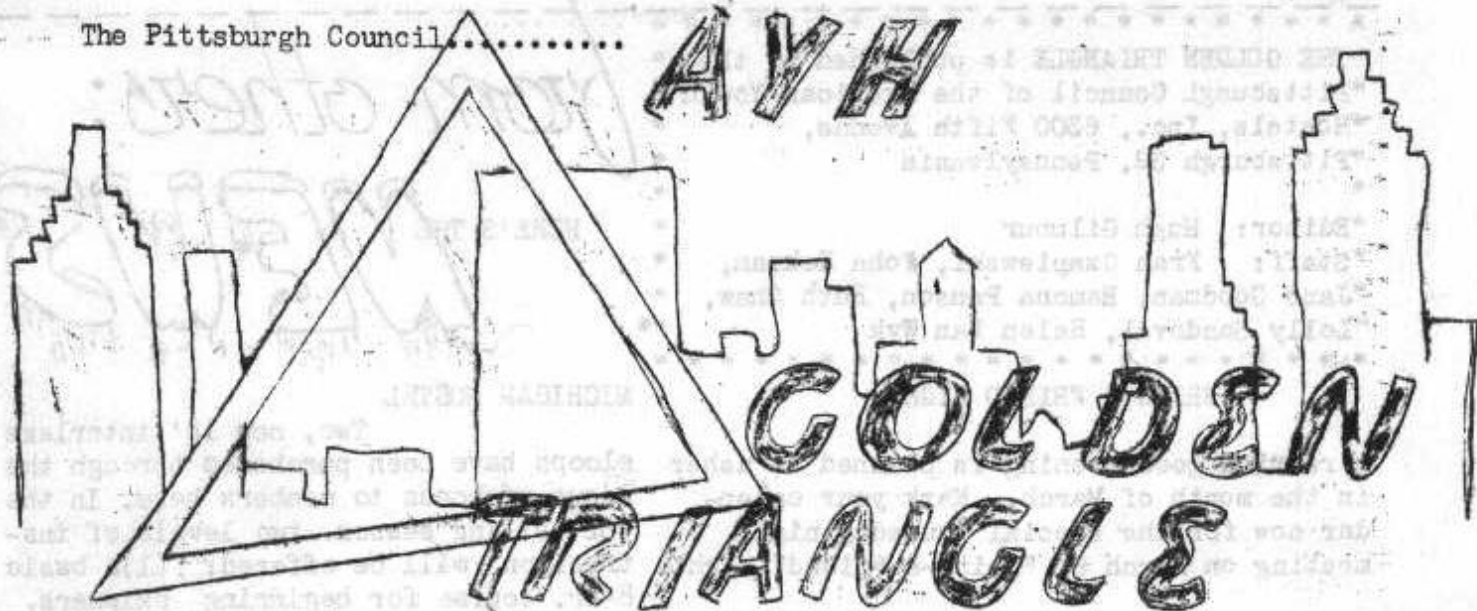


AYH



February, 1962

6300 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh 32, Pennsylvania



REMEMBER: There is never
any charge at our.....

The

Homogeneity of AYH

by Joyce Koplos

Our open house programs are simple informal programs planned for you. Seldom are you confronted with any business meeting; instead programs for relaxation and enlightenment are led by interesting people.

February 1--This is "sweetheart month," and Hugh Gilmour will be teaching one of the many courting dances. Remember every first Thursday is folk dance night.

February 8--Thomas Schutte, noted organic food nutritionist, will present a film, "Just to Be Sure," and talk to us concerning some of the food that we shovel into our stomachs.

February 15--Al Thomas, research engineer and world-wide traveler will begin a two part lecture series and slide show on such diversified spots as Mexico, Japan, India, Hong Kong and southeast Asia.

February 22--Part II of the Al Thomas travelogue....this time the emphasis will be on Europe and Africa (with some intimate details of the Congo.)

Before summer arrives, now is the time to start ordering such items as bicycle parts, camping equipment, good sweaters, for the stores are always out of stock when you really need them.

One of the humanistic qualities about AYH that attracts us and others at our activities is that free expression of inner thoughts and feelings. And, this we do in an unrestrained atmosphere consisting of persons who accept each other as we are--no pretense is necessary.

Our hikes and trips accept men and women as equals, and our organization thrives on this.

This same homogeneity extends itself to our banquet and parties also. I mention this quality at this time because there may be those of you who do not know of it and may stay away from the AYH anniversary banquet due to a lack of either escort or date.

The banquet is primarily a non-couple affair, although we urge you to invite your friends.

QUICKIE QUIZ

What's your idea of a good time?
Meeting new people, seeing new places?
Escaping some of the trappings of "civilization" for a day or a week? Bicycling down a country road, canoeing along a mountain stream, skimming over snowcovered mountain slopes?

If so, you're a hosteler at heart!

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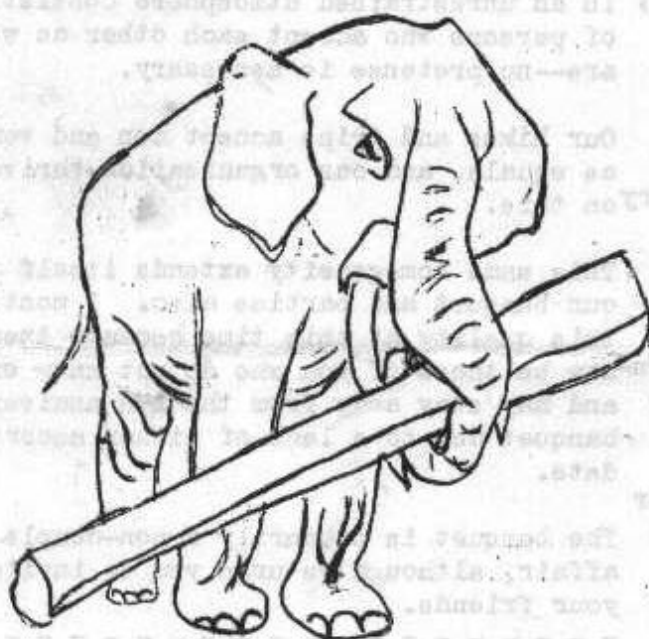
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BRING A FRIEND NIGHT

A roaring good evening is planned to usher in the month of March. Mark your calendar now for the special Thursday night meeting on March 8, "Bring-a-Friend" night.

We're asking all our regular open house habitués to bring a friend with them for a special evening of fun, highlighting the friendship and fellowship of hosteling. This will be an excellent for your non-member friends to get acquainted with our program.

Entertainment is planned, including a treasure hunt, where the treasure is people. More about this next month.



Not even an elephant can continually carry the burden without some assistance. Volunteers are needed as trip leaders, workers on committees, meal planners, open house slide shows, speakers, publicity spreaders, membership getters, banquet ticket venders, etc. This is a serious problem with Pittsburgh Council, which has no paid workers. We are proud of the tremendous accomplishments we have made with our volunteer workers. Why not join us!

from others:

NEWS

HERE'S THE

MICHIGAN HOSTEL

Two, new 18' interlake sloops have been purchased through the issue of bonds to members here. In the '62 sailing season two levels of instruction will be offered: (1) a basic 8-hr. course for beginning skippers, (2) an advanced course for "Skipper I's" in mast climbing, racing, navigation by moonlight, and standing on the centerboard.

BARNUM DAY FESTIVAL PARADE

In Bridgeport, Conn. on July 4, with community organizations being represented. Hostellers hope to enter in order to bring AYH to the attention of the public. They invite all other Councils to join them.

COLUMBUS COUNCIL

In their BuckeyeHosteler there's a very special welcome to the brides (4) of hostellers: "Come and see the reason why your husbands are so enthusiastic about AYH--"

NEW HOSTEL IN BUCKS COUNTY

A beautiful estate near the village of Weisel (35 miles N. of Phila.) will be open as a hostel about April 1. It adjoins a new state park being created along the Tohickon Cr., features excellent hiking and cycling, with a dammed-up section of the creek providing swimming. More information in the new Handbook.

CORMORANT KAYAK CLUB of Denver, Colo. quotes Lolly Sandoval on her trip to Europe, "On our paddleboat ride on the Necher R. in Heidelberg we knocked ourselves out looking forward to an easy ride downstream later. But the river has two currents that reverse, so in the evening we found ourselves paddling upstream again in the other direction.

NATIONAL GOALS: (among others)

- add 6 new hostels
- go from 19 to 23 Councils
- revise the AYH Handbook

CHARIVARI

by Hugh Gilmour



What with the dearth of good programs on television, there's no reason to be sitting there in front of the blasted set when other things are calling. Yes, we have got all the buoyancy of Dinah Shore, all the variety of Ed Sullivan, and we're ten times as casual as Perry Como. Better yet, the only product we're pushing is the outdoors, refreshing air, glorious views of Pennsylvania and nearby areas, interesting individuals and a chance for you to blaze a new trail for some future frontier.

We're mighty proud of the commendation received from Tony Pranses, National President, for our membership increase of sixty-nine percent for last year.....We really should extend some thanks to everyone who did his part in spreading the word. Thanks to Lloyd Geerts who has been quietly coming in every Thursday night on his way home from work to light the gas stoves. Thanks also to Helen Van Wyk who headed the publicity staff for the past year. Helen has moved on to Fort Worth, Texas on her fund-raising job and, needless to say, she will be missed. Congratulations to our chairmen who kept membership at the maximum and our expenses at a minimum. We start out the new year with almost a thousand dollars ahead. We purchased a new canoe and six pairs of snowshoes. Sales of bicycles alone brought in \$386.00.

Jim Barnwell presented Mary Alyce Webb with a valentine gift in advance. They plan to be married in April. Fred Mauk and Harry Rhule toured Florida in early December, covering probably every major spot in the state. Liz Saffer and Ralph Ludington are definitely planning a trip to Russia this summer.

Clara Herron is recuperating from a siege of the flu. Tom Gabor is wearing a cast on his foot; no one knows why. Victor Sorokin broke his toe but still showed up for folk dancing. Dick Crum is coming back to Pittsburgh to conduct a folk dance workshop at the YWCA the weekend of February 2. Call the Y for reservations, for you'll probably need them.

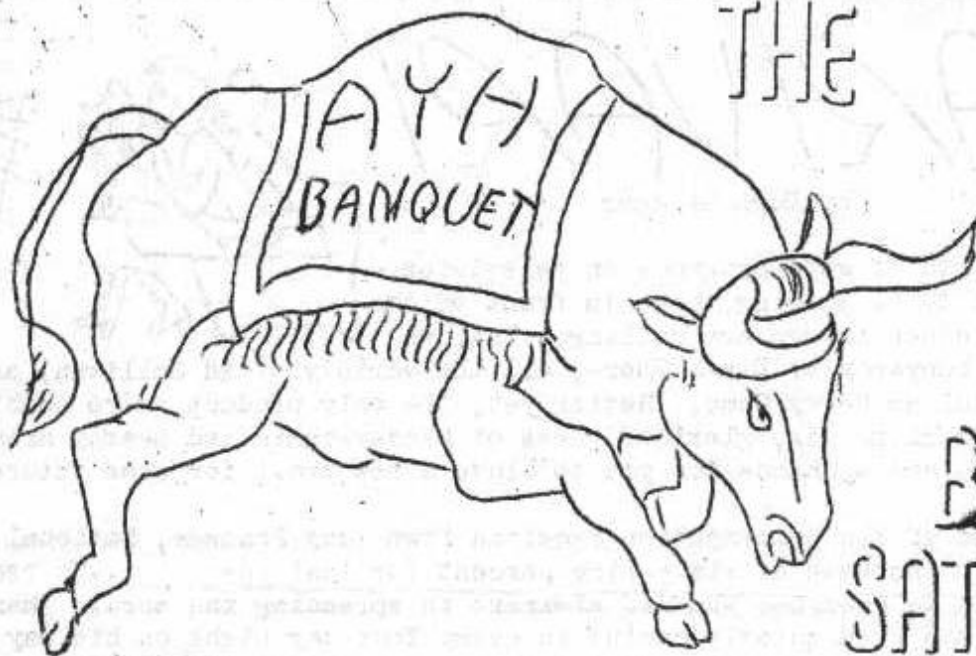
Mrs. Mark Dodd announces the new AYH phone number: CH 1-3770. This is for the use of strangers looking for Pittsburgh Council or for anyone seeking information. If you wish to speak to Mark or his wife on personal matters, call them at CH 2-2781. He informs us that he spends most of his home time in his downstairs study to which he has an extension of his personal phone. The AYH phone is located in the kitchen. Mrs. Dodd also plans to meet with the chairmen of the various committees for a get-acquainted sort of thing.

Larry Cohen is now selling Shipmate sportswear and still hasn't bought a pass. Betty Bierer was back in Pittsburgh for the holidays and greeted most of her friends at that time. Joan and Ken Dishart breezed into town for the holidays. Phyllis Weatherby had her picture in the newspapers recently, plugging the Ski Club.



The Philadelphia Council announces the opening of a new hostel near Weisel, Pa. A beautiful mansion and estate, it was recently acquired by the Bucks County Park Board who are making the facilities available to AYH. The Council plans to open it sometime after April 1.

Don't forget the annual banquet. See page 4 for additional information and send the coupon with your check before it's too late. Let's get all the old and young timers out.



THE

14th

ANNUAL
BANQUET
SATURDAY

FEBRUARY 17, 1962

MENU:

The fabulous pot roast
of beef for which the
Park Schenley is famous

TIME:

6:30 to midnight

SPEAKER:

Stephens Dietz
Vice President for Communications
for A.Y.H.

WHERE:

The Park Schenley Dining Room
3968 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Dancing from nine until
midnight

THE TAB:

(including gratuity)

\$4.50 adult pass

\$4.00 holders
youths

ATMOSPHERE:

Informality at its best.
The same likeable, friendly,
affable darned folks will be there.

(clip and mail)

(Check appropriate statements.)

Yes, count me in on one of the "finest feeds of February."

☐ I am an adult and am enclosing my check for \$4.50.

☐ I hold a youth or senior youth pass and am enclosing my check for \$4.00.

☐ I am definitely out for a good time, and so nothing short of a blizzard, flood or avalanche shall prevent my presence!

☐ I shall bring _____ guests, and am enclosing checks for them also.

Name _____

Address _____

Make checks payable to Pittsburgh Council, American Youth Hostels, Inc.
Mail to: Miss Joyce Koplos, 1841 Locust Street, Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

TRIPS-TRAILS

If interested in any of the events listed below, please call the leader on the phone number listed.

Saturday, February 3--Manny Morgan leads a hike on the Baker Trail. Leave HQ at 9 A.M. with lunch and approximately 75¢. (HA 1-2358)

Sunday, February 4--An easy hike for those folks who want to get back in shape for spring trips will be led by Eleanor Hawley in Raccoon State Park. If there is snow, there will also be snowshoeing. Leave HQ at 1 P.M. Cost \$1.50

Saturday, February 10--Let's hope it snows, then we'll all go skiing at Laurel Ridge. Leave at 8:30 from the Monroeville Shopping Center Thrift Drug Store. Meet the group 8:00 at HQ. If it doesn't snow, plan on going hiking in the same vicinity.

Sunday, February 11--McConnells Mills, in summer or winter, is still a perfect spot for a hike. Tom Bryson leads this one and even promises a cookout supper, so bring a lunch and your mess kit and canteen. Leave HQ at 9:30 AM. Cost \$2.50 (Call Tom at CH 2-5568)



Saturday, February 17

Plan on attending the annual banquet at 6:30 P.M. at The Park Schenley Dining Room (See page 4)
Call Joyce at CO 1-2655.

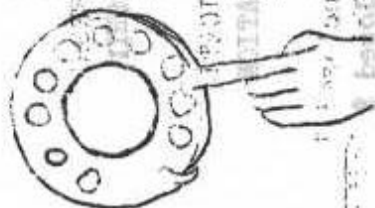
Saturday, February 24 -- Sunday, February 25 --1... a ski and snowshoeing trip to the Morgantown Hostel, led by Ed Coleman. Two rope tow slopes within 300 yards of the hostel. Cost \$7.00 plus slope fees. Bring sleeping bag and leave HQ at 8:30 AM. Call Ed at MU 2-8508.

Monday, February 19--Margaret Bark leads a moonlight hike. Where? It's a surprise. No reservations needed for this one, just be at HQ at 7:30 P.M. Cost 50¢

Saturday, February 17--Fred Freuthal conducts us on a long, easy trail on the old West Penn Streetcar right of way, past old coke ovens, company towns in the valley below Chestnut Ridge. Leave HQ at 8:30 A.M. Cost \$1.70. Bring lunch (JA 1-5765)

Sunday, February 25--Bruce Godwin's cave trip to Lemon Hole leaves HQ at 9:30 A.M. Bring lunch, change of clothing, flash light and a steel brush (if you have one). Wall markings will be cleaned up.

Sunday, February 25--Laurel Ridge, in the vicinity of Bald Knob, is the scene of Fred Monks' hike. Leave HQ at 8:30 A.M. Bring lunch. Cost \$2.00 (JA 1-4335)



Anyone willing to lead an interesting hike or who knows of one that might be led by someone else, please contact Jack Jedruch. Call in the evenings at CH 2-8610.

Don't forget the banquet!