

September, 1961

ANNUAL ELECTION OCT. 12

BRAVO EVERYBODY!! It's been a great year! May we salute the willing office workers who licked the stamps....to the trip arranger who arranged all of these hikes, cycle trips, vacations, etc.....to the

Yes, we're crowing!

Crowing because we're so proud of our activities board for the past year.



Lloyd Geertz (President)
Margaret Bark (Secretary)
Armand Panson (Treasurer)
Ben Dell (Trips and Trails)
Winifred Roensch (Programs)
Joan Heike (Cycle Crafts)
Jacek Jedruch (Hostel Development)
Lolly Sandoval (Membership)
Hugh Gilmour (Public Relations)

CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR 1962

President.....Ben Dell
Secretary.....Sally Hutton
Membership.....Ellen Cook
Publicity.....Helen Van Wyck
Cycle Crafts.....Jacek Jedruch
Treasurer.....Armand Panson
Hostel Development.....Margaret Bark

program chairman who rounded up folks with slides from far-away places....to the president himself who inspired all this lively activity among all the hostellers-in-between.

It has been a good fun-raising year for the Pittsburgh Council: more members, more spirit, more trips, more canoes. Thanks goes to the outstanding activities board, which now comes to the end of its term of office, not forgetting their individual committees.

So now comes the annual election on October 12, the second Thursday of the month. Bob Snelsire, heading the nominating committee, has prepared a slate, although nominations from the floor will also be accepted.

Come out and vote; be a candidate! Or just cheer for the victor and join in the election festivities that will follow. Winifred Roensch, program chairman, has announced that there will be doughnuts and apple cider for toasting the new officers. Let's all make the ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION!

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by Hugh Gilmour

The sun will soon be working just half time, but we can count on some gorgeous fall days. The reason we are so positive that summer is over is because everyone seems to be returning from what was a glorious vacation.

FRED MONKS visited England, prefacing his trip with a four-day stopover in Bermuda. RUTH STACKLIN relived her revolutionary days at Jamestown and Williamsburg, Virginia.

HELEN VAN WYK sailed out of Mystic, Connecticut, braving the waters in a thirty-eight foot sloop.

GLORIA FISHER also tarried for a while in Williamsburg, but pushed on to Virginia Beach. SUNDA CORNETTI climbed

Mt. Hayna Picchu while she was in Columbia, Ecuador and Peru.

BABY MENDERS was not merely satisfied with her tour of the Scandinavian countries and crossed the "iron curtain" for a seventeen stay in Russia.

Summer doesn't necessarily call a halt to traveling. LIBBY KEAN left town for Niagara Falls. J.D. MYERS and his family were planning a fall trip through New England. BILL GUTH left for Putney, Vermont for an eight week training period with the Peace Corps before his assignment in Pakistan. We also proud of a former AYH'er, BERTHA EVOSEVICH, who also joined the Peace Corps to teach in Nigeria. Off for her teaching job in Silver Spring, Maryland, BETTY BIEBER relaxed royally at a picnic dinner given for her at the Merritt's home.

We have cards and notes and phone calls all summer long, the result of which is the following nuggets of news. GENEVIEVE CROWLEY is now teaching nursing at the University of Massachusetts. Teaching seems to be an understatement, for her full title is Mental Health Psychiatric Coordinator. PEGGY RASKAUSKOS and ROSEMARY THIERAUT supervised a luau at the Saxony Country Club, and have been asked to give a repeat performance. DON FISHER returned from leading an extended trip to the Rockies to find that he was transferred to the Cleveland office of Babcock and Wilcox. GRACE (KRINER) ARKE and her husband are building a new home in Penn Hills. She just recently celebrated her first wedding anniversary. LOIS ANN WAGNER, back in town and working at the Zoar Nursing Home for Girls, is living in Etan and wishes to sell her bike, a blue, girl's model, Raleigh Sports cycle. Her asking price is forty dollars. NANCY EVANS REYNOLDS and her husband, STUART, honeymooned in Nova Scotia, following their August wedding. FRED FREUTHAL announces that he has maps of all the national parks, the state parks of Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania for anyone who might wish to consult them. Call him at JA 1-5765. GEORGE COHEN, working in Princeton, New Jersey, recently bought a two-hundred year old house which he is attempting to remodel. A member of the Princeton Child Birth Education League, he is only bachelor in the group. He tells us his nearest neighbor is a ninety-five year old lady who uses bituminous coal dust to darken her gray hair. MARTHA MONTAG swears by the beauties of the Rockies.

See you next month with more "people news"

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GOLDEN TRIANGLE GOES MONTHLY

As the above masthead signifies, the G.T. will be published monthly. This is another of the services suggested by President Lloyd Geertz to the members of the Pittsburgh Council. Next month's issue will contain four pages, and then every alternate issue will contain eight pages. Naturally with this much space to fill each month, all contributions will be doubly appreciated.

NEW MEMBERS

The following
 clever people
 have signed up
 for the

ROYAL TREATMENT

Elizabeth McIntyre
 Bruce Sundquist
 George Hughes
 Miriam Grove
 Matt Laush
 Louise Potts
 James Arthur Taylor
 Genevieve Benmark
 Fenda McGuire
 Jean Rosenauig
 Thayer C. Dillman

Samuel Hayes
 Sidney Weinstein
 Estelle Koontz
 Michael Schmidt

PLANNING TO SKI THIS YEAR?

We're planning another "Learn to Ski" weekend in Canada sometime in December. Plan that week off at one of Canada's best ski resorts!

Open House

We still need more chairs to accommodate the crowds that have been coming out on Thursday evenings for those programs that begin... promptly...at 8:30

October 5...Wear your swingiest skirt and your coolest shirts and also your flattest shoes for the folk dancing sessions led by Hugh Gilmour. Highlight of the evening will be the lovely waltz contra, the Hills of Habersham.

October 12...Come out to vote for your new officers of 1962. See the special story on page 1.

October 19...Joan Heike's slides of Rocky Mountain National Park will give ample reason why ten AYHer's were ecstatic this summer.

October 26...Liz Saffer will show her slides of the vacation trip enjoyed by her and Betty Bierer.

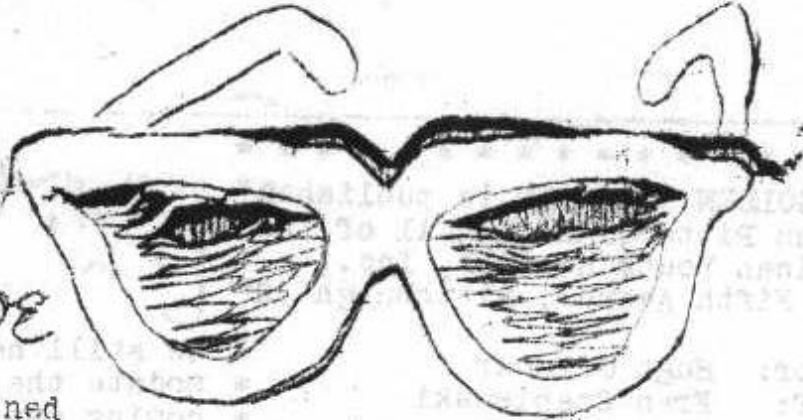
PITTSBURGH COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS

A supplement to the Canoe booklet is now available listing additional information. There are still a number of Baker Trail booklets available. Members can receive these free. Non-members may purchase them by writing to the address listed in the corner masthead.

WANNA BUY A USED BIKE?

The Cycle Crafts Shop announces that it has several used bikes which were just purchased this spring and used through the summer months. See Joan Heike, or call FI 1-5365

V.W.-ing Through Europe



Lolly Sandoval has just returned from a seven week tour of Europe with a group sponsored by AYH. Here are some of the things she remembers:

"One highlight was the paddleboat ride we all took on the Neckar River in Heidelberg. Carol and I knocked ourselves out paddling upstream in the morning, looking forward to the easy ride downstream later. But this river has two currents...that reverse...and that evening we found ourselves paddling upstream again on the same river.. in the other direction.

"And you meet all kinds on these trips. In Grindelwald we pulled into the parking lot of a deserted looking house, bordering a steep hill, supposedly a hostel. We walked up some dilapidated steps onto a porch strewn with toys, with a washline of clothes flapping in the breeze. No one came to the open door, so we walked in: to an empty hall with a closed cashier's cage. A woman in a deep blue blouse appeared and stared at us. Will identified us and asked about rooms. When she announced that she didn't have any, Will asked her the location of the other Jugendherberger nearby. Grudgingly she gave us the name of a place called Nature freundehaus (Nature Friends).

"As Art backed our VW onto the road, the engine suddenly stopped, and there we were stuck sideways across the narrow mountain road! While he tried to get the engine started, the hostel came to life, and there were people hanging out of all the windows watching, as traffic queued up in both direc-

tions. A man in a bright yellow sweater came out of the hostel (and Carol quipped, 'The Friendly housefather') and told us to get out and push. What a sight..... five girls and two boys....but we pushed and pushed and pushed! Finally the man did get some others to free our exhaust pipe from the ditch and we chugged off, leaving the man and the woman standing with their arms crossed, staring after us in the middle of the road.

"Our opinion of the friendly Swiss was completely renewed later that evening when we had a delicious dinner served by the charming proprietress in the parlor of a lovely Swiss hotel further down the road.

"P.S. Ask me about the ingenious, good-looking Italian who tried to pick me up at the top of the Victor Emanuel Memorial in Rome."

Hiking in the Rockies

by
Hugh Gilmour

I don't suppose I had any particularly strong feeling for the H.J. Heinz Company, prior to this past summer's camping trip in the Rockies, other than that of a Pittsburgher who has seen the giant 57 looming across the skyline of the North Side. But now I have scorned the firms of Campbells, Libby's and Van Camps, and have pledged my undying devotion to the local matriarch of the beaneries.

Why? It's a long story, but to begin at the most lucid moment in

this hodgepodge of charades: We had two pleasant chaps from Connecticut, one of whom was sold on Campbell's beans. He rather convinced us that, if given two dishes of beans, (one of Heinz's and the other Brand X), we would never be able to tell them apart. There the argument seemed to end, and we forgot it all in the rugged delights of the Colorado trails.

I had taken with me a pair of ivy green corduroy slacks, which, along with a pale blue poplin windbreaker, became my daily uniform. They had seen me through several mountains and numerous downpours. What seemed to be the climax of the trip to me was the hike up Flattop Mt. with eighty-seven other hikers led by one of the Park rangers. When we reached the top, we circled around and climbed Hallett's Peak, a neighboring crag which was reached only by crawling on all fours across huge boulders. Coming down was more fun, for when we reached the plateau below the peak, we were confronted with a huge glacier and were told that the easiest way down the mountain was to slide the three-quarters of a mile over the ice. Picking ourselves up at the foot, we dried out as best we could. The seat of my slacks was less ivy, but still seemed to be intact.

Days later on returning home, we stopped at Fort Morgan, Colo., for supper and wandered up the street. Margaret Bark led us into a small Carnegie Library, and it was there while scanning the shelves that I discovered an 8 inch slit in the back of my slacks. Dashing behind the stacks I called for a pin, and Margaret came to my rescue with the only thing she could find in her purse.

Why the devotion to H.J. Heinz? Well, as I strutted down the street, I am sure I was the only person in town wearing a Heinz pickle pin in the seam of my slacks!

HEINZ

TRIPS & TRAILS

(continued from page 2)

October 22, Sunday. Autumn ramble with Fred Monks. Ten mile walk from Grays to Bolivar, crossing Chestnut Ridge on ancient woods trails and old logging roads. Bring lunch, camera, and about \$1.50. Depart 9:00 A. M. Reserve with Gloria Fisher. FA 7-1138.

October 22, Sunday. Explore Dulany's Cave near Uniontown. Bring flashlight, plenty of batteries, old clothes, change of clothes, lunch, and about \$1.50. Depart 9:30 A. M. Led by Tom Bryson. CH 2-5568.

October 28, Saturday. Farewell party for Marie Garret (who is returning to France) at Brockhurst Hostel on Laurel Ridge near Donegal. Weekend of hiking and cycling, with a party Saturday evening. Excellent food, plus folk dancing and singing. Depart 9 A.M. with cameras sleeping bags, mess gear, party clothes, and about \$4.00. Led by Hugh Gilmour. PE 1-7387.

October 29, Sunday. Join the hostellers at Brockhurst for a day of cycling or hiking. Depart 8 A.M. with lunch and about \$2.00. Phone Eleanor Hawley. PE 1-0321 or FR 1-2712.

LABOR DAY AT THE SEASHORE

Mavis Walker lost her bathing suit on beach at Cape May. This is not the only thing worth remembering about our weekend at the hostel there. There was the incomparable Atlantic Ocean. And with that fascinating puddle on the east coast there is no need for planned entertainment.

So the ten hostellers from Pittsburgh and the sixteen hostellers from the Washington Council soaked up the salt, and sand and sun....all except poor Mavis who stayed in full dress and just sight-saw.

Whatever happened to that suit we'll never know. The lifeguard (with much wagging of eyebrows and sly questions) could throw no light on the mystery.

REPORT FROM THE NATIONAL

The AYH fiscal year ended September 30, 1961. Our, president, Tony Franses personally requested that each member send a contribution this year in an amount equivalent to the cost of his pass. This would bring the annual AYH contributed income to \$68,151 from members alone. When you think that a family of four can spend a hosteling weekend in the country for an estimated thirteen dollars, plus transportation, and an individual can hostel on approximately three dollars a day, buying a share in an augmented and expanded hosteling program begins to seem worthwhile from a purely selfish point of view. Come on, hostelers; and friends of hosteling, it's still not too late.

AYH 1961 Campaign Goals

Hostels	\$40,000
Regional Support	10,000
Hostelers from Abroad	5,000
Current Operation and Reserve	12,500
	\$67,500..

Progress Report--August 31

538 Contributions	\$11,700.75
20 Pledges	279.
	\$11,979.75
Remaining challenge	\$55,520.25

CHRISTMAS SALE AT ARTS & CRAFTS

The Arts & Crafts will hold its annual Christmas sale November 16th through to the 26th. Of special interest will be the decorations specially designed and created.

 * Read all about *
 * CANOEING IN CANADA WITH AYH *
 * in the November issue of *
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 * OUTDOOR PEOPLE OF WESTERN *
 * PENNSYLVANIA *
 * Write to Gene Shaw *
 * 114 Sleepy Hollow Rd., Pgh.16 *
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SO YOU SOUND
LIKE A FROG?

WHO CARES?

JUST SING OUT!

On a recent hike, Jo Martin began to sing, hoping that some of the other hikers would join in. Everyone seemed quite willing, but no one could arrive at a song that at least three people knew. Where is the song, you ask?

Well, we'd like to pass on a book, one of the best books we know of for group singing. The Intercollegiate Outing Club Association has been publishing Song Fest for years, and it has made the rounds of most singing groups. We suggest that you beg, borrow or buy (?) the book soon, so that we can have some good old singing on future trips.

Dora Bund, of the Wagner-Bund Music Store at 642 Liberty Avenue, keeps the book in stock at all times.

Watch for a Thursday night program devoted to folk singing.

We are fortunate to have among our members, Lois Ann Wagner, who has sung and led group singing throughout the area. As soon as Lois Ann can get her swing shift schedule sorted out, she promises a program.

80,000 Reels Under the Sea

--Ethel Jacobson

So you went to Italy,
 So you went to France,
 And you took a million pictures!
 They're in this box, by chance.
 And your projector's ready;
 The screen's on yonder wall.
 You nipped to Spain and Scotland
 And crave to share it all...
 Those slides I've had to sit thru
 Were they laid end to end,
 They'd span the broad Atlantic,
 Where I'd like to see them, friend.

October 7, Saturday - Paddle down a scenic new stretch of the Mahoning River above Newcastle. Load canoes at 8 A. M. Bring lunch, swim suit, change of clothes, and about \$3.50. Dinner optional on return. Reserve with John Philbrick. Ha 1 - 7988.

October 7, Saturday - OVERNIGHT BIKE TRIP. Cycle through the lovely Autumn countryside from Bob Snelsire's home in North Hills to the Hayden farm near Evans City. Tramp around the farm, swim, dine. Return Sunday stopping off at McConnell's Mills. Load trailer at 9:30 A. M. Bring lunch and about \$2.00. Reserve with Lee Hayden, MA 1 - 8486.

October 8, Sunday. Easy afternoon hike among the squirrels in Frick Park, a beautiful city park this time of year. Meet at 1 P.M. at Biddle St. entrance on Braddock Ave. near tennis courts. Bring 25¢. Led by Winifred Roensch. Em 2-5533.

October 14, Saturday. Cycle the Orange Belt, all around the city. Start at Monroesville and see if you can complete the circuit by nightfall. Trailer will pick you up wherever you fall. Load bicycles at 7 A.M., and bring lunch and about \$2.00. Led by Harry Rhule. MA 1 - 8486. } <110 miles>

October 14, Saturday. A Pleasant paddle on the Allegheny River. Load canoes at 8:30. Bring lunch, swimsuits and about \$3.50. Led by Lloyd Geertz. DR 2- 6053.

October 15, Sunday. Hike up Roaring Run past Boswell Reservoir, to the top of Laurel Ridge. Then down Old Forbes Road to Lookout Rocks. See Klines Mill. Bring lunch, cameras, and about \$1.75. Led by Ben Dell. EM 2-0953. MEET 8.30 A.M.

October 21, Saturday. Overnight campout trip along the C & O Canal. Level hiking past the locks and through a tunnel. See the fall foliage. Depart 8 A.M. with lunch, camping equipment and about \$5.00. Reserve with Don Woodland. LO 3-5419.

October 21, Saturday. Leisurely paddle up Crooked Creek. Bring lunch, swim suit, and about \$3.00. Load canoes 9 A.M. Led by Neill Payne, MU 2-6825.

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