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DEADLINES FOR THE JULY ISSUE: June 7 all trips and articles  
June 21 Production Party  
DEADLINES FOR THE AUGUST ISSUE: July 5 all trips and articles  
July 26 Production Party

OPEN HOUSE is held every Thursday at AYH Headquarters, 6300 Fifth Ave., Shadyside (next to the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts). The building is open at 8pm for socializing. Slide Show starts at 8:45. Monthly Production Parties are for assembling the Triangle for mailing, and are after the slide show. It's a good opportunity to get to know one another and get caught up on news, trips, etc.

#### JUNE SLIDE SHOWS

June 7 South Pacific Adventure in French Polonesia by Patrick Alliot.  
June 14 AYH biking 1983-84 by Lynn and Chuck Ejzak and friends.  
June 21 Further AYH Adventures by the Guess Who  
June 28 Ocean Kayaking in the "Erie Zee" by Cathy Lynch

#### ACTIVITIES BOARD

The Activities Board meeting on Wednesday, June 6, will follow a covered dish supper at 6:00pm at the home of Fred and Eileen Hull, 109 Lavern St. Penn Hills. Please call 242-5379 or Pat Lieman (561-3286) if you have not signed up and you plan to come to the supper.

#### AYH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

AYH memberships are available at Open House meetings. If you cannot attend a meeting, fill out the application at the bottom of this page and send it along with your check made payable to Pittsburgh Council, AYH, to

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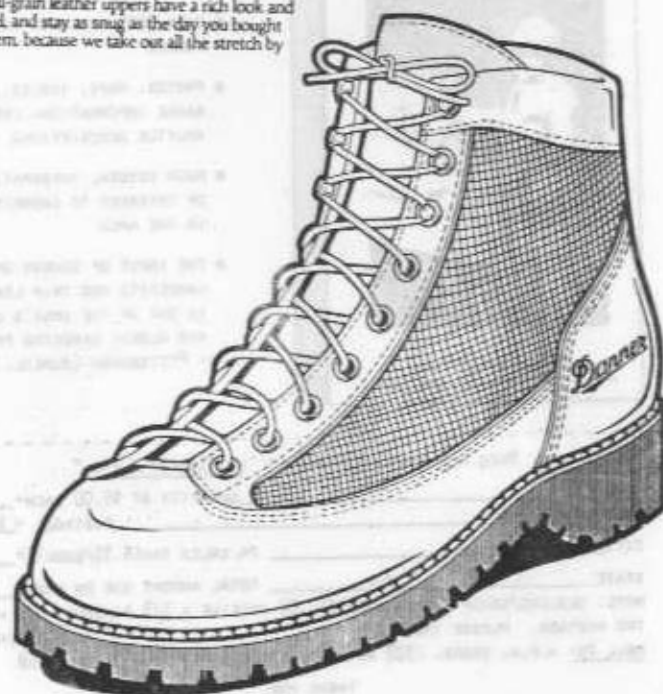
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## TIPS & TALES

**W.A.G. WEEKEND!** For those cyclists signed up with the Western PA Wheelmen for their Slippery Rock University weekend, we leave Friday night, July 8th. Joe Hoechner will organize the van pool to meet at AYH HQ at 7pm that Friday. Expect to return late Sunday the 10th. To reserve some space call Joe at 373-3403.

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## WORKSHOP ON TRIP REPORTS AND TRIP COSTS

Thursday, June 7, 1984 at 7:15pm prior to the regular AYH meeting at HQ.

This workshop will help those of us who do great with a trip once we get to the (choose one) put-in, trailhead, mouth, rocks, rendezvous, or x-marked spot. But don't lead the trip because of the paperwork hassle!!! We will work our way thru the trip report form line by line and explain the details of calculating rental and transportation fees. If you would like to attend, give Jack Peth a call at 921-7214h or 777-5365w.

**TIP:** "The boys in blue are waiting for you..."

Now that the temperatures are over 50° the city police may be manning their local speed trap, right up the street on Shady Ave. Try to watch the 25 mph speed limit as you go up Shady Ave. after leaving the Open House meeting. You've been warned!

### E.T.\* - BIKE TRIP IN MAINE

Sally and Joe's Maine trip, July 2-6, is forming up. If you are interested, a commitment and \$50 deposit is needed A.S.A.P.

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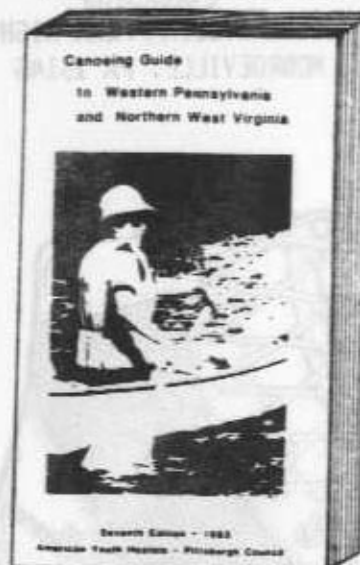
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# CLIMBING continued

usually stop for dinner and return to Pittsburgh between 8 and 9pm.  
Call any of the chairpersons above for reservations.

**REMINDER TO ALL INTERMEDIATE CLIMBERS.** There will be a week long trip to the Shawanagunk Mountains near New Paltz, New York from June 16 through June 24. You must be experienced in either lead climbing or seconding to qualify for this trip, unless you're coming along for hiking, swimming, etc. We will be camping at "Slime City" on the Near Trapps. Culinary delights are provided by the New Paltz diner and other establishments.

**FUTURE EVENT:** Don't forget to mark your calendar for the Seneca trip July 7-8.

**KAYAKING** Lou Conley 681-8321  
Ray Yutzy 341-5682

**RAFTING** Susan Krotec 661-8485

Call trip leaders to reserve space on a trip. All trips meet at AYH HQ-- ask the leader for the meeting time.

**EQUIPMENT:** bring lunch, change of clothes, tennis shoes, strap for eyeglasses, sun protection, windbreaker or wool sweater for cool weather.

**ATTENTION:** Leaders and co-leaders are needed for raft trips this summer. If interested, call rafting chairperson Susan Krotec at 661-8485.


**VOLLEYBALL** Steve Martin 469-3153

Play outdoor volleyball in Mellon Park above HQ on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Come around 6 pm (weather permitting) and play until it gets dark. On Tuesdays the fee is 50¢ for members, \$2.00 for nonmembers. On Thursdays play FREE.



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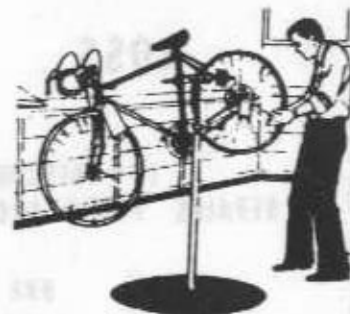
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## JUNE TRIPS AND TRAILS

Trips listed are open to the public, AYH members are given priority. Trip costs include a 75¢ registration fee (50¢ per half day or evening; 35¢ for AYH members), plus transportation and rentals. IN ADDITION, nonmembers are charged \$1.50 per day, which may be deducted from the cost of membership when joining AYH. The registration fee covers insurance (\$1000 medical/ \$1000 accidental death or dismemberment).

With the exception of cycling and water sports, trips are classified NOVICE (participants are taught the activity), EASY, INTERMEDIATE, or ADVANCED.

BACKPACKING Debbie LaPlaca 795-4179  
Jack Peth 921-7214h 777-5365w

BICYCLING Lynn Ejzak 466-6196  
Bob Schwartz 241-4647

CAVING John Popp 653-6026  
Vicki Lineback 422-0296

CANOEING Steve Shafer 362-4432

All trips meet promptly at 8:00pm at AYH HQ. Call trip leaders to reserve a space on a trip.

EQUIPMENT: Swimsuit, non-cotton clothes, (no blue jeans), sun hat, tennies, knee pads, rain jacket, drinking water, eyglass strap, lunch, big sponge, all in a waterproof bag. Bring dry clothes in a separate bag.

CLIMBING Dale Vilsack 276-7385 Scott Workman 421-2521  
Karl Morner 521-6404

Climbers will be holding practice classes at the Evergreen Bar for the summer months, after the regular Thursday night meeting. No reservations required. Beginners welcome. Equipment needed: money, bizarre sense of humor, and a funny hat.

FOR ALL BEGINNER TRIPS: We usually go to White Rocks (near Uniontown). Bring tennis shoes (preferably not running shoes), lunch, water, and leather palmed gloves (if you have them). Optional equipment: hat with a brim, hiking boots, shorts, sunscreen. Meet at HQ at 7:00 am. We

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DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY	LEVEL	LEADER	PHONE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	
16	Sat	Canoeing	WWII	Dave Marschik	244-1465		WWII Canoe School.	
16	Sat	Caving	Begin	Norm Snyder	351-4068		Join Norm on a beginner's cave trip to West Virginia. A nice cave in a forest.	
16-24		Climbing	Inter	Chairpersons	see list		Climbing at the Shawanagunk Mountains. The "Gunks". See climbing write-up.	
16	Sat	Hike	Inter	Norm Snyder	351-4068	call	To Be Announced.	
16	Sat	Hike	Easy	Glenn Oster	364-2864	7:30	Join Glenn in renewing blazes and clearing sections of Baker Trail. Have fun and feel a sense of accomplishment. No fee or transportation charge. Call for info and reservations.	
16	Sat	Kayaking	WWII	Gus Hughes	469-1295h		Must have had WWI school. Call to reserve.	
17	Sun	Bike	B	Penny Miller	469-1850w	9:00@HQ	40 miles	
17	Sun	Rafting	All	Gus Hughes			Call Susan Krotec to reserve. 661-8485. Youghigheny River.	
22-24	FSS	Backpack	Easy	Debbie LaPlaca	795-4179	7pm@HQ	Tracy Ridge Run and Johnny Cake Trails.	
21	Thurs	Bike	E	Judy Menosky	242-1573	6:30@HQ	Evening Learn-to-ride clinic. Must call to reserve.	
23	Sat	Bike	B	Jeff Marsh	466-7841	call	40 miles	
23	Sat	Canoeing	WWI school	Gordon Bugby	371-4233			
24	Sun	Bike	C+	Jan Mathew	563-5247	call	Old Settler's Cabin Ride.	
24	Sun	Canoe	II-III	Oscar Mayer	422-8216			
24	Sun	Caving	Begin	Roy Provins	784-9127		Caspuris Cave. Nice formations and a waterfall. Call Roy or Dan Martt for info.	
24	Sun	Hike	Adv	Lee Brownston	683-5154h 578-2621w	8:00@HQ	17 flat, easy miles on the J.P. Saylor Trail.	
24	Sun	Rafting	All	Volunteer Needed	661-8485		Youghigheny River. Call Susan to reserve or if you can lead.	
30	Sat	Bike	B	Chuck Ejzak	466-6196	7:30@HQ	45 miles. Call for all other details.	
30	Sat	Canoeing	I-II	Joel Platt	521-5244		Class I-II canoe trip.	
30,1	SS	Climbing	Inter Begin	Chairpersons	see list		White Rocks Weekend. Required trip for those contemplating Seneca. Beginners arrive from Pgh. on Sunday.	
July 1	Sun	Canoeing	Basic School	Steve Shafer	362-4432			
July 1	Sun	Rafting	all	Shirley Sedmack	422-0849		Youghigheny River.	



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DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY	LEVEL	LEADER	PHONE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
2-3	SS	Backpack	Novice	Jack Peth	921-7214h 777-5365w		For the beginning backpacker. Call Jack for details.
2	Sat	Bike	C	Shelly Werner	242-1573	9:00@HQ	30 miles around Sewickley.
2-3	SS	Kayaking Canoeing		Cathy Lynch Tom Trump	361-3707 327-1882		Sea Kayaking on Lake Erie. Camp at East Harbor State Park near Marblehead, Ohio. Safety clinic, demonstrations, chance to try new boats. Learn about sea-kayaking.
3	Sun	Bike	B	Bob Schwartz	241-4647	call	ride to Saxonburg for lunch.
3	Sun	Bike	C	M&M Hurwitz	422-9204	8:30@HQ	25 miles near Ligonier (bring your lunch)
2-3	SS	Canoe	II-III	Don Bowman	697-4386		Weekend trip along Pine Creek. Wetsuits advised.
3	Sun	Canoe	I	Millard Underwood	561-0871	before 10pm	
3	Sun	Climb	Begin	Chairpersons	see list	7:00@HQ	See climbing write-up for details.
5	Tues	Bike	E	Ejzaks	466-6196	6:30	Learn to ride. Meet at HQ.
7	THURS	Workshop	All	Jack Peth	921-7214	7:15	
8,9,10	FSS	Backpack	ADV	Glenn Oster	364-2864	7:30@HQ	Hike the historic Forbes Road Trail. 28 miles. Leave Friday evening. Call for info and reservations.
8,9,10	FSS	Bike	all	WPN & Joe Hoechner	373-3403	7:00@HQ	The Western PA Wheelmen's annual rally at Slippery Rock University Rides of all lengths and abilities. Call Joe if you want to carpool up.
9	Sat	Canoe	I	Jim Goguts	384-9149		
9	Sat	Canoe	NWI School	Steve Shafer	362-4432		
9	Sat	Hike	Easy	Jack Peth	921-7214h 7775365w	12:00	Meet at 4 Season Ski Lodge in Boyce Park for a laid back 3 hour stroll. HQ pickup can be arranged.
9	Sat	Hike	Inter	Rick & Shirley Ulacky	422-0849		Along a stream.
9,10	SS	Kayaking	Begin	Lou Conley	681-8321		Beginner's Kayaking School. One day on a nice calm lake and one day on a very easy class II river. Stay overnight at a Youth Hostel. This school is for complete beginners or people who have never been on a river before. Space on this school is very limited, so sign up early.(Keep trying-Lou is home sometimes!)
10	Sun	Canoe	II	Karen Bowman	697-4386		
10	Sun	Rafting	All	Bob Van	833-8486h 355-0900w		Youghieny River. Call for info and reservations.
16	Sat	Bike	C	Judy Menosky	242-1573	call	30 miles.