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DEADLINES FOR NOVEMBER TRIANGLE

Articles.....Oct. 15 Trips.....Oct. 22

Production Oct. 29

MOVING ?:?? Let Pittsburgh Council know your new address so you won't miss your TRIANGLE. Send address changes to the above address, attention to Don Hoecker.

ACTIVITIES BOARD MEETING-October 7

The Activities Board will meet on Wednesday, October 7, 1981 at the Fox Hill Apartments in Monroeville(hosted by Joe Hoechner.) in the Party Room(!) Meeting starts at 8 pm.

The General membership is invited to all Activities Board meetings. It is a good way to get more involved in your Council. For more information, talk to any Chairpeople or Officers.

YOGA CLASSES.....

7:00 pm near the AYH building. Bring a towel, wear comfortable clothing and do not eat a heavy meal before the class.

ALL WELCOME. If you have any questions, call Janie Kowarsky at 521-4946.

ANYONE OUT THERE WANNA CO-EDIT THIS RAG?

See Jeri Walsh at any meeting, if interested. See article on elections for more info.

LAUREL HIGHLANDS TRAIL NOTES ...

by Bruce Sundquist

You probably know by now that LHHT shelters have to be reserved in advance. (Tel. 412-455-3744) You may not know yet about shelter area wildlife. They are becoming accustomed to people and human food. Grindle Ridge shelters have raccoons and field mice. And the Turnpike shelters (Mile 38.2) have at least 3 skunks--two very large. They will sniff at your boots, eat your excess food, and by at least one report so far, sleep beside you in the shelters! So far there are no reports on anyone being sprayed. Be careful, however. Don't surprise skunks with sudden moves that might excite or frighten them. They add interest to your trip. Don't spoil it for people coming after you. ******

SHOWS FOR OCTOBER.....

(brought to you by Goff Production

OCT. 1- Kathy Foster and Barb Murock show us biking sights around the hilly tri-state area.

OCT. 8- Cherry blossoms in Japan by Fred and Eileen Hull.

OCT. 15- The show tonight is AYH ELECTIONS.
Bring your vote!!!

OCT. 22- Steve Clear gives a demonstration of outdoor backpacking and skiing products.

OCT. 29- Comments on an energy-conscious lifestyle in Europe by AYH solar energy advisor, Donna Leban.

OPEN HOUSE is every Thursday night. HQ doors open around 8 pm, with the show beginning around 8:45.

FOR SALE: Kathy Kozmin is selling a Neo-P. Spray Skirt-by Drapper. Like-New. \$30. Call her at 276-3361 if interested.

FOR SALE: Medium weight backpack boots (Pivetta). Size $10\frac{1}{2}$. Wide. Used several times. \$35.00. Call Joe Levine if interested at 241-3265.

Rob McEachern sends greetings to his friends at Pgh. Council from Alaska, where he has been backpacking at McKinley and Glacier Bay. He will be joining us at the Picnic.

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Elections for the Activity Board and two Board of Directors positions will be held at the Open House meeting on Thursday, October 15. This year's election should prove to be somewhat more interesting than in past years because several positions are being contested. A secret ballot election will be held for the contested positions, so be sure to come a and vote for your favorite candidate. (besides, we need a quarum to make it official). We still need people to help with membership, particularly at the Open House meetings. If interested, talk to Bill Friedrich or a member of the Nominations Committee.

The Nominating Committee consists of Cathy Lynch, Chuck Ejzak, Lou Conley and Steve Martin. The following people have been nominated by the Nominating Committee for the positions indicated:

PRESIDENT: Barry Govenor

TREASURER: Fred Hull

ASSISTANT TREASURER: Bill Johnston

SECRETARY: Marla White

TRIPS AND TRAILS: Joe Levine HEADQUARTERS: Gary Ludwig BACKPACKING: Steve Martin

Kevin Craig

BICYCLING: Chuck Ejzak

Lynn Gogots

CANOBING: Susan Krotec

CAVING: Scott Hill

Norm Snyder

CLIMBING: Woj

Bill Skallos

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Steve Tubbs

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Lou Conley

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TRIANGLE EDITOR: Jeri Walsh

ENVIRONMENTAL SEVICES: Cliff Ham

VOLLEYBALL: Larry Laude PRINTING: Bob Oldynski MEMBERSHIP: Bill Friedrich

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Roy Well
Mike Hurwitz

Nominations from other sources are: Climbing- Tim Campbell and Don French Board of Directors- Tim Campbell Rafting- Paul Kammer

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor on the night of the elections.

EDITOR'S NOTE: As Carole Shanahan will no longer be sharing the editorship, we are looking for another person who has an interest in doing so. You should know how to type reasonable well and be willing to sacrifice at least one morning a month (usually Saturday) to putting it all together. If you are interested, talk to Jeri Walsh at a meeting(or call at 422-9666) or speak to any of the Nominating Committee.

LOST HOSTELS

BY Joe Hoechner Hostel Development

Last month was rough on Western
Pennsylvania Hostel Development efforts.
The Laurelville Mennonite Church Center Hostel has ended their affiliation with the
AYH system. Located east of Mt. Pleasant,
Pa., at the foot of the Chestnut Ridge, they
had been listed as a hostel for about 6 years

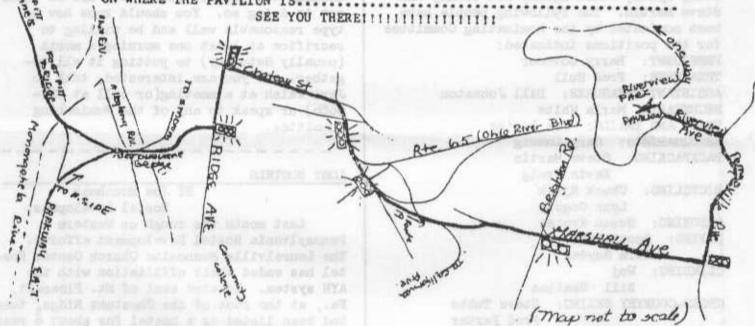
Closer to home, the Gilmary Diocese Center Hostel, near the Greater Pittsburgh Airport has also decided not to renew. Down in Oakland, Maryland Camp Minnetoska Youth Hostel will not be rechartering for next year either.

Will Pennsylvania ever get a chain of hostels across the state? We'll have to wait and see. Potential sites for hostels are in and around the following areas: Jamestown, Bedford, Breezewood, Chambersburg, Greensburg, State College, Erie, Warren, Renovo and Lock Haven. (If you think your area could support a hostel, but was not listed, please speak up.)

For more information (or to send suggestions, donations, regrets), contact
Hostel Development Chairperson c/o Pgh-AYH.

COME ONE AND ALL TO THE ANNUAL FALL PICNIC AT THE PAVILION IN RIVERVIEW PARK! Volleyball!!! Square dancing to live music!!!! Hiking!!!!!!! Games!!!!!!!! Lots of food!!!!!!

ALL THE ACTIVITY WILL BEGIN AT 2:00 p.m..... SEE MAP BELOW FOR DIRECTIONS ON WHERE THE PAVILION IS



A.Y.H. ANNUAL FALL PICNIC RESERVATION PLEASE CHECK ANY OF THE FOLLOWING NAHE ADDRESS AREAS YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH .. Food preparation PHONE Organizing games GUESTS Clean-up AMOUNT ENCLOSED Lead a hike? Members..... Non-members....

Kids 12 & under.....3.00 Make checks payable to Pittsburgh Council AYH, and mail to : Peggy Hill 601 Clyde St.

Apt. 403 Pgh., Pa. 15213

phone 682-1270 (eves.)

GOT ANY FIREWOOD LYING AROUND?

The Ohiopyle Youth Hostel is facing another cold winter. The hostel does have an OH - fired furnace--which burns expensive heating oil. (switch to natural gas? Not in that town--there are no gas lines running into the valley)

The houseparents have retrofitted the living room fireplace with an air-tight cast iron wood stove. All we need now is some firewcod!

If you have some wood you can part with, please let AYH know--call Joe Hoechner at 343-3703 or Jim Gogots to arrange a pick-up date.

Better yet, drop it at the Hostel yourself!!!

TIPS AND TALES

by Joe Hoechner

***Have you been out to 'Ralph's' lately?

Its a great Army/Navy surplus store on

RTE 22 in Monroeville. If you're a bicyclist
he's got stainless steel bristle 'toothbrushes'
that are great for scrubbing dirty bike parts.

Priced at \$1.79. Lots of stuff for boaters,
hikers, etc., too. (It's on the south side
of the road about 3/4 mile from the Mall
entrance)

""The Hostel Storekeeper has a supply of
"Cycle Touring Routes in Eastern Pa."
available at \$3.00 each. (\$3.50 by mail)
These show a route from the Amtrak station
om Harrisbur eastward using Pa. Dutch Country
Youth Hostls to Philadelphia. From Philly
the routes continue S.E. to Ocean City,
N.J. or northward via the Quakertown Hostel
to the N.Y./N.J. border. See Joe any Thursday night or call 373-3403.

***RUMOR OF THE MONTH...Westinghouse scientist are breeding a strain of Gypsy Moth Catarpillars that eat radioactive waste!!!

***Anyone up for a November hiking weekend at a Hostel 'Down South'?... ...Actually the Jarpers Ferry Hostel. You could enjoy the fall foliage while doing easy hikes alont the C70 towpath (touring Historic Harpers Ferry) or advanced hikes on the Appalacian Trail.



Climbers would be welcome toe-there is a massive rock face overlooking the town TENTATIVE DATE: 2nd weekend in November. Leader: Joe Hoechner, 343-3703.

***Speaking of the C&O Canal--The 'American Canal and Transportation Center' has a series of four guidebooks to hiking the canal/towpath, providing history, background, camping sites, food stores, etc. Plus they publish other inexpensive books dealing with canals in the MD/PA area. For a price list, send a STAMPED self-addressed envelope to:

A.C.& T.C. Box 310 Shepherdstown, W.Va.25443

possible work parties at the Ohiopyle Youth Hostel. FREE overnights provided while enjoying fall foliage in the midst of the Laurel Mountains. If you are an apartment dweller and yearn for a place in the country, here's your chance to chop firewood, rake leaves, cut grass, caulk windows, stuff insulation, paint trim. All kinds of fun things to do.

Call Joe Hoechner at 373-3403 for a date(?).

***HEY THERE, HIKERS...Remember, its hunting season. Actually its only 'small game', but if you're out in the woods on a Saturday, watch your fuzzy little head. Check out a sporting goods store for a blaze orange cap—or hike on Sunday, when everyone else is watching football.





PRE-SEASON X-C SKI SALE OCTOBER 10-24

october trips & trails

The trips listed here are open to the public with the exception that AYH members are given priority when the trip is of limited size. Trip costs include 60¢ registration and insurance (\$500 medical) per day plus transportation and rentals. In addition, nonmembers are charged \$2.10 per day which can be deducted from the cost of membership. Trips are classified BEGINner, INTERmediate, or ADVanced, with the exception of the water sports and bicycling.

BACKPACKING			Chairperson: Steve Martin H-469-3153 W-462-5000 X6185		
fri	oct		Backpack trip to Dolly Sods leaving from headquarters at 7 pm. Easy Intermediate. To reserve, call Kevin Craig before 10 pm at 488-7255 (H) or		
sun	oct	4	434-4272 (W).		
	oct		Hike 21 miles of Bucktail Path Trail. Intermediate. Leave AYH headquarters at 7 pm. For Details and reservations phone Glenn Oster H-364-2864 or		
sun	oct		W-300-3041.		
	oct		Intermediate backpack. Central Pa. Rob McEachern will be leading this trip on the Loyalsock Trail. Call Judy Flowers for details and to reserve at		
	oct		H-828-1592 (8 pm to 10 pm) or W-828-3388.		
BICY	CLIN	3	Chair: Chuck Ejzak 327-5031 Lynn Gogots 384-9149		
	oct		Class A-C. Bedford Weekend. Join Larry Cole on this annual trip for sight-seeing at Bedford's Fall Foliage Festival, an apple orchard plus bicycling for all levels of abilities. Car camping at nearby Shawnee State Part. Meet at HQ at 6:30 pm. Call Larry at 823-1026.		
at	oct	10	Easy autumn ride. Class C-D, 30 miles: Fombel Hostel to McConnell's Mill fo a leisurely lunch and short hike along Slippery Rock Creek. Hostel Day-use to change for dinner. Call Sally Brunson 231-6074 or Joe 373-3403 to reserve. Leave HQ at 8:30 am.		
at	oct		Hilly Hundred Bloomington, Indiana. Kathy Foster at 421-5349.		
at	oct	17	40 mile ride through Fox Chapel to Dorseyville. We will stop to tour Hartwood Acres at 1 pm. Hartwood Acres is a beautiful 16th Century style Tudor mansic with a collection of English and American antiques. The tour includes stable and a wonderful garden. \$2 for tour and bring a lunch. Limited to 20 person Call Kathy Foster 421-5349 one week in advance.		
ri	oct oct	16- 19			
un	oct	18	B+ trip. 40-60 miles. Ride along the Allegheny River to Harrison Hills Park. Depending on the weather and riders the return trip may include North Park. Larry Laude H-665-9554 or W-462-5000 X7532/6287.		
at	oct	24	Class A. 50-70 miles. Destination TBD later. Bring lunch money. Meet at HQ at 9 am. Lou Conley 681-8321.		
at	oct	31	Class C-D. Beginner's. 20 miles. Elizabeth to Donora. Lynn Gogots 384-9149		
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Basics: Lunch in a waterproof bag, drinking water, kneepads, raingear, swimsuit, change of dry clothes, non-cotton clothing, tennies, sun protection, large sponge, strap for eyeglasses.

Chair: Becky Soisson 244-1151

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ANOTHER NIGHT WITHOUT A SHOWER STANDING NEXT TO US TAKES WILL POWER HERE COMES A SKUNK HEADING OUR WAY: HE SNIFFS THE AIR AND RUNS AWAY.

AND MOUNTAINS CAPPED WITH THEIR WHITE SNOWS. SCENES OF VALLEYS AND LAVA FLOWS SCENES OF GIANT ROCKS, TREES, AND SAND. ALL THESE WI SAW IN OUR GREAT LAND.

NATURE'S CALLING, NOT A BUSH IN SIGHT. GOT THAT FEELING - YOU JUST CAN'T FIGHT. A SERVICE STATION'S UP AHEAD ... CUSTOMER'S ONLY HAD T'USE THE SHED.

For copies write to: VERSES C/O George Nowak 186 W. Steuben St. Crafton, PA. 15205

Rental Boats-limited number available-reserve through trip leader. All trips meet promptly at 8 am at HQ.

- Solo paddling school. Must have completed Whitewater I and II School. Call sat oct 3 Dave Marschik 327-2778.
- Class II. What? You're Kidding! Again? Oh, OK, I'll go to the Potomac fri oct 9-River once more for the annual Needles and Staircase trip. Bring hostel pass, sum oct 11 sleeping bag or sleep sheet, 1-2 lunches, and 2 breakfasts. Call Joel Platt 521-5244.
 - * * * Additional trips may be scheduled on the basis of * * * interest and weather at the Thursday night meeting.

CAVING

Scott Hill 682-1270 Chair: Norm Snyder 351-4068

- Join Norm Snyder on a cave trip to West Virginia. See a cave convention with fri oct 16lots of cave trips. Call 351-4068 between 6 pm and 7 pm. sat oct 17
- CAVING WORKSHOP. Even when cold autumn rains cancel your hike, you can stay wed oct 21 warm and dry (sort of) in your favorite local cave; but before you go, be sure to attend the caving workshop at AYH headquarters at 8 pm. Scott and Peggy Hill (how appropriate) will be on hand to explain how it's done. Everyone is invited - bring your friends.

*** more caving info at end of TRIPS AND TRAILS.

HIKING

Chair: Shirley Sedmak 441-6538

Bring lunch, raingear and cash for transportation and trip fees.

- 14 mile hike with Glenn Oster on North Country Trail, Allegheny National Forest Leave Headquarters at 7 am. For details and reservations call H-364-2864 or W-566-3041.
- Beginner hike on Rachel Carson Trail. Leave at 9:30 am. Hike approximately sun oct 11 four miles. Bring lunch and water. Call Joe at 241-3265.
- Tuscarora Trail Maintenance. Call Cliff Ham 687-4520. Returning in time for oct 23fri AYH picnic.

sun oct 25

- 7 or 8 mile hike along a stream near Ohiopyle State Park. Meet at 9 am. Call John Francis at H-771-9562 or W-777-8627.
- Beginner/Intermediate hike. Join Marilyn Ham for a hike on the Rachel Carson sat oct 24 Trail. Meet at HQ at 9 am, bring lunch and wear comfortable shoes. 687-4520.
- Join Norm Snyder on a beginners hike with wife and daughter. 6-7 miles on oct 24 sat Laurel Highlands Trail. Call 351-4068 beteen 6 pm and 7 pm.
- Laurel Highlands Trail from Maple Summit Road to Trail head near turnpike. sat oct 31 10-12 miles. Leave headquarters at 9 am.

KAYAKING

Chair: Ray Yutzy 929-4443

Basics: Similar to canoeing.

Trips will be organized at the Thursday night meetings based on interest and water levels.

* * * Group Norse Canoe and Kayak Order

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Carnegie Institute News Release

Contact: Janet L. Schwab

Communications Coordinator

(412) 622-3328

NATURAL WORLD PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST ANNOUNCED

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 31, 1981 ... Carnegie Museum of Natural History and Foto Hut have announced the fifth annual Natural World Photography Contest. The contest attempts to stimulate public interest in nature and photography by offering prizes for the best photographic portrayals of the theme, "The Natural World." All interested photographers are invited to submit entries between October 1 and October 30, 1981.

Contestants may enter up to three previously unpublished photographs in each of the three categories of the contest: color prints, black and white prints, and color slides.

Foto Hut will award a \$200 gift certificate to one grand prize winner and a \$100 gift certificate to the winner in each of the three categories. Prize-winning photographs and other selected entries will be exhibited in Carnegie Museum of Natural History's Changing Exhibits Gallery from December 15, 1981 through March 14, 1982. Winning entries will also be published in Carnegie Magazine. Employees of Carnegie Institute and Foto Hut are not eligible for prizes, although their entries will be considered for the juried show.

To obtain an entry form and contest rules, photographers may contact the Section of Education, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, or call (412) 622-3283. Entry forms may also be picked up at Carnegie Museum of Natural History's Information and Orientation Center or at a Foto Hut outlet.

The 1981 Natural World Photography Contest is co-sponsored by the Leonard

S. Mudge Environmental Education Program, Carnegie Museum of Natural History,

Carnegie Institute; and by Foto Hut.

Also add 6% Sales Tax and Shipping (approx. 2.50)
Order due by the October 22 meeting
Checks payable to AYH Pgh. Council
Send to AYH Pgh. Council - Ray Yutzy - Kayaking Chair
6300 Fifth Avenue - Pgh. Pa. 15232

VOLLEYBALL

Chair: Larry Laude H-665-9554 W-462-5000 X7532

Outside volleyball has ended for the season, but we've started playing at Allderdice High School at Forward and Shady Avenues in Squirrel Hill from 6 pm to 9 pm.

We'll be there until April 6, 1982.



SPECIAL EVENTS

sat oct 10- Work party weekend at Ohiopyle Hostel. Various yardwork, wood cutting, paintsum oct 11 ing, insulation. Free overnight while enjoying the fall foliage. Day trippers and preppies welcome. Reserve with Joe Hoechner at 373-3403. Limited to 20.

Alderdice

sat oct 17- Work party at Ohiopyle. Same info as above. Reserve with Jim Gogots 384-9149.

sun oct 18 (Preppies may still be welcome.)

sun oct 25 AYH Annual Picnic at Riverview Park's Main Pavilion. Square dancing with Ron Buchanan. Volunteers for food are needed, make your offer at meetings. Approx imate cost will be \$5. The Steelers will play on Monday night.

fri jan 15sun jan 17 Cross-country Ski Trip. Join Kevin Craig and Friends for a cross-country ski
weekend at Blackwater Falls, West Virginia, January 15-17, 1982. Staying at
Blackwater Lodge. Trip size limited. An advance deposit of \$20 is required
by November 1, 1981. H-488-7255 or W-434-4272.

ADDENDUM TO CAVING.....

sun oct 11 BEGIN- Visit Beaverhole
Upper Cave near Morgantown
with Scott Hill. Call
682-1270.

sat oct 31 BEGIN- Go underground in Pa. Local trip with Scott Hill, 682-1270.

MULTILITH OPERATOR NEEDED:

"Bullseye Bob" (Oldenski) is quitting his job as our multilith operator this Fall. We need someone who can operate our A&M 1250 Multilith Machine. It is located on Hastings Street, not far from HQ. Pay is on a piece rate and is equivalent to roughly \$6.00/hr. We would prefer someone who already knows how to operate an A&M 1250. But in lieu of this we may be willing to consider training someone. If you are interested in the job, contact Bruce Sundquist at 327-8737.



AYH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Fill out the following application and bring/send it with a check payable to "Pittsburgh AYH" to: AYH Membership, 6300 Fifth Avenue, Pgh. Pa. 15232. Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery by third class mail. Enclose an additional dollar for first class mail. (Note: Membership sells International Hostel Guide to Europe for \$5.00 by mail and for \$4.00 at Headquarters.)

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