

Applegate Trail Outing

Sept. 11, 2010



OCTA, NW Chapter, &
Hugo Neighborhood Association & History Society



OCTA, NW Chapter Members: Glad you can join us for our outing on the Applegate Trail. Below you will find information that may be of interest to you:

Motels

South exit off the freeway:

Best Western Grants Pass Inn- 541-476-1117

Holiday Inn Express – 541-471-6144

North exit off the freeway:

Motel 6 – 541- 474-1331

Shilo Inns – 541-479-8391

Riverside Inn (along the Rogue)– 541-476-6873

Another interesting and historical option would be the **Wolf Creek Inn** in Wolf Creek 20 miles north of Grants Pass. If this is your option of choice you need to make your reservations **EARLY** as they have a limited number of rooms. 541-866-2474.

While you are in our area you might wish to take the time to go to the historic town of Jacksonville to view the gold rush district, Peter Britt's home and the Chinese community. If you have not taken the time to visit the **Applegate Trail Interpretive Center in Sunny Valley** this is a must for your trip to our area.

Attention for all who are going on the Sept. 11, 2010 outing:

We will start the day at the Josephine County Sportsman Park , north of Grants Pass –just off I-5- **Merlin Exit 61** ,7407 Highland Avenue-541-476-2040. -8.a.m. – *(The gate to Sportsman Park does not open until 8 a.m. There is a place to pull off and wait for the gate to open)*

8:15 a.m.- 9:00 Presentations/Orientation

Introduction - **Leta Neiderheiser**

Dairies, Journals, and reminiscences - **Karen Rose**

Application of Met Manual, Including County Surveys – **Mike Walker**

Trail Inventory Project - **Chelsa Rose**, *Staff Archeologist, SOU*

9:00 a.m.-5:00 Field Trip on Applegate Trail guided by **Mike Walker**

Diaries, Journals, and Reminiscences shared by **Karen Rose**

Tour Trail Sites (see map):

- *1847 Emigrant Sub-irrigated prairie trail encampment/ Davis Military Warrant House Location.*
- *Harris Creek Ford of Trail on ODOT managed land.*
- *Harris Family Cabin location along the Trail where Mary Harris lost her husband, son and a hired hand during 1855 Rogue River Indian War.*
- *1846 - 1847- Rogue River's Pierce Riffle Crossing-confirmed with diary entries.*
- *1846 Rogue River Vannoy Creek Ford - Lindsay Applegate's notes*
- *1855 Haines Apple Tree*
- *1855 verified survey Illinois Valley Route of Trail with swale*
- *Widow Niday house site along the trail-burnt during the 1855 Rogue River Indian War*
- *1846 site at Grave Creek where Martha Leland Crowley was buried*
- *Approximate 1846 location of where the emigrants encamped for the night on the north side of Mt. Sexton where Martha Leland Crowley died of Typhoid Fever.*
- *Trail traces at South Rat creek in north Grave Creek hills*
- *310' segment of the Trail on Mt. Sexton Summit improved as a military road by Major Alvord in 1853.*

You will need water, good walking shoes and a sack lunch for the day.

6:15 p.m. - Dinner for those interested at Taprock Northwest Grill- Grants Pass (reserved room).
Wrap up by Jim Tompkins, President, NW Chapter, OCTA.

For more information on the days outing go to the Hugo Neighborhood web page for sites along the Applegate Trail: <http://www.hugoneighborhood.org/inventorybrochures.htm>, and <http://www.hugoneighborhood.org/applegatetrailfords.htm> for additional information on fords of the Applegate Trail.

Diaries, Journals & Letters are at <http://www.hugoneighborhood.org/diaries.htm>. Information on the application of OCTA's MET Manual, including use of General Land Office (GLO), Donation Land Claim (DLC), and County Surveys are covered at: <http://www.hugoneighborhood.org/applegat.htm> and <http://www.hugoneighborhood.org/inventorybrochures.htm>

Brochures that might be of special interest:

- Applegate Trail's Open Valleys & Wagon Routes in Hugo Region: 1846-1847
- JR Ford No. 4: Harris Creek Ford
- 32 B of Applegate Trail GLO Surveys
- JR Ford No. 1: Rogue River's Pierce Riffle Ford
- IV Ford No. 1: Rogue River's Vannoy Creek Ford Brochure 13A and diary entries for Ford 13 B
- IV-H-6: Haines House of Applegate Trail
- JR of Applegate Trail: Old Stage Road (JA-16)
- JR-18B – Applegate Trail Mt. Sexton