Pre-Convention Overnight at the Historic Nesika Lodge



 \overline{I} he Trails Club of Oregon invites those attending the 2015 convention to visit and stay overnight at their historic Nesika Lodge near the Columbia River Gorge. Come on Thursday, August 27th and stay over to Friday, August 28th, the day the Convention begins at nearby Menucha Retreat and Conference Center.

Nesika is located on the rim of the Columbia River Gorge surrounded by the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. The main lodge, a stone and log structure mainly built by club members, provides a full kitchen centered around a wood burning range, dining space, game areas, and plenty of space to sit around the fireplace. The main lodge is supported by two dormitories that provide bunk room sleeping for about 60 people

in 3 sleeping areas. If desired, you can bring a tent to sleep outside. Nesika is normally reached by trail. The more scenic approach starts from the Columbia River highway at Multnomah Falls just 30 miles from Portland. The route follows along Multnomah Creek with its many waterfalls and cascades, then cuts through Multnomah Basin and a tall timbered area, a total distance of about four miles. The other main approach is by road via Palmer Mill road near Larch Mountain, then by trail. Nesika Lodge is the place where the idea of having a Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs was formed and where the founding member clubs brought stones from their area for the lodge's stone fireplace.

This event is \$20 per person, which includes dinner, breakfast, and dorm lodging. Bring your own sleeping bags and towels. For more information and a registration form, contact George Milne at president@trailsclub.org.