VIRGINIA MEISSNER

1925 - 1988



For two decades Virginia Meissner taught thousands of people of all ages to ski, bike, and hike safely in Central Oregon. Her special teaching ability and informative writing style encouraged others to explore and enjoy the outdoors. Virginia was also active in lobbying for new trail development and proper maintenance. She could often be seen skiing along the trails at the front of a group or stopping to offer encouragement to a student. Trails in the Meissner area are named for native plants, one of Virginia's interests.

Virginia Meissner was truly a naturalist and a teacher. The lessons she taught us about the beauty and importance of the natural environment will not be forgotten.

MEISSNER DEDICATION CEREMONY

 Opening remarks at 11:30 a.m. by Glenn Reed, former Mayor of Bend.

2. Remarks by people representing various outdoor groups.

U. S. Forest Service

Tom Carlson

Central Oregon Nordic Club

Clara Graves

Girl Scouts

Becky Costello

Bruce Ronning

COCC

Don Laws

Ski Instructors

Don Dano

Elderhostel

Tim Stover

Meissner Family

Jane Thomas, daughter

Unveiling of plaque at trailhead.

4. Ribbon cutting

Evelyn Brown

5. Barbeque.

3.

The City of Bend has proclaimed NOVEMBER 11 VIRGINIA MEISSNER DAY