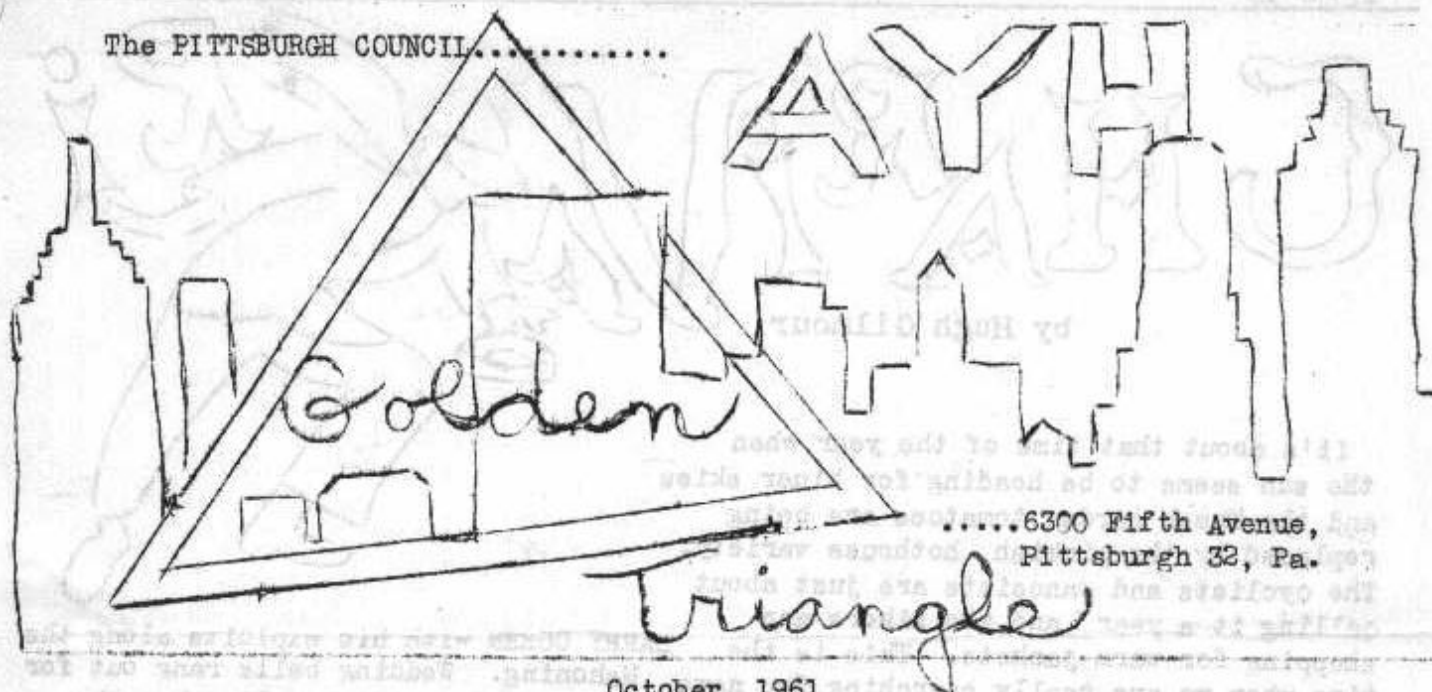


The PITTSBURGH COUNCIL.....

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October, 1961

The most noteworthy event in OCTOBER was our Annual Meeting on the 12th. About fifty members attended, and elected the following people to serve on the Activities Board for the coming year:

BEN DELL (President)  
JACEK JEDRUCH (Trips and Trails)  
MARGARET BARK (Hostel Development)  
ELLEN COOK (Membership)  
HELEN VAN WYK (Publicity)  
NEILL PAYNE (Program)  
RHONDA NEWCOMER (Cycle Crafts)  
SALLY HUTTON (Secretary)  
ARMAND PANSON..(Treasurer)

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Since we have taken on so many new members this past year, a few words of explanation of the purpose and functions of the various Standing Committees might be in order.....

TRIPS AND TRAILS -- plans the monthly schedule of outdoor activities - hikes, cycle trips, canoe trips and cave crawls ...hostel overnights and our Summer Extended Trips. Serving with JACEK this year will be LEE HAYDEN, PAM JEWETT, JOHN PHILBRICK, HARRY RHULE, FRED MONKS.

HOSTEL DEVELOPMENT -- has responsibility for establishment of new hostels and encourages use of present ones; also sees to maintenance of Headquarters.

MARGARET is being assisted by DON DAVIES LLOYD GEERTZ, JOHN and MARGARET LANE, RICHARD MARZOLF, HARRY RHULE, FRANZ SAMMT and PAT VAUGHAN.

MEMBERSHIP: -- encourages growth in membership and maintains our membership records. Working with ELLEN will be JAMES BARNEWALL, ED. COLEMAN, JOAN HEIKE, JEAN ROSENZWEIG, LOLLY SANDOVAL.

PUBLICITY -- issues our monthly Bulletin and publicizes the Council's activities in newspapers, radio and TV. Working with HELEN will be HUGH GILMOUR, JOHN ECKMAN, LOLLY SANDOVAL, RUTH SHAW and RAMONA PANSON. HUGH edits the "Golden Triangle" and FRAN CZAPIEWSKI is Assistant Editor.

PROGRAM -- this is our main "Social" Committee, responsible for the Thursday evening Open House entertainments and our Annual Banquet in February. With NEILL, will be JANET BRADY, JOYCE KOPLOS and ANN MONTGOMERY.

CYCLE CRAFTS -- responsible for sale, rental and maintenance of bicycles, canoes and trailers. RHONDA has enlisted the help of JAMES BARNEWALL and BRUCE SUNDQUIST in this work.

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# CHARWALKER

by Hugh Gilmour



It's about that time of the year when the sun seems to be heading for bluer skies and the fresh garden tomatoes are being replaced by the pinkish, hothouse variety. The cyclists and canoeists are just about calling it a year, and the hikers are shopping for warm jackets. This is the time when we are really searching for news, and it sometimes requires a Sherlock Holmes to ferret out a nugget of news from some of our members.

One member who keeps us informed of her doings is EMMA SCHULTE, who writes that she's spending a few weeks in Tecate, Mexico, not too far from Tijuana. She plans to stop off at Las Vegas with whatever money has survived Mexico.....

We were glad to see so many recent members take over some of the major chores at AYH. Chief among these is NEIL PAYNE, our new program chairman, a graduate of the University of Arizona. Neil majored in anthropology with emphasis on the American Indians. A former student at Oberlin, he also does wonders with the old piano at headquarters.....

LLOYD GEERTZ served the Pittsburgh Council very well, even up to the last minute, with his brief history of the group at the Annual Meeting on October 12. Forty-seven members turned out for the election of the new Activities Board.

BRUCE SUNDQUIST, a native of Davenport, Iowa, recently made river news when he sailed down the Allegheny with a sail made from his poncho, and JIM BARNWELL is fast earning the reputation of another

LARRY COHEN with his exploits along the Mahoning. Wedding bells rang out for MAVIS WALKER on October 28, when she married EARL LEWIS. ABBIE GEERTZ announces that she is available for baby sitting jobs in the vicinity of Monroeville and also for any hosteler who wants to take advantage of one of the choice trips coming up. MARGARET BARK recently had a five-column spread on the Women's Page of the Pittsburgh Press. Modest one is Margaret, who has kept it quiet that she supervises the city and county Bookmobiles. MATT LAUSCH, who owns three Packards, insists they're the best car America ever built.....

At a recent meeting of the English Room Committee at Pitt, we were treated to a program that featured Ann VIDAKOVICH, one of our members who spent the summer in Europe and studied at Oxford, as a scholarship winner from the Nationality Rooms Council at Pitt.....

one of our newer members, LOUISE CALIGIURI is so new that she recently purchased a mess kit, but can't quite figure out how to open it.....

We have a Peace Corps member in AYH -- BILL GUTH - who left Pittsburgh last week for two years service in East Pakistan. He will be assisting in the making of Educational films for the Pakistan Ministry of Education. Bill would like to hear from us - his address will be:

William A. Guth, c/o Robert Terry  
Peace Corps Project Director  
US Consulate  
Dakar, East Pakistan.



## COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES (cont'd.)

We are trying to tap the reservoir of talent provided by our new members (and some of our old ones) — to help SALLY HUTTON in her multitudinous duties, JO MARTIN, JUDITH MEYERS, LIZ SAFFER, \*\* and ELIZABETH WOLFSKILL have offered to give their time. RUTH STACKLIN is helping HUGH in work on the "Triangle" and Jacqueline BAGUET and Louise CALIGIURI are eager to help with Publicity work. SO.OO.O.O....if you are interested in any particular Committee and have some time to give, please contact the Committee Chairman.

Speaking of TIME and TALENTS brings to mind our SPEAKER'S BUREAU — which needs new blood. The Bureau did a fine job last year, explaining the purpose of AYH and its activities in talks to other clubs — Boy Scouts, Y-Teens, Ski Clubs — etc. ELLEN COOK headed up the Bureau last year and would like to publicize AYH even more vigorously this year, with talks and slide shows. Contact Ellen CHL-5326 if you have any ideas..... or contact LIZ SAFFER \*\* who is also working on Membership and allied activities.

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ATTENTION — LOST SOULS! — or friends of same. If you know of anyone who is a member, but is not receiving our regular publications, write name and address on a card and give it to any Activities Board member or mail it to AYH, 6300 Fifth Ave. Pittsburgh 32.

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**Ye Olde**

Our new Cycle Crafts Chairman, RHONDA NEWCOMER, has some interesting nuggets of news about the BIKE SHOP:

Here's your chance to get a really first-rate bicycle — an English Raleigh — at considerable savings — there are THREE (3) models for the Ladies — all USED — but in good condition — and ONE (1) Man's Bike ...at \$56.00 ea. (Inc. tax).

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Jump  
Ahead  
of the Rest  
of the World  
ARE THESE NEW MEMBERS

The Membership Chairman tells us that many OLD members renewed their membership this past month...and...IN ADDITION... there are some new names on the roster:

John Eckman  
Walter Brody  
Margaret Edwards  
Sam Musgrave and family  
Marcus Dodd and family  
Samuel P. Hays and family  
Robert M. Dodds  
Jerry Wertman

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TELEPHONE SERVICE FOR AYH

Activities Board is searching for a volunteer to answer the telephone for AYH.

Ideally, this should be a homebound person — perhaps a relative or friend of an AYH member — with a pleasant telephone personality. Costs would be covered by AYH. Contact Sally Hutton MUL-4542... if you know of such a person.

**Bike Shop**

We are not competing with Macy's or Gimbels...BUT...you might consider the TWO Sleds (Used) that the Bike Shop has for sale....might make just the right Christmas gift for that young member of the family. New members may not know that the Bike Shop sells AYH emblems (badges and arm patches)....and berets — tams — and T-shirts (our new Fall models now on view!!)



"OPEN HOUSE" - every THURSDAY EVENING at our AYH HQ at the Arts and Crafts Center -- our increasingly popular Social (!) evenings seem to be pulling in more and more new faces -- from now on we will open the doors at 8.00pm, to allow for some chit-chat before the scheduled program starts. For NOVEMBER you can expect --

November 2: More folk-dancing, with our able and patient HUGH GILMOUR.

November 9: Something new!! a SLIDES contest. Bring your 5 best slides from the places you have travelled. There will be a panel of judges to pick the winner...and a Prize will be announced.

November 16: a Sing-along, song fest.. under the leadership of LOIS ANN WAGNER. NOTE -- if any member can play the guitar and/or piano...and enjoys folk-singing.. our program chairman NEIL PAYNE would like to know about it, for use in future programs.

November 23: THANKSGIVING --- no regularly-scheduled program...but AYH HQ will be open - for socializing.

November 30: ED COLEMAN will show slides and movies of his AYH Extended Trip --canoeing thru Algonquin Provincial Park, Ontario, Canada.

PROFILE! on our NEW PRESIDENT .....BEN DELL.

Ben hails from Swampscott, a seashore suburb of Boston...his love for the sea and saltwater extends to freshwater, too, for he is one of our active CANOEISTS. Graduated from Tufts College in Boston - he went on to get his M.S. and Ph.D. at Penn State - in Chemical Engineering. He is a long-time member of the American Youth Hostels, having joined a New Jersey group in 1951. Ben came to Pittsburgh to work with Alcoa in 1953 and apparently Pennsylvania's woods have captured him for he has been active in hiking, skiing and all activities of the Pittsburgh Council since that time.

THE 27th ANNUAL AYH NATIONAL MEETING coming up! - at College Camp, William Bay, Wisconsin. November 17,18,19.

Several Pittsburgh Council members plan to attend the National Meeting over the Nov. 18 week-end. Since it is a long drive to William Bay (about 1-1/2 hrs. from Chicago), please notify BEN DELL well in advance if you intend to go. Cost of the week-end is about \$15.00 plus transportation. PROGRAM at the Meeting will cover presentation and voting on 1962 objectives and election of officers. PITTSBURGH AYH is entitled to one vote. ELIZABETH (LIZ) SAFFER of Pittsburgh is a member of the National Board.

HONORS for the best attended trip so far this season go to TOM BRYSON, who led twenty-nine people up to Dulany's Cave on October 22nd. Harry Rhule's MARATHON BIKE TRIP round the Orange Belt on October 15 covered 92 miles...and was won by Lee Hayden. Thru publicity in the Press and Post-Gazette, there was more than the normal interest in this trip and a good turn-out of Teen-Agers.

THE "AMERICAN HOSTELER CLAUENDAR" for 1962 is ready....this is put out by the National Council and has 13 photographs showing hostelling all over the USA. Not only makes a fine Christmas Gift, but promotes interest in AYH. See SALLY HUTTON.....



PITTSBURGH COUNCIL, AMERICAN YOUTH HOSTELS, 6300 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 32, Pa

TRIPS      AND      TRAILS

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MONTH OF NOVEMBER

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November 4, Saturday: Overnight trip to Bittering Hostel, Md. Cycling near Deep Creek Lake (and probably hiking for those who prefer it). Meet at 8.00am with your sleeping sack, mess gear and AYH pass and about \$8.00. Reserve with PAM JEWETT at MUL-3351.

November 11, Saturday: Hike on Lovely Laurel Ridge, where the Fall colors are still brilliant - and stay overnight at Brockhurst Hostel. Bring your sleeping sack, mess gear, and AYH Pass...and meet at 8.30am. Lloyd Geertz will lead the trip and is taking reservations - DR2-6053. Cost - about \$3.50. NOTE TO SUNDAY HIKERS -- you may wish to join the group at Brockhurst by 10.00am on Sunday morning and participate in the Sunday hike.

November 11, Saturday: Betty Lou Girts leads another HORSEBACK RIDE in Fox Chapel area. Meet at 10.00 am - Cost: \$3.00. Betty's number is JAL-3310.

November 12, Sunday: Hike in the Sewickley Hills with Fran CZapiewski. Leave at 10.00am and bring your lunch. The cost - a mere .75¢ -- Franny may be reached at MAL-8970.

November 12, Sunday: Hike on Sideling Hill, near Breezeway -- in the BUCHANAN STATE FOREST.....on marked trails. Meet at 7.00am with your lunch and about \$3.25. FRED FREUTHAL is leading -- call him at JAL-5765.

November 18, Saturday: Overnight CAMPING trip and HIKE near Blairsville Reservoir ....bring your camping and sleeping equipment (tents and mess gear). TOM BRYSON is leading - CH2-5560 -- meet at 9.00am with about \$4.00.

November 19, Sunday: CRAWL - thru Bear Cave, near Blairsville - with BRUCE GODWIN -- Bring flashlight, spare batteries, OLD clothes (some protection for your heads (HARD HATS are useful) -- leave at 9.00am, and bring your lunch and about \$1.50.

November 23 thru 26: Here's a SPECIAL! a FOUR(4)-day THANKSGIVING week-end trip to Thurmont Hostel, Md. One day will be spent on a trip to historic Gettysburg Battlefield. There will be hiking and probably cycling. Please RESERVE with HARRY RHULE MAL-8486 - and plan to leave at 8.00am on Thursday morning. Bring your sleeping bags, mess gear and AYH Pass - AND about \$12.50.

NOTE: All trips depart from Headquarters, Arts and Crafts Center, 6300 Fifth Avenue -- unless otherwise stated.

THE NEW LOOK! We are adopting the policy of the Bus Companies and having all trips depart AT THE SCHEDULED TIME. This is important now, with the shorter hours of daylight...otherwise we can find ourselves hiking down steep mountain trails in pitch darkness.

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