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# FOOTHILLS NEWS

monthly e-news for Mountaineers

## Hello Foothills Mountaineers!

I hope you've been able to get outside during this unusual summer in the beautiful PNW. Summer is usually a busy time of year, so the Foothills Mountaineers has found lots of creative and resourceful ways to enjoy the outdoors while mitigating the risks of COVID-19. Check out our [upcoming activities](#) to join in the fun. But before you head outside, please review The Mountaineers [COVID-19 Response](#) page for the latest updates on reopening plans and follow these tips to stay safe and [recreate responsibly](#).



## Virtual Events, Courses, & Seminars

**All activities, courses, clinics, and seminars are subject to change** and can be cancelled or rescheduled at any time. Please stay up to date by visiting our website or reaching out to the appropriate leader.

[Gear Library Orientation](#) | Aug 12

Do you want to use the gear library, or would you like to volunteer so more youth can be prepared to get outside? Attend this event to learn how The Mountaineers gear library works and how you can be a part of it!

**[Day Hike – Silver Peak](#) | Aug 13**

Join us for a short but rewarding weekday hike in search of mountain views and berries!

**[Meet The Mountaineers Info Session](#) | Aug 17**

Join us for a virtual Meet The Mountaineers! The evening consists of a facilitated online meet and greet and a 90-minute interactive presentation giving you opportunities to meet your fellow Mountaineers, learn about our history and how you can get involved, and get a quick overview of our website to find opportunities to jump in and get outside. We'll end with a Q&A.

**[Day Hike – PCT, Snoqualmie Pass to Windy Pass](#) | Aug 28**

Enjoy a 10-mile round trip hike with 1,550 feet of elevation gain, exploring a lightly used but scenic section of the Pacific Crest Trail.



## News

- On July 23, 2020, we hosted our first ever [Virtual Fundraising Gala](#). While this was a departure from the in-person event we originally planned for April 4, we couldn't be more thrilled with the results. You helped us not only reach our original goal of \$425,000, but vastly surpass it! We're still tallying the final results, but we're elated to share that you helped us raise more than \$457,000. Thank You! If you happened to miss the live event, don't worry - you can still watch the whole program on [YouTube](#).

- The Foothills Navigation Committee is looking for a few motivated individuals to join our merry band of navigators. The Navigation Committee develops and manages navigation courses in support of our activity committees, including scrambling, climbing, backcountry skiing, hiking, and backpacking. This year we'll host "Staying Found", "Digital Navigation and Trip Planning" and "Wilderness Navigation". We're looking for volunteers to help at any and all levels, from leadership to online course design. Your level of involvement is defined by you. You don't need to be an expert navigator to be a valued contributor! If this sounds like some you may be interested in, please call or email Alan Davey at [awdavey@hotmail.com](mailto:awdavey@hotmail.com).
- Are you one of those individuals who feels strongly about nurturing the next generation of Mountaineers? If so, please consider becoming involved with the Foothills Family Hiking Program and help us launch a hiking series devoted to families and their children. Please contact Nancy Temkin at [nancy.temkin@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.temkin@gmail.com) to discuss how you can contribute to this exciting new program. We guarantee you'll get back much more than you give!
- Would you like to volunteer with the Foothills Mountaineers? [Learn more about our Foothills committees](#) and contact a committee chair or email Cheryl Talbert at [cascadehiker12@gmail.com](mailto:cascadehiker12@gmail.com) to explore the possibilities with us!

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### Three Ways You Can Help The Mountaineers

The COVID-19 outbreak [has had a significant impact](#) on The Mountaineers. All money received during this time is supporting general operations so we can continue offering creative programming and be ready to help you get back into the outdoors again as soon as it's safe to do so. Together, we can get through this, and we thank you for any help you can provide.



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