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PENHOUSE

April in Pittsburgh
means the Spring Flower
Show, the AYH annual banucet
inevitable spring showers
and bigger and better
crowds at the Thursday
night Open House programs.
Here you'll meet your pals,
find out about the rigorous
hike last week and also find
yourself signing up for a

Winifred Roensch will be teachthe spring ritual dances to anyone 1. eresting in folk dancing.

Competent AYH leaders will conthat a "hiking and camping" workshop at time they will share their knowand experience with you. Pick-up information for that camping trip you plan to take this summer.

off your slides of last year's mains weekends. Postponed from last onth so that we could see an unusual operam, this evening's program offers opportunity for those budding guest-mars who have smusly filed their income tax forms to show off.

April 22-From the Greensburg Cance Club comes Bill Potter to show his slides of West I rginda streams.

pril 29-Bruce Sundouist will give a first hand account of the Eastern Champion

EW HOSTEL

The National office of AYH has announced the acouirement of a new hostel at Claysburg, Pennsylvania. Officailly

known as Blue Knob Hostel, it is situated just twenty-one miles south of Altoona, in the Blue Knob ski area and can be reached by traveling on the turnpike.

Mr. and Mrs.

R. F. Georgi, official houseparents, announce that it will be open from April 1
to November 15. It can accommodate over
one hundred people and offers all conveniences, as woll as countless opportunites
for hikes in the area. In the nearby
vicinity are Shawnee Lake, Chimney Rocks,
Horseshoe Curve, Blue Knob State Park,
Fort Bedford, Wonderland Caverns and the
Bedfor Sprin's Hotel Summer Theater. Details will be included in the new AYH hand
book to be issued later in the spring.

Here is an excellent opportunity to spend a hostelling weekend in one of our state's loveliest areas. Trips leaders can begin planning trips immediately!

DON WOODLAND plans to sponsor a meeting for all those interested in developing the Baker Trail. Watch the May issue of the GT for further details.

FORBES TRAIL HIKE · Cn April 24 a twenty mile hike will be led on the original Forbes Trail with several hiking groups participating. Anyone interested in leading a group or following a leader can organize a party.

EUROPEAN TRAVELERS If you're going to Turope this summer and your AYH pass was issued in 1964, be sure to get an inter-

GET YOUR SPRING : FINERY READY FOR THE ANNUAL BANQUET*

Final preparations have been made for the seventeen armual banouet to be held at the "gaslight room" of Stouf' fer's at Fifth and Crair Streets, Saturday, April 3.

Gilbert Love, traveler, outdoor enthusiast, staff writer of the Pittsburgh Press and advisory board member of AYH, will be the guest speaker.

Party-planner, Martha Montag, predicts a record-breaking crowd for the evening and asks that all arrive promptly at six occlock so that the baked ham and roast turkey can be served piping hot from the kitchen. Reservations can be made by telephone with Jean Heller at 681-7330 or by sending a check for \$4.50 to her at 147 N. Craig Street, Pittsburgh 13, specifying your choice of dinner. For holders of youth passes, a special price of \$3.50 has been set for the same adult sized dinner. *If you haven't a new spring outfit, come anyway. By gaslight, no one will know the difference!

PERSON ALITY of the MONTH BOB FEWKES.

The multi-faceted president of the Pittsburgh Council accomplishes a great deal without anyone ever really knowing about it. A native of Delaware where he obtained a degree in chemistry, Bob came to Pittsburgh about three years ago and almost immediately became a member of AYH. Prior to his arrival in Pittsburgh, he was affiliated with the U.S. army during which time he built a boat in a mess hall on a highly classified base, thus tying much red tape into knots!

When Bob shows his slides at an open house program, members can expect scintalating commentary and expert photography on the plant life, wild life as well as the human life along the way. Bob has cycled in New England, toured the World's Fair, camped in Florida's Everglades besides the weekly cance trips.

As president, he has been doing an enermous job substantially unaided by other people. (Assisting positions to this likable contleman are open) He recently represented Pittsburgh at the annual convention in New York and was responsible for securing our guest speaker for the banduct. He is employed at Gulf Research and Development Center in Harmarville as a remearch chemist. His chief hostelling interest is conaeing but he is also interested in music, playing such diverse instruments as the tuba and the redorder. For those of you who have not yet had the pleasure of meeting and knowing Bob, an opportunity awaits you at the annual banduet where he will be hobnobbing with all of the diners in the social hour preceeding the banquet.

SOLD...SOLD...SOLD...SOLD!!! Four experienced AYH cancer have been sold and will soon begin new experiences with private o ners. AYH will soon have four brand new cancer to begin summertime activities.

Melvin Tobias reinstates our popular Monday night cycle trips this month. Leave H.Q. at 6:30 every Monday night. Contact Melvin EM 2-5297. SATURDAY, APRIL "3 A.Y.H. SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL BANQUET

- Saturday, April 3 and Sunday, April 4. Eastern Championship White Water Cance Races in Smoke Hole Area West Virginia. Camp and rub elbows with our Clympic Team and greats of thite water canceing. Come prepared to camp and hike as the race course runs through some of West Virginia's most beautiful forests. Leave Friday night with \$3.50. Bruce Sundquist (VA 4-1897) leads.
- Sunday, April 4. On the Youghingheny in Springtime from Connellsville to Dawson. Howard King (Am 4-1386) will take some beginners on this trip.
- Saturday, April 10. On the site of last year's most-talked-of beginners' trip
 Lloyd Geertz leads an advanced cance trip. Leave for Laurel Hill Greek
 from H.Q. at 7:45 a.m. bring lunch and dry clothes. Cost about \$4.25
 including cance rental. Contact Lloyd or Abbie Geertz 572-6053.
- Tuesday, April 13. SCHCOL'S OUT! Let's take the children on a morning tour of the H.J. Heinz Plant in Pittsburgh. We'll see labelling and canning operations preparation of soups and foods, plus colored movies. Tour lasts two hours 9:45 to noon. Families and individulas welcome. Ost \$.15 for families \$.25 each for non-members. Leave H.Q. 8:45 a.m. Reserve before April 5 with Marion Lent JA 1-7963.
- Saturday, Lapril 17 and Sunday, April 18. Get away from the maddening rush of the Easter Parade. Spend the weekend with Bruce Sundquist and Melvin Tobias canceing on the South Branch of the Potomac. Intermediates and up.

 Reserve with Melvin (EM 2-5297) or Bruce (VA 4-1897) as soon as possible.
- Saturday, April 24. Chuck and Anna Lee Fitzgibbons lead a canoc trip. Reserve with Chuck cr Anna Lee 466-8052.
- Sunday, April 25. Howard King leads an intermediate to advanced cance trip on Loyalhanna Creek from Ligonier.
- Sunday, April 25. Winnie Roensch leads an easy beginners' get-in-shape hike. Leave Sunday afternoon from H.Q. 1:00 p.m.
- Friday, April 30 to Sunday, May 2. WHITE WATER CANOE SCHOOL at Camp Carondawanns on the Connoquenessing. Get your applications in before April 9. Class is limited to 33. There will be one instructor per 4 students. Price for the weekend including food, lolling, cance rental and instruction is only 117.00. The School is sponsored by the A.Y.H., Red Cross and Manna Ski Club.
- AS WE GO TO PRESS -- Sand J. April 12. Bob Fewkes finally leads a beging rs' trip. Learn from an export on Red Zank Creek. Reserve with Bob 826-7784.
- We are invited to join in on the trips of the Beaver Valley Hostel Club lead by Ed Coleman (465-3438) 346 S. 13th St. Indiana, Pa. Beginners Trips in April: Sai -ithe Citien near this Farest, 10th Tionesta Creek, 17th Mahoning from M. Ster Creek Campsite, 24th Redbank Creek. White Water Cance Trips (advanced) for "pril: Ird Slippery Rock or Concequencessing, 4th Concequencessing; 10th Castleman,

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