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OPEN INVITATION TO WORLD'S FAIR

That fifth day of the week is always a date to encircle, for it promises much to Pittsburgh hostellers. Beginning at 8:30, each program is planned to appeal to all.

Shu-Koo Kao, a former member of AYH, teaching in the Physics Department at the University of Seattle, extends an invitation to the World's Fair travelers to take advantage of his ever-hospitable hospitality.

May 3--The first Thursday is reserved for folk dancers, beginners or advanced. With the Pittsburgh Folk Festival starting on the 11th at the Mosque, Hugh Gilmour will teach a few of the dances that you are apt to see there. Specialty of the evening will be those of the Israeli group.

Those hostellers interested in taking Fran Czapiewski's Pacific Northwest extended trip will find Shu's invitation a godsend. (Check your extended trips bulletin, page 3 which has been mailed separately).

May 10--Lee Hayden shows slides of two recent canoeing trips, the Easter canoeing trip on the Allegheny and that led by Jim Taylor on the Clarion River.

"We have not forgotten you. Isabella (Shu's wife) has accepted an offer to go to Taiwan for the summer, so the best we can do is urge you to come to the World's Fair and welcome you to our hostessless home. The host will be here, teaching summer school until the tenth of August. We do have a moderately large house near a bus stop, convenient to all points of interest. We can vacate three bedrooms for our guests, and if emergency arises, the living room, dining room and porch can be used for sleeping. Besides couches and cots, there is a great deal of floor space for those young at heart or at least in spirit.

May 17--A report on our recent teenage white water canoeing school of April 29 will be given by Lloyd Geertz.

May 24--Joan Egginton, British youth hosteller, now visiting the United States on a National tour, will share some of her experiences in working with the youth groups and traveling throughout Europe. Refreshments will be served this evening.

"With the many friends we have, we are expecting at least a hundred during the months of the Fair, so would you please write early as to when you plan to be in Seattle and how long you plan to stay. I am looking forward to AYH-ers and the photographers sometime during the summer.

May 31--Cycling comes to the fore with a program devoted to slides of former trips and plans to be made for future weekends.

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CHAROVARIO

by Hugh Gilmour



Well, the inevitable has happened. Plaid stamps, now given out by the local A & P's, list holiday travel tours to the Pacific Northwest, the national parks, Alaska, the Caribbean. Seven days in Hawaii can be had for one hundred and five books, if you have lots of friends to supply you with plaid stamps from here to what seems like eternity. Of course, your best catalogue for inexpensive trips can be found in the extended trips bulletin which was mailed out a few days ago. AYH is pushing seven extended trips this year....from Shenandoah Valley to the Pacific Northwest....and the World's Fair in Seattle.

Abbie and Lloyd Geertz just missed the deadline of the last issue, so we'll give them first mention. Amy Geertz, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, hosted in on April 2. Doctor Spock was not present. Liz Saffer and Ralph Ludington left for Russia, courtesy of Intourist. Betty Bierer breezed into town for the Easter holidays, using Liz's apartment as her headquarters, and informing us that she had witnessed John Glenn receive his medal from the National Geographic Society. Her future plans call for another hike along the C & O Canal, accompanying Justice Douglas. Another out of town visitor was Jacek Jedruch's father, who visited Pittsburgh for the first time.

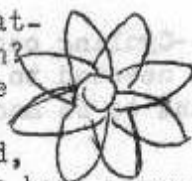
Janet Richardson and Joyce Koplos went off to Washington, D.C. to observe the cherry blossoms. Fred Mauk is now in the photography business, offering some AYH specials...just flash your AYH pass. Lois Ann Wagner just finished a high school concert and announces that she's available for folk song concerts in the fall.

It's amazing how some of our members come up with surprising backgrounds. We just learned that Sally Hutton spent ten months in Rabat, Morocco, teaching fourth grade children of the Air Force personnel stationed in that area. The Segers are undecided what to do this summer, figuring that anything following last year's vacation in Ireland would be something of an anticlimax. Bruce Sundquist is planning an auction sale of all bikes that remain unclaimed in the cycle shop.....after Memorial Day. It's getting rather crowded in there.

We were all grieved to hear of Ellen Cook's death on Easter Sunday. A memorial service was held for her on April 29. Her parents are starting a scholarship fund in her name at Lake Erie College, and anyone who wished to give flowers may instead contribute to this fund.

May is always a folksy month...what with the the Folk Festival opening at the Mosque on the eleventh with several of our members participating (check that Israeli group for familiar faces) and the YWCA folk dance camp at Carondawanda beginning on the eighteenth. This weekend will bring Dick Crum back to Pittsburgh for those of you who missed his last workshop this past winter.

Did anyone attend the camping show at Horne's Department Store this past month? We saw some amazing new innovations in the business, which can be improvised for those who object to the slickness of the new gimmicks. Several illustrative books on the subject were displayed, all of which we would like someone to give us as books. Colemans have a new camping refrigerator for \$34.25 which holds twenty-five pounds of cracked ice which can be tapped out as water when melted. Special meat and ice trays are another deluxe addition. See you all in Shenandoah National Park.



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CYCLE NEWS

In view of the great interest shown in cycling this spring, we are happy to announce an expansion in the program. The Monday night meandering cycle trips will continue leaving headquarters at 6:30 PM, but for more experienced and ambitious cyclists, we plan something new.

Starting Tuesday, May 8, we will be sponsoring the Tuesday night treks. (Please note T. N. T.) These trips, also leaving HQ at 6:30, are planned specifically for masochists, weight-watchers and the growing group of serious cyclists we have at AYH. On Tuesday night we will cycle twenty to twenty-five miles to outlying areas of the city. There probably will be only one stop, and it may not be at a frozen custard stand. The pace will generally be much faster than the Monday night trips.

We might also mention there is no longer a bike shortage at the bike shop as ten new Raleighs to be used as rentals. We are authorized to purchase four additional bicycles if there is a need for them, so by all means, round up your friends and bring them along. Cycling is growing in popularity by leaps and bounds and it takes a perfect way to introduce strangers to hosteling.

OPEN INVITATION TO THE WORLD'S FAIR

If you want to see Isabella, you had better come before June 10 or after September 15. Since Isabella will be away, she will not be here to take care of your meals and other necessities, but we will be happy if you just feel at home and use the kitchen as much as you wish. Let me know when the group is coming so that I can reserve the space for them.

Sincerely,
 Shu-Koo Kau
 Isabella Yen



by

Lolly
Sandoval

Courtney Bischoff
 Herbert Connor
 John R. Dunn
 Donald A. Fisher
 Abbie and Lloyd Geertz
 Polly B. Keyes
 Fred N. Kissell
 Howard T. Morris
 J.D. Myers
 Howard W. Pickering
 Pete Shuster
 Peter B. Williams
 Jerry Balbot
 Earl Benovitz
 Ann F. Zener
 John J. Barranger
 Mary C. Ceo
 Leslie Falk & family
 Robert Hilberg
 Theresa Kroko
 Gloria Manfredi
 Anthony W. Moats
 Fred Monks
 Allen Parnkopf & family
 Barbara Paul
 William Rueter
 Donald Smith
 Richard D. McNamara
 60kmont Girl Scout
 Troop #283

Martin Runkle
 Robert E. Rosette
 Bruce Godwin
 Diann B. Schonbak
 Phyllis Wetherby
 Chester Walas
 Gladys Adams
 Lois Ann Wagner
 Walter J. Harper
 Julius Rosenson
 Tyler Davis
 Ralph S. Ludington
 Raymond S. Suckling
 Irwin Bendat & family
 Barbara Nagin
 Jeanne E. Salov
 Robert D. Salov
 Lorrie Cushman
 Betty Hopper
 Patty Dell
 Michael Tobias
 * Melvin Tobias
 Robert Pasekoff
 Victoria A. Carlton
 Claire Rosenfeld
 Aldana L. Bolan
 Ralph Coffin
 Charles West
 Richard Rosenzweig

PITTSBURGH
 FOLK FESTIVAL

Syria Mosque May 11, 12, 13

JUST FOR FUN, TAKE THIS AYH TRAVEL QUIZ

Pittsburgh hostellers, world travelers in their own way, ought to be able to score high on this little quiz.

Check the answers at the bottom of the page.



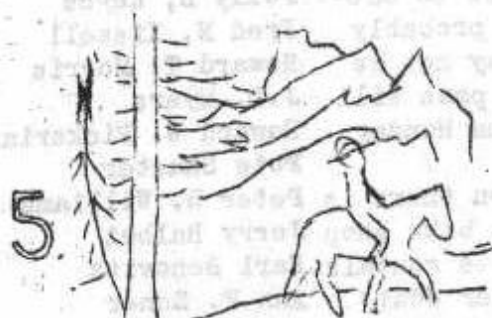
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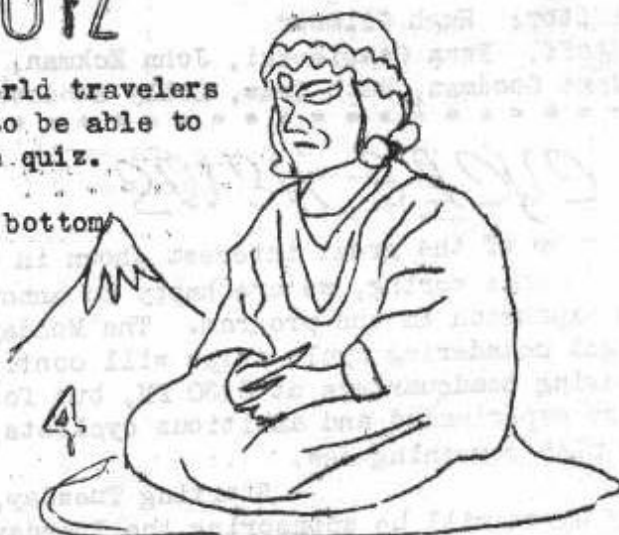
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1. Of course you recognized Fred Mauk balancing on his ironing board as he maneuvers out to his houseboat, temporarily flooded by the spring rains. 2. This is all that remains of a ball point pen, a gift from the members of the Golden Triangle to their editor, which he keeps dangling from the typewriter, sentimental fool that he is. 3. Don't jump to conclusions; this is actually a paper weight. Well, actually it's the top knob from a floor lamp which Lolly Sandoval uses as a paper weight. 4. No, this is not Japan, but just a disgruntled hosteller, sitting in her rain parka, counting her blessings as she munches on raisins. 5. You pizza lovers will recognize this little mural from the walls of the Little Italy restaurant. 6. Just another of the many quaint hostels one encounters in traveling under one's own steam.

AYH JAMBOREE

Columbus Council is sponsoring, in co-operation with the Lima Road Runners Hostel Club and Jean Sanford, houseparent of the Glen Helen Youth Hostel, a midwest jamboree the weekend of May 18, 19, 20, at Glen Helen Hostel, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

The hostel is an 80-bed building in a scenic glen adjacent to Antioch College campus. All activities will take place in the glen or nearby.

The cost of the weekend is six dollars which includes five meals, evening snacks, two overnights and all planned activities. Please see Jacek Jedruch for registration.

THE NEWS *camping*

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from other Councils

DETROIT COUNCIL

During Hostel Week, May 5-12 and in observance of Bicycle Month, they will conduct their 2nd. Annual Bicycle Rodeo and Safety Check for the community.

Public as well as members are invited. After the safety-check, there will be tests of skill and knowledge of cycling in planned games.

Service Committee, Cycle Committee and school Hostel Club members run it.

Greater St. Louis Council

FOHRCB patches are to be awarded in the fall for anyone negotiating regular overnight float trips on six different rivers during the year.

The initials stand for the Fraternal Order of River Runners and Canoe Busters.

COLUMBUS COUNCIL

Bernie Weiss, former member of Columbus, and also Pittsburgh Council, has been working hard in Colorado to establish an AYH Council (together with 2 others) in Pueblo, Colorado. The group is now chartered and called the Rocky Mountain Council.

From Washington Area Cycle Clubs Bulletin:

In years past a cycle training ride started at dawn or even before. It continued non-stop; feeding and performing other necessities being done in the saddle, until dark...covering 200 to 230 miles. Nobody ever thought of participating in the first race of the season with less than 2,000 mi. in their legs. They were ready, but already pooped out after two months of competition. Here is what happened to rider, Apo Lazarides of Italy, in a long road race:

After 166 mi. against the wind, hunger pains caught up with him with no food left in his pockets. He was too weak to change a flat tire and started to chew grass. A farm woman found him and pushed him and his bike on her wheelbarrow to her home where she fed him and let him rest overnight.

Today rides are fast and short and cyclists try to preserve their best condition at all times.

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Did you know camping is more than the informal, inter-group relation experience of creating a richer, fuller life? In this world of sedentary selectivity for secular recreation, the more imaginative who desire a deeper challenge are returning to the "call of the wild." It is there that man may test himself with nature and share this enriching experience with those seeking to fulfill the same needs in all of us, the need to "find oneself, in order to give oneself."

Dr. Boehm, Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction in Pennsylvania, in a recent address before the American Camping Association in New York, related the possibilities of camping to Pennsylvania's long range objectives in education. President Kennedy's urgings for physical fitness programs are nothing new to campers. Now that camping is an approved subject for Pennsylvania schools, students may receive credits for experiences in approved camping programs. In what better manner can the Youth Hostels of America serve the educational needs of youth than offering leadership and facilities for enriching camp experiences. The dropout rate in high schools might become the myth of the past for those ambling youths transformed into ambulatory students. And all this with academic credit! Let us hope that the addition of credit to camping will add credence to creative recreation.

TRIPS AND TRAILS (cont. from page 7)

Wednesday, May 30—Memorial Day hike led by Victor Porchin (ostensibly to hike but really to pick strawberries) on Chestnut Ridge. Bring your own whipped cream with lunch. Cost about \$1.75 and leave HQ at nine o'clock in the morning.



personality OF THE MONTH

by John Eckman

WINIFRED
ROENSCH



Gulf Research once lured a comely maiden into its labs...and thereby hangs a tale. The maid Winifred the Fair, from the Northland, was found to be schooled in legerdemain of alchemy, also numbers, the real and the unreal, and laws of physics.....the absolute and the not quite.

The wizards were quite impressed, naturally, and invited her to join their guild. That she did, becoming a wizard of oil by day, but never could they solve the mystery of her nocturnal departures. At midnight she was never to be found boiling the oil in her retorts or even burning it. At close of day, she doffed her long robes and whisked away.

Reports trickled in that she had been seen riding a cycle in Fox Chapel...canoeing on Red Bank Creek...hiking around Horseshoe Bend...even that she had been seeing plunging down Laurel Mountain on wooden staves in the depths of winter.

Most of these rumors, as rumors usually are, were quite well founded. But of course the wizards shook their heads. "Impossible," they said, "for one person to be doing so many different things in so many places. It can't be true, even for a wizard."

AYH members know better. Winifred, from Birmingham, Michigan, not only has been involved in all these activities but a great many more: folk dancing, swimming and skating. Vacation time finds her sailing the northern shores of the Great Lakes.

She's also traveled in Europe, studied at Hollins College in Virginia and the University of Michigan, and reads Dorothy Sayers (for fun) when not studying for night classes in chemistry at Tech. At AYH she is a former program chairman and a member of the activities board. Away from AYH (but not always), she plays the recorder.

Quick of wit and deliberate of speech, she is quiet to a virtue and always busy. Sometimes in a quiet moment you may catch her at work on a quick pen and ink sketch.....with a good eye for details. Quiet moment, that is, like on a hike, at the symphony, in a meeting.....etc., etc., etc.

HOSTEL NEWS

by Margaret Bark

Cyclist, Manny Morgan will lead a scouting trip to a proposed hostel location near Centerville, Pa., the weekend of May 5 and 6, as a preliminary step in establishing a loop of hostels and supplementary accommodations connecting Pittsburgh and Lake Erie.

Armand and Ramona Panson plan a hiking trip in Cook's Forest and environs May 26 and 27 in an effort to find similar accommodations near the end of the Baker Trail for AYH use.

Lee Hayden has already started construction of a shelter near Zelionople, which will probably be the first cycle step.

If sufficient "friends" of AYH can be found at convenient intervals along the proposed loop, a list will be published by the Hostel Development Committee in time for summer trip planning. It will be of particular value to young cyclists and hikers looking for routes starting from Pittsburgh.

Brockhurst Hostel has been discontinued at the request of the owner, William V. Brock, and inquiries for another location in the Laurel Hill area are already under way.

Interested persons may contact committee chairman, Margaret Bark, at PC 1-4475 or at headquarters on Thursday nights.

It is hoped that the chain of proposed hostels will one day be a reality.

All trips are approximate. Actual trip cost will be divided among the participants.

Saturday, May 5-- Manny Morgan leads a scouting trip to explore a hostel location near Centerville, Cost: \$6.50. Bring sleeping bag and mess kit. Call Manny HA 1-2358 and leave HQ at 8 AM.

Saturday, May 5-- Dick McNamara leads a cycle tour of Fox Chapel approximately fifteen miles. Bring lunch and leave at 10 AM.

Sunday, May 6-- Newly-weds, Ben and Betty Dell, conduct an intermediate canoeing trip on Mahoning Creek near Putneyville. Bring lunch and load canoes at 8 AM. Cost about \$3.75.

Wednesday, May 9-- Pittsburgh Council's contribution to National AYH Week will start off with an early morning cycle trip around town led by Sally Hutton. Reserve in advance by calling MU 1-4542. Trip leaves at !! 5:30 AM!!!

Saturday, May 12-- Closing off the week will be another Hutton cycle special around town, leaving at 6 AM. Same phone number as above.

Saturday, May 12-13-- The west branch of the Susquehanna River lures Jim Taylor on a canoeing weekend, camping out overnight, so bring accommodating equipment. Distance covered will be about forty-five miles, from Showville to Keating. Leave HQ Friday evening at 6 PM. Call Jim at MO 1-3061.

Sunday, May 13-- Linda Snelsire, "Mother of the Year" (for '61) leads a Mother's Day hike in Raccoon State Park with children, six to sixty (your own or someone else's) welcomed. Cost about \$1.00. Bring lunch. Leave HQ at 10 AM and call Linda at FO 6-0360.

AYH MIDWEST JAMBOREE at the Glen Helen Hostel, Yellow Springs, Ohio, will be held Friday through Sunday, May 18-20. Cost \$13.00. Register early with Jacek Jedruch at CH 2-8610.

Sunday, May 20-- Exploratory hike in the Ohiopyle area led by Tom Gabor, not-so-jovial but good leader and swimmer. No reservations needed. Bring swim suit and lunch. Cost about \$1.50. Leave after breakfast at 8:15 or at 8:45 from Verscharen's Market on Rt. 51.

Saturday, Sunday, May 19-20-- Lee Hayden leads a thirty-five mile cycle trip from Pittsburgh to McConnells Mills with an overnight campout and cookout. Bring lunch and about \$3.00, and leave after breakfast from HQ at 8 AM.

Friday-Sunday, May 18-20-- Janet Richardson leads a weekend at Morgantown Hostel, West Virginia, to acquaint Britisher, Joan Egginton, with Pittsburgh hosteling. Leave Friday or Saturday morning at 8 AM, bringing with you AYH pass, sleeping bag, mess gear, swim suit and camera(?). Call Janet at MA 1-8781.

Saturday, May 26-- Leaman Gilbert leads an easy canoeing trip on the Kiskiminetos River. Leave HQ at 8 AM. Bring lunch, bathing suit, and about \$3.50. SY 3-2686.

Saturday, May 26-- Armand and Ramona Panson lead a hiking trip to Cook's Forest to scout out a possible hostel location in that area. Leave HQ at 8 AM. Bring lunch and about \$3.00. Call the Pansons at MA 1-8781.

