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Summer 1951 Extended Trips Announced

RANSOM ELECTED

Hugh W. Ransom, member of the Advisory Board, was elected Vice Chairman of the Pittsburgh Council at the January meeting of the Board of Directors. Mr. Ransom was instrumental in arranging for the first Pittsburgh hostel at the Brashear Association Camp near Delienople. Some years ago he worked with the Pocono-Susquehanna AYH Council. He is secretary of the Allegheny Camp Council and of the Group and Works Division of the Health and Welfare Federation.

OPEN HOUSE PROGRAMS

- Mar. 1 - "Extension of the Baker Trail" by Phil Ewald
 - Mar. 8 - Square and folk dancing
 - Mar. 15 - "Hosteling in Europe" by Dick Ahlstrom
 - Mar. 22 - Slides from recent trips
 - Mar. 29 - "Know Your Protection by Mr. Riddle
 - Apr. 5 - "Appreciation of Trips and Trails" by Robert Amon and Dr. Leroy Black
 - Apr. 12 - Square and folk dancing
 - Apr. 19 - Extended Trips for 1951
 - Apr. 26 - Slides from recent trips
- held from 8 to 11 p.m. each Thursday. Open House is an excellent opportunity to ask your questions about hosteling and meet hostellers. The program usually takes the second hour.

COME TO A BOARD MEETING

AYH cashholders are invited to attend the meetings of the Board of Directors, held on the second Friday of the month--March 9 and April 13.

Jack Stein, Chairman of the Trips and Trails Committee, announces the following extended trips for the Summer of 1951:

- Great Smokies (hike), led by Phil Ewald - July 16 to 30 - \$35
 - The Grand Tetons of Wyoming (hike), led by Tony Franses - \$125 - June 29 to July 15
 - Washington, D.C., and the Pennsylvania Dutch Region (cycle) - \$60 - July 14 to 28
 - New England Strawhat Circuit - Summer stock plays (cycle), led by Bruce Merritt - \$35 - July 28 to Aug. 5
 - Pittsburgh's Baker Trail from Aspinwall to Cook Forest, with open campsites (hike) - \$30 - Aug. 4 to 19
 - Finger Lakes and Canadian Hostels (cycle) - \$55 - Aug. 18 to Sept. 1
- On all two-week trips it will be possible to join the group at any point.

A brochure, announcing in detail all trips and enclosing application blanks for leaders and trippers, will be out by the middle of March.

NEW OFFICE

The office of the Pittsburgh Council has been transferred to a room on the third floor of the Arts and Crafts Building. The Board of Directors wish to thank the City of Pittsburgh and the Arts and Crafts Board for their magnificent cooperation. Now the office management and public relations committees can work in comfort.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Borr to Eleanor and Bill Snell, a daughter, Margaret Saylor, on Dec. 23.

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SADDLEBAGS or RUCKSACK

Hosteling is a year-round activity, but it is in the summer that one can wander from his own hundred mile radius. Then most check collectors have two weeks to squander with pay, while teachers and students have two whole months. One can pack his saddle bags, weighing the necessity of every item of clothing and each luxury so that the hills will seem shorter than they did last summer. Or else he packs his rucksack, being even more careful about weight--perhaps taking the soles off the mocassins he will rest his feet in at the end of a rewarding day over mountain.

On the first page you found listed the extended trips that the Pittsburgh Council will sponsor this summer. Whether it is hiking or cycling, you will find a trip to meet your likes and abilities. The low cost is an attraction, but the thrill of the mountains, the fellowship of hostels, the peace of the trail, and the exhilaration of the open road will long be remembered. Make your plans now and learn what hosteling is like outside your regular circuit.

In ice skating Grace sets the pace
And we wonder, is that Grace?

Helpful and quiet describe our
Edith --

She will do whatever we needeth.

PERSONALITIES

by JAN REEL & FRED MAUK

To lead a hike all dressed in pink
Is very practical, we don't think.

(June)

Dancing that is taught by Bruce
With none can you compare it.
It's full of grace and ease and fun
And worthy of great Merritt!

When Froethal has a hike to scout,
Holidays, weather, please keep out!

The hat Fred Mauk wears when it
snows

Would put to shame dear Rudolph's
nose.

The jeep came out like a peep from a
pen --

Henry Eckhardt rides again!

On hikes L. Cohen likes to rest
But when he Charlestons, we're
impressed.

Sledding downward goes George Cohen
Not knowing where, but rapidly goin'.

Would you stand on a sled track if
you could

Just to take pictures, Martha
would (Wood)

Mary Comensky wherever she goes
Whenever she stops, she powders her
nose.

When Betty leads, it's understood
We follow teacher and are good.
We'd be glad to pay him cash
If he'd get rid of that mustache.

(Wes, naturally)

Tonight to tease is signified
Although she's always dignified.

(Liz Saffer)

His zither playing we don't scorn
But we've never heard Bud play a horn.

Buddy Edlis, you all know

We wish this poor, short lad would
grow.

Therese O'Callaghan is easy to please--
Just give her a sled track without any
trees.

We are sure to keep the track

As long as we've our road map, Jack.
A-one, a-two, a-toe, a-heel --

Watch Joe polka and Jan reel.

Rosemary Thiebaut is quite a potter--
She will do whatever she offer.

T. and T. Committee

Jack Stein, Chairman of the Trips and Trails Committee, announces that his committee has been set up for 1951 in the following operation. Committee members and duties include:

Hart Buchwald - Distribution and collection of trip questionnaire sheets for all locally sponsored events.

Phil Ewald - Complete charge of the Baker Trail. Under this branch are three sub-committees.

Fred Freuthal - A working library of local bus and train schedules available to all leaders. Also, in charge of seeing that First Aid Kit is taken on all trips.

Fred Mauk - Contacting leaders of trips in advance of trip for publicity at Headquarters. Also, seeing that all trip financial and attendance reports are turned in to the Treasurer following the trip.

Jan Reel - Secretary of Committee. Also, maintenance of file of all local passholders for use in getting a greater participating membership.

June Redman - Advisor to Committee.

Betty Bierer - Ex officio member.

Jack also announces that effective March 1, all T and T materials, including maps, timetables and cooking gear and food will be kept in a cabinet belonging exclusively to the T and T Committee. Any AYH passholders interested in working with the T and T Committee on food or trip planning should see the chairman or a committee member.

Are You Ready?

First Cycle Trip - April 1

The following 3-speed lightweight English cycles by Raleigh will be delivered approximately two weeks from order:

Sports Light Roadster - 26 x 1-3/8" wheels - ladies and gents - black - \$62.25

Lenton Sports - 26 x 1-1/4" wheels - dropped handle bars - celluloid mud guards - partially 531 tubing - lustre green - \$68.50

Lenton Tourist - 531 tubing - upright handle bars - polychromatic olive green - \$82.50.

Super Clubman - 27-1/4 x 1-1/4" wheels - high pressure road racing tires - dropped bars - 24 lbs. stripped - electric blue - \$95.00

Dynohub on any model - \$7.25

PARTS AND ACCESSORIES

Deraillleur-type gearshift units

Generator units Battery lights

Tires Tubes

Alloy kick stands Alloy carriers

Dunlop repair units Tire irons

Toe clips Quick-release straps

Touring bags Tool bags

and anything else you need

LIGHTS AND LICENSES are required on all sponsored trips.

BICYCLE RENTALS - Get acquainted with cycling on a rented bicycle. Inquire about rates.

MARCH-APRIL TRIPS (cont.)

Sunday, April 22 - McCONNELL'S MILLS. We would like to have private cars for this favorite spring hike. Bring lunch and reserve with Mary Louise O'Callaghan, Ma. 1-9907. Cost \$1.25

Saturday, April 28 - MARONING DAM ON THE BAKER TRAIL. The beginning of Sector 3 on the Pittsburgh Council Aspinwall-Cook Forest Overland Trail. Leader, Tony Pranses. Cost \$2.50. For information call Bruce Merritt, Pe. 1-3857.

Coming Attractions

The first week of May - National Youth Hostel Week - with something doing each day of the week, including the 28-mile Cross Country Cycle Race.

A joint Hoof and Mouth Club-Pittsburgh Council AYH Weekend in the Wheeling Area. This one promises to be just as good or better than the March 27-28 weekend.

PITTSBURGH COUNCIL, AMERICAN YOUTH HOSTELS, INC.

MARCH-APRIL TRIPS

Weekend outings open to 1951 passholders only. One-day affairs are open to all, but nonpassholders pay 25¢ additional registration fee. Costs listed are approximate but cover total expenses and will be collected by the leader at meeting place. Private cars permitted only when authorized by the leader.

Details of meeting places, times, and exact cost are listed on bi-weekly postal cards sent to 1951 passholders. Others phone leaders for details. Reservations accompanied by one-half the listed cost must be made in person or by mail at least 48 hours prior to outing.

Saturday, March 3 - COUNTRY TRAILS NEAR OAKDALE. Bring your eating gear for an afternoon hike and campfire supper in the hills above Oakdale. Leader, Henry Eckhardt, Mo. 1-5525. Cost \$1.30

Saturday and Sunday, March 10-11 - HOTFOOT WEEKEND. A return exactly one year after our 1950 visit to the North Sewickley Volunteer Fire Department, with steam-heated floors. Bring eating gear, also a blanket. Added attraction - Saturday night square dancing. Leader, Bruce Merritt, Fe. 1-3857. Cost \$4.15

Friday night, March 16 - BLINDFOLD HIKE. No one but Leader Hartley Saxon knows where we will be going, but we'll let everyone look when we get there. Cost \$1.00 Call Leader at St. 1-3544. Bring eating gear.

Sunday, March 18 - FINE KNOB. Hiking along snow-covered Chestnut Ridge near Uniontown. Private cars needed. Bring your lunch and \$1.50. Leader, Wes Bunnelle. Phone Bruce Merritt, Fe. 1-3857, for information.

Saturday, March 24 - A DIVE IN KILBUCK TOWNSHIP. A vertical hike slanted at the beginner. An easy hike and campfire supper in the township behind Emsworth. Leader, Ruth Zimmerman, Li. 1-4157J. Bring eating gear and \$1.00

Friday night, March 30 - POINT VIEW NIGHT HIKE. Overlooking the Point and Downtown Pittsburgh, with a campfire supper. Bring your eating gear. Leader, Ruth Chapieski, Mo. 1-8970. Cost \$.60 plus transportation.

Sunday, April 1 - CURTAIN RAISER FOR CYCLING SEASON (Also April Fool's Day). Really a beginner's cycle trip to the Hulton Bridge and return. Distance - 20 miles. Bring your lunch and 15¢. Leader, Virginia Rach, Ch. 1-0636

Saturday and Sunday, April 7-8 - BRASHEAR CAMP HOSTEL WEEKEND. Hiking with spring foliage as a backdrop at the hostel near Zelienople. Bring eating and sleeping gear. Cost \$2.80. Leader, Gloria Fisher, Ma. 1-5669.

Saturday, April 14 - "YOU MAY VIEW MAYVIEW." One of our favorite cycle trips, a good No. 2 trip for the cycling season - 40 miles. Cost 15¢. Leader, Ted Jeanette, Ch. 1-3875

Sunday, April 15 - LIBERTY OR BUST. Let's try again for Fred Freuthal's twice (Sept. 2 and Nov. 26) cancelled hike to the highlands overlooking the Mon-Yough Valley, walking through (incidentally) Liberty Boro. Bring lunch. Cost 25¢ plus transportation to and from McKeesport. Phone leader at Ja. 1-0195.

Friday night, April 20 - PITTSBURGH FIREWORKS. See the J and L. Mills in action at night with the Monongahela River as a backdrop, with a campfire supper at the South Side Brashear House. Bring 75¢ and eating gear. Leader, Jack Stein, JA 1-0381

Saturday, April 21 - SMALL TRIP TO LARGE (PA.). With distance about 35 miles, an easy cycle trip for all you new cyclists--old ones, too. Bring your lunch. Leader, Bill Dunlop. Call Bruce Merritt, Fe. 1-3857, for information.

(Turn back one page for additional trips for April.)