

Golden Triangle

Hostelling International-USA, Pittsburgh Council

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AYH NOW HAS A NEW UPDATED NAME

Here are the general guidelines for the correct usage of our new trading name Hostelling International-USA. This information is intended to offer clarification on how to use the new name as it relates to global brand Hostelling International and our nationally registered association name American Youth Hostels, Inc.

As of January 1, 2003, Hostelling International-American Youth Hostels will be repositioned as Hostelling International-USA, to better capitalize on the strength of the global brand.

How To Use

Hostelling International-USA, or its acronym HI-USA, is now our trading name. A "trading name" refers to the name our organization will use in the general marketplace or public domain. Hostelling International-USA will appear in all promotional collateral and informational materials produced for public consumption or to the media, and will be presented in a primary position.

In 2003, American Youth Hostels will appear on most material, in a secondary position. This secondary positioning may vary depending on the application, but in all instances, Hostelling International-USA must be made prominent. This includes new stationery sets (eg. letterhead, envelops, folders and fax templates) distributed between January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2003. This will allow members, volunteers, staff and others, who may have a connection with the name American Youth Hostels, time to become accustomed to the use of the new trading name Hostelling International-USA. However, Hostelling International-American Youth Hostels, or its acronym HI-AYH, should not be used in any new materials or collateral. The acronym AYH should also not be used. We must be consistent in written and verbal communications and avoid using the previous name, in full, or in its acronyms.

Legal Documents

The legally registered national association name, American Youth Hostels, Inc. or the council equivalent, should be used on all legal forms, contracts, grant applications and checks, with Hostelling International-USA cited as the trading name for the association. American Youth Hostels Inc. will continue to be the association's legal name, even after this year of transition. Therefore, where appropriate, all collateral or materials produced should include a legal copyright designation (eg. © American Youth Hostels, Inc.) to state association ownership. In some cases, this may include a copyright date as well (eg. © 2003 American Youth Hostels, Inc.).

Electronic Media

The national association website www.hiayh.org will officially change its URL to www.hiusa.org on January 1, 2003. The content pages of the web site will incorporate the new trading name Hostelling International-USA, with reference to American Youth Hostels Inc. as the legal owner by declaration of a copyright, as noted above. National staff email addresses, will also be revised early in 2003 to refer to the new name (eg. jsmith@hiusa.org)

Advertising

In the case of most advertising, the preferred practice is to exclude any reference to American Youth Hostels altogether. Because the purpose of this material is to raise awareness of our organization and the products and services we offer, it is essential that we focus on the new trading name Hostelling International-USA going forward. By focusing on Hostelling International-USA, we can ensure greater brand clarity and a single call to action in our advertising. As an organization, we must use the coming year to introduce the new trading name wherever possible, to ensure that we are prepared for the exclusive use of the trading name by the start of 2004.

For the time being, it is recommended that all association signage remain unchanged. New signage guidelines will be forthcoming that will address the new trading name and its relation to the international branding. Once these guidelines are in place, new signage will be developed for distribution throughout the network. If a hostel or council produces their own signage, it will need to be in accordance with the new guidelines.

Permanent Standards

These are transitional guidelines to establishing Hostelling International-USA as our exclusive trading name in the general marketplace and public domain. On January 1, 2004, permanent standards will be implemented, which will reflect updated IYHF brand standards (currently in development) and market research.

For more information or further clarification, please contact the Marketing Department at National Office marketing@hiusa.org.

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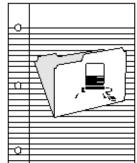
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About HI

Hostelling International is a nonprofit organization which promotes international understanding, educational and recreational travel, good citizenship and an appreciation of America. HI does this by bringing travelers of all ages, backgrounds and nationalities together in hostels and by providing low-cost travel programs. HI-USA is the US affiliate of Hostelling International (HI), (formerly named **International Youth Hostel Feder**ation (IYHF), which coordinates than 5,400 hostels worldwide- the largest network of accommodations in the world.



Submissions Policy: Golden Triangle

Classified Ads:

- Classified ads are free to Current members of HI-International
- All requests for classifieds must be made in writing via the Council Office. Request must include full name, address, phone number and membership number of member. Members are not permitted to place ads for non-members.
- Free ads may not be for commercial gain.
- Above rules apply in addition to general rules for submission

Trips

- All trips must be approved by authorized co-chair
- Trip leader must be a council approved leader
- Trips must be submitted through co-chair, for that activity. Trip leaders, are not to submit trips directly to editor or office, any trips improperly submitted will not be listed.
- Above rules apply in addition to general rules for submission

Articles

- Members are encouraged to write articles, about travel abroad and in the states, and about activities and outdoor sports in which the council has a program
- All Articles are to be, non-political and non-religious
- Above rules apply in addition to general rules for submission

General rules for submission

- No handwritten submissions
- Submissions Can be;

On computer disk (IBM), E-mail (Internet/compuserve), Type written material double spaced, faxed. NO EXCEPTIONS. Call if you have questions.

- Submitted before the deadline of the issue that submission needs to be run in. (See Editors Golden Rule)
- All Submissions are on a first come first serve basis, The GT makes no promises to print material received and all material received becomes the property of the GT.
- Standing Deadline; Deadline for the GT, has always been, and will continue to be the First Thursday of the month, prior to the month of the issue.(See Editors Golden Rule)
- Please always check in advance with office, to confirm schedule.

Editors Golden Rule

• ≅Lack of planning on your part, does not constitute an emergency on my part≡

Please note, the Golden Triangle frequency of publication for 2003 Number 1 issue ->March/April/May Number 2 issue ->June/July/August Number 3 issue ->September/October/November

Number 4 issue -> December/January/February

Bon Voyage, Mademoiselle Brawner!

The Pittsburgh International Hostel is sad to announce that Assistant Manager Catherine Brawner has announced her resignation, effective March 30th, 2003. Currently planning a six week trip abroad in April and May, Cathy will visit Greece, Italy, Spain, France, Ireland, and wherever else she darn well pleases in Europe and the surrounding environs. As she is also teaching herself to speak French, she welcomes unsolicited submissions of any particular or peculiar foreign phrases that might be useful in her travels (helpful souls, please send your contributions to hipgh@sgi.net). Cathy first came to HI Pittsburgh in October of 2000, and over the past two and a half years has been a dependable and enthusiastic co-worker, as well as a friendly and welcoming face to weary travelers from all over the world. She hopes to remain involved with the hostel in a volunteer capacity following her return to Steeltown. Her consistently excellent performance as a paid member of the staff will be sorely missed.

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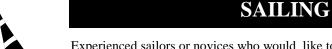


ROCK CLIMBING

Rock Out with AYH!

The Pittsburgh AYH Rock Climbing program is a great way to experience the thrill of rock climbing. Our Beginner trips are focused on teaching "never evers" the basics of rock climbing. AYH supplies the climbing gear plus a group of experienced climbers to set up the climbs and teach the course. All you need to bring is a bag lunch, water, and a sunny disposition. Wear loose-fitting, comfortable clothes (shorts and T-shirts in the summer) and tennis shoes. It's not a bad idea to pack raingear in the event of a late-afternoon thunderstorm.

To find out more about the AYH climbing program, call Chuck Jones at (412)766-4036. Please call before 10 o'clock at night.



Experienced sailors or novices who would like to go for a sail at Lake Arthur can contact Bob Zavos at 412-241-0659. Bob usually sails with the Moraine Sailing Club on weekends. There are sailboat races on most Saturdays and Open Sailing on Sundays.

Sailing season is now over in Western Pennsylvania until next April or May. The Moraine Sailing Club will sponsor several classroom sessions on Sailing over the Winter. This usually occurs in February and March. Look for announcements here or check their Website at www.morainesailing.org.

There is also ice sailing at Lake Arthur over the Winter if the ice gets thick enough. This is a very fast and exciting sport. There is no schedule. You would have to drive to Moraine State Park on a very cold weekend and look for the ice sail boats near the South shore. Last Winter they only had one or two weekends. Look hard because they move very fast. Perhaps you can check with the Moraine State Park Office.

Pennsylvania State Web Sites

Moraine State Park www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/morain.htm PA DCNR Contacts www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/keycont.htm PA DCNR Press Releases http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/polycomm/pressrel PA Fish & Boat Commission: www.fish.state.pa.us Commonwealth of PA: http://www.state.pa.us/PAPower/PA Governor: sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Governor/organization.

UPCOMING SLIDE SHOWS

February 27: We show the 16 mm film "Korea: Reflections On the Morning Calm". Includes visits to historic and archeological sites in Korea. The movie also shows a collection of art objects which trace 5000 years of a distinctive culture, emerged despite repeated wars and invasions by powerful neighbors.

March 6: Norm Snyder, "Wild Canyons Of Utah". They were among the first to make a through trip from Wildcat Canyon to West Canyon. They explore the Black Hole of Calcutta, rappeling three times.

March 13: Pizza and soft drinks party.

March 20: Ralph Gurley, "Egypt, Land Of Ages". A bazaar in Cairo, the Gizeh plateau, the stepped pyramid of Sakkara. See the temples of Abu Simbel and of Luxor. He takes you on a cruise on the Nile from Aswan to Karnak.

March 27: We show the 16 mm film "Great Railroad Journeys of the World: Deccan". Writer Bryan Thompson travels south from Bombay, crosses the Deccan plain, heads up the Nilgiri Mountains, home of the british Ooty Club. Produced for the BBC.

April 3: Bring your 10-20 best slides (or a short home-made video) of sports, travel or nature.

April 10: Blanche and Jack Asherman, "New Zealand By Car And Day Hikes". All-day mailboat ride through Marlborough Sound. Overnight cruise with dolphins into Doubtful Sound. 4000 miles by car. Three-hour crossing by ferry from Wellington to South Island. Stays at very good hostels.

April 17: Fruit pie, potato chips and Juicy Juice party.

April 24: Joe Levine, "Up The Danube, Down The Rhine". His floating hotel goes through 66 locks. The Opera House in Vienna, the splendid monastery at Melk, Passau in Bavaria, Cologne on the Rhine, canal-boat tour of Amsterdam.

May 1: We show the 16 mm film "Land Of The Tiger". Peaceful scenes of a female nursing her cubs are in striking contrast with sequences of the tiger stalking a sambar deer and confronting crocodiles. Filmed in India for the National Geographic Society.

May 8: Mary Joy Haywood, "Antarctica, The Frozen Continent". First, a tour of Buenos Aires. From Ushuaia at the tip of South America, a 10-day crossing by ship. Eight landings by zodiac. Visit of Palmer Experimental Station.

May 15: Cookies, pretzels and soft drinks party. Also, we arranged a total lunar eclipse for tonight, preceded by a short lecture.

May 22: We show the 16 mm film "The Last Great Race On Earth". The Iditarod is a 1200-mile dog-sled race across Alaska in winter. 56 mushers and 800 dogs in the 3-week treck go over the world's most torturous terrain.

May 29: Shelley Nilson, "Springs And Wildlife Of Ocala National Forest". They see cormorants, ibises, manatees and escaped monkeys while canoeing in Central Florida. Marjoree Kinnan Rawlings described this area in her 1939 Pulitzer-Prize book "The Yearling".

June 5: Cheese, bread and Juicy Juice party, if possible out of doors.

Slide shows start at 8:30 PM, at Council Headquarters, Shady Avenue at Fifth Avenue. Doors open at 8:00 PM. If you want to give a show, call Luc Berger at 412-683-3131.

BICYCLING

IMPROMPTU BICYCLE RIDES EMAIL LIST

Our bicycle email list is up and running. We have been enjoying some good rides. The biggest need now is for people to announce rides.

If you would like to get on our bike email list our address is: letsbikenow-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

HELMETS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL. YOU RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK

Alma Worthington has put together a great bike trip from May 27th to June 7th biking down the Danube River. This is about the same trip offered by the Elderhostel but it is much cheaper. Alma has plans to ride 25-37 miles a day leaving time to enjoy the towns along the way. More miles can be done each day if desired. The trip ends with 2 days in Vienna. Round trip flight from Pittsburgh to Munich. Find out more by emailing Alma at Almaski96@hotmail.com or phone (412)782-5524. There are 10 people signed up but 24 are needed to keep the low price.

Glenn Oster continues to ride and report on various trails across the USA. Visit his website at http://www.intellweb.com/trails/oster.htm

Rambles For Spring 2003

March 2003

March 5. Oakmont, along the Allegheny River. Bag Lunch.
Donna Heathcote 412-826-1761

March 12. Harrison Hills Park. Bag Lunch. Jack Asherman 412-828-8158

March 19. Round Hill Park and Exhibition Farm. Bag Lunch. Billie Woodland 412 886 1603.

March 26. Steel Heritage Trail along the Mon toward Hays. Bag Lunch. Bill Phoennik. 412 279-5411

April 2003

April 2. Three mile loop-Shadyside Academy area. Bag Lunch. Ed Divers 412-828-5154.

April 9. North Park. Bag Lunch. Earl McCabe. 412 761-1844.

April 16. Powder Mill Nature Reserve. Two options

(1) 8 A.M departure to watch bird banding and flying squirrels, then hike. **Please reserve** with Connie Black .412-371-1062. Bag lunch. \$4.00 trip.

(1) Hike only, leaving at the usual departure time. Bag lunch. \$4.00 trip.Billie Woodland

April 23. Raccoon Creek State Park. Bag Lunch. Jim Hurst. 412-276-0447

April 30.:Friendship Hill National Historic Site . Wildflower hike. Bring lunch. In the afternoon tour Albert Gallatin Home. **Depart at 9:30 A.M.** \$4.00 trip Joan Roolf 412-351-2061 Joan says, "It is very definitely worthwhile".

May 2003 Rambles begin at 9:30 May-August

May 7. Northmoreland County Park.Bag lunch. Pat Rossi 724-335-5067

May 14. Beechwood Farm Nature Reserve. Bag lunch. Luc Berger 412-683-3131

May 21. Deer Lake Park and Wagman Observatory. Bag lunch. Don Hoecher 412-243-8298

May 28. Bushy Run Battlefield. Bag lunch. Edmund Appleby 724-834-3077

Rambles for March and April will begin at 10 A.M. **Beginning in May rambles begin at 9:30** unless otherwise noted. Meet in Mellon Park upper parking lot at Fifth and Shady Avenues. Carpooling is encouraged. Please pay driver \$1 to \$4.00, depending on length of trip.

Rambles are subject to change due to weather or other circumstances. Call trip leader for more information if you plan to meet at trail head or to inquire about difficulty of the hike. Alternate phone number or for general information call Billie Woodland 412-886-1603.

HIKING/BACKPACKING/TRAILS

Ambles (Short Hikes) March, April, May, 2003

4-7 mile easy to moderately paced hikes. This list includes hikes for both AYH and The Sierra Club. Please watch for the time and meeting place, because we do not always meet at the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts. There will be a car pool fee if you ride with someone else. PLEASE CALL THE LEADER A DAY OR 2 BEFORE THE HIKE. THESE PLANS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Sunday, March 2nd, Walk in Monroeville, from Beechwood Park down into the Turtle Creek Valley. See this beautiful area before the Mon Valley Expressway comes through. 5 miles. Meeting at Gateway Middle School in Monroeville at 9 AM. Call Donna Allen for details.(412)372-2993

Saturday, March 8th, West Penn Rail Trail. Beginning near the Westinghouse plant near Blairsville. Flat walk through the woods and over stone arch bridges. Bring bag lunch. Meet at the Gateway Middle School parking lot in Monroeville at 11 am. For details call Dave Feick at 412-241-7295

Sunday, March 16th Explore one of the oldest and beautiful eastern areas of the city, Edgewood. Meet at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts (lower parking lot) at 10am. Lunch will be at Connie Black's. Bring your lunch. She will provide something to drink. Call Connie at 412-371-1062.

Sunday, March 23rd One of Ed's favorite spots. 5 miles around Casparis Cave and rock outcroppings near Connellsville. Meet at Gateway Middle School, Monroeville at 10 am. Ed Divers 412-828-5154

Sunday, March 30th Take a healthy walk on The North Ridge Trail in North Park with Theresa Honert. Lunch at a nearby restaurant. Meet at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts (lower lot) at 10 am. Call Theresa at 412-683-0253

Sunday, April 6th Maureen Kelly will lead us on a hike at Hell's Hollow in Mc-Connells Mills State Park. Meet at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts(lower lot) at 10am. A meal at Brown's Country Kitchen afterwards. This hike will be shorter than the entire trail, which is a relatively strenuous 8 miles.. Call Maureen to learn the details. 412-821-5709

Saturday, April 12th 5 mile moderate hike in Morraine State Park. Wyggenton Trail, Somewhat rocky and hilly in the undeveloped part of the park. Eric says this will be a fun hike. Eric Hoffman at 724-772-4316 to find out about the meeting place.

Saturday, April 19th A very special trip to Powdermill Nature Reserve near Ligonier. Not only will we have our usual hike, but we will also watch bird banding of migrating birds. Since the bird banding is at 9:30am we must meet at 8am at the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts(lower lot.), but it is worth it! Call Connie Black at 412-371-1062 for details.

Saturday, April 26th Leaving at 9:30 am from Pittsburgh Center for the Arts (lower lot). Friendship Hill, National Historic Site, the home of Albert Gallatin. This is a beautifully situated home overlooking the Monongahela River near Point Marion. We will do a 5 mile hike (there are 10 miles of trails on the grounds) and visit the historic home. There are many wildflowers to be found. Bring a lunch. Call Joan Roolf at 412-351-2061

Sunday, May 4th Walk among the spring flowers at Boyce Park. Easy 4 mile walk. Visit the log house and Indian hill. Meet at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts (lower lot) at 10am. Luc Berger is the leader. Call him at 412-371-1062

Saturday, May 10th Walk the Erie Canal Towpath part of the way on a Hartstown Swamp loop. This is near Conneaut. Meeting at the old Kmart parking lot in Cranberry at 10am. Led by Ed Divers 412-828-5154

Sunday, May 18th Deer Lake Park. A good hike in the park and then lunch at a restaurant in Harmarville. Meeting at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts Call Theresa Honert at 412-412-683-0253

The weekend of May 24th-25th we will see you at the Butler Outdoor Extravaganza.

Saturday, June 7th Ed will hike from Sugarloaf to Ohiopyle, 7 miles downhill with the last ½ mile on the bike trail. Meet at 10am at Gateway Middle School in Monroeville.. Ed Divers 412-828-5154

BACKPACK THE ALLEGHENY TRAIL

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Glenn Oster plans to backpack the southernmost sections of the Allegheny Trail through the mountains of West Virginia and Virginia over the period May 20 through May 28, 2003. Daily mileage hiked will range from 4 (an access day) to 11.4. Daily elevation gains will range from 422 to 1148 feet and daily elevation losses will range from 410 to 2082 feet. You will need to be totally self-sufficient as to tent, food, stove (no group cooking) etc. and must provide your own transportation to and from the trail. This trip will be under the sponsorship of Butler Outdoor Club, but no participation fees will be required. For information, e-mail Glenn at glennoster@attbi.com or phone at (412) 364-2864

ALLEGHENY GROUP -- SIERRA CLUB - OUTINGS: FEBRUARY 15 THRU JUNE 21, 2003

Recommended carpool fee: 6 cents/ passenger-mile + share tolls.
(Unless stated, car-miles are one-way from Monroeville.)
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legheny Group, Sierra Club and mail to Bruce Sundquist, 210 College Park Dr., Monroeville PA 15146-1532.

E-mail subscriptions are free. bsundquist1@juno.com

To join the Sierra Club (Allegheny Group, Pennsylvania Chapter, and the National organization), contact Membership Chair Barbara Goff at 412-655-1662 or bargoff@hotmail.com

SKI-TOURING (through Mid-March): Decisions on where and when to go skitouring depend so much on snow conditions that advance trip planning earlier than a day or two before the trip is impractical. Therefore the list below gives only the name of the leader who has agreed to lead any ski-touring trip on the weekend indicated. Call that leader around mid-week if you want to be notified of any trip going out on the coming weekend. State your experience level and whether you need to rent gear. For all weekends for which no ski-touring leader is listed, call Bruce Sundquist at 724-327-8737. If you are interested in intermediate-level mid-week trips, call the same number. Nick Broskovich 724-863-6707 will be leading beginner trips on every weekend when snow conditions are good through mid-March. Note: Rentals are no longer available at Laurel Mountain but they are available in Ligonier at the Thicket (724-238-6455) just off US30.

EVENING CONDITIONING WALKS

South Park (year-around). Thurs. evenings, 6:15 PM. Locations vary, call Bonnie Thomas, 412-833-1068, for meeting time and place.

East (during EDST) Tues & Thurs. evenings in Duff Park near Murrysville. Call Nick Broskovich 724-863-6707

East End (during EDST) Wed. evenings. 7 PM, to Frick, Schenley or Highland Park. Call Don Stone, 412-441-2027

DAY- AND WEEKEND TRIPS

Sat. or Sun. March 1 or 2 Ski touring wherever snow conditions are best. Date depends on weather forecast. Call Bruce Sundquist, 724-327-8737

Sat.-Sun. March 1-2 Backpacking on the Laurel Highlands Trail. Stay in trail shelters. This is one of a series of trips to cover the entire 70 miles of the LHT. Call Harold Kotchig, 412-341-1196

Sun. March 2 Hike an easy 5 miles in Beechwood Park-Monroeville's secret, largely undeveloped park. Trails follow several streams with the feel of Laurel Ridge, but closer to home. The trip could be extended to follow an undeveloped part of Turtle Creek. Call Donna Allen, 412-372-2993

Sun. March 2 Hike a strenuous 15 miles or so on the Laurel Highlands Trail starting at Rt.30 and going north and returning. If the snow is too deep we will go ski touring in the US30 area. \$7.00 carpool-57 miles. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sat. or Sun. March 8 or 9 Ski touring wherever snow conditions are best. Beginners are welcome. Date depends on weather forecast. Call Nick Broskovich 724-863-6707 **Sun. March 9** Hike an easy 3 miles in the Lipp Run/Cascades Natural area in Ross Township and see a beautiful stream environment close to the city. Hike along Lipp Run to Girty's Run. See emergent wetlands, wooded hillsides, lots of birds and native vegetation. We will discuss ecological succession in the hike area and the impact of stormwater/ sewage issues along urban/suburban streams. Meet at Verizon /Nardozzi's Parking Lot (accessible to Public Transportation). See directions to this lot at the bottom of this schedule. Contact Robert Silber 412-931-3723; silber828@cs.com

Sat. March 15 Hike or ski touring in the Conemaugh River area. \$4.00 carpool-33 miles. Call Norm Snyder, 412-351-4068

Sun. March 15 Hike a strenuous 15 miles or so on the Laurel Highlands Trail starting at Rt.30 and going south and returning. If the snow is too deep we will go ski touring in the Rt.30 area (rentals not available). \$7.00 carpool-57 miles. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sat. March 22 Hike, North Park Bridle Trail-Rachel Carson Trail-Hartwood Acres; about 10 miles; intermediate difficulty. Meet at 10 AM. Jim Ritchie, 412-828-0210 **Sun. March 23** Hike an easy 5-mile loop that slowly follows some large rock outcrops near Casparis Cave near Connellsville. \$5.25 carpool-40 miles. Meet at Gateway Middle School in Monroeville at 10 AM. Call Ed Divers, 412-828-5154 **Sun. March 23** 17-mile hike across the Glacial Trail and back in Moraine State Park. If everyone feels frisky enough we'll extend it to 20 miles. \$3.50 carpool-30 miles from Cranberry Mall. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sat. March 29 Take a llama for a walk. We will hike about 3 miles with our llamas in Pine Ridge Park of Indiana County near Blairsville. Bring a lunch and we'll picnic afterward in the park. \$3.60 carpool-30 miles. Call Diane Neely to confirm. 724-459-

Sun. March 30 Hike an intermediate 8 miles on the Glacier Ridge Trail in Moraine State Park. \$3.50 carpool-30 miles from Cranberry Mall. Call Judy or Don Ziegler, 412-826-0519

Sun. March 30 Glacier Ridge Blazing Star full day loop hike in Moraine State Park, strenuous and exploratory full day. Views of Lake Arthur. \$3.50 carpool-30 miles from Cranberry Mall. Call Dick Pratt, 412-362-5567

Sat.-Sun. April 5-6 Backpacking, moderate, on Morrison Trail in Allegheny National Forest near Allegheny Reservoir. \$22.50 carpool-160 miles. Call Harold Kotchig, 412-341-1196

Sun. April 6 Hike an easy intermediate 7 miles in Bear Run Nature Reserve. \$8.00 carpool-60 miles. Call Mike Robertson, 412-678-4039

Sun. April 6 15+ miles from the Summit trailhead north and back on the Laurel Highlands Hiking Trail. We may be able to make a side trip to one of the small lakes along the way. \$6.00 carpool-51 miles. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

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afterward in the park. \$3.60 carpool-30 miles. Call Diane Neely to confirm. 724-459-3012

Sun. April 13 Hike, exploratory, 10+ miles in Lower Indian Creek Valley from Rt.381-Mill Run Reservoir to the Youghiogheny River, to find a 60 ft. rock face above Lower Indian Creek Valley near the Yough River. See what's left of the 1850 ghost town of Hampton. We may see the Hawkins Hollow Big Blue Holes. \$7.25 carpool-55 miles. Call Don Stone, 412-441-2027

Sun. April 13 Bicycle an easy 22 miles on the Yough River Trail from Ohiopyle to Confluence and return. \$8.50 carpool-65 miles. Call Barry Tunick, 412-653-6584 **Sun. April 13** Scenic strenuous and exploratory full day hike along Big Sandy Creek to the Cheat River at the mid-point of its canyon. See the notorious "Big Splat" in the white water cascades of Big Sandy Creek. \$10 carpool-80 miles from Shadyside. Call Dick Pratt, 412-362-5567

Sat. April 19 Hike a fast-paced 7 miles in Deer Lakes County Park, a few miles from Harmarville. Call Judy or Don Ziegler, 412-826-0519

Sat. April 19 Caving, intermediate, in Bear Cave on Chestnut Ridge near Blairsville. \$3.00 carpool-26 miles. Call Norm Snyder, 412-351-4068

Sun. April 20 17 mile hike on McConnell's Mill trail. This is the prettiest trail around, but the terrain is very challenging--a very tough hike. \$3.50 carpool-30 miles from Cranberry Mall. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sat.-Sun. April 26-27 French Voyageurs' canoe trip. Follow one of three routes they took from Quebec to New Orleans. Start at Lake LeBoeuf to part of French Creek. Canoe rentals are available. \$10.75 carpool-89 miles. Meet at Cranberry Mall (old K-Mart) at 9 AM. Call Ed Divers, 412-828-5154

Sat.-Sun. April 26-27 Umteenth annual easy backpacking/ compass-training trip in Quebec Run Wild Area on Chestnut Ridge in Forbes State Forest. This will qualify you for our more advanced backpacking trips requiring prior experience. Limit:18. \$8.25 carpool-65 miles. Call Bruce Sundquist, 724-327-8737

Sun. April 27 Hike, Elk County, near Portland Mills PA; approx. 10 miles; destination is the Empire Ridge Tunnel; partly off-trail; strenuous. \$11 carpool-92 miles from Harmarville. Meets at 8 AM. Call Jim Ritchie, 412-828-0210

Sun. April 27 Easy 1.5-mile hike (2 hours) in Seldom Seen Greenway (Beechview Area). Meet at the far end of Brashear High School's parking lot at 590 Crane Ave. in Beechview at 1:30 PM. Call John or Kathy Murphy, 412-341-9367, or Bill Lawrence, 412-922-3951

Sun. April 27 10am-3pm. Canoe or kayak the three rivers with the Three Rivers Keeper, a new environmental watchdog for our three rivers. Canoes are provided free. Paddlers will see native vegetation and waterfowl, historic sights, learn about the work of 3Rivers RiverKeeper and how volunteers can help protect our rivers. Trip begins and ends at Three Rivers Rowing Association Boathouse on Washington's Landing. Pack a lunch. Contact Robert Silber to reserve 412-931-3723 silber828@cs.com See directions to boathouse at bottom of this list.

Sat. May 3 Bicycle trip on the Youghiogheny River Trail from Connellsville to Ohiopyle (17 miles each way) or to Confluence (28 miles each way) if we feel the urge. \$5.25 carpool-40 miles. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sat.-Sun. May 3-4 Backpacking, intermediate, in Savage River State Forest (MD). \$14.00 carpool-98 miles. Call Harold Kotchig, 412-341-1196

Sun. May 4 Easy 4-mile walk in Boyce Park near Monroeville. See spring flowers, Indian hill, log house and model airplane field. Call Luc Berger, 412-683-3131 Sun. May 4 Scenic strenuous and exploratory full day hiking around Coopers Rock, including views of the canyon of the Cheat, Raven's Rock, Rock City, Henry Clay Iron Furnace, etc. \$9.25 carpool-73 miles from Shadyside. Call Dick Pratt, 412-362-5567

Sat. May 10 Easy 7-mile loop hike at Hartstown Swamp near Conneaut. Half is on the old Erie Canal Towpath. Dry walk, good for wildlife observation. Meet at Cranberry Mall (old K-Mart) at 10AM. \$10.50 carpool-87 miles. Call Ed Divers, 412-828-5154 **Sat. May 10** Easy canoe trip on the Youghiogheny River below Connellsville using Hazelbaker outfitters. Not strenuous, a few easy riffles. \$5.25 carpool-40 miles. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sun. May 11 Wildflower walk in Duff Park near Murrysville, easy. Call Nick Broskovich 724-863-6707

Sat. May 17 Caving trip, intermediate, in Barton's Cave on Chestnut Ridge near Quebec Run.. \$8.25 carpool fee-65 miles. Call Norm Snyder, 412-351-4068 **Sun. May 18** Canoe trip from the Bush Recreational Area up Loyalhanna Creek to US22. This is 14 miles of paddling but anyone can turn around when they want to. Rentals are available for about \$15/person. Dinner at Rizzos in Crabtree is an option.

\$3.00 carpool-26 miles. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582 **Sun. May 18** Hike, Lost Turkey Trail, from Burnt House west to Gallitzen State Forest; about 8.5 miles; lots of uphill; moderately strenuous. \$10.25 carpool-86 miles. Meet at 8 AM. Jim Ritchie, 412-828-0210

Sun. May 18 Bicycle up to 36 miles on the Allegheny River Trail and Sandy Creek Trail, starting at Franklin. Meet at Richland Mall on US8. Call Mike Robertson, 412-678-4039

Sat.-Mon. May 24-26 Backpacking in northern Dolly Sods, the higher, more open, more scenic, less visited part of Dolly Sods--one of the more popular backpacking areas in this part of the US. Prior backpacking experience required. Limit: 10. \$22 carpool-160 miles. Call Bruce Sundquist, 724-327-8737

Sun. May 25 10am-3pm. Canoe or kayak the three rivers with Three Rivers Keeper, a new environmental watchdog for our three rivers. Canoes are provided free. Paddlers will see native vegetation and waterfowl, historic sights, learn about the work of 3Rivers RiverKeeper and how volunteers can help protect our rivers. Trip begins and ends at Three Rivers Rowing Association Boathouse on Washington's Landing. Pack a lunch. Contact Robert Silber to reserve 412-931-3723 silber828@cs.com See directions to boathouse at bottom of this list.

Sat.-Sun. May 31-June 1 Backpacking in Allegheny National Forest-North Country

Trail and Tionesta Scenic Area (7 miles/day) \$22.50 carpool-160 miles. Call Harold Kotchig, 412-341-1196

Sun. June 1 Long hike on the trail in Oil Creek State Park. Maybe 20 miles if everyone feels up to it. Dinner at Sandalinis in Meadville is an option. \$10 carpool-84 miles from Richland Mall. Call Dave Mottorn, 724-327-7582

Sat. June 14 (8 AM-Noon) Join the 14th annual "River Sweep" and help 17,000 others clean up shore-line along the Allegheny, Monongahela and Ohio Rivers. Free Tee Shirt and refreshments. To work near the mouth of Nine-Mile Run on the Monongahela River call Bruce Sundquist, 724-327-8737. For other areas call Betsy Mallison (DEP) at 412-442-4182 <mallison.betsy@dep.state.pa.us>.

NOTES: Ask leader for names & phone numbers of trippers for you to arrange a car pool. Reserve at least 36 hours in advance. If you leave your phone number on the leader's answering machine, give it slowly and clearly. Notify leader to cancel your reservation. Bring lunch, rain gear, water, first-aid kit, small flashlight and extra clothes for changes in weather. If you have a cell phone, bring it along. Cell phones have saved the day on several trips when accidents have required evacuation of trippers. Sierra Clubbers planning to lead outings during 6/21/03-9/15/03 should contact Bruce Sundquist, 724-327-8737, bsundquist1@juno.com by 5/15/03.

Directions to staging area for Lipp Run/Cascades Natural area hike (7minutes from Downtown Pittsburgh): 279 north from downtown - go 5 miles. Exit at Perrysville Ave. exit. At end of exit ramp go right. At stoplight go left on Rt.19 north. At bottom of hill turn right on Center Ave. Go 100 yards and turn right into parking lot for Nardozzi's and Verizon.

SIERRA CLUB MEMBERSHIP INDUCEMENT

If you join the Sierra Club on one of our outings, your \$25 introductory membership will get you a free hip pack (while supplies last). Call Bruce Sundquist (724-327-8737) for application form and pack.

ALLEGHENY GROUP MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings of Allegheny Group are now held at Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center on Shady Avenue just south of Fifth Ave. Driving south on Shady from Fifth, turn left at the second driveway into a parking lot in front of the Scaife Unit of the Arts Center. Parking there is metered (quarters only - 25 cents per hour). Follow the cobblestone driveway back to the Garden Center. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. The first 30 minutes is a business meeting, the main program begins around 8 PM. A social hour follows. We must vacate the building by 10 PM.

Wed. Mar.12 Jeff Schmidt, our lobbyist in Harrisburg, talks on legislative prospects at the state level.

Wed., April 9 PHOTOGRAPHING WILD AND NOT SO WILD FLOWERS Using his own color slides as examples, Dr. Luc Berger will show how photographs can be used to document and to identify the beautiful wildflowers of our region. He will describe suitable equipment and techniques, and point out mistakes to be avoided. Wild and cultivated plants may also be photographed for an artistic purpose. With simple means, unusual pictures can be obtained if lighting is carefully controlled. NOTE: This meeting will be held at the Silver Eye Gallery, Carson Street, Southside, in conjunction with the Rachel Carson exhibit.

Wed., May 14 MID-STATE TRAIL STORY Using slides from the 34 year history of the wildest, longest and most scenic foot trail in Pennsylvania, Tom Thwaites will describe the opportunities for hiking and tourism on the trail and the threats to its continued existence. Tom was in at the beginning when it was called the Central Allegheny Trail and has worked on it every year since then.

Wed., June 11 THREE RIVERS RIVERKEEPER - HOW WE CAN IMPROVE OUR RIVERS Robert Silber will describe how Three Rivers RiverKeeper is working to organize canoeists, kayakers, boaters, and fishermen as well as SC members, to help protect our rivers from threats such as sewage/ stormwater pollution, sand and gravel mining, and waste dumping.

NON-SIERRA CLUB TRIPS

Trips listed below are in no way connected with the Sierra Club. Sierra Club takes no responsibility, and makes no representations or warranties about the quality, safety, supervision or management of these trips. They are published here purely as a service to our members.

Dave Mottorn does something (hiking, biking, canoeing or ski-touring) nearly every weekend--usually a pretty tough workout. He plans his trips about a week in advance. To be on his Email list, Email him at dmottorn@alltel.net.

Mon. May 12 - Wed. May 21 Outdoor Leadership Courses Wilderness First Responder Certification (WFR) 8:AM-5:PM all days, with some evening sessions. (Advanced First Aid for the Outdoor Leader) This 80-hour curriculum includes standards for urban and extended care situations. Special topics include but are not limited to: wound management and infection, realigning fractures and dislocations, improvised splinting techniques, patient monitoring and long term management problems, up-to-date information on all environmental emergencies, plus advice on drug therapies. Location: Heritage Reservation, near Uniontown \$495/\$515 tuition; \$150 lodging (optional). Instructors: Wilderness Medicine Institute

Baker Trail & Rachel Carson Trail Trail Maintenance Volunteer Opportunities For 2003

The Pittsburgh Council, American Youth Hostels conceived and built the Baker Trail in the late 1940's and dedicated the trail in 1950. It was built by returning war veterans who envisioned a network of "youth hostels" along the trail where the youth of the world could find safe, inexpensive shelter while touring rural America on foot. The trail is 141 miles long and extends from Freeport, PA to the Allegheny National Forest, and traverses Cook Forest State Park, several State Game Lands, Kittanning State Forest, the Mahoning and Crooked Creek Army Corps of Engineers projects, and several local recreation facilities. All AYH members are asked to spend one day a year helping us maintain the trail. The Baker Trail is 100% volunteer-supported. We use no Federal, State, or Local government funding.

March 29 Saturday Baker Trail at Crooked Creek. This is an all-day work project on the Baker Trail in the vicinity of Crooked Creek Park in Armstrong County. Crooked Creek Park is a US Army Corps of Engineers flood control project. Today's project will be to put up fresh blazing on the 4 miles from the Visitor Center to the Covered Footbridge. We need volunteers to help paint blazes, remove vegetation and fallen branches from the trail; collect any trash in a plastic garbage bag, and trim branches and leaves covering up our blazes. This is a good opportunity to get outside, see part of the Baker Trail, doing short hikes in and out from the road. Help us take care of one of Pennsylvania's endangered trails. Call Jim at 412-828-0210 for questions and to make arrangements.

April 20 Sunday Baker Trail at Keystone Power Plant. The Baker Trail skirts a Christmas tree plantation and then crosses the Keystone Power Plant reservation in Indiana County. The agenda for this day of trail maintenance will be much the same as that for March 29. Call Jim at 412-828-0210 for questions and to make arrangements.

May 31 Saturday Baker Trail at Cochran's Mill. Cochran's Mill is the birthplace and childhood home of Nelly Bly, who became a world-renowned newspaper reporter and world traveler (Around the World in 80 Days). We work from the bridge over Crooked Creek to Cherry Run Road. The agenda for this day of trail maintenance will be much the same as that for March 29. Call Jim at 412-828-0210 for questions and to make arrangements.

Adopt-a-Trail Volunteers needed. We also need volunteers to become trail stewards who are willing to adopt a 3-5 mile long section of the Baker Trail. Trail stewards will be independently responsible to work on their section of the trail on their own schedule. Responsibilities include painting yellow blazes on the trail once a year, picking up debris and trash off the treadway, and trimming vegetation away from blazes. Optional skills include chain saw work, shelter repair (we have 10 overnight shelters on the trail that require yearly maintenance—adopt a shelter as your own personal project) and/or you can build bridges, sidehill supports, benches, and other trail amenities. Regardless of the level of your effort, you would be expected to walk your trail section twice a year, preferably once in the spring (April, May) and once in the fall (September, October). All expenses for suppliespaint, brushes, etc.-are reimbursed.

Baker Trail/Rachel Carson Trail Resources

Rachel Carson Trail website: www.rachelcarsontrail.com; this website has information about the Rachel Carson Trail, the Baker Trail, and the Rachel Carson Trail Challenge.

Baker Trail website: www.geocities.com/bakertrailpa; this website has some abbreviated information concerning the Baker Trail.

Hostelling International website: http://trfn.clpgh.org/ayh/; general information about the BT/RCT sponsor organization.

Keystone Trails Association: http://www.kta-hike.org/; has information about all Pennsylvania hiking trails

"Guide to the Rachel Carson Trail"; this is a trail guide, with topographic maps, and some interpretive information about the 34-mile long trail, available from HI-Pittsburgh for under \$10, including postage and handling. Call 412-431-4910 to order.

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"Baker Trail Guide Book"; a trail guide with topographic maps, and interpretive information about the 141-mile long Baker Trail.

Available from HI-Pittsburgh for under \$10, including postage and handling. Call 412-431-4910 to order.

*****HIKER ALERTS*****Currrent hiker alerts for both the Rachel Carson Trail and the Baker Trail may be found at www.rachelcarsontrail.com.

Keystone Trails Spring Meeting at Yesterday's Hotel Renovo. PA

Gateway to the Donut Hole Trail and the Chuck Keiper Trail
April 4-5-6, 2003

The Keystone Trails Association has scheduled its Spring Meeting in Renovo, PA. where Yesterday's Hotel, a restored turn-of-the-century small town hotel, will provide lodging for attendees. Renovo is located north of I-80, and east of Clearfield, about a 4-hour drive from Pittsburgh. The meeting will consist of a Friday reception, a Saturday hiking program with 6-8 hikes to choose from in the area, or you can attend the Saturday business meeting which includes reports from all the Pennsylvania State and U.S. Federal agencies with trail connections, and on Sunday, a hiking program with 4-5 short half-day hikes to enjoy. A slide program and general membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday evening. Meals and either hotel, motel, or camping accommodations are available. To request registration information, call 814-395-9696 or send email to Info@kta-hike.org. Come enjoy the company and camaraderie of other Pennsylvania hikers at the KTA Spring Meeting.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the new Trail Stewards who adopted segments of the Rachel Carson Trail. The trail is presently divided into 14 segments and all segments are covered.

Bob Istone
Dave Syiek
Brenda Popovich
Mike Gasper
The Fisher Family
Dennis Hack
Yale Cohen
Josh Chiprich
Chad Stacy
Steve Schrom
Jim Stewart

The following Stewards have been caring for trail segments during the past years and are continuing their efforts. Thanks for the help!

Tim Henigin Hugh Downing Mary Pitzer Barb Peterson Leo Stember

"Spur Trails" connected with the Rachel Carson Trail will be opened and cared for (tentatively) as follows:

Hartwood Acres- unassigned Crone Hollow - Chatham College (tentative) Rachel Carson Homestead - Jack & Blanche Asherman (tentative)

HOSTEL NEWS

Spring Fling at Ohiopyle Hostel

Time to dust off those toys and get the kinks out for the coming outdoor season! The Western Pennsylvania Field Institute will be hosting their Spring Fling at the Ohiopyle Hostel, from March 1 through March 2. Come equipped for whatever opportunity the weather provides...XC skis, snowshoes, bikes, hiking boots and--why not--an ultimate Frisbee. The Ohiopyle Hostel, on Ferncliff Peninsula, will keep you toasty in between adventures, with bunk rooms for men and women, plus a cozy common room for fun and games. Home cooked meals and hearty stews will keep you fueled for snowman contests and adventures down the surrounding trails. Saturday night features a camp stove cook off with awards for key categories! Price includes all meals Saturday and Sunday, plus XC Ski Trail Pass. XC Ski Rental \$15. For registration and information call 412-255-0564 or www.wpfi.org

When: Saturday, March 1and 2, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: Ohiopyle Hostel, Hostelling International – USA, Pittsburgh

Council

Cost: \$65 WPFI Members, \$75 Non-WPFI members, \$45 kids 12 and

under

Introduction to Fly Fishing Clinic

Time to brush off the dust from that fly rod you've been meaning to use and learn the basics from an instructor dedicated to both a fun and responsible approach to fishing. The Western Pennsylvania Field Institute is hosting the clinic on March 29 at the Ohiopyle Hostel, which will teach the basics of rods, reels, line, tippets, knots and flies, plus handson practice in a variety of casting techniques. Of course, a fly-fishing experience wouldn't be complete without time on the stream, so bring your waders! For registration and information call 412-255-0564 or www wofi org

When: Saturday, March 29, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: Ohiopyle Hostel, Hostelling International – USA, Pittsburgh

Council

Cost: \$70 WPFI Members, \$80 Non-WPFI members

Intermediate Fly Fishing Clinic

The Ohiopyle Hostel hosts another WPFI event, a fly fishing class to refine your ability to tickle the trout's fancy with excellent presentation. Topics will focus on mending, roll casting and a variety of casting techniques for conditions including tight spots, overhanging brush and many other "opportunities for finesse" that Pennsylvania streams offer the angler. Of course, a fly-fishing experience wouldn't be complete without time on the stream, so bring your waders! For registration and information call 412-255-0564 or www.wpfi.org

When: Sunday, April 6, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: Ohiopyle Hostel, Hostelling International– USA, Pittsburgh

Council

Cost: \$70 WPFI Members, \$80 Non-WPFI members

Banff Mountain Film Festival

April 23, 2003 - 7:00 PM Location: Carnegie Lecture Hall, Oakland Advance Tickets: \$10, or \$12 at the door

Western Pennsylvania Field Institute and Hostelling International–USA, Pittsburgh Council will be hosting the World Tour of the Banff Mountain Film Festival here in Pittsburgh. The films included in the tour are stunning international productions on mountain themes ranging from mountaineering to ice and rock climbing to snowboarding to wildlife environmental issues and unique cultural encounters. To purchase tickets to the Festival please contact Alida Baker, HI Board Member, at 412-323-1430 or alida.baker@verizon.net.

These are the "best of the fest" from the internationally acclaimed film competition that captures the spirit of the mountains with magnificent cinematography. See the award winners that blanket the spectrum of outdoor activities, culture and environment.

Whether you are an experienced mountaineer or an armchair adventurer, come celebrate, share and find inspiration in these mountain experiences, ideas and visions.

This Year's Scheduled Films

Front Range Freaks: Urban Ape (9 min) Renowned climber Timmy O'Neill turns his hometown of Boulder, Colorado, into an urban playground. He scales buildings, leaps across walls and hassles the local citizens, all in good fun.

The Second Step - Warren Macdonald's Epic Journey to Federation Peak (26 min) An inspirational documentary on double leg amputee Warren Macdonald. Against all the odds, Warren Macdonald spends 28 days hiking to and climbing Federation Peak in southwest

Donate to the Hostel!

It's tax time and you can get a write-off! We welcome with open arms individual donations of material goods and financial support to the Pittsburgh International Hostel. Below is a short list of goods we most desire, but all manner of charitable donations will be considered:

- Cookware and bakeware in good condition (preferably non-stick or glass)
- Drinking glasses (please no coffee mugs or plastic cups)
- A new (not used) coffee maker (10-12 cup capacity)
- A small (approximately 6-8 internal cubic feet) refrigerator, for staff food
- A decent color television
- A blender
- All donations of furniture in good condition will be considered, but please arrange a time when the hostel manager can come to view and evaluate the pieces before you bring them to the hostel we have limited space! (when we lay our heads down on our pillows at night we dream of hostel furniture with a certain character, a certain funk, a certain je ne sais quoi...)
- New (not used) bed pillows, standard size, for sleepy little heads
- Travel size toiletries (unopened, and in bulk) for sale to guests bath soap, shampoo, tooth paste, razors, shaving cream, etc.
- Antique photographs of our great city of Pittsburgh please!

Ohiopyle Hostel (Contact Alida Baker at 412-323-1430 or alida.baker@verizon.net)

- Large salad bowl
- Large soup pot
- Cutting boards
- Pot holders
- Dish towels
- Dining room hanging light, multi-bulb
- Wheelbarrow
- Wall mounted bathroom sinks
- Exterior paint and brushes
- If anyone is willing and able to donate the financial resources to acquire a new computer we would be forever in your debt (donations of previously used systems may be considered at a later date if we fail in acquiring one factory fresh at this time, but for now we're aiming high). If you're interested, please call Devon: 412.431.1267.

Pittsburgh International Hostel Potluck Dinners are held the first and third Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Come to HI-Pittsburgh (830 East Warrington Ave.) to share food and fun with people from around the world. Don't forget to bring your favorite dish of food and friends. If you would like to know what the theme will be or need directions to the hostel, call 412-431-1267 or email Sara at hipvolunteers@hotmail.com.

Tasmania. (2002 Grand Prize Winner)

Cannibals and Crampons (52 Min) Bruce Parry and Mark Anstice set out to climb the unscaled face of Mandela, a remote mountain rising 15,400 feet above the dense tropical jungles of New Guinea. To get there they will have to travel through some of the world's most unexplored terrain - a lost world still inhabited by cannibals. (2002 People's Choice Award)

The Essence of Adolescence (7 min) This short film features the local boys of the Sunshine Coast in British Columbia. From the extreme performance, to the directing and editing, this film is made by teens and includes skiing, snowboarding, skateboarding and BMX.

Something about Anna (24 min) Polish climber Anna Cserwinska is an extremely accomplished alpinist, having climbed the Seven Summits and six of the 8000-metre peaks. This film is about her ascent of Lhotse and reveals the character of this remarkable woman through her thoughts and ideas in the place she feels most comfortable - the Himalayas.

MX (38 min) Four of the best mixed-ice climbers in the U.S. are show-cased in Colorado. The climbing is steep and the footage spectacular on routes ranging from The Designator and Lucky M11 in Vail to ice bouldering on Cascade Creek's overhanging drips and smears.

WhiteTrax (2 min) Kris Holms rides moguls, steep hardpack, snow-board parks and backcountry terrain - all on his unicycle.

Specific films subject to change. Some films may contain content that is inappropriate for small children. The Banff Mountain Film Festival presented by Eagle Creek Travel Gear and National Geographic. Learn more about the Festival at www.wpfi.org.

HI Pittsburgh is Hiring!

The Pittsburgh International Hostel is currently hiring for the position of Assistant Manager. On-site housing is available with this position.

Major Responsibilities:

Be able to staff and perform all of the duties of the Hostel Desk Staff, including:

- Perform guest registration, orientation and supervision.
- Process individual and group reservations.
- Sales of hostel memberships and other travel merchandise.
- Maintain positive working relationships with vendors and maintenance contractors.
- Perform routine building maintenance and cleaning.
- Ensure a safe, secure, clean and welcoming environment for customers and staff.
- Provide emergency medical assistance to guests and staff as needed.
- Respond to and resolve problems, conflicts and complaints from guests, staff and the local community
- Promote the reputation of the hostel within the local community.

Other Responsibilities:

- Train and supervise new staff and volunteers.
- Help plan and attend monthly Staff Meetings.
- Post staff schedules as needed.
- Perform biweekly payroll duties as needed.
- Take care of managerial responsibilities when the Manager is unavailable or on vacation.
- 3-5 Front Desk Shifts and 2-3 Manager-on-Duty shifts per week required (25 hours).
- Update checklists, the operations manual, staff forms, and other reference information as needed.
- Complete monthly and quarterly reporting responsibilities as needed.
- Process all monies received from hostel operations weekly, and report any discrepancies to the manager; prepare and make bank deposits, and get change for the hostel as needed.
- Order office, promotional, and cleaning supplies as needed.
- Perform other duties as assigned by the Hostel Manager.

If you are interested in working for the Pittsburgh International Hostel, please fax your resume to 412.431.2625; or mail it to 830 east Warrington avenue, Pittsburgh, PA, 15210.

Ohiopyle Update

The Ohiopyle Hostel, although buttoned up for the winter, is wide open to new ideas for increasing the numbers of guests and guests' comfort while staying at the Hostel. The Board of the Pittsburgh Council and an Ohiopyle Task Force are exploring options for a new and better Ohiopyle Hostel. Some of the issues under discussion include:

Facility Improvements. Preliminary work with professional architects is underway to make needed improvements both inside and out. Inside the Hostel, more bathroom fixtures are required to bring it into compliance with national standards. On Hostel grounds, there is a great need to make the Hostel more visible and inviting to trail users and other passers-by.

Staffing. Ohiopyle Hostel has historically operated year-round with full-time staff. Other options could include seasonal staff or becoming an "affiliate" which involve contracting out day-to-day operations.

Marketing. More and better outreach to potential guests is critical, especially to groups such as Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and outdoor groups. Zeroing in on the Hostel's market, both groups and indivisuals, and developing tools to reach them will be time well spent.

Business Planning. It's essential to operate the Hostel in the black. Discussions and decisions about all of the above will land in a document that can consistently guide the Hostel's future.

Throughout the planning process, the Hostel will be open to groups of 10 or more by special arrangement.

If you would like to help create Ohiopyle Hostel's future, please contact Alida Baker at 412-323-1430 or alida.baker@verizon.net.

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FRANS LANTING



FRANS LANTING TO DELIVER GALEN ROWELL MEMORIAL WILDLIFE SLIDE SHOW AND WORKSHOP

On April 12th, 2003, Frans Lanting, the great wildlife/nature photographer and close friend/colleague of the late Galen Rowell, will bring a two-part gift to Pittsburgh's conservation and photography communities. During the day he will present a **photographic workshop** for those who wish to learn more of the technical aspects of his approach to wildlife photography. In the evening Lanting will present the **Galen Rowell Memorial Slide Show** in memory of Rowell, who died with his wife, Barbara, in a tragic plane accident last August. Lanting and Rowell worked together on many occasions, including presenting field workshops together and co-illustrating books.

Concurrent with his program at Chatham College, Lanting will have a major exhibit at the **Carnegie Museum of Natural History** of photographs from his most recent book, "**Jungle**," running from March through May, 2003. One of Lanting's favorite quotations is that "*The soul is the same in all living creatures, although the body of each is different*," a testimony to his profound connection with the wild world. Lanting's other books include the exciting "**Eye to Eye**," an astonishing compendium of close-ups of wild animal eyes. He also was lead author/photographer for the World Wildlife Fund on the lavishly illustrated book, "The Living Planet" together with Galen Rowell and David Doubilet. See his website at **www.lanting.com**.

Galen Rowell had been to Pittsburgh on three occasions to present the keynote lecture at Sierra Club Annual Shows. He had a show at the Carnegie in 1992, some seventy photographs of Yosemite National Park. With each photograph was a quotation from John Muir about the spot illustrated, along with Rowell's own articulate observations. This show was one of the most exciting museum exhibits ever mounted in the name of wilderness conservation, and it was created to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Sierra Club.

The Lanting programs will be co-sponsored by many local organizations, among them the Allegheny Group of the Sierra Club, the Rachel Carson Institute of Chatham College, Silver Eye Photography and others.

The evening program will probably sell out, so early reservations are advised. Tickets may be obtained by writing to Lanting Program, 205 Elysian Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206, enclosing a check for \$15 for each ticket, made out to the Allegheny Group of the Sierra Club, and a stamped self-addressed envelope, to arrive prior to April 5th. The workshop tickets will be \$70, including lunch. Tickets will be obtained in the same way as for the evening program.

Final times and details are not firmed up, but maps and schedules will be enclosed with your returned tickets. Further information will also appear at the Allegheny Group of the Sierra Club's website, www.alleghenysc.org. The schedule will probably look like 10AM to 4PM for the workshop, including lunch, and 7:30PM to 10 for the evening program, all held at the Chapel on the Chatham College Campus, on Woodland Road in Shadyside, Squirrel Hill, in Pittsburgh, PA.

Contact: Donald L. Gibbon

412-362-8451, dongibbon@earthlink.net



CANOEING

Activity Co-chairs:

Paul Henry (724) 347-3282 Brian McBane (724) 443-8972

Hopefully the water will be plentiful this spring. Many times pick-up trips are planned for those with paddling experience on warm days in April. Call Brian McBane (724-443-8972) to see what's happening.

April 12 Kate Fissell and Ellie Stanton (412-661-5585) Crooked Creek, or other Class I run.

April 26 Brian McBane (724-443-8972)

Class I-II trip (destination depends on weather).

May 1, 8, 15 Eric & Shelley Nilson (412-487-3255). Thursday evenings on the lake (May and June).

22, 29 Bring your canoe and join the Nilsons at North Park Lake to enjoy the remains of the day and work on paddling technique. These are informal sessions, not scheduled trips, but if the evening is warm and dry, they'll probably be there by about 5:30 PM. Park in the lot at intersection of Pierce Mill and Babcock and launch into inlet. You can call and check before you leave if the weather looks too cool or

May 2-4 Paul Henry and Joyce Appel (724-526-5407)

Join Paul and Joyce on their annual canoe camp on beautiful Pine Creek, through the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania, near Wellsboro. Lots of nature sightings, optional hikes to view waterfalls, and a great breakfast spot! Moving water experience needed, as the run is rated Class I-II. Call for details early, as reservations for camping must be made. Kayakers are also welcome, call Vickie Gotaskie, AYH Kayak Chair for more information.

May 10 Hope King and Shelley Nilson (412-487-3255) Wildflower paddle, easy run.

May 13, 20, 27

June 3, 10

Tuesday Evening Canoe School. Learn to paddle tandem with basic instruction on the Allegheny River. Each session is repeated weekly—come for all or whatever your schedule permits. Canoes, paddles, PFD's provided. Bring something padded for kneeling. Call Brian McBane (724-443-8972) for details.

May 18 Don Hoecker (412-243-8298)

Red Bank Creek (conditions permitting) Class I-II.

May 23-26 Jon and Becky Maiman (412-242-7179)

Annual Memorial Day Weekend Canoe Camp—river to be determined. Call to make reservations no later than May 19.

June 15 Brian McBane (724-443-8972) Moving water school.

Help Revise the Canoe Guide

As you may be aware the 1991 edition of the Canoe Guide to Western Pennsylvania is out of print. There are no more copies available for sale. Given that the book is over 11 years old, it also needs to be revised and updated. Although the rivers have not moved much, changes still occur due to natural erosion and man made interference.

The guide is the effort of the canoeing community, not just the effort of one or two people.. Over 30 people that I know of worked on the last edition, contributing hundreds and hundreds of hours. We are not contemplating as large an effort this time, but we do need your help in at least five ways.

- 1) If you have a canoeing log in which you record river section, dates, and a comment about the water level (too low, low, okay, high, too high, etc) we would like to get a copy of the data. The USGS (US Geological Survey) publishes yearly reports on gauge levels and flows. With this, we can turn your date and river section into a gauge height for inclusion in the guide.
- 2) If you have looked recently at the guide, you will notice a "reported" or "checked" date associated with each write-up. Some of them are quite old. We would like to make these more current. What you can do is find a river section with an old date. Read the write up. Just before launching, read the write up again and as you paddle the river compare what you read to what is actually there. Shortly after taking out (while waiting for the shuttle), note any changes that you fell need to be made and then send the write-up in. If there are no changes then send or e-mail a note saying which section you ran, the date, and what you thought about water level.

Note: We are very reluctant to change the Class rating of a river. If you want to suggest a revised Class then refer to page 28-29 of the guide and cite specific phases that describe the river.

- 3) Similarly, see if the driving directions for the shuttle still work. Instead of just driving the shuttle, read the instructions and see if they make sense.
- 4) If you have paddled a section of river that is not currently in the guide, then write it up and send it in. We prefer the format found on page 462-463 of the guide, but we will take anything we can get.
- 5) Come on Tuesday night Apr 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13 at 6:00 PM and mark up the cur-

Other Outdoors Clubs

Butler Outdoors Club

BOC runs the same sorts of trips as Allegheny Group. Contact Dave Adams, 724-453-1685 DaveEAdams@aol.com or Bob Tait, 724-287-3382 BobTait@zbzoom.net or visit http://www.butleroutdoorclub.com Some trips by BOC and North Country Trails Assn. (NCTA) are listed below.

Wissahickon Nature Club

If you enjoy nature lore, look into the meetings and field trips of Wissahickon Nature Club. They meet every other Saturday at 6 PM (except June-August) at Community Presbyterian Church, 7501 Church Av., Ben Avon. Contact Chuck Tague, 412-488-8760 or 432 Olympia Rd, Pgh. 15219

Botanical Society of Western Pennsylvania

BSWP offers field trips in spring, summer and fall to look at and learn about the enormous variety of plant life that western Pa. offers. Everyone is welcome on field trips; amateurs, professionals, non-members, and anyone who is curious about the natural world. Trips are often at a leisurely pace, but may require hiking and traveling through wet/muddy areas. For information, e-mail your address for sample newsletter and membership information to yoree@sgi.net, or call Loree at 724-872-5232.

WPW (Western Pennsylvania Wheelmen) Bicycle Club

Home Page: http://wpwbikeclub.org Ride Hotline: 412-422-2234 Various length and difficulty rides scheduled each weekend and some during the week. Monthly meeting usually the 2nd Monday at 8pm at the Frick Environmental center on Beechwood Blvd in Squirrel Hill. See home page for details

Moraine Sailing Club

MSC offers sailing opportunities for new and experienced sailors at Lake Arthur in Moraine State Park. They have an active education program for all ages, numerous sailing related social events, Day Sailing at Lake Arthur, and a very active sailboat racing program. For more information see the MSC Web Page at www.morainesailingclub.org or contact Cindy Phillips, (412-741-5346, email to: widgeons@aol.com)

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA FIELD INSTITUTE -- TRIPS

For information on WPFI events, contact Sean Brady sbrady@wpfi.org 412-255-0564 or visit http://www.wpfi.org/ All events open to the public. Fridays, Noon-12:50 PM Nature Walks starting in Market Square, Downtown Pittsburgh, Cost: Free

Outside Adventure Learning of Western Pennsylvania

Outside Adventures 2002 Paddling Schedule

Call 724-230-0237 or 412-968-0310 for information or to sign up for any event. www.outsideadventures.org or www.outsideadventures@Yahoo.com More outings continuously offered. Call for Updates: 724-230-0237 or 412-968-0310.

Outside Adventures Sea-Kayaking Program "Sea-Kayaking Taught From Scratch"

Outside Adventure Learning of Western Pa. is a non-profit educational organization committed to introducing individuals to safe and enjoyable recreational outdoor pursuits. The sea-kayaking program specializes in teaching all levels of sea-kayaking skills and organizing trips from our evening introductory classes for new paddlers up to advanced expedition tours. Outside Adventures welcomes participation from individuals, families, youth organizations and outings clubs. Sea-kayaks, or touring kayaks are versatile, fun, human-powered watercraft that enables us to do all these things and more. They are sleek and fast, more efficient than canoes, more comfortable and stable than whitewater kayaks, have hatches to swallow loads of gear, and steerable rudders that enable even beginners to control the boat with ease.

SEA-KAYAKING

Kelleys Island, Cape Henlopen and Presque Isle are just a few of the interesting and exciting places we visited last summer. Whether you

are a beginner or an experienced paddler, we have a trip for you. So grab your paddle and sunscreen and we will see you on the water.

ActivityCo-Chairs Vickie 412-344-4929 Russ 412-331-2073

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Outside Adventure Learning of Western Pennsylvania above.

rent revision of the guide. During the week, the suggested changes will be entered and a fresh copy will be made for the following week. Even if you are not a rabid whitewater paddler you are certainly welcome to come and help out. There are some mechanical things that need to be done, such as checking that changes got made, and correlating and updating the gauge information and checking driving instructions against current maps. To be sure that the editing party is happening, verify the place and time by calling or checking the web site.

More details can be found at: http://shaw-weil.com/canoe/authors.asp Send any material to: Roy R Weil, 5131 Penton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Or Email to canoe@shaw-weil.com

7th Annual Outdoor Extravaganza, May 23-26, 2003

Sponsored by Butler Outdoor Club

Mail Form to: Joyce Appel, Box 204D, R.D.#l East Brady, PA. 16028

Name(s):		
Address:		
Phone:	Fax or Email:	
Total No. Adults:	Total Number of Children under age 12:	

* No daily activity fee or camping fee for children. * Fri. activity fee includes the weiner roast. * Half price meals for children under age 12.

* No dinner on Mon.

* Call or e-mail for family rates

	Fees:	Fri 5/23	Sat 5/24	Sun 5/25	Mon 5/26	Totals
Activity Fee	\$ 5/day/adult or \$15/weekend					
Breakfast	\$ 5/day					
Bag Lunch	\$ 5/day					
Dinner	\$ 9/Sat \$8/Sun.					
Pontoon Boat Tour	\$ 6.50 Adult					
	\$ 4.00 Child					
Kayak (per person)	\$15 rental					
Canoe (per canoe)	\$25 rental					
Camping 3 nights = \$20 2 nights = \$15 1 night = \$10	Per adult (kids free)					
	TOTALS:					

Please select a 1st and 2nd choice for an activity each day. Shaded areas may not be available that day.

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(Circle 15 miles, 30 miles or 30+)			
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(Circle 15 miles, 30 miles or 30+)			
Mountain Biking			
(Circle easy, intermediate, or advanced)			
Horseback Riding			
(Pay at nearby stables, \$16 for 1 st hr.)			
Hiking			
(Circle easy, intermediate, advanced)			
Pontoon Boat Tour of Lake Arthur			
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^{**} Call or email to be sure Rock Climbing & Rappelling, Caving, and Sailing are on the days marked. joyceappel@arm-tek.net (724)526-5407

7th Annual Outdoor Extravaganza Memorial Day Weekend May 23-26, 2003 Base camp at Breakneck Campground (Near McConnell's Mill & Moraine S.P.) Sponsored by Butler Outdoor Club

(Take I79, exit Route 422 west 1/8 mile. Then take Rt.19 South about 3 miles and follow signs "Outdoor Extravaganza" as you turn right onto Cheeseman Rd.to the campground.)

We have a weekend full of various outdoor activities:

road bike trips, bike trail trips, mountain biking, canoeing or kayaking on lakes or streams, caving, sailing on Lake Arthur at Moraine State Park, rock climbing and rapeling at McConnell's Mill S P, horseback riding and various kinds of hikes from easy to advanced. Also Pontoon Boat Tour on Lake Arthur and telescope viewing at the campground.

We use Breakneck Campground for our base camp. Leaders meet you here and take you to where each trip begins at 9:00AM each morning.

Delicious breakfasts, bag lunches and evening meals are catered at the campground. All meals are optional.

Friday is a Weiner Roast, and Sat. we go all out with a "Pig Roast." Each evening brings a wonderful speaker presentation or entertainment.

This weekend is a must! For more detailed information contact:

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joyceappel@arm-tek.net

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