your goddam pack rope.
  4. Clear off the goddam dirty dishes before serving dinner.
  5. Don't stand around doing nothing while the goddam goobers are working.
  6. Soak the goddam eggbeater.
  7. Soak the goddam pans.
  8. Get goddam trail lunch count on cards.
  9. Seldom insult the goddam goobers.
  10. Wear shirt, shoes (pants of course) while waiting on goddam table.
  11. Fold goddam blankets right.
  12. Place them right too, and goose goddam mattress above the pipe.
  13. Don't smoke while waiting on goddam table.
  14. Don't leave goddam hot water heater on high without making it known.
  15. Don't be raunchy while goobers are present.
  16. Sweep goddam floor after forming table.
  17. Keep goddam campers off sheepdog, pump house, drinking lake, off roof, and out of the kitchen too, if in the way.
  18. Keep goddam dish towels clean.
  19. Wear white (not gray, not motley, not grease-splotched) apron while cooking, and keep the god-dam aprons clean.
  20. Don't open the goddam canned tit when there is a clean can already open.
  21. Keep the goddam croo room clean.
  22. If goddam goobers sit down before six, get them up.
  23. Put the goddam stopper and drain back in the christ less sink.
  24. When there is a thunder storm, keep the hell away from the goddam water system.
  25. Separate the goddam silver from the goddam utensils.
  26. Don't write other figures on the goddam recipes.
  27. Don't turn off the goddam alarm clock before you wake up.
  28. Don't encourage the goddam goobers to tromp through the kitchen on their way in and out.
  29. Don't tell the goddam goobers what they're getting for supper.
  30. Don't call the goddam observatory during a lightning storm.
  31. Don't retire to Chintz Room till after dishes and trail lunches are done.
  32. Keep goddam skull in plain sight while he's here and when he's here.
  33. Don't wait for someone to tell you what to do.
  34. Do it.
  35. Watch what the hell you're doing.
- Additions.
36. If you don't, the goddam hut master will.
  37. Keep goddam kitchen neat and clean all day.



*Jack Hastings, grandson of Willie and 2017 Hut Researcher at Lakes*



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## Crawford Path Project - How OH Can Help

*The Crawford Path is rightly recognized as "America's Oldest Continuously Used Hiking Trail," and its 200th Anniversary will be celebrated in 2019. Many of you who have been over the Path recently will agree that it is showing its age. This summer, in preparation for the 200th, under the auspices of the U. S. Forest Service, the White Mountain Trail Collective will be making an intensive effort to upgrade the trail. The OH Association, by virtue of having adopted the Hutmen's Trail and the Hall's Ledge Trail, is a partner in the Collective, along with such behemoths as the AMC, the Randolph Mt. Club, and the Wonalancet Outdoor Club (all of which maintain many miles of trail and have their own professional trail crews).*

*Because parts of the Crawford Path comprise the pack trails to two AMC huts, it is appropriate that members of the OH Association should participate in this summer's Project. The scope of the many improvements that have been identified as part of the Project runs the gamut from easy to quite grand. (One of the more interesting is the proposal to airlift rocks from the west side of Mt. Monroe---using some of the Hut System's airlift time---to fill in the foot-deep trench that the CP has become where it crosses Monroe Flats. This particular project may be a bit daunting for the non-professionals among us, but there are also plenty of cairns to be rebuilt and scree walls to be constructed.)*

*The Project will run from early June to mid-August, usually Monday to Friday, usually with one of the professional trail crews in overall charge and with members from smaller organizations assisting as able. (For eight of the weeks, the AMC's professional crew will be running things.) Logistical details are yet to be finalized, but it is likely that volunteers will commute daily from valley locations to the various worksites due to the fact that there are few places to camp along most of the CP.*

*In addition to the weekday work sessions, the the Project will also include volunteer events on the following Saturdays:*

*June 30,  
July 14 (which is NH Trails Day), and  
August 18.*

*OH members, who are already welcome to assist in maintaining our two trails near the Cabin, are now also invited to volunteer for the Project for one or more days at a time. (This includes current croo, who on days off or other free time can now earn credit toward free use of the Cabin by volunteering for the Project as well as by maintaining our other two trails.)*

*If interested in volunteering to help the Crawford Path into its third century, please contact Amanda Peterson, the AMC's North Country Trails Volunteer Programs Supervisor at [apeterson@outdoors.org](mailto:apeterson@outdoors.org), 603-466-8128. To sign up automatically for a Saturday volunteer event, you may use one of the following registration pages:*

*Saturday, June 30 (<https://activities.outdoors.org/search/index.cfm/action/details/id/105108>)*

*Saturday, July 14 (<https://activities.outdoors.org/search/index.cfm/action/details/id/105112>)*

*Saturday, August 18 (<https://activities.outdoors.org/search/index.cfm/action/details/id/105110>)*



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Various folks thought the OHA realize that **we are well overdue** in expanding our presence into **other social media** (beyond LinkedIn and Faceplant) - and that this would be the obvious way to reach younger members. SO, we are totally psyched to announce our

**Instagram** account:  
**@OHcroe, #ohcroe.**

AND, we could do more:

**Snapchat?** a **Resuscitator app?**

reviving **Twitter** (@OHcroe)?

**What else?**

What's the latest and greatest? Who has ideas, *who wants to be a social media maven for OHA?*

Please send your thoughts, offers, and **millennial penache** to the Editor at:  
**b.a.weick@gmail.com.**  
**Help out some ole Luddites!**

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With all  
“due” respect, **please pay**  
**your OHA membership dues!**

Please! Pretty please!

- **Your dues pay for:** cabin expenses, picture projects, the recent website redux, Y-OH outreach, etc., etc., etc., etc..
- Dues receipts are running slow at the moment... and our Treasurer hopes you can help to change that!

Thank you very much!

**Have you moved?**

**Changing your email address?**

**Please, let us know!**

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**No Exceptions!**

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