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Field Trips:

THE HISTORY OF THE NORTHWEST

Cascade Natural History Three-Fingered-Jack and the Central Cascades

Date: Saturday & Sunday September 17 & 18, 2011 Cost: \$15 for non-members, free for members.

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for arrangements.

This weekend trip is in the high Cascades where we will camp on the Metolius River near Camp Sherman. There are also motel arrangements nearby. This trip features a hike to the eastern side of the rugged Three-Fingered-Jack, one of the high volcanic peaks in the central part of the Cascade Mountains. This mountain has a history dating back perhaps half a million years, but because there have not been any recent lava flows, Ice age glaciers have scraped away its ramparts, exposing its inner core. We will arrive on Friday to make certain a camping spot is reserved. Participants have the option of showing up on Friday as well, or arriving for the start of the field trip by 11 am on Saturday.

Natural History in Wine Country *Carlton Oregon*

Date: Saturday, October 8, 2011.

Assoc. Cost: \$15 for non-members, free for members. Additional tasting fees at winery. Please bring a sack

lunch for our lunch hour at WillaKenzie.

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This is a daytrip that relates the bedrock geology and soils with wines in the Dundee Carlton area. After a

geologic introduction to the area, we will taste wines, particularly Pinot Noir, produced from vineyards from two distinct soils. Finally we will have an opportunity to compare Oregon Pinot Noir with its counterpart, red Burgundy, from France.

The trip begins at Hagg Lake for our geological introduction, and then moves on to WillaKenzie Estate. There we will have our lunch. After, we will taste wines from the Estate. The Estate makes their wine from their local vineyards, mostly grown on site on a soil developed on sedimentary rocks.

Our last stop is Scott Paul winery in Carlton. This company produces wines, including those from vineyards growing on volcanic soils near Dundee, Oregon. We will see if our taste buds (and noses) are good enough to tell the difference between these wines and those we tasted from WillaKenzie.

Scott Paul Winery is of interest as well, as it is importing French red Burgandy – the counterpart of the Oregon Pinot Noir. This will be a great opportunity to compare Oregon and French wines.

Both WillaKenzie and Scott Paul produce exceptional wines.

Meeting:

Museum Board Meeting:

Date: Wednesday, September 14, 2011.

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