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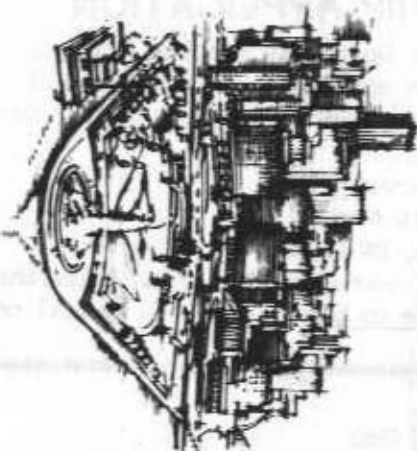
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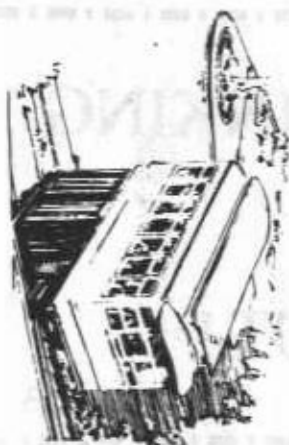
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AYH HEADQUARTERS is located at 6300 Fifth Avenue next to the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts. Open House is held every Thursday evening. The building opens at 8 pm and the slide show starts at 8:15. Weekly trip announcements are made immediately following the slide show. The Golden Triangle is assembled for mailing at monthly Production Parties at the meeting. Come out and join us!

OPEN HOUSE PROGRAMS FOR AUGUST

- AUGUST 1 To be announced at the meeting.
- AUGUST 8 A Windmill, Wiener Schnitzel and Chocolate Tour of Europe by the Alstadts.
- AUGUST 15 A Description of the Goals of the Clean Water Action Project by Debbie Silverblatt.
- AUGUST 22 Color Movie: Survival from the PA Game Commission
- AUGUST 29 A Tour of the Island of Hydra, Greece, via another color movie!

DONOR OPTION PROGRAM

Do you work in a big office that participates in the United Way fundraising campaign? If so, you can now direct your donations to other non-profit groups besides United Way members.

Watch for the United Way Campaign to "kick-off" on or about August 20th. When you are approached for a donation, be sure to request a DONOR OPTION CARD and instructions.

Do not be fooled by the listing of groups provided! You can direct your gift to other groups, (i.e. PITTSBURGH COUNCIL, AMERICAN YOUTH HOSTELS) as long as they have applied and qualified.

Don't be rushed to fill out the card. If you have questions about directing your gift to Pittsburgh AYH ask Joe Hoechner (AYH V.P.) at any Thursday Open House meeting.

AYH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

AYH memberships are available at Open House meetings. If you cannot attend a meeting, fill out the application at the bottom of this page and send it along with your check made payable to Pittsburgh Council, AYH, to:

AYH Membership
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Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery of your hosteling pass. Membership also sells International Hostel Guide to Europe for \$7.00 by mail or \$6.00 at Headquarters.

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THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

SEPTEMBER ISSUE DEADLINES: August 8 ads, trips, and articles
August 29 Production Party
OCTOBER ISSUE DEADLINES: September 5 ads, trips and articles
September 26 Production Party

The Golden Triangle is the monthly publication of the Pittsburgh Council of American Youth Hostels. Contents are the responsibility of the editor.

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ANOTHER FEISTY NOTE

Summer is the best season of the year! Of course, you sceptics out there point out all the bad things, but I have solutions for these minor difficulties. Such as:

(Problem #1) HEAT - it's summer, it's supposed to be hot! My solution is to (a) roll the kayak, (b) capsize the canoe, (c) jump out of the raft, or (d) find an air-conditioned ice cream parlor!

(Problem #2) POISON IVY/MOSQUITOES - itchy business. Solutions: (a) avoid both, (b) wear long pants, and (c) scratch!

(Problem #3) LACK OF TIME FOR AYH ACTIVITIES - Solutions: (a) become unemployed, or (b) adjust priorities (that promotion and your family really aren't that important).

All these solutions have been tried with varying degrees of success. If you have any input on poison ivy remedies other than the following, let me know: calamine lotion, ivy dry, clorox, laundry soap, rubbing alcohol, cortisone, prednisone, and extremely hot water! (Pardon me while I scratch. It's a subject close to my heart, and legs, and arms...).

On a different subject, let it be known that I like the name "The President's Corner!" It brings such images to mind (witness the illustrations!)! However; if Larry's not happy... and if there's a free t-shirt in it for me... here are my suggestions: The President's Page, Larry's Line, The President Pops Off, From Laude's Lips, Meet the Prez (a personal favorite), Laude's Lies, The President's Pen, and Hail to the Chief. (May I remind you Larry, that I'm the one who types and EDITS what you write...).

Thanks to all of you who let me know that you appreciate my efforts. It's great to be patted on the back, just watch where else you pat, because you know I'm FEISTY!!!! JOY

SEA-KAYAK SOLO CROSSING

Congratulations to AYH member Kurt Brickell on his recent round trip solo crossing of Lake Erie in his new sea-kayak. Kurt launched his Chinook (the same type of sea-kayak that Pittsburgh AYH has) in Northeast PA and paddled to Long Point in Canada, a distance of approximately 26 miles. There Kurt spent about an hour resting and drinking lots of water in preparation for his return trip. Crossing time was about 5½ to 6 hours each way. Kurt had to fight fairly stiff winds and some rough water in each direction; in fact, Kurt mentioned that he was not able to drink much water because he feared capsizing if he put down his paddle. What next -- maybe Lake Huron or Ontario?

WANTED: USED RIDING MOWER

Do you have a riding mower in good condition that you'd like to donate to Pittsburgh AYH for use at Ohiopyle Hostel? Call Jim Gogots at 384-9149 or Sue Moore at Ohiopyle at 329-4476.

MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

(The Golden Triangle is happy to print classified ads for AYH members, subject to deadline restrictions and as space permits. Ed.)

FOR SALE: Bike: Schwinn Super LeTour, carbon steel frame, all other components alloy, 23", black, ridden 40 miles, includes: odometer, mirrycle, small underseat pack, spare tube, other accessories available; asking \$175.00. Call (412) 538-5518 leave message.

FOR SALE: '73 VW Bug, blue and rusty, average running condition, AM/FM - cassette stereo/4 speakers, new tires, insp. - em. test 9/85, \$650 or best offer. Call Willi 777-4809w or 279-3490h

FOR SALE: Harmon/Kardon PM 640 amplifier (new \$169.00) and Pioneer PL-SS0 Direct Drive Stereo Turntable with system (new \$190.00). Both are 6 months old. \$90.00 each or \$160.00 for both, or best offer. Must be sold before the end of August - leaving for Germany. Call Willi at 777-4809w or 279-3490h

ASSISTANT MANAGERS AND WORK EXCHANGE POSITIONS

Assistant managers for the summer and/or autumn and beyond are wanted for the San Antonio International Hostel and Guest House. Must be reliable, honest, hardworking and good in cash handling. Assistant Manager duties include assisting the Hostel Managers with the office, guest reception, cleaning, laundry, gardening, maintenance and anything else that needs doing. Accomodation in the hostel plus a modest stipend of up to \$50 per person per week is included. Interested individuals or couples should write stating their background, previous work experience, education, any references, special skills, and length of time interested. Alma or Steve Cross. P.O. Box 8059.

WORLD ADVENTURE 1985
FALL FOLIAGE TRIP A WINNER

Two weeks through six beautiful states in their most gorgeous season make Fall Foliage a classic New England van tour. Its leisurely pace is an excellent way to experience the splendor of autumn's colors and sample some choice hostels too. Ever popular and always enjoyable, this could be the perfect fall vacation for you.

The trip explores Boston, Old Sturbridge Village, and the Von Trapp family lodge. Also included is a boat cruise on Lake Winnepesaukee, and a ride up Mt. Washington on the cog railway. A drive along the Maine coast allows for feasts of East Coast seafood.

Trip Dates: 50 plus 9/22-10/5; 10/9-10/22 \$535.00
Open 9/29-10/12

Next month's Triangle will feature an article on World Adventure ski trips. Time to plan for a skiing Christmas holiday.

Questions? Call Marilyn Ham (687-4520) or Bill Johnston (687-4893). Send for a World Adventure catalog from HQ (include 75¢ in stamps to cover mailing).

GET INVOLVED!!!!!!

Pittsburgh Council, AYH will hold its annual election of officers in October. There are several positions that need to be filled. You can GET INVOLVED by telling Pat Tieman, chair of the nominating committee of your willingness to volunteer. See Pat at the Thursday meetings or call 561-3286.

COMING SEPTEMBER 13-15!!!!

ST. GEORGE YMCA CAMP, WEST VIRGINIA

This is a peaceful, well-kept valley in the WV mountains. The bunkhouses have hardwood floors and good mattresses. The community hall and messhall are even nicer with fireplaces. There is plenty of hot water for showering, flush toilets and coin laundry. The \$19 price includes two nights lodging, Sat. breakfast, Sat. packed lunch, Sat. dinner, and Sun. breakfast. Mail check (made payable to Pittsburgh AYH) to Wayne Albright, 944 Deely St., Pgh., PA 15217.

TRIPS & LEADERS (Your responsibility ahead of time)

Travel and trip fees are extra.

Caving	John Popp	653-6026
Hiking	Joe Hoechner	373-3403
Rafting (Lower Gauley)	Gus Hughes	469-1295 reserve early
Canoeing	Jim Gogots	384-9149
Bicycling Off Road	Don Shepard	
Bicycling Road (hilly)	Chuck Ejzak	466-6196
Climbing	Dan Martt	
Cass Scenic RR (Shay Steam Engine) Tour	Wayne Albright	421-0996

AYH PYMATUMING WEEKEND -- AUGUST 23-25

§ Basic Sailing Class OR Bicycle AND/OR Ocean Kayak at the American Red Cross Small Craft Base.

§ Lakeshore tenting near the parking area, well water, outhouses, and washhouse (no showers). Group picnic dinner Saturday of salad, beans burgers, and fresh corn on the cob. Breakfasts at 7 am with cold cereal juice, fruit, bagels, and hot beverages.

§ The cost is \$20 for sailing and \$10 for bicycling or ocean kayaking plus any rentals. Transportation costs for 240 miles pay directly to the driver. Group carpooling will leave HQ at 6:30 pm Friday.

§ Bring: 2 lunches, sleeping bag and pad, tent (group tarp provided), swimsuit, towel, sneakers for any water activity (swimming included), eyeglass strap, sunscreen, insect repellent, and rainwear.

§ Sailing: a 2 day basic sailing course will be conducted for a maximum of 18 people. Students must be over ten years old and be able to maintain themselves unaided for three minutes in deep water.

§ Reserve with \$20 to Fred Parker on or after Thursday, July 25, 7:30 pm at HQ.

§ Ocean Kayaking: both days or kayak one and bicycle the other. Reserve as above with \$10 plus \$5.25 for each days rental.

§ Bicycling: Rides of several lengths and diversions will be offered. Reserve as above with \$10 or send a check to Fred Parker, 730 Shaw Ave., Monroeville, PA 15146.

§ Questions????? Call Fred at 824-2638

SEA-KAYAKING

Cathy Lynch 361-3707

Tom Trump 284-7349w

Paul Kram 681-9069

Sea kayaking invites paddlers of all levels. Trips will meet at HQ at the time stated. The number of boats is limited, reserve early. Wear warm clothing in layers. Bring lunch and dry clothing in a waterproof container if possible. For further information, call any of the leaders. Trip locations may be changed as water and weather conditions dictate. Check with the trip leader for up-to-date info. Trips in addition to those listed may be organized at Thursday night meetings.

VOLLEYBALL

Steve Martin 469-3135

Play outdoor volleyball above HQ in Mellon Park on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Anyone of any skill level is welcome. Come on and learn to play or sharpen your game, or just have fun. The action starts at about 6 pm (weather permitting) and lasts til dark. On Tuesdays the fee is 50¢ for members, and \$2.00 for non-members. On Thursdays play for FREE! Stop in before the meeting. See you there!

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RAFTING

Shirley Sedmack Ulaky 422-0849
Susan Krotec 661-8485

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR RAFT TRIPS: Call the leader to reserve and for the meeting time. EQUIPMENT: lunch in a waterproof bag, swimsuit, dry clothes, non-cotton clothing, tennies, sun protection, large sponge, strap for eyeglasses. Estimated trip expense including raft rental, shuttle ticket, car pool, etc. generally ranges from \$13 to \$18 per person, depending on the total number of people, etc. In addition, there is usually a stop for dinner.

NEW RIVER GORGE WEEKEND August 17-18. Call Gus Hughes at 469-1295. Registration for this trip will close 8/13/85. To reserve send a \$10 non-refundable deposit check (made payable to Pittsburgh AYH) to Gus Hughes, 106 Duquesne Ave., Dravosburg, PA 15034.

GAULEY RIVER!!! Sept. 14-15. Explore the adventure of the Gauley River. Two days, two trips. Sat. experienced rafters only, as the AYH 8 man raft travels the most hazardous big water in the Eastern U.S. Sunday, beginners and experienced paddlers alike can join in as we take the 8 man and two 4 man rafts down the exciting lower Gauley. Deposit by Sept. 9 a must! No reservations will be taken past that time. Send a \$10 check to Gus Hughes

70 (see New River Weekend). Absolutely no refunds!



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LATE FEE (AFTER OCT. 5) @ \$1.00/PERSON _____

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I WOULD LIKE TO HELP _____



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Congratulations to two of our members who inaugurated new hostels. Pat Tieman was the first official overnight at the Schellsburg hostel, and Greg Laude (my son the hosteler) was the first official overnight at the new Gettysburg Hostel. Speaking of Gettysburg, Greg and I attended the Grand Opening on July 3rd. Quite a few people stopped by to see the hostel and to wish Janice de Mooy luck as hostel manager -- Bob Johnson, Doug Maas and Nina Janopoul from the National office, Bill and Ruth Nelson, Bob and Joan Beard, Bill Forrey from the State Parks and others from Gettysburg and the National Park Service. Just west of Lincoln Square at the center of Gettysburg, it's very convenient to the National Park. For those of you who prefer a more rural hostel, Ironmasters Mansion is only about 25 miles to the north.

The neck pouch and money belt that we sell at the Council Store were mentioned in the Sunday Pittsburgh Press, and we received a veritable flood of orders. We've received a new shipment though, and still have some of both available.

Pat Tieman has agreed to chair the nominating committee for the elections in October. Officers and chairpeople, it'll soon be the time to decide (actually, by the time you read this, it will be the time) if you'll be able to continue in your present position. If you find you can't, or would prefer to try something new, think about whom you'd like to recommend as your replacement and talk to Pat. I'm also especially interested in getting new people involved in Council leadership. If you would like to help, either on a regular or occasional basis, I'd like to hear from you. You don't need to live in Pittsburgh; for example, we need help in trail maintenance and evaluation of proposed hostels outside the Pittsburgh area.

Good news on the New York Hostel -- AYH has received an \$860,000 Urban Development Action Grant, which will allow work to start on renovating a spacious, albeit rundown, block long building in New York City as a hostel.

The last item this month concerns the title of this column. I'm wondering if there might not be a better title than "The President's Corner". So... I'm offering a prize of an AYH T-shirt (new, in the size and color of your choice) if you can help me find a better one that I can use.

HIKING

Wayne Hennemuth 693-9605

Tom Kaveney 276-8044

KAYAKING

Lou Conley 681-8321

Ray Yutzy 341-5682

AYH beginning kayaking schools are held once a month, June through September, each summer. These schools provide an introduction to the exciting sport of kayaking and are open to complete beginners (those who have never been in a kayak before) and to those who have never kayaked on whitewater before. The schools last the entire weekend, and include an overnight stay at a youth hostel. The first day of the school is spent learning the basic skills of kayak paddling on a nice, calm lake. The second is spent developing those skills on a very easy (class I-II) white water river. Dates for the remaining 1985 beginner schools are: August 3-4 and September 7-8. Space is very limited and preference will be given to AYH members, so sign up early. Call Lou Conley at 681-8321 for additional information.

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CANOEING

Kathy Lynch 327-0529
Steve Shafer 362-4432h 578-7661w

The AYH canoeing program provides opportunities to learn to paddle, increase your skills through progressive schools, and go out on trips just any weekend. You can bring your own equipment, or rent a canoe and gear for \$6/boat. AYH canoe schools and trips are normally one day each, with occasional weekend or longer trips. You should paddle on a few trips after taking one school before going on to the next, as mastery of the previous skill level is assumed as one progresses.

Bring non-cotton clothing, hat, water bottle, glasses tie-on, rain jacket, tennies, dry clothes in a separate bag, and knee pads. Trips normally meet at HQ at 8:00 am. Call the trip leader in advance to reserve space on a trip.

CAVING

Roy Provins 784-9127
Paul Herre 831-0217
John Pöpp 653-8026

As always, please call your trip leader for more details and how to be properly prepared so that you can enjoy this fun and exciting sport of caving. Caving trips are run "rain or shine", unless otherwise stated. Please let your trip leader know as soon as possible if you have to cancel from a trip, this will allow someone else to possibly take your spot. Thank you.

CLIMBING

Dale Vilsack 343-8379
Karl Mörmner 521-6404
Eric Bauer 687-0766

The beginner's climbing trips at White Rocks meet at HQ at 7:00 am. Bring tennis shoes, hiking boots, lunch, water, leather-palmed gloves (if you have them) and a sunny disposition. We usually stop for dinner and return to Pittsburgh between 8 and 9 pm. Call any of the chairpersons for reservations.



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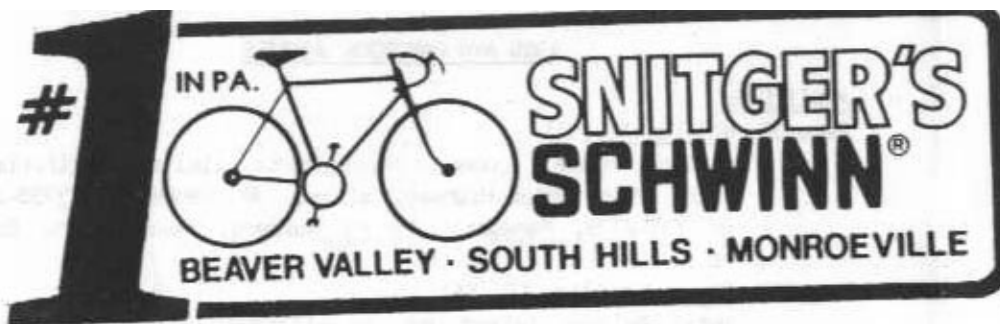
- Page 30 Willow, AK (SA)
Susitna Hostel (under development: limited facilities), Mile 101.8 Parks Highway, Willow, AK 99588, (907)733-2469 or 733-2775, Manager: Sandra Norberg, Fee: \$5.25, Beds: 16.
- Page 66 Grand Junction, CO (SA)
Hotel Melrose (mixed use, no kitchen), 337 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501, (303) 242-9636, Manager: M. Elizabeth Davis, Fee: \$8.00, Beds: 15.
- Page 95 Bar Harbor, ME (Standard)
Mt. Desert Island Youth Hostel, 41 Mt. Desert St., Box 32, Bar Harbor, ME 04609, (207)288-5587, Managers: Cathy Iles and Lisa Burton, Fee: \$6.00 June 21-Sept. 15, Beds: 20
- Page 114 Frankfort, MI (HH)
538 Thomas Rd., Frankfort, MI 49635, (616) 352-4296, Manager: Marjorie Pearsall Groenwald, Open: June 15 - Sept. 5
- Page 124 Garrison, MN (SA)
Pike Point Lodge (mixed use), Box 31, Star Route, Garrison, MN 56450, (612) 692-4322, Managers: Henry and Barb Harris, Fee: \$4.00, May 1 - Nov. 1, Beds: 28
- Page 147 DeBruce, NY (SA)
DeBruce Country Inn (mixed use, no kitchen), RD 1, Box 286A, DeBruce, NY 12758, (914)439-3900/(212) 219-3820, Managers: Ron and Marilyn Lusker, Fees: \$7.00 S/ \$8.00 W, Open: May 20 - Nov. 20, 1985, Beds: 9
- Page 181 Gettysburg, PA (Superior)
Gettysburg International Youth Hostel, 27 Chambersburg St., Gettysburg, PA 17325, (717) 334-1020, Manager: Janice DeMooy, Fee: \$6.00 Beds: 60
- Page 198 Calais, VT (HH)
Curtis Pond Home Hostel, PO Box 97, Calais, VT 05648, (802) 229-4570, Managers: Bryan and Mary Liss

DELETIONS:

- Page 27 Homer, AK
Page 118 Portland, MI
Page 136 Peterborough, NH

CHANGES:

- Page 26 Fairbanks, AK. Not yet open. Page 33 Grand Canyon Int. Hostel charges \$7.25, year-round. Page 39 Fullerton, CA. Not yet open. Page 41 Julian, CA. Open Sept. 15 to May 15. Page 78 Key West, FL. Zip code is 33041. Page 87 Chicago (B), IL. Not yet open. Page 140 Albuquerque, NM. Hostel provides showers and regular beds. Rate is \$7.25 year-round. Page 200 Stowe, VT. Rate: \$6.00. Page 201 Waterburg Center, VT. Open April 15 - Oct. 15 Page 203 Bluemont, VA. Not yet open.



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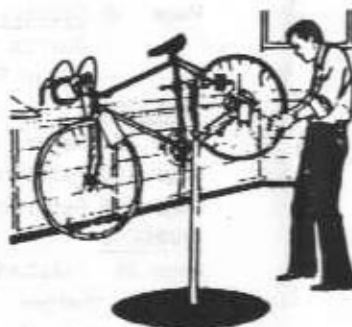
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AUGUST TRIPS & TRAILS

Trips listed are open to the public, AYH members are given priority. Trip costs include a 75¢ registration fee (50¢ per half day or evening), plus transportation and rentals. IN ADDITION non-members are charged \$1.50 per day which may be deducted from the cost of membership when joining AYH. The registration fee cover insurance (\$1000 medical/ \$1000 accidental death or dismemberment).

BACKPACKING

Debbie LaPlaca 795-4179
Jack Peth 921-7214h 777-5365w

BICYCLING

Rick Kondas 672-3891
Chuck Ejzak 466-6196
Cycling Jerseys - The order will go in on August 15. See the July Triangle and call Chuck (466-6196) for details and to order.

Learn-To-Rides and Evening Cycles will be scheduled based on need. If you need to learn how to ride a ten-speed, call Judy (242-1573) or Chuck (466-6196).

Coming Sunday, September 1.....

Mon Valley Century Rides!!!!

Choice of:

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Scenic rides along the Monongehela river past some of deceased hulks of the mills that made Pittsburgh an industrial city. Cycle past small rural farms and through quaint little towns. Rides start and end in Elizabeth, PA under the bridge. (where route 51 crosses the Mon river.)

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NORM SNYDER.... ADVENTURE UNDERGROUND

Sunday, May 26, 1985, Jaguar Cave, Tenn., 10:00 am to 5:30 pm, Personnel: Norman Snyder, Willi Leutfeld, Mike Hawranick.

The entrance to Jaguar cave is at the base of a small cliff. A small drop leads to a fissure passage. At the end of the fissure is a 6 foot high passage; we followed it 300 feet to a large trunk passage. The passage (100 feet high by 50 feet wide) was completely dry and a lot of formations were at the beginning.

The passage was like a large room, and we followed for 3000 feet. It was about the hardest 3000 feet I ever did. To get to the end, you had to climb up a hill. They were around 100 feet high, so up and down made another 1800 feet. The hills were sandy with crystals; one of them was so steep, a permanent rope is rigged. I loved the passage. It reminded me of a canyon out west with a roof on it. At the end of that passage was another that led to a maze of craws and large fissures. While Mike and Willi waited, I found a narrow fissure that led down to the maze of passages. The bottom section was very complex; I was looking for an easy way down, but could find none, so we didn't explore this section.

In the main passage on top of the breakdown to the right was a small climb that led to a wide ledge filled with formations. The ledge went for 200 feet. To the right was a 100 foot drop to the room below.

On the way out we found the large room had a great many crawlways. We followed one for 500 feet and turned back. A lot of air was flowing through it and the cave has two entrances, so we thought it might be going out. One crawlway off the main one led to a maze of large fissures. We left the cave tired after the crawls and nine hills. By Norm Snyder.

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DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY	LEVEL	LEADER	PHONE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
23-25	FSS	Pick one	All	Fred Parker	824-2638	6:30	Pymatuning Weekend. See ad.
24	Sat	Canoe	II	Karen and Don Bowman	697-4386	8:00	Watermelon trip.
24	Sat	Climb	Inter	Chairpersons	see list	7:00	White Rocks - required for those who haven't yet been to Seneca, but want to go.
24	Sat	Hike	Easy	Jack Peth	921-7214		Destination to be announced at meeting.
24	Sat	Raft	All	Shirley and Rick Ulaky	422-0849h 243-0300 ext. 403	8:00	Raft the Youghiogheny. Call for info and reservations.
26	Sun	Bike	C	Lou Conley	681-8321	8:30HQ	6TH ANNUAL DUQUESNE INCLINE BIKE RIDE Join Lou Conley and friends for their sixth annual late August Sunday morning tour of America's No. 1 City. The tour will be an easy 20 to 30 miles with frequent stops for sightseeing. It will include downtown Pgh., Point Park, Station Square, The new Southside riverfront park, a trip up the Duquesne Incline (bikes included) the view from Mt. Washington, and hopefully lunch at our favorite deli near the top of the incline. Bring money for lunch and the incline ride (60¢ for you and 60¢ for your bike.) and lots of enthusiasm. Call for info and reservations.
25	Sun	Canoe	III	Dave Marschik	244-1465	8:00	Water????
25	Sun	Cave	Begin	Bob & Vicki Nebes	782-2321		Casparin Cave is one of the prettier local caves. It features formations and a spectacular waterfall.
25	Sun	Climb	Begin	Chairpeople	see list	7@HQ	White Rocks, near Uniontown. See the climbing write-up.
30-2	FSSM	Backpack	Int	Dan Martt	921-4638		Big Schloss-Wolf Gap area of Washington Natl. Forest. Call for info and getaway time of Friday.
30-2	FSSM	Backpack	Int	Norm Snyder	351-4068		Join Norm on a backpack to Niagara Gorge. Hike below the falls past the whirlpool to the lake. There are trails and an old streetcar line to follow.
31	Sat	Hike	Int	Lee Brownston	521-3421h 578-2621w	8@HQ	Northern section of Laurel highlands trail.
30-2	FSSM	Sea-Kayak	all	Cathy Lynch	361-3707		Labor Day weekend on local water. Phone for details.
Sept. 1	Sun	Bike	A,B,C	Chuck & Lynn Ejzak	466-6196	see ad	Mon Valley Century Rides.
Sept. 7&8 SS		Climb	Int	Chairpeople	see list		Seneca Rocks in West Virginia.

NORM SNYDER.... ADVENTURE UNDERGROUND

Saturday, May 25, 1985, Wolfs Cave, Tenn., 9:30 am to 6:00 pm, explored 10,000 feet, Personnel: Norm Snyder, Willi Leutfeld, Mike Hauranick.

The entrance to Wolfs Cave is about 6' high and 10' wide. A large stream flows out of it.

The first 1000' are mostly walkway. Passages going all over the place. The stream goes into some lower passages and through Breakdown block that can't be pushed through. The first time I did the cave about three years ago, we never got into the main cave. With Mike's excellent leadership we had no trouble.

A room called the inferno was the key that led into the main part of the cave. The room is about 80' high. One climbs up a pile of breakdown to the top and enters a crawlway that goes for 200' to walk passage. By the time you reach the crawlway you're hot. The bottom of the cave is 10° different from the top of the inferno. At the end of the 200' crawl we made a right. This led us to the register room, where Mike and his group had camped out in the cave before. A climb out of this room took us to a main passage. We followed it 3000' feet or more to the only water I saw. In this upper level section a small stream was flowing into the lower section. This ended the passage. Retracing our steps about 200', a hidden side passage was entered. Up to this point the only formation we had seen was a white curtain. This side passage contained many pure white stalagmites and stalactites. Some of the walk had nice crystals. A lot of side passages led all over the place. This whole upper section is very complex. Mike said he was lost in it before, but he's been in the cave so many times that we had no trouble.

This passage went about 1000' and ended in a crawlway. Around the front of it, I ducked down a lower passage and through a small, unnoticed belly crawl came to a fissure about 6' high. I always get excited when I find virgin cave, and that's what this was, but it only went 300' to some small rooms.

Around the inferno, we passed some large rooms to our right. A crawl on the left took us past these rooms to a lower level. You could hear the roar of a waterfall as we descended. A beautiful solution tube was cut by the stream. The tube itself was about 12' high, and 3' wide. I went upstream 300' to a 6' high waterfall with a good bit of water in it.

We followed the stream passage upstream. A lot of side rooms, upper levels and crawls were passed. The stream was going deeper into the cave. We never did get to the end of the stream passage. By Norm Snyder

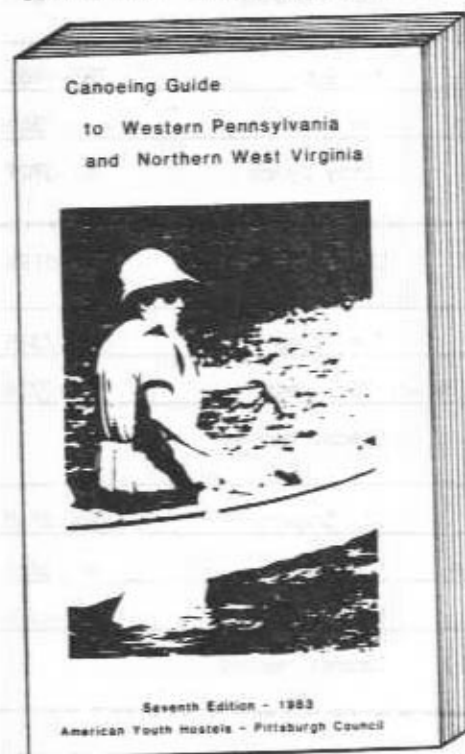
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					PHONE	TIME	
3	Sat	Bike	B	Wayne Hennemuth	654-2630	9:00	Tour scenic Oakdale. 50-60 miles. Leave Oakdale at 9 am.
3	Sat	Hike	Inter	Tom Kaveney	276-8044	8@HQ	Section of the Laurel Highlands Trail.
3	Sat	Raft	All	Leader needed			1:15 put-in on the Yough. Call Susan Krotec if you can lead at 661-8485.
4	Sun	Bike	C	Judy Menosky	242-1573	1pm@HQ	North Park to Evans City. Swimming available at North Park. Meet at HQ at 1pm or the North Park Boathouse at 2 pm.
4	Sun	Canoe	II	Bob Buck	793-1480	8:00	Won't be misled.
4	Sun	Sea-Kayak	Begin	Tom Trump	284-7349w	9:30	Local trip on the Monongehela from Boston, PA.
5-11	M-S	Sea-Kayak & Camping	All	Cathy Lynch	361-3707		Pre-Symposium trip. Explore Casco Bay from Orris Island camp-ground.
9-11	FSS	Bike	A,B,C	Chuck Ejzak	466-6196	6:30HQ	Pine Grove Furnace Weekend. Reservations Required. Hiking and rock climbing also. (See July Triangle).
9-11	FSS	Sea-Kayak	All	Tom Trump	284-7349		National Sea-kayak meeting in Castine, Maine.
10	Sat	Canoe	Flat River	Jack Peth	921-7214	8:00am	Nice relaxing trip.
10	Sat	Raft	All	Leader Needed			12:15 put-in on the Yough. Call Susan Krotec at 661-8485 if you can lead.
11	Sun	Canoe	II	Jim Gogots	384-9149	8:00	Bring your paddle, bring your pole.
11	Sun	Climb	Begin	Chairmen	see list	7@HQ	White Rocks, near Uniontown. See Climbing write-up.
11	Sun	Hike	Int	Marilyn Ham	687-4520	8am@HQ	8 to 10 miles; locale to be announced.
11	Sun	Raft	All	Leader needed			11:15 put-in on the Yough. Call Susan Krotec at 661-8485 if you can lead.
13	Tues	Bike	Maintenance	Chuck Ejzak	466-6196	7pm@HQ	Bike maintenance clinic. 7 to 9 pm. Bring bike, rags, and 50¢.
17	Sat	Bike	B	Ricky Kondas		8:30HQ	50 miles round trip to Russelton.
17	Sat	Canoe	II	Kathy Lynch	327-0529	8:00	Eau Vive
17	Sat	Family	All	Bill Johnston	687-4893		Bike, hike, swim at Moraine State Park for families with young children.
17-18	SS	Raft		Gus Hughes	469-1295		See last month's Triangle for details.
18	Sun	Bike	B	Terry Gossard	321-2382	8:00HQ	Saxonburg. Breakfast on the way.
18	Sun	Canoe	II	Fred Parker	824-2638	8:00	Exciting.
18	Sun	Hike	Easy	Dan Martt	921-4638	8amHQ	Join Dan on a geology hike on Glacier Ridge and McConnells Mill. See evidence of ancient glaciers and still more ancient seas.