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Everett Mountaineers, P.O. Box 1848, Everett, WA 98206

DON HECK ELECTED PRESIDENT OF MOUNTAINEERS

The Everett Mountaineers are proud to recognize Don Heck as the President of the Mountaineers. Don holds the distinction of becoming the first branch member to serve as president of the entire club and Everett is honored to claim him as one of ours.

Don has been an active Mountaineer member since joining the Everett Branch in 1979 when he enrolled as a student in the Everett Basic Climbing Course. Since that time, Don's involvement in the Mountaineers has grown exponentially through the years. Don's leadership abilities were quickly recognized and in 1980 he became chairperson of the Basic Climbing Committee. Subsequently, he has served in the position of Intermediate Climbing Committee chairperson, Banquet Chairman, and Branch Chair. He also provided invaluable support to the newsletter committee, instrumental in creating the newsletter's computerized format, and almost single-handedly updated the branch's bylaws. Along the way, Don also found time to participate as a student of the Intermediate Climbing Course and the Telemark Course, from which he was the first graduate!

In the fall of 1989, Don was elected Everett branch trustee, a position that he filled for two years. The trustee position increased his involvement with

the larger Mountaineer organization, leading first to his election to the Vice-Presidency and now PRESIDENT.

This election is a fitting recognition of a man known for his integrity, thoughtfulness, consideration of others, leadership abilities, and just plain "good sense". On behalf of the Everett Mountaineers, "THANK YOU, DON" and good luck in your new role.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Submission deadline for the June Bulletin is April 20. Please send these to the P.O. Box, Attn. Jeanne Nindel-Edwards, Bulletin Coordinator.

Submissions for the May Newsletter are due April 1st, 1992. Send these to the P.O. Box or give them to Wayne or Jeanne at the business meeting.

MT. PILCHUCK REGISTER MISSING

During the week of October 14-20, 1991 somebody took the Pilchuck Mountain Lookout Register. The Everett Maintenance Committee needs this register, so that we can tell the State Parks Department, the number of people per day, that visited the lookout. If you have it or know who does, please contact Ron Smith 347-0763, or Jerry Thompson 653-7390, or Larry Longley 252-1669. Thank You.

-Ron Smith

APRIL'S PROGRAM

SPRING ACTIVITIES IN THE CASCADES

Rather than cleaning the yard on that beautiful spring day, spend it on the snow in the Cascades. With the days getting longer, cross-county skiing, snowshoeing and ski-mountaineering provides an opportunity to enjoy the serene beauty and solitude of the Cascades.

The slide presentation by David "Zap" Czaplicki will highlight the basics of each activity plus the availability of economical lodging. Zap is an avid winter enthusiast who spends over 50 days each winter in the mountains. Join Zap for a casual and humorous approach to spring activities in the Cascades.

MAY'S PROGRAM

A lot of Mountaineers have, at one time or another, fantasized about leaving their jobs, packing up their gear, and heading off to spend a whole summer exploring their "wish list" of favorite mountain areas. In 1990, one Everett branch member did just that. Over the course of the six months, he hiked, scrambled, or climbed in seven states, seven different National Parks, 12 wilderness areas, six major volcanic peaks, covering almost 800 miles on foot. The program following the May monthly meeting will feature his slides from these travels.

CLUB HOUSE FEASIBILITY STUDY

In mid 1991, Larry Longley, Branch Chair, created an Ad Hoc Committee to study the feasibility of acquiring a permanent clubhouse for the Everett Mountaineers. This committee was chaired by Forrest Clark, with George Swan as Secretary. Additional volunteers who contributed to the committee were Kevin Broderick, Jerry Campbell, Wayne Cunningham, Louis Coglas, Henry Krall, Seth Kelsey, Ray Metzger, Dennis Miller, Linda Nyman, and others.

The purpose of the committee was "to find a permanent facility where the Everett Mountaineers could hold classes, monthly meetings, store equipment, house a library and archives, and post pertinent club information to the general public. This would need to be acquired in such a way as to make the most prudent use of all Branch resources". A report to the Executive Committee was to be made on its findings and recommendations.

The committee investigated how other branches acquired facilities, looked at projected growth analysis (graphs enclosed), participated heavily in analyzing the Membership survey for direction from the membership, and reviewed where the members lived in relation to finding the ideal location geographically. The committee investigated the following options and made its report at the last Executive Committee meeting on February 19, 1992.

1) To purchase or build a club house using exiting funds.

Result: Insufficient funds available at this time.

2) To purchase or build a club house using exiting funds and borrowing money. Options such as increased dues, book sales, etc. were reviewed for feasibility.

Result: Insufficient cash flow to warrant this activity. There was also no interest from the survey of May 1991 for this option.

3) To build a shared club house facility as a joint venture with the Everett Parks Department and other similar organizations.

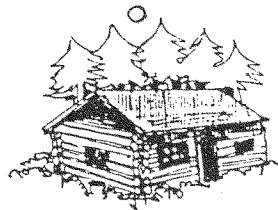
Result: Nothing available at this time. Might be pursued in the future.

4) To find an interested party/parties willing to donate land or capital for the building of a club house.

Result: No volunteers found at this time.

5) Find temporary office space and phone for a 6 month trial basis.

Result: Discussed at Executive Committee meeting.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVED THE FOLLOWING:

1) Propose a telephone system to provide convenient public access and availability.

2) The AD Hoc Feasibility Study Committee has completed its study and agrees to disband.

3) A new ongoing committee should assume the responsibility of continuing the work of the study committee.

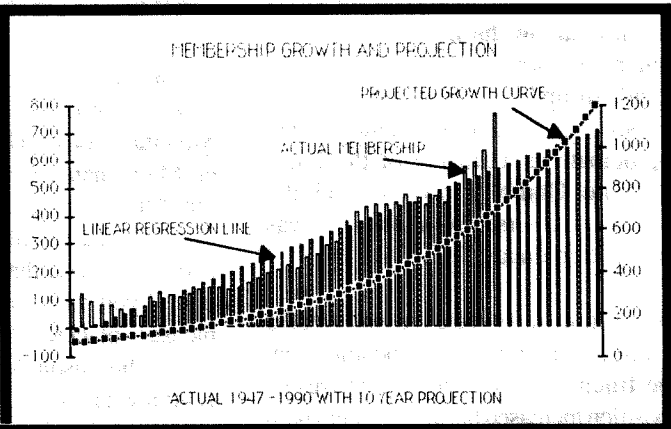
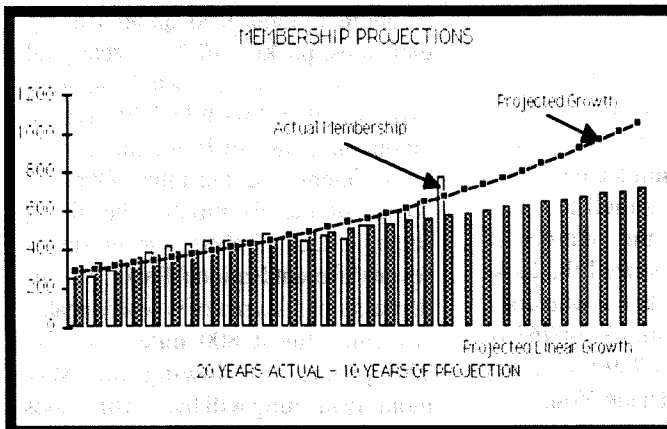
The new committee should be named the Facilities Coordination Committee.

This new committee should be AD Hoc in nature, and serve in the capacity as advisory to the Everett branch.

One of the main functions of the new committee will be to coordinate growth of the club with needed facilities.

BUSINESS MEETING
April 1st, 1992

The next business meeting will be Wednesday, April 1st, 1992, at the Everett Congregational Church in downtown Everett, 2624 Rockefeller at 7:30 P.M.. All members and guests are encouraged to attend.



POTLUCK SUCCESS

The potluck was a huge success. The succulent deserts and tasty main dishes and salads were exceedingly satisfying.

Someone left a grey mans hat at the meeting. It is now on top of the box of mountaineer supplies over the kitchen cupboards.

CONSERVATION CORNER

An overwhelming majority of the Everett members endorsed the repairing of the Suiattle River road by the Forest Service. Louis Coglas asked for the club's approval. The greater the use of the forest for recreational purposes, the more aware people will be for the need to preserve this vanishing heritage of the Northwest.

Another vanishing heritage is the lowland old growth forest west of Bremerton known as the Rhododendrom Preserve. The Mountaineer Foundation manages this preserve of 180 acres.

In 1916, the Mountaineers purchased a 20 acre parcel containing a lodge called Kitsap Cabin and started a Forest Theater. In 1985 all but this 20 acres was transferred to the Mountaineer Foundation.

Adjoining acreage is now available and is needed as a buffer zone to protect and preserve the old growth trees and the wild natural habitat of plants, animals and spawning salmon in the streams.

Gift donations from individuals is urgently needed for aquisition of the property parcels. Make checks out to Mountaineer Foundation, and mail to 300 Third Avenue West, Seattle, WA. 98119

I, _____,

Donate \$ _____

To the Mountaineers Foundation for Purchase of additional land for the Rhododendron Preserve.

CENTENNIAL TRAIL MAINTENANCE

April 18, 1992 at 10:00 a.m., Earth Day will be observed with a trail maintenance work party. Everyone eager and excited to assist will meet at the Lake Cassidy trail head.

Assignments will be allocated to different portions of the trail in need of sprucing up and clearing. Bring pruning tools and a sack lunch. There will be a lunch break around 1:00 p.m. at the trail head with soft drinks provided.

Gas powered weed wackers will be rented for use where needed. Also needed are some strong muscles to handle the weed wackers. Please come and join the Earth Day celebration on the Centennial Trail.

Directions to Lake Cassidy: Drive to Highway 9, North from Frontier Village. Turn East on 42nd Street: left on 99th street, then right on 54th Street to the end of the road. There is ample parking in the open area.

For further information, and for car pools, call Delores Wagner, 568-3828.
- Vera Bonner

NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in welcoming the following new members to the Everett Branch.

FOLKDANCE

The Everett Mountaineers 2nd Friday Folkdance will be April 10, 1992, at Floral Hall in Forest Park, Everett. Dancing at 9:00 p.m. will be to live music by Justin's Radio Band playing a variety of well-known folk dances. At 8:00 Lec Werre will teach steps and styles in ballroom dancing, which is also good foundation for many folk dances.

There is no fourth Friday folkdance on April 24 (this month only) due to availability of the hall.

Folkdance lessons for the spring quarter will begin April 13, and will run 10 weeks every Monday night until June 22, at 8:15 - 10:15, at Floral Hall. This will be a series of intermediate-level dances such as hambo, mazurka, tango, as well as popular patterns for couples and groups. Please sign up with Everett Parks Department at Forest Park, \$25 for the series. Or phone the Parks Department at 259-0300, or Mountaineers Dance Chairperson Laurie at 659-6559.

Newcomers are welcome at all Everett dances. No partner needed. Wear comfortable clothes, flat heels with leather soles. Refreshments furnished. \$5.00 donation appreciated for the live music: otherwise \$4.00.

Directions to Floral Hall: From I-5 take Broadway/41st Exit 192 and follow signs to 41st. Turn west (right) onto 41st and go through 2 signals and sharp left turn onto Mukilteo Blvd. Along first gentle curve to the right, turn left at "Welcome to Forest Park" sign. Park on top of hill. Floral Hall is to left of the large swimming pool building.



**“WHY MEN DON'T WANT
TO CAMP WITH
WOMEN.”**

Here is yet another article taken from an electronic bulletin board system. This article is a humorous comment on an otherwise serious discussion about whether it is better for men and women to visit the backcountry together or separately. I thought it was hilarious. **!WARNING!** This article contains crude and vulgar material. New-Age-Sensitive-Guys may want to skip to the next article. -John Witters

From: (Doak Heyser)

Subject: Why men don't want to camp with women

WARNING: Crude, infantile, sexist discussion follows. If you are over the age of 5 please hit 'n' now.

There are a variety of reasons why men don't want women along on camping trips but it all boils down to this: we just want to be ourselves. Girls cramp our style.

For example, I was out with some pals on a hairy-chested expedition last spring and we hung out around the campfire drinking bear. Suddenly Frank turns around and sticks his butt right in the fire and lets loose with a ripper. Flames shoot a foot. Then he runs around for five minutes holding his ass and screaming because he torched the hairs near his 'nether regions'. We thought this was pretty funny but we know the ladies couldn't appreciate it. They just don't have the mental capacity to appreciate subtle humor like that.

Besides, we want to talk about babes without feeling self conscious. I'll be hanging out in camp with a few people and say something innocuous like, "I want to meet a girl with a body like a gymnast and a mind like a tree stump" and Kapow! One of the girls in camp hits me with a large box of mouse mattresses, er, feminine napkins.

The best part though is not having to act macho. We only do that dangerous stuff to impress the chicks. If they're not around we just sit in camp sipping wine and reading true romance novelettes. We can discuss our inner feelings and the finer points of flower arranging. Of course, if some girl shows up, it's back to talking about rope work and football.

There are other things too. Sophomoric humor can be indulged in with glee. Pissing contests can be arranged (loser has to make coffee in the morning). Food can be dropped on the ground, walked on, and still be picked up and eaten without anyone saying a word or even caring. No one asks to heat some water so they can wash their face. One merely has to walk 10 feet to shake the lilly. And in the morning we can pull out our pee wee and piss on the fire without bothering anyone.

So ladies, don't feel bad when the guys don't want you to go along on their next camping trips. Feel lucky instead.

:-) <- obligatory smiley for the humor impaired

Doak "who isn't a sexist pig in real life but plays one on the network" Heyser

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