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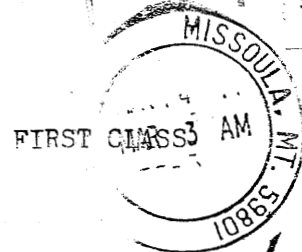
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS  
OF WESTERN MONTANA

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## ROCKY MOUNTAINEER TRIP SCHEDULE:

- April 12 sat. ski tour in LOLO PASS area. Moderate difficulty. Call Virginia, 543-8078.
- April 20-26 EARTH WEEK
- April 20 sun. POTLUCK DINNER and TRIP SCHEDULING PARTY, 519 Woodford. Bring food to share, eating utensils, one trip for the summer schedule, and be ready to call one other mountaineer in search of trip leaders. The partying will commence at 6 pm with eating scheduled for 7 pm.
- April 26-27 YELLOWSTONE BICYCLE TRIP. Check out the park in the early season with Dave Hohl. There should be plenty of game to see. Write Dave now at Box 806, Pinedale, WY. 82941, or call him at home 1-307-367-2309, or at work 1-307-367-4326 up to the last minute of the Thursday before.

THE MOUNTAIN EAR  
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The Rocky Mountaineers of Western Montana, Box 4262, Missoula, Montana, 59806, welcome all persons interested in hiking, camping, ski-touring, snowshoeing, river floating, bicycling, and technical climbing--summer, autumn, winter, and spring. Subscription to the Mountain Ear is by membership: \$4.00/year, single; \$5.00/year, family; or \$2.00/volume to out-of-town addresses. Eight issues per volume.

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APRIL 9 WEDNESDAY MEETING 7:30 pm  
Downstairs at the Double Front Cafe, 122 W. Alder

WESTERN WATERS river-rafting presentation

ELECTION OF OFFICERS  
REFRESHMENTS

It's not too late to offer your services in running the Rocky Mountaineers of Western Montana. Your nominating committee (Pat Hirst, Charles Hamma & Virginia Vincent) has talked to many members in hopes of imbuing people with the urge to serve. We need a PRESIDENT nominee. Nominations will be taken from the floor to accompany the following:

- Vice-presidential candidates Caroline Eder  
Jim Yllrich
- Secretarial candidate "Andy" Beals
- Treasurer incumbent Arnold Finklin (who has agreed to take the office on for another year).

We also spoke to members about various activities and committees and have come up with the following:

- Mountain Ear staff addition - Paula Mullis
  - Refreshment committee chairperson - Mary Ambrose
  - Conservation committee - Dave Line, Bill Beaufait, Sharon Mitman, & Cheryl Beyer
- Thanks, folks.

ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERSHIP APRIL 1980  
(Numbers refer to month dues expire)

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Adler, Richard & Cerpl 5 Mike & Steve 728-2627	Hamma, Charles 11 549-0463	Miller, Sam & Kristine 8 728-0279
Ambrose, Mary 3 543-7566	Hayden, Deborah 12 549-3263	Mitman, Sharon 5 <i>211 Cottonwood</i> 721-2367
Anderson, Art 10 728-2080	Heaney, Nancy 8 Tustin-CA	Morgan, Bill 10 363-5339 (Hamilton)
Bair, Myra 4 728-3616	Hirst, Pat 10 728-3551	Morgan, Miriam 8 321 S.3 W, Msla.
Baty, Don 4 683-5764 (Dillon)	Hohl, Dave 1 Pinedale WYO	Morrison, April 3 (til June, Big Sandy MT)
"Andy" Beals 11 542-2357	Holden, Rob 8 543-5545	Mullis, Paula & Nicole 10 549-9551
Beaufait, Bill 12 Paul, Mark, David, Susan 543-5400	Howe, George & Sharon 4 David Stephenson 543-4200	Nisewanger, Don 12 721-3254
Beyer, Cheryl & 6 Kogan, Jerry 721-3286	Hrusca, Ilona & 9 Swanson, Mark 721-3832	Ojala, Les 10 625 S. 6 E, Mala.
Bishop, Bill 2 Polson, MT	Jacko, Bill 11 728-7829	Ortner, Eydi & Garrity, J. 4 721-5021
Boyd, Christine 5 728-3413	Johnson, Betty 12 549-1763	Petersen, Evelyn 1 549-5241
Brownlow, Sue 4 728-8120	Keller, Marti 8 728-9388	Peterson, Katherine 4 % The Missoulian
Crago, Peter 8 Box 3722, Msla. 59806	Kerling, Bill 10 330 W. Broadway	Pfeiffer, "Bert" & Jean 9 James 549-0570
Davidson, Don 4 543-3684	Kiebler, Bave & Andrea 11 Box 1131, Dillon MT 59725	Polland, Margaret 10 543-7336
Decou, William & Nancy 4 728-5376	Kipphut, Joe 12 728-4572	Rayment, Bob 8 101 Northview, Msla. 59801
Deeble, Bob 5 543-4034	Klawitter, Ralph & Lillian 1 Mike & Mark 728-4778	Raymond, Karen 1 728-7936
Duckworth, Bill 12 363-4495 (Hamilton)	Knotek, Joe & Lynne 10 549-2040	Schopf, Bob & Maryann 12 Jim 728-2995
Easterling, Alison 12 728-5145	Kogan, Jerry & Beyer, C. 6 721-3286	Schultz, Jim 11 549-0523
Eder, Caroline 1 542-2552	Kosa, Barbara & Greason, T. 2 428 Chestnut, Dillon	Shigley, Art 4 Beaverton OR 97005
Finklin, Arnold 5 543-8705	Kuhl, Dick 4 Kalispell MT	Shryock, Jane 8 549-9262
Force, Raymond 8 1411 Dickinson, Msla 59801	Lambert, Brenda 2 728-6051	Snyder, Andy 12 721-4121
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Garrity, John & 4 Ortner, Eydi 721-5021	Lukowski, Tom & Sharon 3 Stevensville MT 59870	Stuart, Eugene 8 549-9064
Greason, Tom & 2 Kosa, Barbara 428 Chestnut, Dillon MT	McCloskey, Dennis 11 273-2974	Swanson, Mark & Hrusca, I. 9 721-3832
	Miller, Lynda 10 728-6356	Swarthout, Sandi 8 721-3673

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Ullrich, Jim 12  
549-2844

Ungaretti, Mary Jean 11  
728-0026

Vincent, Virginia 11  
543-8078

Washburne, Randy 4  
721-3256

Weidman, Robert & Eleanor  
549-7793 12

Williams, Mel & Kim 12  
543-8598

Wolff, Dick & Del 3  
Donny, Wendy, Randy  
549-4923

Worf, Bill & Eva Jean 12  
Stevensville MT 59870

Yale, Keith & Martha 4  
549-2163

NEW MEMBERS

Doug Wright, 2223 E. Summit Dr.  
251-3698

Greg. & June Siple, 717 Defoe,  
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CONSERVATION NEWS...Have you noticed? Written testimony  
on the WEST BIG HOLE WILDERNESS proposal will be accepted  
for another couple of weeks - as late as April 20th, (not  
Mar. 30 as originally set.) Write your letter to Hon. Pat  
Williams, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515  
concerning his bill H.R. 5344. The question is how much  
Wilderness. U.S. Forest Service proposes 53,000 acres -  
wilderness advocates propose 86,000 acres - our of a 140,  
000 acre roadless area. Check with the local Environmental  
Information Center office if you need more information.

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WANTED TO BUY: Inexpensive camping gear for 1 small adult &  
1 regular-sized male. Need to replace backpacks, tent, cook-  
kit & sleeping bags. Call Sherie Alderson, 549-0984 evenings.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR FROM DON BATY

It seems like every time a new MOUNTAIN EAR comes lately it contains some kind of libelous remark about Don Baty. I'm starting to get concerned about this. Since I don't live in town and rarely make the monthly meetings, the only way most Mountaineers know me is through the newsletter. I can't imagine what kind of ideas are starting to develop, but I can't help but notice that whenever I'm scheduled to lead a trip, no one comes. Since I'll be in Arizona for the rest of the winter and safe from insulting replies, I thought this would be a good time to answer the erroneous and nefarious charges that keep appearing.

First of all, I'm 5 feet 10 inches tall and weigh all of 130 pounds. Now does that sound like an over-zealous abominable snowman for crissakes?? Many of these charges are based on misunderstandings. Like this business about yelling my head off at the crack of dawn. I would like to point out that in January the "crack of dawn" is 8 am, and when you've been in your sleeping bag since 6 pm the night before, you're hardly in need of more sleep. The only reason for staying in the bag is that it's COLD out there. Well, what do you expect in Montana in winter anyway??

But, I must admit that for all my winter camping trips, I'm not very fond of the cold. That cool down period from the time you get out is definitely the pits. Therefore, I like to keep it as short as possible. Isn't that a logical explanation for the fast starts you keep reading about in the MOUNTAIN EAR?

Now weather reports. Beauty is in the eye of the beholder after all, and some people like blizzards.

That was easy. Now as for zooming ahead and not staying behind to help beginners. Ahem. Bill Morgan almost always comes along with enough extra gear to outfit the Russian army, eager to help any fledglings. Somebody has to break trail after all, and some were just born to lead.

One could get the impression from reading the MOUNTAIN EAR that the urge to climb mountains is strange or something. A look at the trip schedule would suggest that the name of the club should be changed to the Rocky-Laid-Back-Hotspringers.

Well, I certainly hope this corrects some of the misguided impressions that might have been developing. Having gotten all this off my chest, I'm going to put this in the mail and head south. Have a nice winter and try to get out of the hot springs once in a while to climb a mountain or two.

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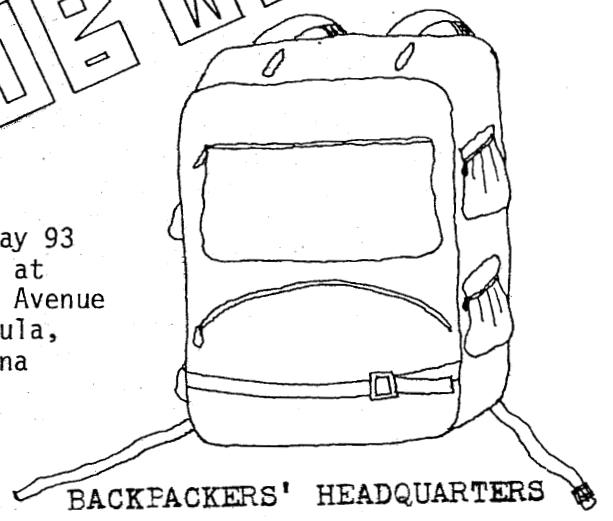
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refuge starting 1 p.m. Potluck 6 p.m. at Lukomski's. Call  
Sharon at 721-1330 ext. 214 or leave message at Vo-Tech.

May 17-18 TORSV WEST

May 23-27 Les Ojala will lead a canoe float trip down the white rocks  
area of the Missouri River Memorial Day weekend. We will  
leave Missoula Friday evening May 23 and return Tuesday  
evening May 27. 549-5263.

Fourth of July Deborah Hayden is going to Banff to walk over VICTORIA  
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