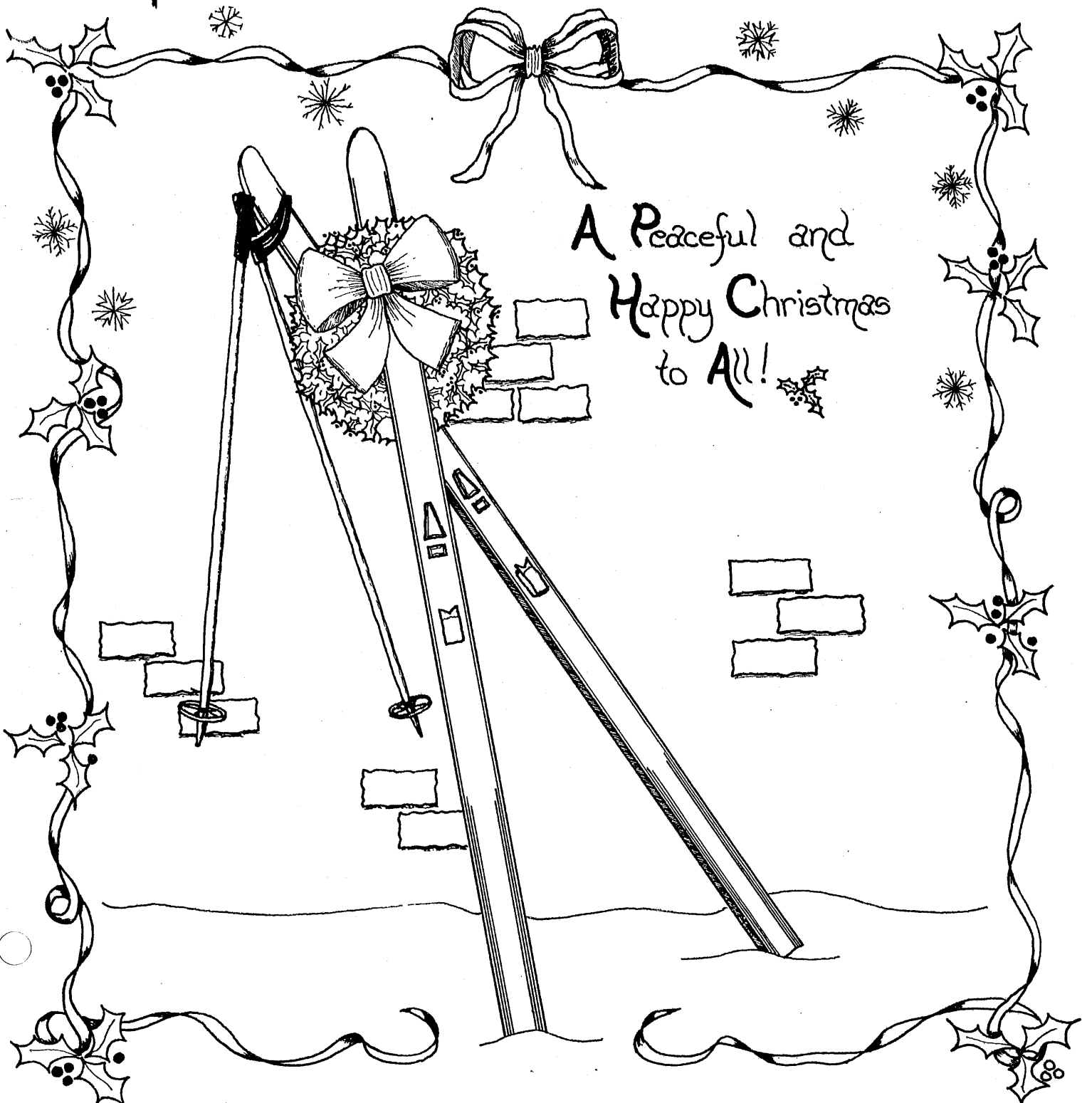


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A Peaceful and
Happy Christmas
to All!

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NEXT MEETING: DECEMBER 8, 1976 at 7:30 p.m.

Location: Western Federal Savings & Loan on Highway 93 South at the time & temperature sign

Program: Elvin Smith will give a presentation on winter survival. Discussion will include psychological aspects as well as physical aspects of survival; survival in a stranded vehicle, clothing; and survival skills in general.

TRIP SCHEDULE:

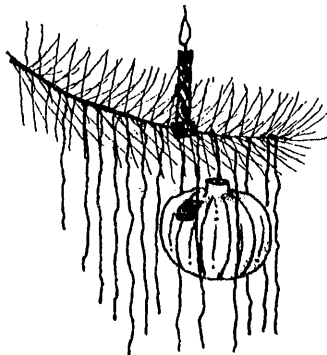
Dec. 4-5 Day or overnight trip to ski cabin on Little St. Jo in the Bitterroot. Leader John Walker, 549-0286.

Dec. 11 or 12 Day trip; cross country ski/snowshoe/hike (???) . Leader Ben Engelking.

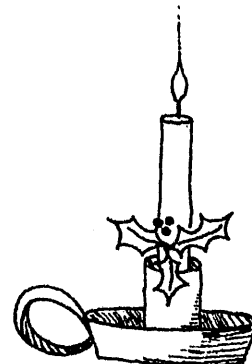
NOTE: MORE TRIPS FORTHCOMING IF IT SNOWS.

NEW MEMBERS: 1. Kathy Kistler, 2023 Mount, Msla. 728-5127 2. Annette Drilling, 707 S.W. Higgins, Apt. 214, Msla. 728-5210 3. Hilda Oakes, 707 S.W. Higgins, Apt. 224, Msla. 728-5671.

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We go...on foot
We ski...tour
We shoot with camera
We boat in silence
We enjoy...with respect



MORE SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS from Barbara Honkala's BIBLIOGRAPHY...

Barb was a Rocky Mountaineer several years ago before being exiled to Falls Church, Virginia. To help smooth over the transition, she spent many hours in libraries and bookshops going thru backpacking literature. (Now she goes to Maine for escape.) She has been kind enough to share her findings with us (see Dec. '75 MountainEar.)

WHERE-TO-GO -- A few potential areas.

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EQUIPMENT -- Buy it or make it.

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JUVENILE - for kids, not in quality!

1. Boy Scouts of America. Fieldbook for men and boys. (replaces Fieldbook #944). New Brunswick, N.J., McGraw-Hill, 1967.
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1. Bridge, Raymond. Complete snow camper's guide. New York, Scribner, 1973. illus.
2. Graves, Richard H. Bushcraft: a serious guide to survival and camping. New York, Schocken, 1972. 344 p., illus.
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HANDBOOKS & GUIDES

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2. Elman, Robert. The hiker's bible. New York, Doubleday, 1973. 152 p., illus.
3. Riviere, Wm. A. Backcountry camping. Garden City, N.Y., Doubleday, 1971. 320 p., illus.

