

GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Pittsburgh Council, AYH

August, 1978

vol. 29, no. 8



SUMMERTIME
CYCLING
WITH
A.Y.H.

OPEN HOUSE

Every Thursday Night

Doors Open: 7:45

Slide Program 8:45

Our Thursday Night Open House is for members as well as non-members. This is a great time to see friends, reminisce about good times and plan trips.

SLIDE PROGRAMS FOR AUGUST

Aug 3: A speaker from GASP promises to be here to give a short talk on Pitts' pollution and to show a movie on what we can do about it.

Aug 10: Jim Woj----- will tell and show us what rock climbing is all about.

Aug 17: Jack Phillips takes us on a Eurobike tour of England in 1977.

Aug 24: TBA

Aug 31: TBA

Ed and Dianne Moll will be in Pittsburgh Aug 7-13. Ed was Baker Trail Chairman 1969-1972. They are anxious to see their AYH friends. They plan to attend open house Aug 10. Their hosts, Don and Billie Woodland, will have a gathering on Fri night at their house. Call 563-5419 if you can make it.

NEW AYH PARCH AVAILABLE

Hostel Storekeeper Joe Hoechner should have a supply of the new AYH logo patches. They are large - about 3" on a side, red and blue on a white background. Price will be between 50-75¢ each, check with Joe at any Thursday meeting.

THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

The Golden Triangle is a monthly publication of the Pittsburgh Council of American Youth Hostels, Inc., 6300 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232

Phone: 362-8181 Thursday evenings between 7:45 & 10:30 only

Editor: Rick Caplan
Cover: Joe Hoechner
Ads: Jim Gogots
Printing: Bob Oldenski
Mailing Labels: Don Hoecker & Roy Weil
and the enthusiastic AYHers who make production a party rather than a chore.

DEADLINES FOR SEPTEMBER ISSUE:

Articles & Ads: Thurs, Aug 10

Trips & Trails: Thurs, Aug 17

Production Party: Thurs, Aug 24

Please notify Pittsburgh Council, AYH as soon as possible if you change your address. Otherwise, you miss The Triangle and AYH is charged 25¢ for every newsletter that is returned.

ACTIVITIES BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 1, 1978
8:00 PM

Roy Weil
5131 Penton Road
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213

phone: 681-5131

Everyone is welcome!

For Sale: Raleigh International 10 speed, 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ " frame. practically new. Excellent condition. Originally sold for \$519, Asking \$250. Call:

Jack Matthews
825 Old Mill Rd.
Pgh 15238
phone: 963-8046

Hi-back van seat - blue vinyl, needs base & new owner, \$30. #343-2465.

Club Members Only SPECIAL! For Your Safety Bell Helmets

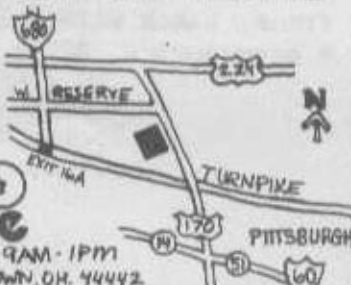
(GOOD THIS MONTH ONLY)

\$26.90 + \$1.10 SHIPPING
VISA OR
MASTERCARD
COD-ADD \$1.00
SAY "CLUB SPECIAL"

ORDER
TOLL FREE
1-800-321-2474

**bike
warehouse**

OPEN: 7AM-9PM; SAT: 9AM-1PM
215 MAIN ST., NEW MIDDLETOWN, OH. 44442



YOU can help pass the AYH Act of 1978

The AYH Act of 1978, pending in the U.S. Congress, would appropriate three million dollars annually for three years to develop a national youth hostel system in the United States.

Significant features of the bill are:

- It would make funds available to defray the cost of renovating existing structures as youth hostels.
- It is a fund-matching plan—75% federal and 25% other funds.
- It provides for coordination with local youth job training and employment programs.

What you can do

Make your feelings known. Write or wire your Representative and Senators and let them know of your support for this legislation. Individual letters are more effective than form letters. On the reverse side of this card are some points you may want to include in your letter.

Contact these people!

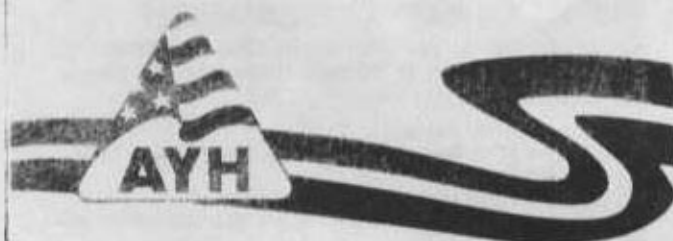
In addition to your Representative and Senators, the following members of Congress are instrumental in the passage of the Bill:

- Sen. Henry Jackson, WA
Chairman, Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
- Sen. Daniel Inouye, HI
Chairman, Senate Committee on the Merchant Marine and Tourism
- Rep. Morris Udall, AZ
Chairman, House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee
- Rep. Phillip Burton, CA
Chairman, House National Parks and Insular Affairs Committee
- Rep. Sidney Yates, IL
Chairman, House Appropriations Subcommittee on the Interior

AMERICAN YOUTH HOSTELS, INC.
National Headquarters / Delaplane, Virginia 22025

Ten Points about AYH -

1. AYH is non-profit, non-sectarian and non-political. It was founded in 1934.
2. Hostels provide low-cost travel accommodations in a well-managed, disciplined atmosphere. They are dormitory-type accommodations with independent houseparents.
3. Maximum stay is three nights, except by special arrangement. Alcohol and drugs are not permitted, and smoking is permitted only in designated areas.
4. AYH is the American representative to the International Youth Hostel Federation. The AYH pass is valid at any of the 4500 hostels in the 50 member nations.
5. The U.S. is one of the few nations that have not provided financial support for the development of hostels.
6. Hostels encourage Americans, as well as foreigners, to travel in the U.S.
7. The AYH Act was introduced by Rep. Richard Nixon of Minnesota and the late Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey. The 1977 Bill numbers were H.R. 1411 and S. 1412.
8. Hosteling promotes outdoor recreation and travel under your own steam.
9. Hosteling is healthy, economical and non-polluting.
10. Hosteling promotes international goodwill.



Write your Legislators

Senators
may be reached at:
Hon. (name of Senator)
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510
(Dear Senator _____)

Representatives
may be reached at:
Hon. (name of Representative)
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515
(Dear Mr., Mrs., Ms., _____)

For the youth in the hostel and elsewhere in the City, McEwan Open School has recently published a book called Pittsburgh for Kids. It contains information on where to go in the City to adopt a pet or buy one, to visit cultural places, go bicycling, bowling, fishing, rent x-country skis, fly kites, take art classes, sit by fountains, watch sports, tour TV and radio stations, go rafting, etc, etc. It has descriptions & directions to places like Highland Zoo, Hartwood Acres, AYH, Eide's Comix and Sci-fi Shop, Wholey's Fish Market, and Fallingwater. It also contains a calendar of annual events. It's available from bookstores or send \$4 to:

McEwan Open School
5701 Fifth Ave
15232

For Sale: Women's Sears 3-speed road frame, gears new work, comfortable seat. \$35.
Call 421-1692, eve.

Has anybody noticed all the bicyclists lining up to see the movie "Grease?"

For Sale: Raleigh Competition, 22½" frame, black with gold trim, sew-ups & accessories. \$275; Joe: 343-2465.

TIPS & TALES

by Joe Hoehner

If you've been trying to get updated topo maps of the Chestnut Ridge Camp Hostel Area do not despair! Ever since the new Route 48 was built the current maps have been out of date. The U.S. Geological Survey has promised that the Lake Lynn and Bruce-ton Mills 7.5 quadrangles will be ready by the end of July. The nearby Brandonville map will be ready in 6 months. If you want to order these updated maps, specify "1976 photorevised" versions, enclose \$1.25 per map and order from:

U.S. Geological Survey
Branch of Distribution
1200 S. Eads St.
Arlington, Va. 22202

A new hostel has just been chartered outside of Oakland, Md., right on the W. Va./ Md. border. Watch for more details in future copies of the Triangle.

Hostel Development Chairperson Joe Hoehner is seeking an artist/cartoonist/illustrator to assist him with brochure design for Pitts. AYH. If you think you fit any of the categories, please see Joe or call him at 343-2465 (keep trying).

Back in June the Pittsburgh City Council finally revised their 1932 ordinance banning all trucks from city parks. Under the revised rules, most vans & pickups will be allowed to drive thru the park as long as they don't exceed 9000 lbs in weight or have commercial advertising on the vehicles. This gives many AYH van owners a break.

the EXPLORER

BY MAD RIVER CANOE

"If ever there was a design to prove us liars for claiming that no one canoe can do everything well, this would be it."

Thank You, Canoe Mag.,
John Rugge + James Davidson*

Come
explore
With us!

The Screaming Eagle
Boat Works

1426 4TH AVE. CORAOPOLIS, PA.

262-5566

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 7 TO 9 P.M.

SATURDAY 12 TO 5 P.M.

* QUOTE TAKE FROM CANOE JULY 78
ARTICLE

A.B.S. YOU NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD

DON'T BE
SORRY
BE
SMART

COME TO THE

Screaming Eagle
Boat Works

FOR

Canoes Kayaks
Tents

Sleepingbags
Parkas Vests

Gore-Tex

Chamois Shirts
Paddles

Helmets P.f.ds.

O.G. Airbags
Dry Packs

Quality Products
Reasonable Prices

Screaming Eagle Boat Works

1426 4TH AVE CORAOPOLIS PA.

MON. THRU FRI. 7 TO 9 SAT 12 TO 5

262-5566

Like to check out some bike routes in Ohio? The "Ohio Bicycle Users Cartographic Society" has just completed their project of mapping the entire state for bike trips. They've published a set of maps covering the East, Central & West portions of their state. Price is only \$2.50:

O.B.U.C.S.

248 Highland Drive

Findlay, Ohio 45840

The U.S. Forest Service will be holding "Open House" meetings to discuss RARE II (Roadless Area Review & Evaluation Proj.) as it affects land in the Monongahela National Forest. Although most meetings are scheduled for locations in W. Va., there are 2 scheduled for Pitts. The date is Wed, Aug 2 at 1-3 PM and again at 7-9 PM. Location is at the downtown YMCA, 4th & Wood in the first floor assembly room.

You can speed up the drying of wet hiking boots by stuffing newspaper into them to absorb moisture, but do not dry boots in the sun or near a heater

The American National Red Cross has a whitewater pamphlet out called "Whitewater in an Open Canoe". For your copy of this fine pamphlet free of charge contact your local Red Cross Chapter. Send a S.A.S.E.

If you don't want to receive advertising mail, there's an effective way to stop most of it. Request a "Name-Removal" form from:

Mail Preference Service

6 East 43rd Street

New York, New York 10017



The Mountain Trail Shop

QUALITY BACKPACKING
& MOUNTAIN SPORT EQUIPMENT



Tents ■ Sleeping Bags
Backpacks ■ Down Clothing
Hiking & Climbing Boots
Food ■ Stoves ■ Cookware
X-C Ski Equipment
Climbing Equipment
Accessories ■ Rentals

— by —

- ✓ KELTY
- ✓ NORTH FACE
- ✓ CAMP 7
- ✓ TRAILWISE
- ✓ VASQUE
- ✓ RAICHE
- ✓ OPTIMUS
- ✓ SNOW LION
- ✓ GERRY
- ✓ SIERRA DESIGNS
- ✓ ALPENLITE
- ✓ FABIANO
- ✓ CHOUINARD
- ✓ ALTRA KITS

2405 WALNUT STREET
BETHLEHEM, PA.

687-1700

WED-THURS 12 NOON - 8PM
FRI-SAT 9AM - 5PM

AMBRIDGE BIKE SHOP

459 Merchant Street
Ambridge, PA 15003
266-1111

10% DISCOUNT on anything
for
AYH - LAW - ACA Members

SCHWINN

RALEIGH FUJI NISHIKI

Avocet - Bell - Eclipse - Campy

Kirtland - Clothing - Shoes

BOOTS & BACK PACKS...



Purveyors of the best
mountain gear, clothing and
trail food plus outstanding
casual wear. Canoes, tents
and pack rentals.

Hours: Mon. - Sat. — 9-6 P.M.
Fridays 9-8 P.M.
Sundays 1-5 P.M.

Ligonier Mountain Outfitters, Ltd.

Rt. 30, LAUGHLINTOWN, PA. 15655

TRIPS & TRAILS

The trips listed below are open to the public with the exception that AYH members are given priority when the trip is of limited size. Trip costs include 50¢ registration and insurance (\$500 medical) plus transportation costs and equipment rental. In addition to these fees, non-members are charged \$1.50 per day; one fee can be deducted from the cost of membership if the tripper joins AYH within 30 days following the trip. Call the trip leader to reserve or cancel or to get information. Please call during normal hours (6:30-9:30 PM) unless otherwise noted. Make reservations as early as possible but in no case later than the Thursday before the trip.



RAFTING

Chairperson: John Orndorff 362-5401

All trippers should arrive at the hostel for raft trips at 8 AM unless otherwise noted. They should bring a set of dry clothes in a day pack, a lunch in a plastic bag, something to drink in a non-breakable container, a set of river clothes including tie-on tennies, sun protection (hat, lotion) and about \$10. All trips are on the lower Yough, unless noted elsewhere.

Sun Aug 6 Dick Nugent (487-5549)

Sun Aug 13 Ed Sieger (561-4790)

Sat Aug 19 Matt Vargo (331-8476)

Sun Aug 20 Manny Schreiber (521-1647)

Sun Aug 27 Joe Curlee (422-9672)



CLIMBING

Chairperson: Wojie 322-4524

Sat Aug 12 Beginner Climb - Return to White Rocks for a two day beginner climbing
Sun Aug 13 trip. Backpack in about 2½ miles, camp at the Rocks. Leave 6:30 AM, return Sun night. Approx. \$7. Call Jim at 322-4524 or Bill 921-5695.



CAVING

Chairperson: Norm Snyder 351-4068

Fri Aug 4 Caving - Join Norm Snyder on a cave trip to the cool underground of West Virginia. Miles of caves. Call 351-4068.

Sat Aug 19 Caving - Join Norm Snyder and his 7-year old daughter on an easy cave trip. Bring the kids and have a good time. 351-4068.



BACKPACKING & HIKING

Chairperson: Steve Martin 462-5000 ext. 6185

The hostel does rent backpacking equipment (tent, tarp, backpack, sleeping bag) at reasonable prices, so don't let the price of owning equipment keep you from backpacking. Talk to trip leaders to see if equipment is available for their trips.

- Tue Aug 1 Backpacking School - Rob McEachern will be teaching a class at the hostel starting at 7 p.m. Call Rob at 828-2635 to reserve.
- Sat Aug 5 Work-Party - Val Krenickv will lead a group to South Park to create a new hiking trail. Leave hostel at 8 a.m. with lunch and work clothes. All kinds of skills and volunteer spirit will be useful. 462-4486.
- Fri Aug 11 Inner Backpack - Rob McEachern will lead a trip to Seneca Creek, thru West Virginia. There'll be lots of swimming holes and waterfalls along the way. Call Rob at 828-2635.
- Sat Aug 12 Young Family Hike - Join Dick Nugent & Family for another easy hike. Leave 9 AM, bring lunch & water. Call Dick at 487-5549.
- Sun Aug 13 Inter. Hike & Swim - Join Dick Nugent for a vigorous 12 mile hike including a swim in the icy Yough River. For more info, call Dick at 487-5549.
- Sun Aug 13 Hike - Chuck Pierson will lead a day hike to an as yet undetermined location. The trip will leave the hostel at 9 a.m. Bring lunch, raingear and possibly a bear can. To reserve, call Chuck at 683-2951.
- Fri Aug 18 Intermediats - Jerry Bado will lead a backpacking trip in West Virginia, probably the Dolly Sods area. The trip will leave the hostel at 7 p.m. on Friday and return Sunday night. To reserve or obtain more info, call Jerry at 751-2045.
- Fri Aug 25 Inter Backpack - Join Steve Martin on an exploratory backpacking trip on the Chuck Keiper Trail in Central Pennsylvania. The trip will leave the hostel at 7 p.m. on Friday and return Sunday night; cost about \$10. To reserve, call Steve at 462-5000 ext. 6185 during the day.
- Sun Aug 27 Explore - Join Marilyn Ham on an exploratory hike in an area to be determined. Bring a lunch and raingear and leave the hostel at 8:30 a.m. To reserve, call Marilyn at 687-4060.
- Fri Sep 1 Inter Backpack - Join Norm Snyder on a Labor Day trip to White Mt. thru Mt. Washington, New Hampshire. 351-4068.
- Mon Sep 4
- Sept-Oct Backpack the Canyon - Join Norm Snyder on a two week trip to the Grand Canyon. There will be caving, and we will canoe in the River. Cost about \$150. Call 351-4068. The trip will take place the last week in Sept and 1st week of October.



BICYCLING

Chairpersons: Ed Sieger 561-4790

- Fri Aug 4 Anthietem Ride - Join Warren Kennedy for an historic weekend touring thru the Civil War battlefield. This is an excellent chance to go cycle camping and learn some history as well. Call Warren at 682-0255.
- Sun Aug 6
- Sat Aug 12 OGRE Cycle/Camp - with the Pa. Wheelmen. Oakmont-Greene County, overnight in m/f cabins, cookout Sat night, need sleeping bag & towel. Call Don Lemon for reservations/info 256-3579 (day), 828-3359 before 9 PM.
- Sun Aug 13
- Fri Aug 18 Lunar Cycle - Enjoy the full moon over the new South Park Bikeway. Join Joe Hoechner at 8 PM in the park for a couple of hours of night cycling. You'll need full legal lights & reflectors, 50¢ and extra cash for a refreshment stop afterwards. Call Joe 343-2465.
- Sun Aug 20 Inter Ride - Join John Alexander for a tentative ride towards the west in Beaver Co. Leave hostel 8:30 AM. Call 486-3359.
- Sat Aug 26 Ohio River Ramble - Join Joe Hoechner for a 40 mile ride starting at Moundsville, W.Va. Trip includes a ferry ride, rolling hills, ice cream & a visit to the "Mound." Cost about \$4.50. Meet at 8 AM. reservations needed: 343-2465.
- Sun Aug 27 Inter - Join John Alexander for a ride from the North Hills to Harmony, Pa. and join in their Dankfest. Leave 8 AM. Call John at 486-3359.
- Sun Aug 27 Bag/Inter - Ride with Manny Schreiber on the scenic route from Donegal to Ligoneer. Bring lunch, tools, etc. Call Manny at 521-1647.
- Sat Sep 23 N.E.O.C. - A century ride (100 miles) starting in Youngstown. Joe Hoechner or Mike Haddad will probably be leading a group ride there. To secure an application in advance, write to: N.E.O.C., 116 Prestwick Drive, Youngstown, Ohio. 44512
- Sun Oct 8 Century Ride - Bike either 60 or 100 miles at Williamsport, Pa. For info write: Williamsport Bicycle Club, 318 Winter St., Williamsport, Pa. 17701

EVENING CYCLE TRIPS: There will be an evening cycle trip every Tuesday and Thurs. in July. Bring lights and bike flags or fanny bumpers. Call the leader beforehand to rent bicycles. The rides leave the hostel at 6:30 PM and return at 8:30. Be at AYH at 6 PM if you are renting equipment, 6:15 otherwise. Leaders should get the hostel keys from the cycling chairman or previous evening cycle leader prior to the night of the ride.

Tue Aug 1	Harriet Ann Seiner	681-1189
Thurs Aug 3	Gary Feldman	681-6146
Tue Aug 8	Steve Tubbs	521-8762
Thurs Aug 10	Joe Hoechner	343-2465
Tue Aug 15	Manny Schreiber	521-1647
Thurs Aug 17	Dick Nugent	487-5549
Tue Aug 22	Mike Deroy	371-6943
Thurs Aug 24	Jay Alexander	486-3359
Tue Aug 29	TBA	
Thurs Aug 31	TBA	



CANOEING

Chairperson: Mike Deroy 371-6943

AYH can offer an A.C.A Whitewater Canoeing Certification for members that have completed Canoe School II. Certification is based on demonstrated paddling skills and river knowledge. Cost \$3 and usual fees. One day session sometime in late September or early October. If interested, call Mike at 371-6943.

- Wed Aug 2 Canoe & Kayak School 0 - Mike Deroy will be leading an introduction to canoeing with the chance to try out a kayak. Need a pad to kneel on (small rug), tennis shoes, and maybe change of clothes. Reservations are limited. Call Mike at 371-6943.
- Sat Aug 5 Beginner-Intermediate - Fast-flowing trip with Ed Sieger. Need raingear, lunch, kneeling pads and \$6. Call Ed at 561-4790.
- Sun Aug 6 White Water Canoe School 1 - This is an introduction to white water. Meet at the hostel at 8 a.m. with lunch, change of clothes, kneelers, and \$6. Reserve with Dave Marschik @ 327-2778.
- Sun Aug 13 Beginner-Intermediate - Easy flowing trip with Dave Marschik. Need change of clothes, lunch, kneeling pads, raingear, water and \$6. Meet at 8:15 a.m. For further info, call 327-2778.
- Sat Aug 19 Family Float - Bring along the kids for some easy-flowing water. Bring proper sized life jackets for small children, lunch, wading shoes and \$7 per boat/family. Make reservations with Ed Schultz 683-7765. Meet 8:30.
- Sun Aug 20 Inter - Jim Gogots will lead a Class II river trip, must have had WWII. If you don't know what to bring, this trip is NOT for you. Meet at 8:15. Call Jim at 364-9149.
- Sat Aug 26 Beginner Flat Water - Learn the fundamentals of lake paddling. Need lunch, swimsuit, kneeling pad, tennies; dress for the weather. Meet at 8:15. Reserve with Lynne @ 469-3449. Cost \$6.
- Sun Aug 27 WWII - For those who have passed White Water I. Need kneelers that attach to knees, lunch, change of clothes, \$6. Meet 8:00 sharp. Call Jim Roberts @ 271-7178.
- Labor Day Inter/Advanced - Take on the waves of the New River. Need camping gear. More details next month, or after mid-Aug call Bugbee's.

AYH Membership Application

Fill out the following membership application and bring or send it with a check payable to "Pittsburgh Council, AYH" to Membership, AYH, 6300 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., 15232.

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Occupation _____
 _____ (zip code) New/Renewal _____

_____ Youth membership (under 18)	\$5.00
_____ Senior memberships (18 and over)	\$11.00
_____ Family (valid in USA and Canada only)	\$12.00
_____ Organization membership	\$25.00
_____ LIFE	\$110.00
_____ FAMILY LIFE	\$220.00

Please Circle:

Service Interests: Newsletter, Hostel Development, Bicycling, Publicity, Trail Maintenance, Eq. Repair, Auditor Service, Typing, Art Work, Key Punch.

Leadership: Backpacking, Bicycling, Canoeing, Caving, Climbing, Cross-country skiing, Hiking, Rafting.

Pittsburgh Council
 American Youth Hostels, Inc.
 6300 Fifth Ave.
 Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232

Non-Profit Organization
 U.S. Postage PAID
 Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232
 Permit #127

Return Postage Guaranteed
 Address Correction Requested

LIBRARIAN, A.Y.H. VIP 0
 4723 WALLINGFORD ST.
 PITTSBURGH, PA. 15213

