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WINTER  WEEKEND

OPEN HOUSE

Every Thursday Night

Doors Open: 7:45

Slide Program 8:45

Our Thursday Night Open House is for members as well as non-members. This is a great time to see friends, reminisce about good times and plan trips.

SLIDE PROGRAMS FOR JANUARY

Jan 4 A downhill and cross-country skiing movie: Skiing is believing!

Jan 11 Go on an African Safari with Jungle Joe D'Andrea.

Jan 18 There and Back Again: A Hiker's Holiday. Music by John Denver and Judy Collins. Backpacking slides by Rob McEachern.

Jan 25 Steve Tubbs takes us cross-country skiing in the Grand Tetons and some other places.

WESTERN PA. HIKING GUIDE

The fourth edition of AYH's "Hiking Guide to W. Pa." is now back in print. This edition is larger (172 p.) and describes more hikes (219) than the previous edition. The section on Major Trails now covers 28 trails. To get your copy send \$3.13 to:

Pittsburgh Council, AYH
6300 Fifth Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232

Checks should be made payable to American Youth Hostels, Pgh. Council.

Season's Greetings!

THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

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DEADLINES FOR FEBRUARY ISSUE

Articles, Ads: Thurs, Jan 11.

Trips, Cover, Slide Show: Thurs, Jan 18.

Production Party: Thurs, Jan 25.

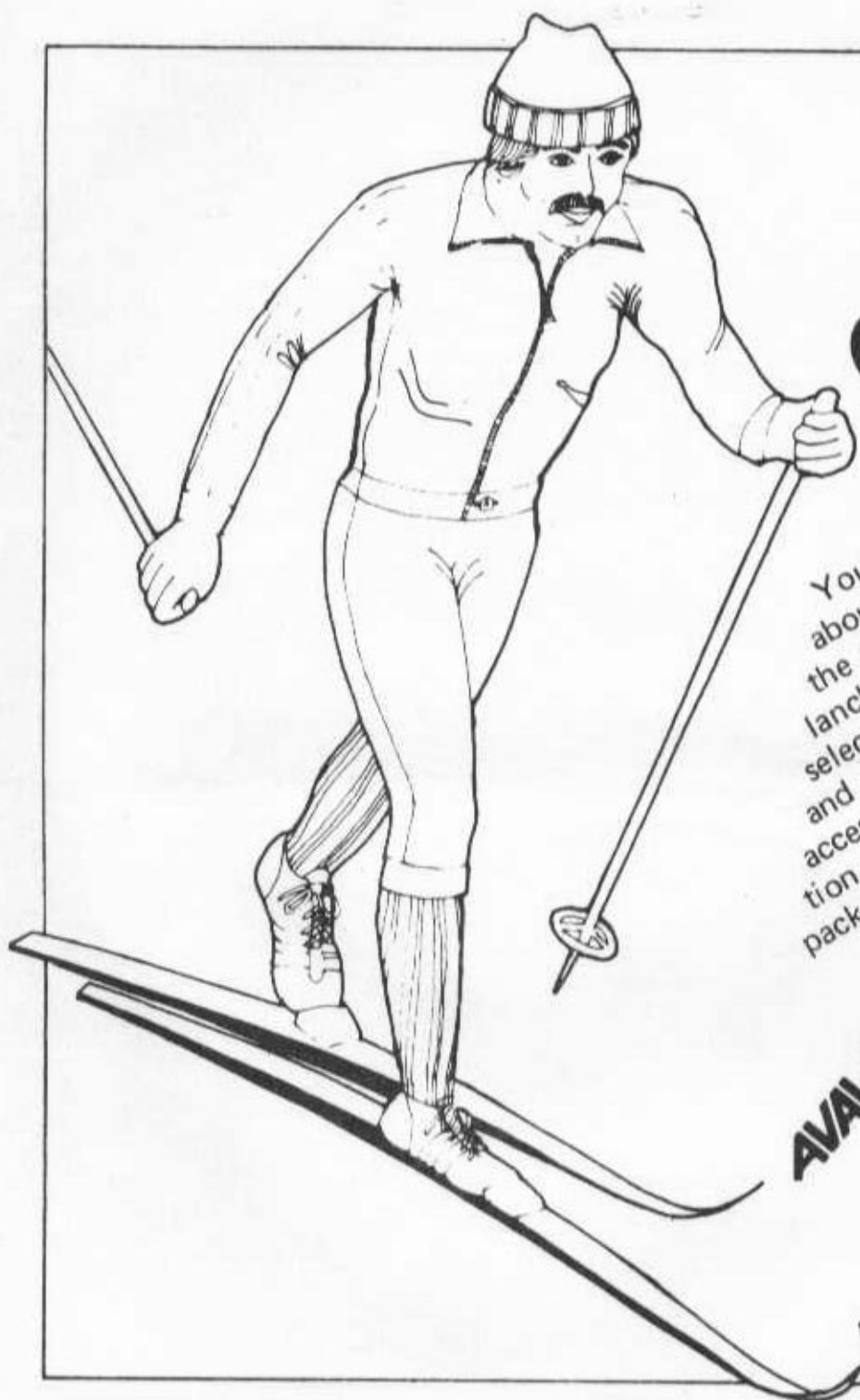
ACTIVITIES BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 9, 1978
8:00 P.M.

Gordon Bugby
262 Cascade Road
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15221

phone: 371-4233

Everyone is Welcome!



CROSS COUNTRY

You don't need to know everything about cross country skiing if you know the people that do. See the folks at Avalanche for expert advice and the widest selection of wood and fiberglass, waxable and waxless skis, boots, clothing and accessories. Not to mention free instruction, ski holidays and special discount package prices.



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NEW HOSTEL NEWS!

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storm windows, lumber,
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fire extinguishers, pipes, pans,
paint, mops, brooms, rugs, sinks,
bunks, games, books, kitchenware, etc.



Is there a plumber in the house? Actually, in the Pitts. Council?

Hostel Development Chairman Joe Hoechner is seeking the technical assistance of a person or people familiar with the repair and installation of plumbing fixtures, the installation of a new water supply & waste lines, the estimation of proper pipe sizes, and costs. They should also know the basics of an oil-fired hot water system, and how to check and adjust it to improve its performance.... also how to install a new electric hot water heater and how to check out an existing one, and etc., etc.

If you are knowledgeable, call Joe at 343-2465 to offer help, or see Joe at any Thursday night meeting.

In early December a second work party of eight AYHers spent the day winterizing the future Ohiopyle Hostel building. The building now has plastic storm-windows, weatherstripping, cellulose insulation (3000 lbs!) and about 350 feet of fiberglass insulation. This should help hold down the heating bills this winter while the blueprints for hostel conversion are being drawn. The hard work of renovation will probably start this April - the cleaning, carpentry, plumbing, wiring, furnishing, painting, patching, etc., etc. If you are interested in helping and have some skill or knowledge that could be helpful, please let Joe know! Call 343-2465.



TRIPS & TRAILS

January
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The trips listed below are open to the public with the exception that AYH members are given priority when the trip is of limited size. Trip costs include 50¢ registration and insurance (\$500 medical) plus transportation costs and equipment rental. In addition to these fees, non-members are charged \$1.50 per day; one fee can be deducted from the cost of membership if the tripper joins AYH within 30 days following the trip. Call the trip leader to reserve or cancel or to get information. Please call during normal hours (6:30-9:30 PM) unless otherwise noted. Make reservations as early as possible but in no case later than the Thursday before the trip.



CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

Chairperson: Steve Tubbs 322-6361

X-C trips depend on snow conditions. No snow means no trip. The trip leader will decide, so contact him. Leaders also handle rentals, which must be cleared through Steve Tubbs.

Sat Jan 6 Intermediate - with Chuck Ejzak (327-5031).

Sun Jan 7 Inter. - Bill Skallos. home: 921-5695. work: 922-9300 ext: 422

Sat Jan 13 Laurelville Winter Weekend - There will be X-C trips led from the camp.

Sun Jan 14 To reserve cross-country ski equipment, call Steve Tubbs (322-6361).

Fri Jan 19 Ski and Backpack - in Allegheny National Forest. Advanced X-C skiers/ thru backpackers. Call Rob McEachern (828-2635).

Sun Jan 21

Sat Jan 20 Inter. - Trip with Audubon Society in Todd Sanctuary. Call Gordon Bugby (371-4233).

Sun Jan 21 Inter. - Mike Deroy (371-6943) and John Orndorff (362-5401).

Sat Jan 27 Advanced - Norm Snyder (351-4068).

Sat Jan 27 Beginner - Cathy Lynch (361-3707)

Sun Jan 28 Intermed - Joe and Ginny Curlee (422-9672).

Evening ski in Mellon Park - Mini-trips with instruction will be led outside of the hostel from 6:30 to 8:30 PM before Thursday meetings. All are welcome. Contact trip leaders for rental reservations.

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BACKPACKING

Chairperson: Rob McEachern 828-2635

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thru backpackers. Call Rob McEachern (828-2635).

Sun Jan 21

Sat Jan 20 Inter. - Backpacking in the snow on the Laurel Highlands with Ben
Sun Jan 21 Brugnans (363-1613). Group cooking. You need a warm sleeping bag!

Fri Feb 2 Inter. Ski/Backpack - Join Steve Martin on a trip in Allegheny Nat.
thru Forest. Leave the hostel at 7 PM. Call Steve at 462-5000, ext 6185
Sun Feb 4 during the day.



SPECIAL EVENTS & FUTURE TRIPS

Have you reserved for the Winter
Weekend at the Laurelville Hostel
yet? If you have any questions, call
Joe Hoechner at 343-2465.

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_____ Youth membership (under 18)	\$5.00
_____ Senior membership (18 and over)	\$11.00
_____ Family (valid in USA and Canada only)	\$12.00
_____ Organization membership	\$25.00
_____ LIFE	\$110.00
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Service Interests: Newsletter, Hostel Development, Bicycling,
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Typing, Art Work, Key Punch.

Leadership: Backpacking, Bicycling, Canoeing, Caving, Climbing,
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Have you introduced a teenager to AYH?