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## JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1974 7:30 P.M.

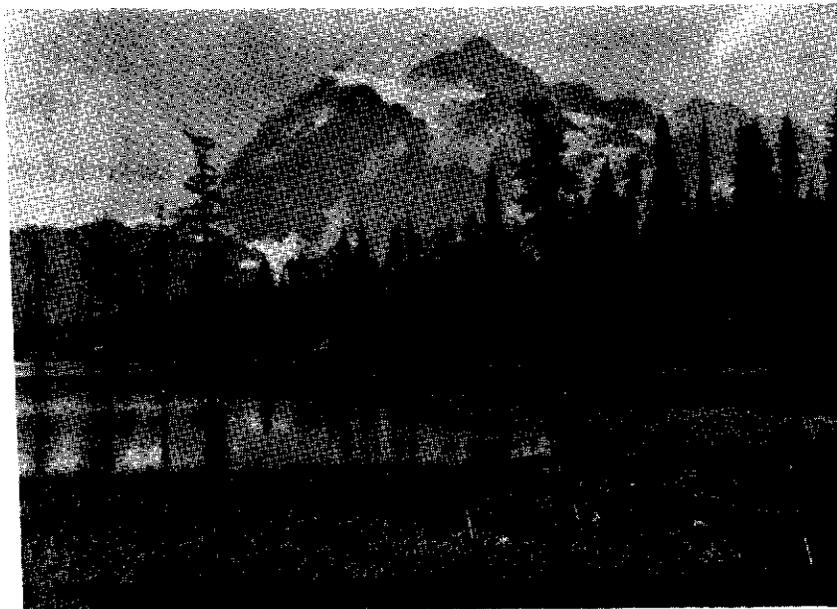
2ND ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

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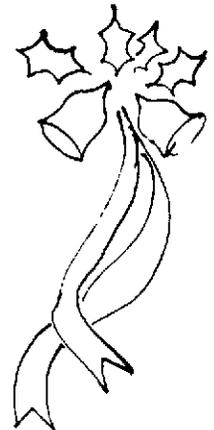
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Further details inside

SEASONS



GREETINGS



President Ken Spietz called the December meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society to order at the Plant II theater. There were 22 members and guests present..

**New business:**

Al Mercer made a motion to have the Secretary send a letter to every Congressman from Washington voicing club support of the Coalition supported bill on the Alpine Lakes.

Pete Saunders presented three reasons to purchase club equipment:

- 1) To allow members to easily participate in new facets of the sport.
- 2) To enable members to experiment with new equipment designs.
- 3) To provide members with "expedition" equipment that they would not normally purchase as an individual.

Pete also suggested that we should deny equipment to members who abuse equipment and/or loan policy rather than charge rental or deposit. He will publish a concise list of guidelines for loaning equipment in the near future.

With these guidelines in mind the club voted to purchase the following articles of equipment:

- 1 MSR Tent
- 1 MSR Stove
- 2 pairs of "Lightfoot" aluminum snowshoes

After a discussion of the activities to take place in December and over the holidays, the meeting was adjourned to hear Pat Goldsworthy speak on conservation efforts to save the North Cascades Wilderness.

Dave Campbell

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Starting Balance, Nov. 20, 1973	\$661.93
Expenditures	40.44
Closing Balance, Dec. 20, 1973	\$621.49

Glenn Brindeiro

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# BOEALP'S PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



Well, once again the date that all of you have been waiting for draws near, namely the Boeing Employee's Alpine Society's second annual photograph contest. The time is at hand when we humbly exhibit our past year's many photographic endeavors. Due to last year's successful contest, we are staying with the same format. There will be three main categories; color prints, black & white prints and color slides. Each main category will have sub-categories. The print categories will consist of (1) general mountain related scapes (2) wildlife (3) seascapes (4) miscellaneous, such as flora, sunsets, people, snowscapes, etc. The slide category will consist of (1) general mountain related scapes (2) wildlife (3) winter scapes (4) sunsets (5) flora (6) inclement weather (7) people.

This year members and friends may enter up to 35 photographs, which may be distributed throughout the categories of your choice. Once again everybody that comes will participate in the judging. Each print will have a number and short description identifying photographer, location, animals, flower, etc.

The meeting will be at the Royal Fork Restaurant on Mercer Island. Dinner which is optional is scheduled to begin at 6:00, cost \$3.00, while the meeting will begin at 7:30. Those bringing photographs are encouraged to show up by 7:00 for reasons of preparation of display. Slides should have photographer's initials on them.

In order for this contest to be as enjoyable and successful as last years, it is again imperative to have a large turn out of participants. A few of us have put a lot of effort towards organizing this meeting, the rest is up to you. Don't pass up entering your photographs feeling that they are not good enough This is one of the few opportunities during the year where the members can participate as a whole interacting unit.

## ACTIVITIES

The following activities are tentative (except those with leaders) and will take place only if there is sufficient interest. All activities will have party limits, so sign up as soon as possible.

Jan. 19-20	Beach Hike	May 25-27	Mt. Stuart Climb
Jan. 12-13	Snowshoe Hike-Mt. Rainier Dave Gerada LA2-5255	June 1-2	Mt. Baker Climb
Feb. 9-10	Beach Hike Art Wolfe 935-7674	June 8-9	Mt. Rainier
Feb. 24	Snowshoe Hike	June 22-23	Hard Ice Practice
March 9-10	Beach Hike	July 4-7	Glacier Peak
March 23	Hike Ron Peltola 242-4655	July 13-14	Mt. Triumph Bruce Gaumond
April 13-14	Rock Climbing Practice Leavenworth	July 20-28	British Columbia Outing and/or Grand Teton Climb
May 11-12	Mt. St. Helens Climb	Aug. 10-11	Mt. Adams Climb
May 18-19	Ice Axe Practice	Aug. 24-28	Olympic N.P. Outing Bruce Gaumond
		Aug. 31- Sept. 2	Enchantment Lakes

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Aluminum carrying case that contains all of above  
Tripod with leather case

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Coming Attraction - Snowshoe-Ski Hike Lanham Lake - Sunday, Jan. 6, 1974

Start off the first weekend of the year with our special introductory snowshoe hike to lovely limp Lake Lanham, nestled in a picturesque pocket beneath Jim Hill mountain, just over Stevens Pass. Only 4 miles round trip, only 1000 feet elevation gain. Summit attempt for the fool hardy.

Call Leader Bruce Gaumond Work 773-0327 Home Ch 6-2520

(No snowshoes? Call Pete Saunders and try out 1 of clubs 10 pairs, with 5 different types available)

Coming Attraction - Winter Overnight Beach Hike Mosquito Creek - Jan. 26-27

Undismayed by the battering beach storm on our last foray, out onto the wild Olympic beach, we will resume our winter overnight beach hike series on January 26-27 for a trip to memorable Mosquito Creek, North of the Hoh River. We will travel via the High Hoh route about 5 miles toward Mosquito Creek flows (or disgorges, depending upon the recent rain) into the mighty blue Pacific. Return the following day via the low Hoh route. Site of last years sunshining beach hike, so come along and hope history repeats itself. Bridge building practice on Mosquito Creek for constructive minded. Luxurious accomodations at mystery cabin at Mosquito Creek, discovered by Art Wolfe.

Call me. Bruce Gaumond Work 773-0327 Home Ch 6-2520 for advanced

\* booking

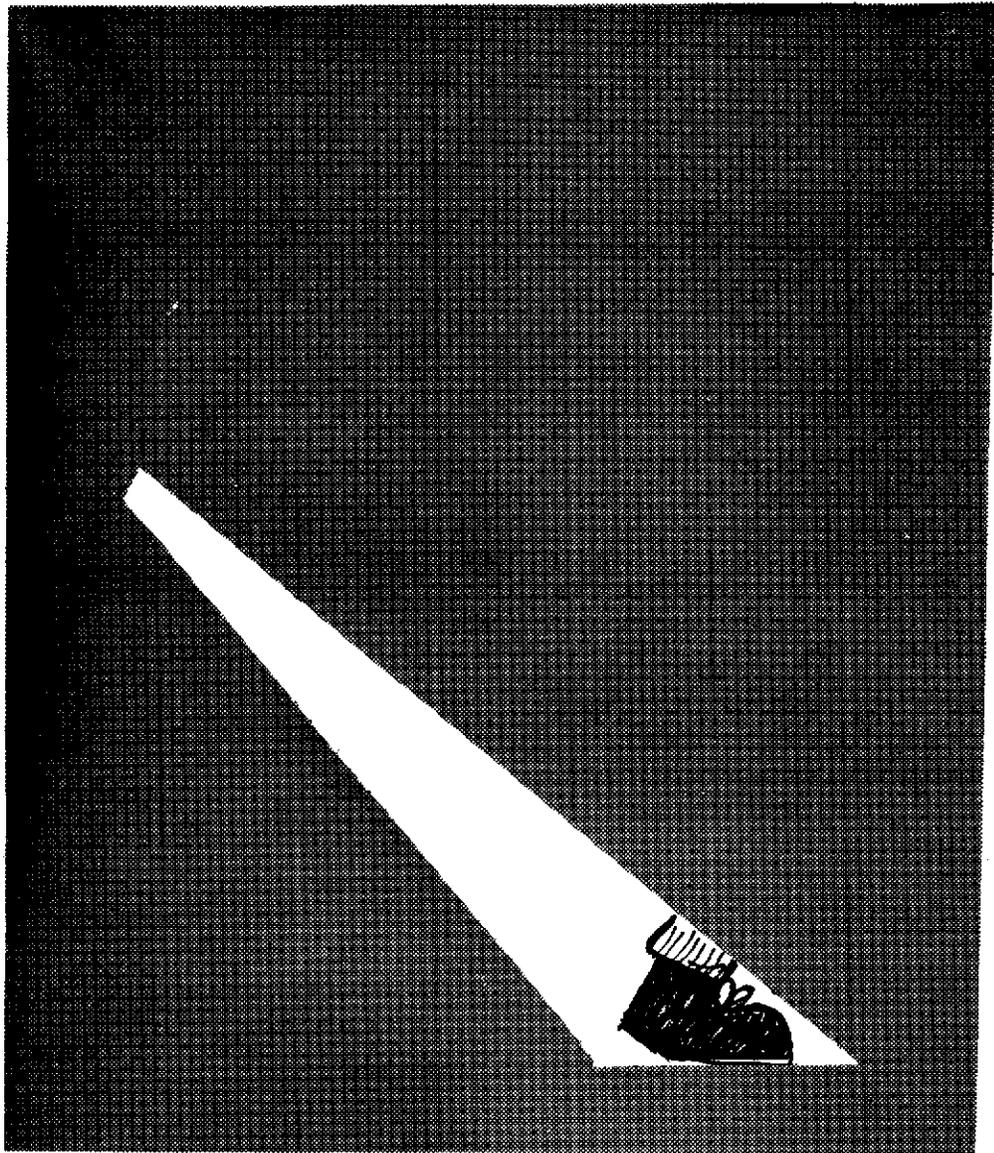
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This spot 5"x 7" will be reserved each month for any member who would like to share a photograph with the rest of the members. The photograph can be humorous or otherwise.

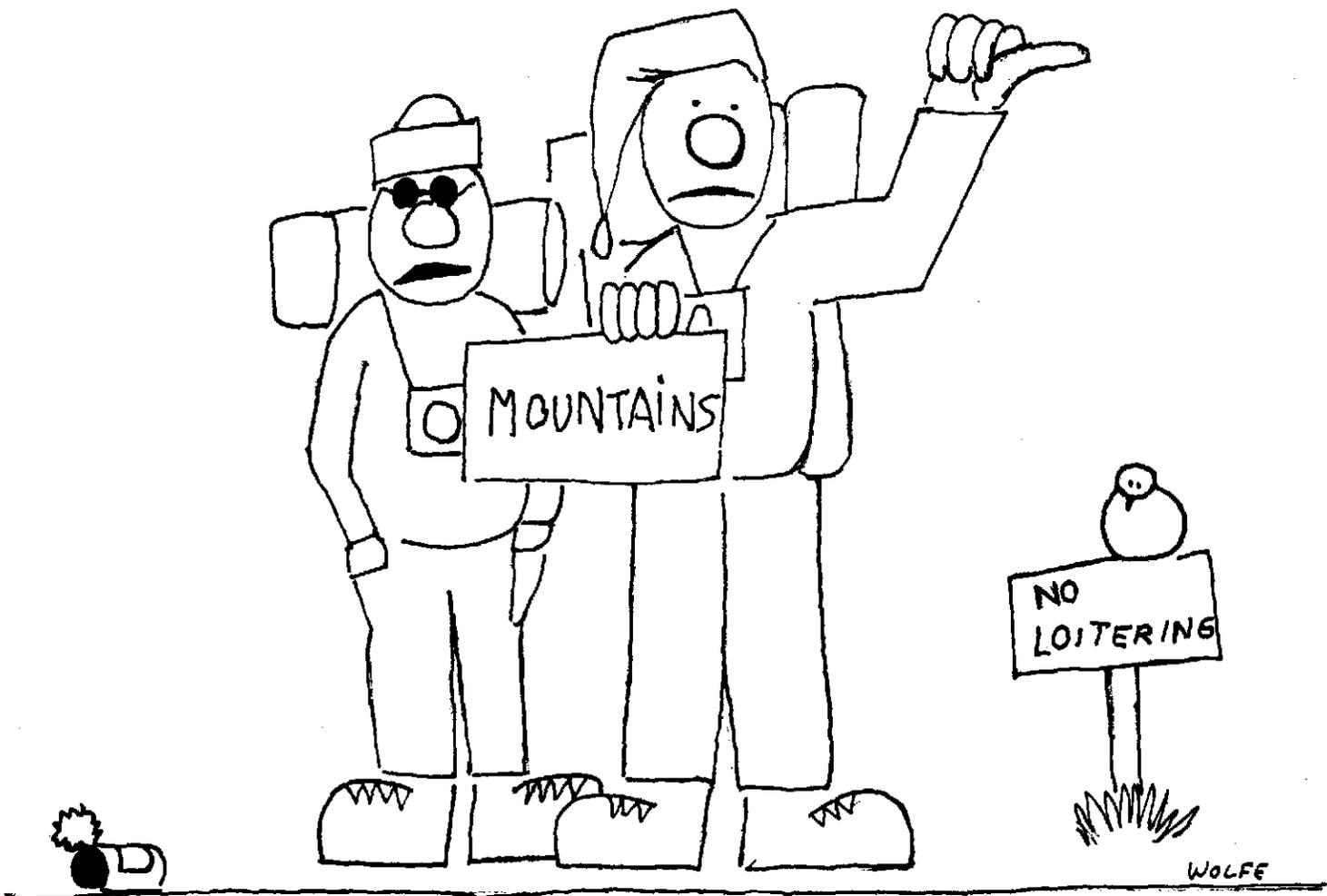
Just send to Bob Lesmeister a black & white print or negative which will be returned at the following meeting. Also include a short identification. Name is optional.



RON PELTOLA, DAVE GERADA, BRUCE GAUMOND HIGH ON CHALLENGER GLACIER.



HARVE ARE YOU POSITIVE THIS IS THE  
SAME TRAIL WE HIKE THIS MORNING?  
NOTHING LOOKS FAMILIAR!



WELL HARVE WHAT DO YOU THINK OF YOUR  
NEW CAMPER-TRAILER NOW?

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FEBRUARY MONTHLY MEETING  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1974 7:30 P.M.  
PLANT II ENGINEERING THEATER

As a result of Keith Gunnars' excellent presentation of his Nepal trek last August we have asked Keith back. Therefore, of February 7, 1974 Keith will give a slide presentation on Glacier ice climbing as well as photographic techniques that he demonstrates during photographic seminars on Mt. Rainier. Everyone is urged to come and also bring a friend who might like to learn some ice climbing techniques.

Winners in the Second Annual Boealps Photo Contest- Jan. 10, 1974  
Color Slides

Mountainscapes- Bruce Gaumond: Driftwood/Mt. Adams  
Art Wolfe: Cadaver Gap on Mt. Rainier  
Frank John: Autumn Colors on Mt. Rainier

Winterscapes- Bruce Gaumond: Shadows

Sunsets- Linda Parker: 3 Gulls at Sunset  
Linda Parker: Sunset at Cape Alava

Wildlife- Art Wolfe: Fawns Winter Coat  
Dave Gerada: Red-Tailed Hawk

Flora- Frank John: Autumn Colors

Inclement Weather- Art Wolfe: Morning Fire

People- Glenn Hitchcock: Summit(444 S.W. 128th)  
Dave Gerada: Little Boy

### Prints

Color Mountainscapes- Bob Lesmeister: Fire and Ice  
Art Wolfe: Image Lake

B&W Mountainscapes- Bruce Gaumond: White Rock Lake Reflection

Seascapes- Bob Cocherell: Olympic Seastacks

Wildlife- Art Wolfe: Mountain Goat

Miscellaneous- Ron Peltola: Snowshoeing on Mt. Angeles

Jan. 10, 1974

The January meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by President Ken Spietz at the Royal Fork Restaurant. There were 24 members and 8 guests present for the Second Annual Photo Contest.

Ken Spietz announced that there will be an executive board meeting in the near future to discuss club policy.

Al Mercer reported that on the 19th of Jan. there will be a hearing to discuss proposals for Mt. Rainier Wilderness Management. In May the Mountaineers will present a show of various aspects of outdoor recreation and conservation which Boealps may participate in.

After a brief discussion of planned activities for the month and proposed climbs of Ptarmigan Ridge and Mt. Hood, the meeting was adjourned to enjoy the Photo Contest.

Dave Campbell

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance, Dec. 20, 1973	\$621.49
Expenditures	386.78
Closing Balance, Jan. 20, 1974	\$234.71

Glenn Brindeiro

#### MEMBERSHIP

Collection of \$3.00 dues for 1974 continues. Those wishing to pay dues may do so by mailing a check (NO CASH) payable to the Boeing Employees Alpine Society to the membership chairman at either his home or company address. Additionally, please inform same of changes in company and/or home address and phone numbers so that an updated membership list may be published for the May echo.

Home address: 524 S.W. 128th St., Seattle, Wash. 98146  
Company address: Organization 2-6684, M.S. 14-16

#### CONSERVATION

##### Mt. Rainier Wilderness Proposal (an editorial)

The preliminary indications (as of Jan. 17) are for a very light turnout at Mt. Rainier Wilderness Proposal meetings. The only participant at the first of three hearings was Larry Penberthy expressing his opinion (individualistic, as always) that the Wilderness Proposal should not be accepted. He wants what he calls a "peoples park" -- more visitor's centers, more trail shelters, no climbing restrictions,.... and no wilderness. In spite of the credit due him for his efforts to improve climbing technology, Mr. Penberthy is apparently unaware of the simple fact that the wilderness experience cannot be wholesaled. As irritating to us as they may be, the existing restrictions on climbing and trail use are necessary to preserve the natural beauty of the mountain and prevent overuse.

(continued)

I have a great deal of information on the Park and the Wilderness Proposal -- I would be glad to supply to anyone who is interested. If you have an opinion about the Wilderness Proposal, you can write: Rainier Park Superintendant, Longmire, Washington 98397 and ask that your comments be entered into the hearing record.

Al Mercer

Outdoor Exposition-We have been invited to participate in an Outdoor Exposition being sponsored by the Mountaineers, The University of Washington, and others. Some ideas that have been mentioned are a conservation display or a presentation of some of the excellent slides and prints we saw at the last meeting. Be thinking about what we might do if we decide to exert the effort required to put on a show of this kind.

#### COMING ACTIVITIES

Feb. 2-3 (Feb. 9-10) Mt. Hood Winter Climb. Contact Glenn Hitchcock, 655-0593 or 246-9082 (let the phone ring as he may be practicing on his roof).  
Feb. 9-10 Beach Hike - Leader: Art Wolfe  
Feb. 17 Hike up Mt. Teneriffe and see if you're still in shape. Rain or shine or snow. Call Bruce Gaumond, 246-2520, 773-0327.  
Feb. 24 Snowshoe Hike. Call Dave to find out leader and destination.  
March 2-3 Winter Overnight. Call Bob Lesmeister, 237-2754 or 839-9473  
March 16-17 Beach Hike - Leader: Dave Gerada  
Feb. 2-3 Mt. St. Helens Winter Climb. Call Al Mercer or Carl Carlson.

#### ACTIVITY REPORTS

Second Winter Beach Hike: Don'ts and Do's  
1st Attempt, December 15th, featuring Bruce Gaumond, Paul Helmke, Ron Peltola, Don Taylor, and Art Wolfe.

1. Don't try to rendezvous at the ferry terminal at two minutes before departure.
2. Don't make illegal left turns into the toll booth.
3. Don't break off your car key in the door when it's time to get off the ferry.
4. Don't have only one car key, Arthur.
5. Don't underestimate the breaking and entering capability of the ferry men.
6. Don't try to push a car off the ferry up a ramp without a good running start.
7. Don't try to hot-wire a car without Pauls' expertise.
8. Don't forget to ask for floating bridge credits.
9. Don't forget a coat hanger (remember, you have to get back in the car each time you lock it).
10. Don't forget to bring Paul to operate the coat hanger.

11. Don't schedule beach hikes at the peak of a winter storm.
12. Don't try wading Ellen Creek when it's 300 feet wide.
13. Don't pass up great inclement weather photos.
14. Don't give up so easy; it's only water.

2nd Attempt, December 27-29, starring Art and Ron and Bruce.

1. Do try again, same place, same destination.
2. Do pick a date with lots of flexibility.
3. Do stay at 3 Rivers Cabins for a 7 A.M. start the next morning (in the dark).
4. Do keep your eyes open for glass floats. Score was 4-0-0.
5. Ditto for seals, eagles and snowy owls.
6. Do bring a radio to follow the Sonics and Huskies in action each night (remember, it gets dark at 5 P.M.).
7. Do let Ron piggyback you across Ellen Creek (now only 10 feet across and 1 foot deep).
8. Do keep your eyes open for that occasional big wave that sneaks up and drenches you; unless you are wearing hip waders.
9. Do get through Hole-in-the-Wall on incoming tides with more than 2 minutes to spare.
10. Do sign up for the next winter beach hike.

Skyline Ridge Snowshoe Hike (nee Lantham Lake), January 6, 1974

Remember that gorgeous sunny weather? Seven Boealps took full advantage of it for the years first snowshoe hike. Jack Leicester justified the purchase of his deluxe gas gulping camper rig, as we all crammed in for the ride. Careful map study enroute revealed the original target, Lanham Lake, was probably in the shade, since the sun, bright as it was, was still only 15° above the horizon. So, we settled on bright sunny Skyline Ridge instead, on the other side of Stevens Pass from the ski area. Jim Burroughs, goals set on skiing up Jim Hill Mountain, was deposited at the Lanham Lake trail for a solo attempt.

The Skyline Ridge ascent was made through crusty snow, with an occasional piercing wind. The sun made it all worthwhile, though, and we reached Skyline Lake in an all too short 2 hours. We lunched with the gray jays and then ascending to the ridge top for a view of Glacier Peak. It looked close enough to be a short walk away, but reason prevailed. The trip down featured experimental glissade techniques, generally quite ungraceful due to the crusty snow. We retrieved Jim and drove home into the sunset. Hurray for daylight savings time. One stop enroute for beautifully lit photos of Mt. Index from the Skykomish River. A good start for next years photo contest.

Attendees: Bruce Gaumont, Art Wolfe, Jack Leicester, Ron Peltola, Bill Staab, Sharon England, and Jim Burroughs.

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2	RAY BROWN	N. BELLEVUE	885-4083	655-1461	22	LEE WEST	BELLEVUE	454-0710	342-0470
3	BILL WOODCOCK	BELLEVUE	885-0102	237-4008	23	DAVE GERADA	SEATTLE	LA2-5255	655-9511
4	AL MERCER	BELLEVUE	746-9596	237-9225	24	JIM REED	MERCER IS.	AD2-0597	655-2667
5	GLEN BRINDEIRD	KENT	854-9389	237-0696	25				
6	BILL STAAB	LYNWOOD	743-7796	342-5915	26				
7	REPAIR REI	SEATTLE	-	323-8333	27				
8	BRUCE GAUMOND	S. SEATTLE	CH6-2520	773-0327	28				
9	JOE KASUBA	KIRKLAND	VA2-0124	655-1780	29				
10	GORDON THOMAS	DES MOINES	TR8-3836	695-9962	30				
11	GLEN HITCHCOCK	SEATTLE	246-9082	655-0593	31				
12	JIM BURNS	REDMOND	855-3905	342-7527	32				
13	NIEL WILLIAMS	KENT	UL2-9532	773-0562	33				
14	DAVE CAMPBELL	S. SEATTLE	248-0621	655-1461	34				
15	LEE HUEY	LYNWOOD	774-7019	655-2746	35				
16	RUS HANKS	SEATTLE	CH4-5493	773-2657	36				
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18	JACK LEICESTER	SEATTLE	546-2086	342-5372	38				
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50 Hikes in Mt. Rainier	\$3.50

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MARCH MONTHLY MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1974 7:30 P.M.  
PLANT II ENGINEERING THEATER

The Boeing Employees Alpine Society is indeed honored to have Alex Bertulis as the March meetings guest speaker. Alex, who has climbed extensively throughout Africa, Europe, Alaska, Canada, and the lower United States, will give a slide presentation of his 1968 First Ascent of Mt. Forakers South Face (17,400), considered to be one of the all time classic climbs of Alaska. We hope to see all of you at the meeting.

### Basic Mountaineering Course

The 1974 Basic Mountaineering Course is forming. Any members or friends who are interested should contact Dave Campbell on 655-1461

Course Fee	\$36.00 per person
Orientation Meeting	Plt II Engineering Theater 7:30 P.M. March 13
1st Class Session	D.C. 9.140 Bldg. 7:30 P.M. March 27
Classes	10 Consecutive Wednesdays
Field Trips	3 one-day outings 2 overnight climbs

If you are interested be sure to attend the orientation meeting.

The February meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by President Ken Spietz at 7:41. There were approximately 70 members and guests present.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as published.

#### New Business:

The Executive Committee has determined that there will be a Basic Climbing Course. (Details are published later in this Echo)

Jim Reed announced that Mountaineering First Aid Courses are in session. If you haven't had one now is your chance.

Pete Saunders has formulated a schedule for equipment loans and bookkeeping (see later pages of Echo). Pete also recommended the purchase of a JanSport tent and some strap on angles for snowshoes. These items will be considered at the March meeting.

Anyone interested in volunteering to take a tent to set up and inspect and get repaired should call Pete on 342-5540.

Membership- 32 members have paid 1974 dues as of today. Hurry and pay dues so that the membership list can be compiled.

If you have a vehicle capable of carrying 5 or more people and gear let Ken know. We are going to have to pool our cars to get to the mountains.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M. Keith Gunnar then showed some very interesting slides of ice climbing and discussed photographic techniques covered during some of the Rainier Mountaineering Seminars.

Dave Campbell

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance, Jan. 20, 1974	\$234.71
Expenditures	64.38
Receipts	187.00
Closing Balance, Feb. 20, 1974	\$357.33

Glenn Brindeiro

#### ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mt. Hood Feb. 9, 1974

The first Boealps climb of this year was successfully completed in the Timberline Lodge bar by Dick Burwell, Glenn Hitchcock, Gerry Lakin, and Travis Nelson.

Under a full moon the four left the lodge at 5:00 A.M. Saturday.

Perfect weather and hard snow made climbing easy. By dawn the group was even with the base of Illumination Rock, by 9:00 had passed through the crater. The summit was reached by 11:45 A.M.

with no difficulty experienced on the hogback or in the snow chute.

On the summit the three giant Washington volcanoes- Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier, and Mt. Adams dominated the view to the north. Looking

south major peaks were visible to Mt. Shasta in California. After lunch and rest on a windless summit the four climbers set a course to the south which coincidentally terminated in the third floor bar

## ACTIVITY REPORTS (Continued)

of the Timberline Lodge. The atmosphere inside was nearly as perfect as the weather outside.

Mt. St. Helens Feb. 9, 1974

Although it got off to a slow start due to uncertainties about weather and gas, the Boealps Mt. St. Helens winter climb turned out to be moderately successful. After a hasty gathering of equipment Carl Carlson, Jack Winchester, Glenn Brindeiro, and Al Mercer piled into Carl's station wagon about 7:30 Friday night (Feb. 7) and drove off into the night with a 5 gallon gas can strapped to the roof. Pete Saccomano, Anita Londzion and Ken Spietz were not far behind in Ken's van. The first big event in the climb came when an open gas station was discovered just before the turnoff. It's amazing how much peace of mind can be produced by a gas gauge that says "full". The second big event came when we discovered that the Forest Service had lied--the road wasn't open past Spirit Lake. Our spirits buoyed by the prospect of an extra 4 mile hike in the morning we hit the sack and were serenaded by friendly snowmobilers. After a refreshing 15 or 20 minutes of sleep everyone cheerfully bounded up and began the trek up the road.

The climb itself was relatively uneventful--a long trudge cramponing up steep icy slopes over the Dog's Head and up to the false summit. At the schrund, Pete Saccomano broke through a snow bridge and was heard to utter some choice comments about the choice of routes. At the false summit we flaked out and nursed sore muscles while Jack Winchester went over and showed the flag at the true summit. On the way out we hitchhiked rides with snowmobilers (this turned out to be the most dangerous part of the climb - some of them apparently thought they were Kamakazi pilots).

Some good memories - St. Helens by moonlight under a clear sky - Sunrise from the Dog's Head - Mt. Adams, Mt. Rainier, Mt. Hood in the morning light - Breaking over the top --

## COMING ACTIVITIES

- March 9 Hike?? Art Wolfe
- March 23 Mt. Persis Snowshoe or Ski  
Leader: Ron Peltola 242-4655
- March 30 Mt. Si Conditioner  
Leader: Dave Gerada LA2-5255
- April 13-14 Rock Climbing Practice  
Leavenworth
- May 11-12 Mt. St. Helens Climb
- March 23/24 or 30/31 Mt. Baker Climb via Coleman Glacier  
Goes on good weather only  
Glenn Hitchcock 246-9082 or 655-0593

BOEALP EQUIPMENT



THOSE ELIGIBLE TO BORROW CLUB EQUIPMENT:

- (1) ALL MEMBERS (AS DEFINED BY THE BYLAWS) WHO AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE LOAN PROCEDURES .
- (2) NON MEMBERS WHEN IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE MEMBERSHIP AND WITH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSENT



PURPOSES FOR WHICH EQUIPMENT IS LOANED:

- (1) ALLOW MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN NEW FACETS OF MOUNTAIN TRAVEL
- (2) ENCOURAGE MEMBERS TO EXPERIMENT WITH NEW EQUIPMENT DESIGNS
- (3) PROVIDE MEMBERS WITH ITEMS NORMALLY CONSIDERED GROUP EQUIPMENT

BORROWER IS EXPECTED TO:

- (1) CONTACT EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN FOR ALL BOOKINGS, CANCELLATIONS, EQUIPMENT PICK UP, AND EQUIPMENT SURRENDER
- (2) TAKE GOOD CARE OF EQUIPMENT AND REPORT DAMAGE OR EXCESSIVE WEAR TO EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN
- (3) PICK UP EQUIPMENT FROM LAST SCHEDULED BORROWER AND HAVE EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR NEXT SCHEDULED BORROWER
- (4) RETURN EQUIPMENT TO EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN WHEN NOT PICKED UP WITHIN SIXTY DAYS

EQUIPMENT CAN BE RETURNED TO ANY CLUB OFFICER AT OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS

GUIDE LINES TO USAGE:

- (1) FIRST COME FIRST SERVED
- (2) MAXIMUM SIXTEEN CONSECUTIVE ITEM DAYS (I.E., ONE ITEM OF EQUIPMENT FOR SIXTEEN DAYS OR TWO ITEMS FOR EIGHT DAYS ETC.)
- (3) MAXIMUM SIXTEEN ITEM DAYS IN ANY SIXTY DAY PERIOD
- (4) ONE ADVANCE BOOKING OF UP TO THIRTY DAYS

EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN MAY EXERCISE HIS DISCRETION IN APPLYING THESE GUIDE LINES. TO KEEP MEMBERS INFORMED OF THE EQUIPMENT INVENTORY AND THE DEGREE OF USE, THE LOAN TALLY SHEET FOR THE PRECEEDING MONTH WILL BE PUBLISHED IN EACH ECHO

AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT:

- (1) TENTS: ONE ALSFORT; ONE CRESTLINE; THREE SEAB; TWO LOGANS; ONE MCKINLEY; ONE MSR
- (2) SNOWSHOES: TWO CROSS COUNTRY; TWO BEAR PAW; TWO NORTHWEST; TWO SHERPA
- (3) ICE AXES: THREE MSR; TWO SHORTIES
- (4) ALTIMETERS: TWO FRENCH
- (5) STOVE: ONE MSR

INVENTORY WILL BE MAINTAINED IN SERVICABLE CONDITION AND AT A LEVEL ESTABLISHED BY THE DEGREE OF MEMBERSHIP USE. NECESSARY PURCHASES, SALES, AND EXTENSIVE REPAIRS WILL BE SUBJECT TO MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

YOUR FRIENDLY 1973/74 EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN IS PETER SAUNDERS; PHONE 342-5540 WEEKDAYS; 747-3665 EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS. PLEASE FOLLOW THE LOAN PROCEDURES AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE: YOUR SUPPORT AND COOPERATION WILL BE APPRECIATED BY YOUR FELLOW BOEALPERS, AND WILL HELP TO MAKE THIS CLUB PROGRAM A SUCCESS. PLEASE LOOK AT LAST MONTHS LOAN TALLY SHEET AND RETURN ANY OVERDUE EQUIPMENT TO ME AS SOON AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN (14001 S.E. 45 CT. BELLEVUE)

THANK YOU



PETER SAUNDERS FEB 11/74

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2	RAY BROWN	N. BELLEVUE	855-4083	655-1461	22	DAVE GARDNER	SEATTLE	LA2-5255	655-9511
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4	AL MERCER	BELLEVUE	526-9596	237-9225	24				
5	PETER SACCOMANO	NEW P. HILLS	746-3529	237-2416	25				
6	EDWARDS DSYLVIA	BELLEVUE	547-6027	237-2951	26				
7	REPAIR REI	SEATTLE	-	323-8333	27				
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9	JOE KASUBA	KIRKLAND	VA2-0124	655-1780	29				
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11	GLENN HITCHCOCK	SEATTLE	246-9092	655-0593	31				
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14	DAVE CAMPBELL	S. SEATTLE	248-0621	655-1461	34				
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17	JOE GARDNER	SEATTLE	CH4-7516	237-8097	37				
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3	BILL WOODCOCK	BELLEVUE	885-0102	237-4008	23	DAVE GERADA	SEATTLE	LA2-5255	655-9511
4	AL MERCER	BELLEVUE	746-9596	237-9225	24	JIM REED	MERCER IS.	AD2-0597	655-2667
5	GLENN BRANDERO	KENT	854-9399	237-0696	25				
6	BILL STAAB	LYNWOOD	743-1796	342-5315	26				
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20	KEN SPIETZ	BELLEVUE	455-0706	237-2991	40				

## CONSERVATION

News about the energy crisis has tended to submerge conservation news in the media lately. However, one interesting item cropped up. It appears that a preliminary investigation by several oil companies indicates that geothermal energy sources exist in the Glacier Peak Wilderness area and in the vicinity of Mt. St. Helens. (Geothermal energy sources exist where a combination of geologic factors would permit extraction of steam heated by subsurface volcanic rock) Development of such sources would result in large scale disruptions of natural processes and would leave massive scars on lands which are now some of the most scenic in the United States. We can only hope that the energy crisis does not become so critical that it forces development of these sources.

### Mountaineering Oriented First Aid Course

A mountaineering oriented first aid class will be taught at the Montlake Recreation Center, 16th East and East Calhoun on the Tuesdays and Thursdays in April from 7-10 P.M. A practical problem session will be held May 2 at Camp Long.

This new 27 hour standard course combines the previous standard and advanced 36 hour course. Emphasis will be on practice of skills, use of equipment, and judgement for mountaineering accident situations. This particular session is announced first to BOEALPS. Registration is with Jim Reed 655-2667, Org B-8510, M.S. 41-35 until March 8. After this date, or to register for other first aid classes closer to home, call the Red Cross office at EA3-2345 and ask for M/O first aid class. Class limit is 30.

Those who hold ARC cards and would like to assist at practice and practical sessions or who could contribute lecture ideas please contact Jim.

Those registering for the course could start preparing materials used most in practice problems. These items are: Triangular bandages (2), Roller cravats (material 4', 5', or 6' long by 3"wide) and perhaps a wire splint.

Note: Schedule changes will be made to eliminate conflicts with previously scheduled Boealps Activities.

### CONSERVATION HINT

Before the next Boealps meeting, call up another member who lives near you and offer to car pool. You'll save gas and perhaps even encourage someone who might not otherwise come to the meeting.

The following photographs were taken during the Boealps climb of the Ptarmigan Traverse last August.



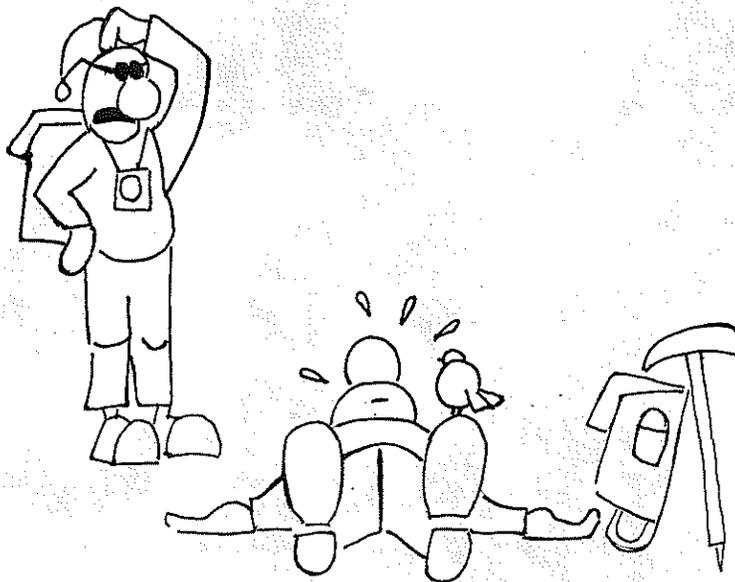
The party pausing at Formidable Col with Old Guard and Sentinel in the distance.



The party perched on top of L. Conte Peak are from left to right.. Bruce Gaumond, Dave Gerada, Jim Reed, Ron Peltola and Art Wolfe.



Art Wolfe looking across Agnes Creek to Gun Sight, Sinister and Dome Peak from Old Guard - Sentinel Col



HEY HARVE! HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO LOOSE YOUR WINTER FAT BY LAYING DOWN AND RESTING EVERY FIVE MINUTES?

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APRIL MONTHLY MEETING  
THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1974 7:30 P.M.  
PLANT II ENGINEERING THEATER

"ACCIDENT RESPONSE IN MOUNTAINEERING  
AND  
SUPPORT OF MOUNTAIN RESCUE AND HELICOPTER EVACUATION"

SLIDES, SEQUENCES AND STORIES WITH  
JERRY SABEL

The increasing number of mountaineering outings, many of them with participants new to the out-of-doors, and emphasis on and availability of more difficult climbing routes and techniques in climbing has led to a greater need for accident response knowledge in the party. Of recent impact has been the Military Assistance to Safety and Traffic (MAST) helicopter availability to deliver mountain rescue medics and evacuate injured mountaineers.

Jerry Sabel, our guest speaker is dedicated to mountain safety and rescue in training first-aid instructors, and being past chairman of Mountain Rescue Council (MRC) and chairman of paramedic and MAST programs for MRC. His enthusiasm and expertise are through at least 20 years of climbing experiences, rescue operations, and family backpacking enjoyment.

Pre-attraction: Hypothermia movie "By Natures Rules" at 7:00 P.M.

MARCH 7, 1974

The March meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by club President Ken Spietz. There were approximately 60 members and guests present. The minutes and Treasurers report were approved as published in the Echo.

**New Business:**

The activities published in the March Echo were discussed and future activities planned. Several Beach Hikes are scheduled as well as a snowshoe climb and an April rock climbing seminar.

The Membership Chairman, Glenn Hitchcock, reported that 53 members had paid dues so far. Please pay soon so that our records can be straightened out and a new membership list prepared before summer activities start. Pete Saunders requested that BOEALP membership cards be re-established.

The Equipment Chairman, Pete Saunders, brought the recently purchased MSR stove to the meeting for inspection. He is seeking volunteers to take out a tent or other piece of equipment and thoroughly inspect it for need of repairs. Also, before using a piece of equipment it should be inspected to prevent failure in a potentially dangerous situation. He urged the members to think about future recommendations for club equipment purchases.

Past President, Jim Reed discussed the progress of the climbing course organization and explained details of his mountaineering oriented first-aid course which will be held during April. He is also upgrading the clubs expedition first aid kits which will now be available for use.

**Old Business:**

There are still several copies of the Cascade and Olympic climbing guides and some of the hike series books available from Dave Gerada at reduced prices.

President Ken Spietz announced that he is resigning from Boeing and that an election will be held at the April meeting for a new President.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned for a stimulating presentation of climbing in Alaska by Alex Bertulis.

Dave Campbell

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance, Feb. 20, 1974	\$357.33
Receipts	66.00
Closing Balance, March 20, 1974	\$423.33

Glenn Brindeiro

The Tenth Biennial Northwest Wilderness Conference will be held April 19 (eve.) through April 21 at the Eames Theater, Pacific Science Center. The conference will cover the past accomplishments and future activities planned for introducing new wilderness areas. There will be many guest speakers well known to environmentalists. For more information and reservation data contact Ken Spietz. The editor also has a copy of the conference format.

### BOEALP ACTIVITIES

March 30	Mt. Si Conditioner	Dave Gerada	655-9511/LA2-5255	
April 6	Spring Conditioner-Mt. Ellinor	Art Wolfe	WE5-7674 or Ron Peltola	CH2-4655
April 13	Spring Climb-Chair Peak	Bruce Gaumont	773-0327 or CH6-2520	
April 20-21	Rock Climbing Practice-Leavenworth	Ken Spietz	455-0706	
* May 11-12	Mt. St. Helens Climb	Dick Burwell	655-1792/SH7-8067	
May	The Cradle	Frank Kuske	SH6-3452	
May	Malachite Peak	Jack Leicester	342-5372/546-2086	
May	Ptarmigan Ridge	Paul Helmke	WE7-2533	
May 18-19	Ice Axe Practice-Chinook Pass	Dave Gerada	Nos. above	
Early June	Mt. Rainier-Tahoma Glacier-3 days.	Party limit of 9, 4 known as of this date.	Jack Leicester 342-5372/ 546-2086 or Bob Lesmeister 237-2754/839-9473	
June	Ingalls Peak	Al Mercer	237-9225/SH6-9596	
* April 27	Granite Mt.	Dave Gerada	655-9511/LA2-5255	
Aug. 3-4	Mt. Johnson-Olympic Peninsula	Glenn Hitchcock	655-0593 or 246-6576	

Please call Dave Gerada to list future activities.

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5	GLENN BRINDERS	KENT	854-9389	237-0696	25			
6	GERALD WALKIN	BELLEVUE	516-7812	655-5413	26			
7	REPAIR RET	SEATTLE	—	323-8333	27			
8	BRUCE SAUNDERS	S. SEATTLE	CH6-2520	773-0327	28			
9	JOE KASUBA	KIRKLAND	VA2-0124	655-1780	29			
10	GORDON THOMAS	DES MOINES	780-3936	655-5962	30			
11	GLENN HITCHCOCK	SEATTLE	246-4082	655-0493	31			
12	JIM BURNS	REDMOND	855-3009	342-7527	32			
13	NIEL WILLIAMS	KENT	612-9532	773-0562	33			
14	PETER SACCOMANO	NEW P. HILLS	746-3529	237-2414	34			
15	TERRY MILLER	EVERETT	353-0799	342-4783	35			
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ACTIVITY REPORT: January Beach Hike--- January 26-27

It was a bright sunshiny, sparkling morning as we stopped in Aberdeen to top off the tank. Sunshine in Aberdeen-a good omen. Unfortunately, our destination of Oil City was still 100 miles distant and by the time we arrived the weather had turned to a heavy foreboding overcast. (There is no oil in Oil City, but then again there isn't much oil anywhere.) We headed down the Hoh River the quarter mile to the beach and after walking several hundred yards were greeted by light intermittent raindrops. The weather deteriorated from there as we plunged northward, eventually stopping to donn assorted rain gear (Lesmeister was the biggest sensation in his Quasimodo poncho left over from Halloween). See Bruce, I typed just as you wrote it.-Ed.

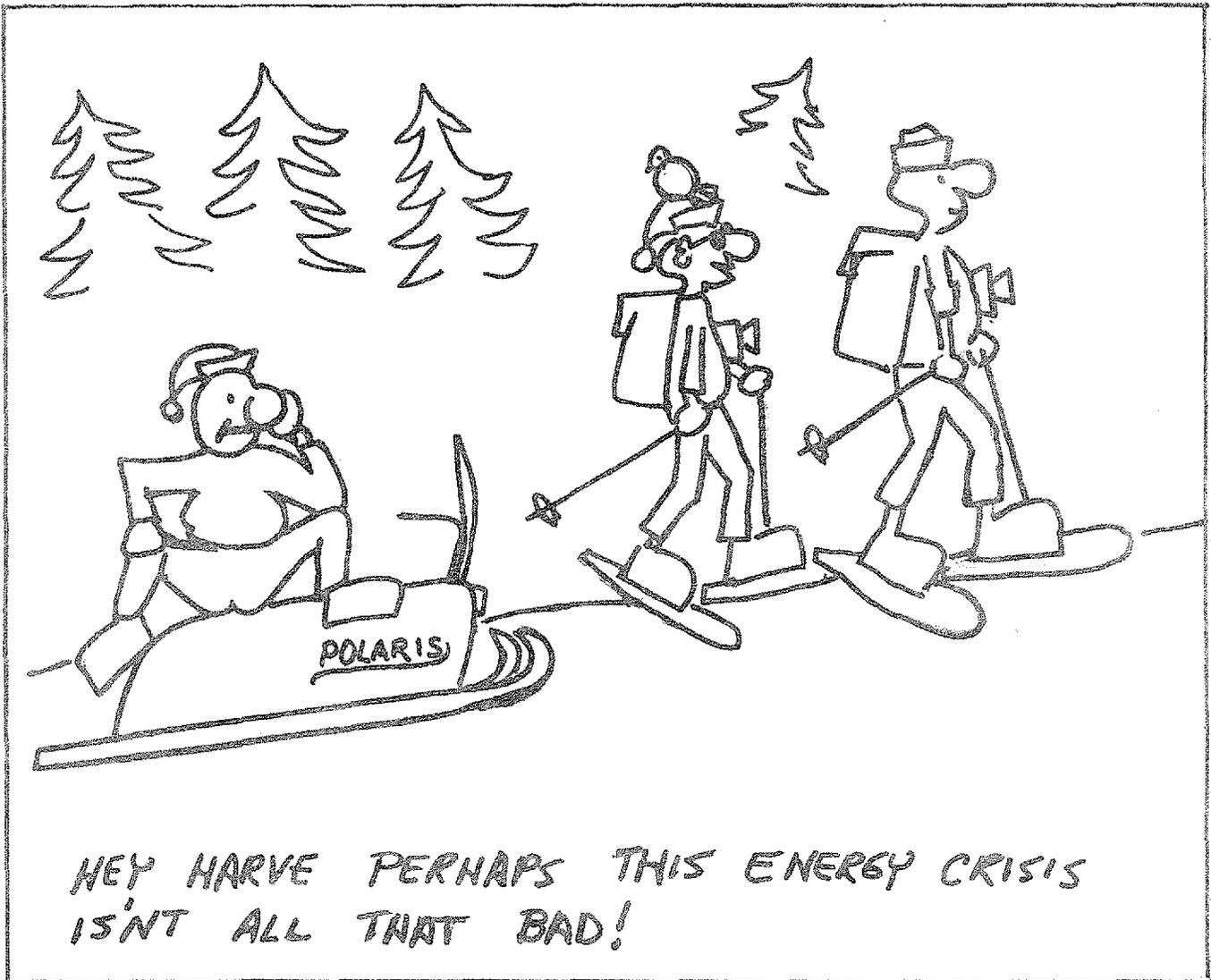
After several miles, we climbed up, up, up over Hoh Head and followed the High Hoh Trail another few miles to where it descended at Mosquito Creek. There we stored our packs and went to explore for Arts' Mystery Cabin (sighted on a previous beach hike, a supposed luxurious cedar-shaked wilderness palace to refresh the spirits of the most weary hiker). Unfortunately, the Mystery Cabin failed to live up to advance billing: (1) It was on the other side of the creek, a ravaging 3 foot deep, forbidding channel; (2) it seemed a trifle small for five fully-equipped wet hikers; and (3) upon closer inspection it was discovered to be a luxurious cedar-shaked outhouse. Art apologized profusely.

Returning to the real Mosquito Creek shelter, we competed at a long lost wilderness art: fire-building-using-wet-wood. Several hours of whittling, paper-stoking, blowing, and wishing produced a smokey but cheerful blaze. The shifting wind imparted an Obertos' hickory smoke smell to every piece of clothing we had brought along. Along about sundown (the leader had noted the approximate sundown hour before hand out of the paper) we trooped to the beach to watch the waves and birds and raindrops. Then we cooked dinner and settled down to an evening of basketball games via Rons' radio. Art had night-mares of mice running across his face, the rest of us dreamed of sunnier climes.

In the morning we headed back, this time via the treacherous Low Hoh Route, i.e., the beach. This involved rounding many points and crossing over many small headlands in a mad struggle to Beat the Tide. After about an hour (just far enough along to rule out turning back), we came to one last point that required hybrid climbing (swimming techniques they don't teach in the Basic Climbing Course). The leader fearlessly plunged into the frigid rushing water and waded the twenty feet around to safety, clinging to the slippery vertical rock. The rest of the party, fearing desertion by the leader, followed. The water depth varied from knee-deep to waist-deep, depending on how you caught the incoming waves. Art displayed the poorest timing but provided good subject matter for some good photos, which can fit handily into the General-Inclement Weather-Winterscape-Rock Climbing-Beach Hike-People category of next years photo contest. Actually, the wading wasn't all that bad, since we had seven layers of clothes on

and they were all soaked by that time anyway.

The rest of the trip was relatively uneventful: a short hike over Hoh Head and a demonstration of salmon netting by the Hoh Indians. All participants then signed a Secret Pact to tell everybody what a great character-building adventurous wilderness experience it had all been. Well, at least we solved the mystery of Mystery Cabin. The hardy explorers: Bruce Gaumont (leader), Bob Lesmeister (transportation) Ewalds D'Sylva, Ron Peltola (invaluable for pulling off our boots back at the car, and entertainment), and Art Wolfe (entertaining).



HEY HARVE PERHAPS THIS ENERGY CRISIS IS'NT ALL THAT BAD!

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					M. S. 64-05

MAY MONTHLY MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 1974 7:30 P.M.  
PLANT II ENGINEERING THEATER

### NOTE:

The second Thursday of the month will be the date of the May meeting. We (I) felt that for this month's meeting entertainment members could bring slides of some of their recent climbs and hikes. Hopefully, enough members will participate to make the evening interesting. If not, I'm sure I could show enough slides to place in the Guinness Book of Records. It would be helpful if those who plan on showing slides could give me a call before Thursday night.

Art

MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 11, 1974

The April meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by Vice President Jack Leicester. The meeting was held at the Plant II Theater. There were approximately 75 members and guests present. The March minutes and Treasurers report were approved as published in the Echo.

Old Business:

Due to the large number of guests present and the importance of the speaker the election of a new club president was postponed until the May meeting. The candidates for the position so far are Gerry Lakin and Bruce Gaumond.

New Business:

Al Mercer put forward a motion that the club sponsor two members to attend the Northwest Wilderness Conference which would cost \$20. The motion was approved and Al will give a report on the conference at the next meeting.

Activities: The activities for April were discussed with appropriate date and destination changes.

Conservation: The Forest Service is planning a land use study of the Chelan area which extends from the Glacier Peak Wilderness to Lake Chelan to Stevens Pass. See Al Mercer if you frequently use this area, for a list of alternative approaches.

Membership: As of 4-11-74 there are 118 paid members of which 78 are former and 40 are new members joining from the climbing course. The membership list will be published in the next Echo.

Equipment: The equipment chairman commended the club for keeping the equipment in such fine shape. He also suggested that if a member has had a piece of equipment for a long time he should bring it to the next meeting to be distributed or collected by Pete.

Past President Jim Reed, who couldn't let a meeting pass without making an announcement, has reserved Sherman Rock for the club the evening of May 1.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned and the guest speaker, Jerry Sabel was introduced.

Dave Campbell

TREASURERS REPORT

Starting Balance, March 20, 1974	\$ 423.33
Receipts	1890.00
Expenditures	989.46
Closing Balance, April 20, 1974	\$1323.87

Glenn Brindeiro

CONSERVATION NEWS

Chelan Planning Unit Study

The Chelan Planning Unit Land Use Study is now underway. This study includes the area north of the Stevens Pass highway from the Cascade Crest to Lake Chelan. I have considerable information about the area and the alternative proposals under consideration. If you have strong feelings about a particular area or if you want more information, write :

Arch Mills  
Wenatchee National Forest  
P.O. Box 811  
Wenatchee, Washington 98801

Northwest Wilderness Conference

Last Saturday, April 20, I attended the Northwest Wilderness Conference here in Seattle, celebrating the tenth anniversary of the Wilderness Act of 1964. I gained a lot of useful information about the history and goals of the wilderness movement. I will have available for browsing, some of the literature I collected. I hope to have an excellent book that explains the concept of wilderness and describes the Wilderness Act of 1964 to distribute to the membership.

ALPS

The Alpine Lakes Protection Society (ALPS) is holding its annual meeting Saturday, May 18, in Issaquah. Contact me if you're interested in attending.

Al Mercer

ACTIVITIES

May 11-12	Mt. St. Helens	Dick Burwell	655-1792/SH7-8067
May 18	Malachite Peak	Jack Leicester	342-5372/546-2086
Mid-May	Ptarmigan Ridge	Paul Helmke	WE7-2533
May 18-19 ?	Ice Axe Practice-Chinook Pass	Dave Gerada	655-9511/LA2-5255
June 1	The Cradle	Frank Kuske	587-3058/SH6-3452
June 29-30	Mt. Daniel & Mt. Hinman	Ron Malavotte	762-2661
June	Mt. Rainier via Tahoma Glacier	3 days	Jack Leicester 342-5372/ 546-2086
Early July	Mt. Stuart	Jack Leicester	
Late July	Ingalls Peak	Al Mercer	SH6-9596

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4	AL MERCER	BELLEVUE	746-9596	237-9225	24	JIM REED	MERCER IS	AD2-0597	655-2667
5	GLEN BRINDEIRO	KENT	854-9389	237-0696	25	KEN SPIETZ	BELLEVUE	455-0706	237-2991
6	GERALD LAKIN	BELLEVUE	5H6-7812	655-5413	26	TOM BEASLEY	KENT	631-4425	773-8702
7	REPAIR REI	SEATTLE	-	323-8333	27				
8	BRUCE GAUMOND	S. SEATTLE	CH6-2520	773-0327	28				
9	JOE KASUBA	KIRKLAND	VA2-0124	655-1780	29				
10	GORDON THOMAS	DES MOINES	TR8-3836	655-5962	30				
11	GLEN HITCHCOCK	SEATTLE	246-9082	655-0493	31				
12	JIM BURNS	REDMOND	855-3905	342-7527	32				
13	NIEL WILLIAMS	KENT	4L2-9532	773-8850	33				
14	PETER SACCOMANO	NEW P. HILLS	746-3829	237-2414	34				
15	TERRY MILLER	EVERETT	353-6799	342-4783	35				
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ACTIVITY REPORT: Mt. Persis Spring Climb, April 13, 1974

Having sent an advance scout (our V.P.) up from Alpentel to survey Chair Peak, we opted instead for Mt. Persis, C.P. reportedly being unidentifiable and unfindable due to a heavy coating of snow. The extra-clear Saturday required a goal with a better view, anyway. We assembled at the Bellevue Jafco, and only the leader got stopped for making the illegal left turn on 8th St. Fortunately, Bellevue police officers are very forgiving that early in the morning, thus saving the day. In an hour we were high up on Mt. Persis (via logging roads) and began our ascent. A previous conquest by Tom Martin provided the needed expertise to get us to the ridge (at the lowest point on the left). The obvious route is to head straight for the summit, inevitably leading to impassable cliffs. We trudged a mile farther up a spur logging road, then headed straight up the west ridge. To save our strength, we managed to fall in behind another party, eliminating the necessity for kicking steps. We had planned to mount a massive push about 100 feet from the summit and burst by them, but about two-thirds of the way up, they put on snowshoes, the nice steps disappeared, and we fell behind. Off to our left, we could see Index (the town) far below, as well as Sunset Falls, and passing trains. Higher up, the Olympics floated along the western skyline, and we could distinguish buildings in downtown Seattle, the Tacoma smelter, and the 747 plant in Everett.

The climb seemed about over, but a false summit showed instead that the real summit was a half mile farther and 500 feet up. Finally, we gazed slack-jawed at the ominous north wall of Index (the mountain), marveled at the intricate ice forms encrusting the gnarled summit-ridge trees, and braced ourselves against the 30 knot stiff breeze, which, in spite of the fiftyish temperatures, lent a new meaning to the concept of chill factor. Memories of the previous Thursdays Hypothermia movie fresh in our minds, we retreated to the sunny lee for lunch, peak spotted with binoculars (everything from Rainier south to Shucksan north to Constance west to Stuart east was in view), and competed for 2nd degree sunburns.

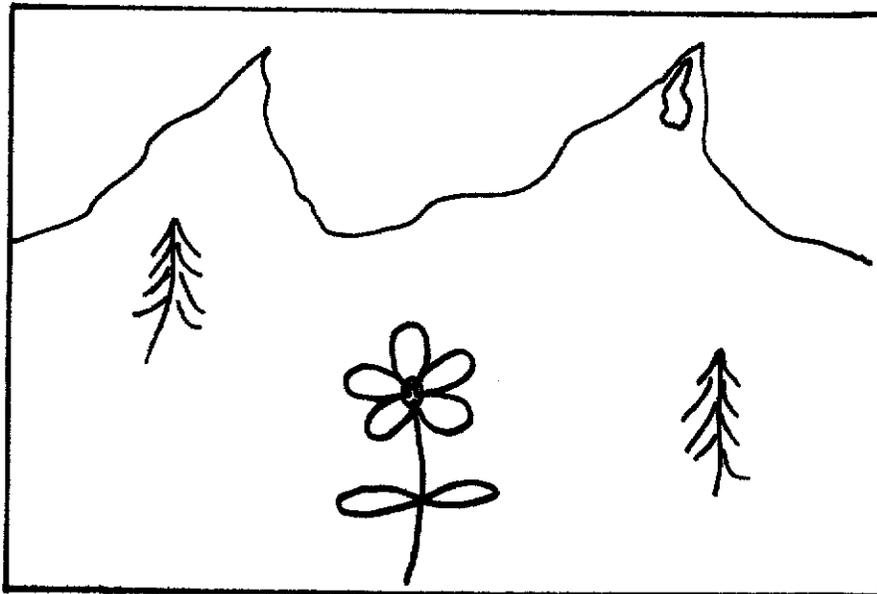
The descent was quick, but snow was thicker and the sun quite hot. The only incident of note was Gerry Lakin cutting his hand against a tree, supporting Art Wolfes theory that people with enormous first-aid kits have the most accidents. The party: Bruce Gaumond (leader), Gerry Lakin, Frank John, Al Bohn, Tom Martin, peak-bagger incomparable Tom Gilpine ( who climbed 46 of the 60 14,000 foot summits in Colorado), Ron Peltola, and last and least Art Wolfe.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRIVIAL INFORMATION

For those who haven't climbed Washingtons Ten Highest Peaks, they are:

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|-----|----------------|--------|
| 1.  | Mt. Rainier    | 14,410 |
| 2.  | Mt. Adams      | 12,267 |
| 3.  | Little Tahoma  | 11,117 |
| 4.  | Mt. Baker      | 10,778 |
| 5.  | Glacier Peak   | 10,528 |
| 6.  | Mt. St. Helens | 9,677  |
| 7.  | Bonanza        | 9,511  |
| 8.  | Mt. Stuart     | 9,415  |
| 9.  | Mt. Goode      | 9,300  |
| 10. | Mt. Fernow     | 9,249  |



HARVE AND FRIEND TOOK  
THIS WEEKEND OFF BECAUSE  
OF THE GAS SHORTAGE.

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BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY, INC.



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					747-3665
			Echo Editor:	Bob Lesmeister	237-2754

JUNE MONTHLY MEETING  
THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1974 7:30 P.M.  
PLANT II THEATER

This month the Boealps are honored to have Bill Sumner give another slide presentation. Bill will show slides of a recent (April 74) climbing trip into the Mt. Hayes region of the Alaska Range where he along with Dusan Jagerski, Jim Wickwire and Fred Dunham climbed the three peaks Chiarelli, Geist and Dawn.

Those of you who saw Bills' high angle rock presentation are aware of the fact that he puts together a very interesting presentation. So, we hope to see everyone Thursday night.

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MEETING MINUTES

MAY 9, 1974

The May meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by acting club President Jack Leicester at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was held at the Plant II theater. There were 17 members and 3 guests present.

New Business:

There will be an executive meeting late this month to discuss summer activities. The upcoming activities are as published in the Echo. The snow and ice axe practice has been changed from a two day session to a climb of a minor peak with practice along the way.

The Equipment Chairman, Pete Saunders, requests that we coordinate with him whenever equipment changes hands to insure accurate tracking of our gear.

Al Mercer, Conservation Chairman, presented the activities of the Northwest Wilderness Conference. He pointed out that the wilderness is any area untouched by man, not only areas with mountains, lakes and forests. He has the impression that most conservationists are not speaking effectively to the public since they have set themselves up as elitists serving a goal which alienates them from the demands of the majority.

Glenn Hitchcock, Membership Chairman, requests that anyone whose information as listed on the membership roster is incorrect or incomplete call him and make the appropriate corrections.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned for a spectacular slide show by member artists.

Dave Campbell

NOTE FROM THE V.P.

If I get talked into showing my slides after Art Wolfe again will someone please kick me in the (expletive deleted).

TREASURERS' REPORT

Starting Balance, April 20, 1974	\$1323.87
Receipts	312.00
Expenditures	42.00
Closing Balance, May 20, 1974	\$1593.87

Glenn Brindeiro

## ACTIVITY REPORT:

Mt. St. Helens

On Friday evening May 10, a comprehensive climbing party consisting of thirteen Boealpers and friends assembled at Southcenter. Plans called for this party to be supplemented by two persons the following morning at the Timberline parking lot prior to climbing via the Forsyth Glacier. After loading all the gear into three cars, we headed south having been somewhat reassured by the typically ambiguous but still optimistic weather forecast. As the broken clouds of Seattle changed to light rain at Ft. Lewis and a down-pour at Toledo, the optimism for the weather became drowned by pessimism. Undaunted, the party checked in at the old, rustic Lodge located approximately three miles west of Spirit Lake and adjacent to the Toutle River. The cost was a modest \$3.00 each for a modest bunk in the modestly appointed room.

The party retired at 10:30 with the interest focused on Glenn Hitchcock, who undeterred by the foul weather outside, was bravely preparing for a practice bivouac in one of the upper bunks. The finer points of bivouac preparation including the donning of expedition down pants, expedition down parka, expedition down mitts and expedition down booties were noted by the others.

At 3:30 A.M. the climb leader arose to check the status of the weather prior to waking the other members of the party. Finding the weather still ghastly, he wisely decided to retreat back to bed and not wake the others. The party arose at 7:00, ate breakfast, packed their gear and drove to Timberline parking lot in a last effort to convince a few dissidents that, indeed, the weather was too miserable to allow a climb much less an enjoyable climb and to see if the other two party members had arrived from Seattle. As the climbers emerged from the warm cars they felt, like a thousand tiny daggers, the bite of the wind-driven rain and snow. A few dissidents remained unconvinced, claiming that the party could get above the weather. The leader, remembering that discretion is the better part of valor, decided to go home. A search for the two missing party members indicated that they must have remained in Seattle.

Out of this experience a few lessons can be learned:

- 1) a) Weather forecasting is not an exact science, b) One should, even more than normal, beware of an ambiguous forecast.
- 2) One can rest easy, knowing that Glenn Hitchcock can survive a bivouac in a modestly appointed dorm while a storm rages outside.
- 3) Because we did not climb we could neither confirm nor deny the belief held in some circles that those who carry the largest first aid kits tend to have more accidents.
- 4) In a party of fifteen there will always be a few masochists who will want to climb in any weather.

The thirteen party members who were not smart enough to stay home were: Tom Beasley, Glenn Hitchcock, Gerry Lakin, Tom Martin, Harry Mortimer, Randy & Alen Oakley, Randy Oakley's friend, Jim Reed, Marv Hacker, Sandy Ketler, Jim Burrows and Dick Burwell, leader. The two smart ones who stayed home were Don Brown and Ron Malavotte.

CLIMBS, CLIMBS, AND MORE CLIMBS ---- BOEALP ACTIVITIES

June 8-9 Mt. Baker via Easton Gl. Dave Gerada 655-9511/LA2-5255  
June 15-16 The Brothers Jim Reed 655-2667  
June 22-23 Chair Peak NW Buttress Al Mercer 237-9225  
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Eugene Calloway 655-1697/WE8-3332

Call Activities Chairman Dave Gerada to list climbs or obtain info about activities scheduled after publication of the Echo.

Wanted: Hikers

Glenn Hitchcock wishes accompaniment for a lovely evening stroll up Mt. Si the 12th of June. Meet at Trailhead at 6:30 P.M. Call Glenn.

General News and Advertisements:

If anyone is interested in having a painting (water color) made from their favorite slide or photograph or select an existing painting, please contact Art Wolfe. If interested or for further info call Art on WE5-7674

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8	AL SCHMIDT	N. BATH HILLS	746-2726	931-3341	28	MIKE ZENTNER	SEATTLE	324-1599	655-5648
9	JOE KASUBA	KIRKLAND	VA2-0124	655-1780	29	TERRY JENSON	KENT	682-0125	655-2013
10	GORDON THOMAS	DES MOINES	TR8-3836	655-5962	30				
11	DAVE WALLACE	KIRKLAND	822-5440	342-0168	31				
12	SHARON SAIMO	EVERETT	355-3667	342-1746	32				
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15	WARREN ROUSE	EVERETT	337-1310	342-4862	35				
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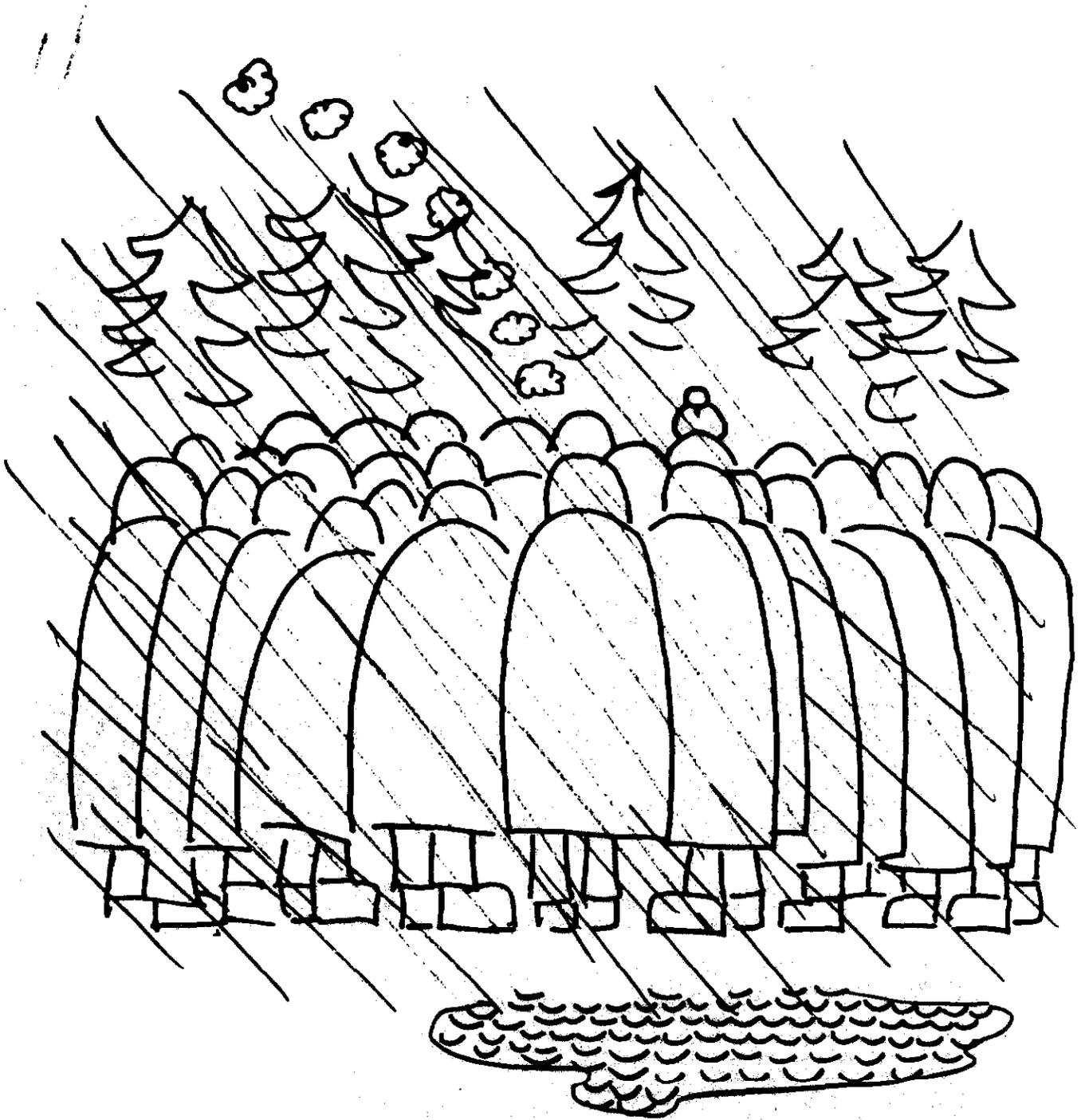
## Mountaineering First Aid Courses

All mountaineering oriented first aid courses are filled and none are scheduled until next year, although there may be an offering in the fall. This training is a necessary complement to mountaineering, climbing and alpine hiking skills. If at least 20 Boealps and friends would like the fun, fellowship and first aid of 9 sessions 7-10 P.M. Tuesdays and Thursdays starting around June 18 and avoiding holidays, etc., I will arrange something. RSVP Jim Reed 655-2667, M.S. 41-35. This is a good chance to "keep in touch" with members you meet on outings.

July meeting is the second Thursday (July 11) at Camp Long, West Seattle. Outdoor picnic, fingernail sharpening on Sherman Rock, volleyball and general Boealp outdoor games such as, starlight-moonlight, scrape-scrape-fall-away, lag, kick the steps, and find-the-president.

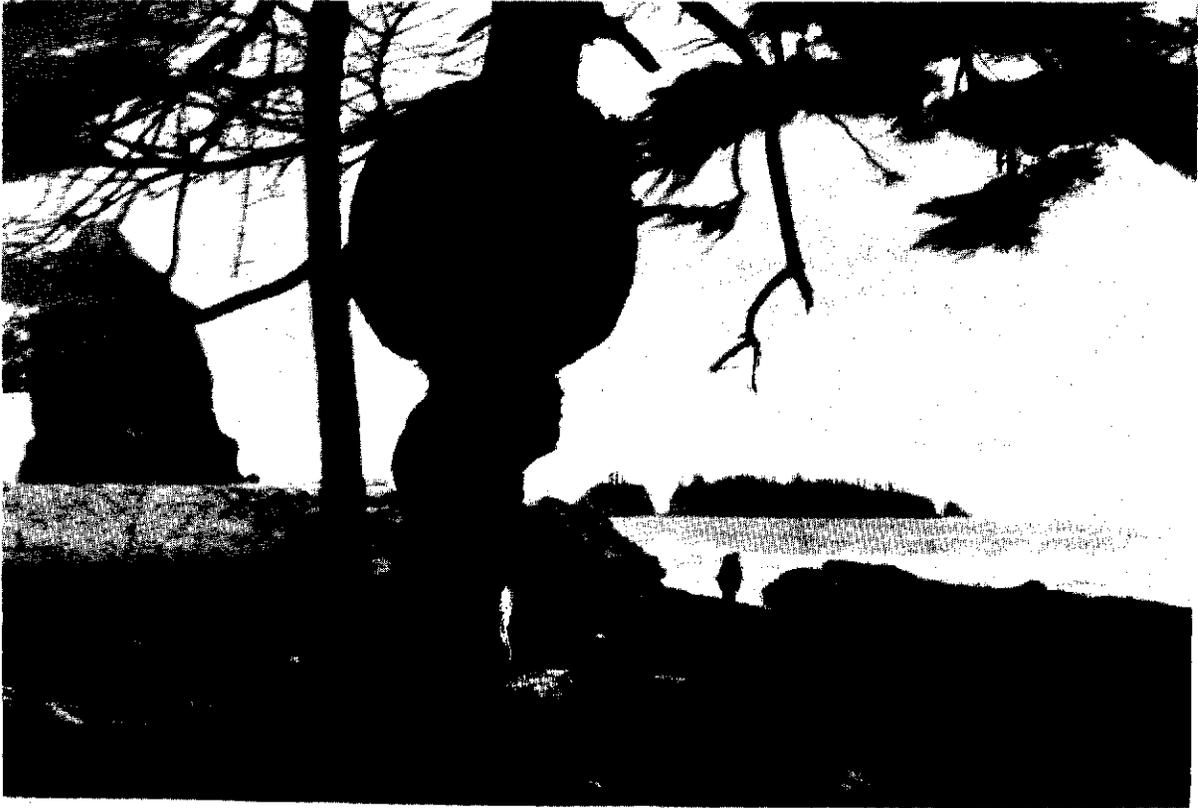
Boealp climbs, in spite of some appearance of scheduling, appear and disappear with weather, company trips, and sudden interest. Effective use of your activities chairman, knowledgeable friends, and listed leaders will make things flow smoother. Do not hesitate to volunteer to organize a climb or hike. Leadership will generally develop. For suggestions, call any names you can find in the Echo.

As per usual, there are a few persons who always end up doing all the work (meager that it is) to keep the club running. We would welcome some volunteers to help make arrangements and to do some of the leg work. Since the Basic class has now graduated from training I'm sure there are some guns-ho Boealpers in their midst. We would like you to contact any of the Officers or Committee Chairmen and volunteer to help. We'll think of something to get you involved.

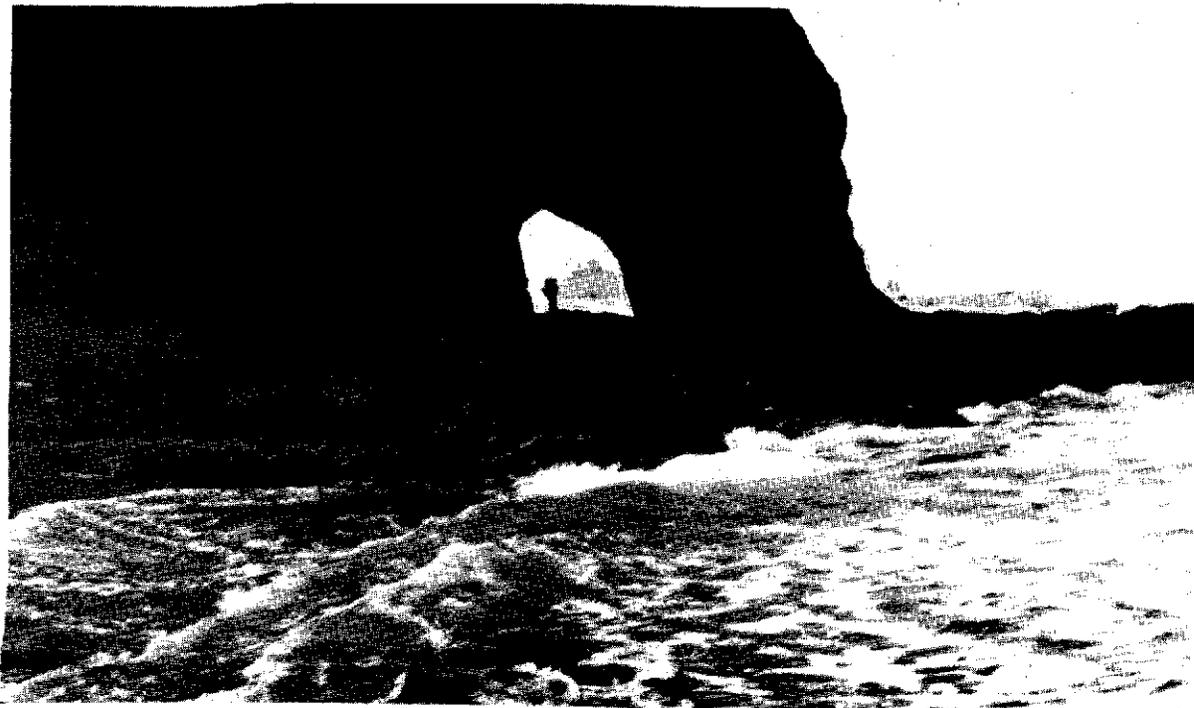


SEE HARVE, I WARNED YOU NOT TO BUILD A  
WARM FIRE WHEN MOUNTAINEERS ARE NEAR.  
..... HEY YOU'RE NOT HARVE!

The following photographs were taken by Art Wolfe  
on a recent winter beach hike between Rialto Beach  
and Cedar Creek.



Ron Petola with James Island in the distance.



Ron falling farther and farther behind, now standing  
in hole in the wall.

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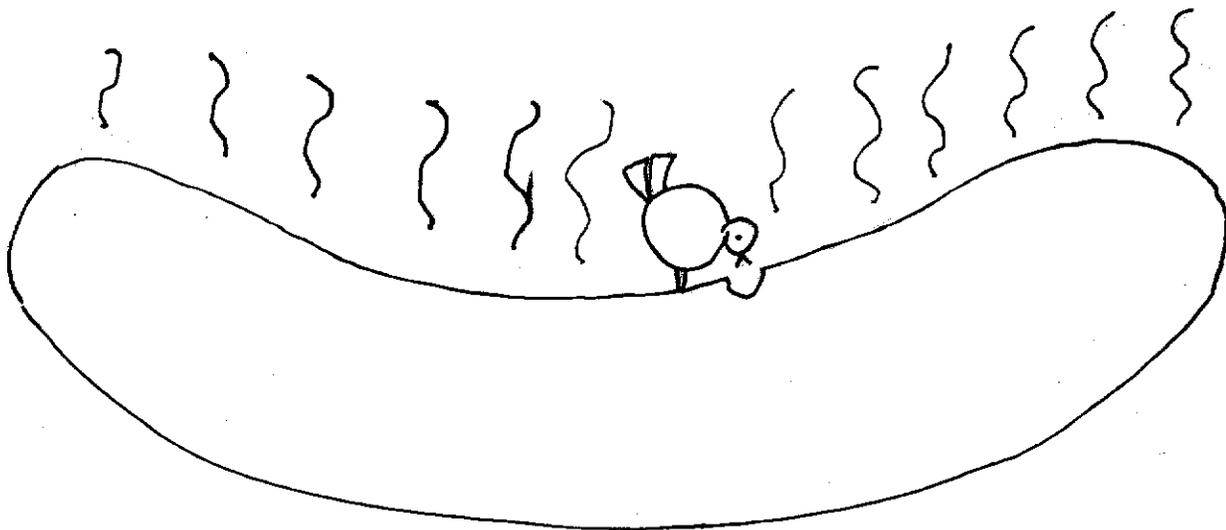
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JULY MEETING  
Annual BOEALPS Picnic  
Camp Long 6:00 - 10:00

This month's meeting will be held Thursday, July 11, at Camp Long. Show up anytime around 6:00, and bring a vigorous appetite. Menu includes roasted hotdogs, potato salad, cole slaw, pickles, potato chips, pop, etc. Entertainment will be divided between climbing on Sherman Rock, playing volleyball, and competition in a hotdog eating contest. Whoever eats the most can take home all the leftover hotdogs plus a bottle of Alka Seltzer.

Things to bring: rock climbing boots, family and friends, empty stomach.



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The June meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by President Jack Leicester at 7:30 p.m. in the Plant II Theater. There were approximately 55 members and guests present. The previous month's minutes and the treasurer's report were approved as published in the Echo.

The Executive Board held a meeting on May 23 to discuss the summer climbing activities. The resulting list is published in the Echo. The budget for the balance of the year will be published in the July Echo. Dave Gerada fills Ken Spietz's place on the Executive Board.

There has been some interest in an advanced climbing course. It has been felt that a number of one day or week-end seminars would be preferred to a formal course to accomplish the objectives of learning advanced climbing techniques.

Art Wolfe, program chairman, reminded everyone to sign up with him to bring food for the picnic at Camp Long.

Bob Lesmeister, Echo editor, said that if you are presently not receiving your copy of the Echo to get in touch with the membership chairman to make sure your address is correct.

Russ Kroeker mentioned that Boealp members could get 15% off on gear at the Kent Cyclery.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned for a super slide show by Bill Sumner.

Dave Campbell, secretary

Editor's note: The budget will not be published in the July Echo.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance, May 20, 1974	\$1,593.87
Receipts	83.61
Expenditures	<u>1,175.20</u>
Closing Balance, June 20, 1974	\$ 502.28

Glenn Brindeiro, Treasurer

## BOEALP ACTIVITIES

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3	ALLEN OAKELY	BELLEVUE	SH6-0424	655-4666	23	DWIGHT BAKER	ISSAQUAH	392-3203	237-2531
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## MT. ST. HELENS (No. 2) - 1974

On Friday evening May 31 a non-comprehensive climbing party of six Boealpers assembled at Southcenter. Half of the party were frustrated members of the ill-fated May 11th Mt. St. Helen's debacle (see last month's Echo). For the second time in three weeks the Boealps spent a Friday night in the Spirit Lake Lodge dormitory.

Roused from a sound sleep at 3:00 a.m. the six successfully found their cars. In order to limber up for the coming climb, four of the six played "push-a-Porsche-downhill" while the other two were content to sit inside and start the engine when ignition velocity was reached.

The climb started at 4:00 a.m. from the Timberline parking lot. The ascent of the Forsythe Glacier took the climbers around and over many scenic crevasses. Some sturdy and not-so-sturdy snow bridges were crossed as the party photographed their way upward.

Choosing a route he felt would provide a moderate challenge with minimum risk, the leader found himself exposed on a serac. While slowly climbing down, the leader complained of cold hands while the rest of the party complained of cold feet. Daunted, the party selected a new route around the ice blocks.

The summit was reached without further incident. There the party enjoyed views of Mts. Rainier and Hood, as well as the South Cascades and Olympics. Mt. Adams was obscured by vast amounts of smoke due to the loggers' campaign to level the forests in the area.

Descent was made by the Dog's Head route via plunge stepping (above) and sitting glissade (below). The cars were reached by 3:00 p.m. The party members were Tom Beasley, Dave Campbell, Bob Cocherell, Marv Hacker, Glenn Hitchcock (leader), and Louis Snyder.

## THE BROTHERS June 8 - 9

Climbing the South Peak of The Brothers is a snow climb with minimum route-finding problems and gradually increasing steepness. With good snow cover, few loose rocks were encountered except for a few loose pebbles on the easy summit rocks. Firm snow and easy step kicking made the ascent safe for unroped climbers experienced in ice axe use. Ease of ascent was testified to by one of the party who was completely inexperienced and allowed to proceed by the soft-headed-hearted leader. Her ascent and descent were protected in a 4 person rope team.

The route starts with a 5 hour hike up the East Fork of Lena Creek to a camp site on four feet of snow and obscured in trees at the indicated creek branch. From here a faint trail staying within 50 yards of the west branch is easily evaded, but nevertheless the snow slopes lie like a steep highway through the trees to an upper meadow. Following the line of gradual ascent avoids a steep gully funneling into the route, a scene of past and potential rock fall and unarrested glissade hazard. The BOEALPS party took a leisurely 5 hours to the summit, 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 hours down depending on percent of the route glissaded, and 4 hours down to Lena trail. The trail remained close to the

sparkling cool creek. All packs were transported across the four elevated log crossings successfully. The party in order of appearance: Leader, Jim Reed; assistant to the leader, Sandi Ketler; sunburner, Al Bohn; route adviser, Paul Hatch; chief trucker, Craig Campbell; assistant humorist, Bob Johnson; chief kicker, Al Christopherson; wait watcher, Sherry.

### CASHMERE MOUNTAIN June 22 - 23

The exceptional June weather prompted ten BOEALPS and friends to climb Cashmere for stunning views of the Stuart range and a picturesque unhurried ascent up barren heather slopes. Evading the restricted logging road intersecting the trail after 1/2 mile, the party experienced the full 3 miles to Little 8 Mile Lake and enjoyed to the fullest many interesting elevated and submerged log crossings. After 5 hours the happy hikers camped on snow above Lake Caroline with views of Cashmere (N) and Stuart (S) as the sun went down.

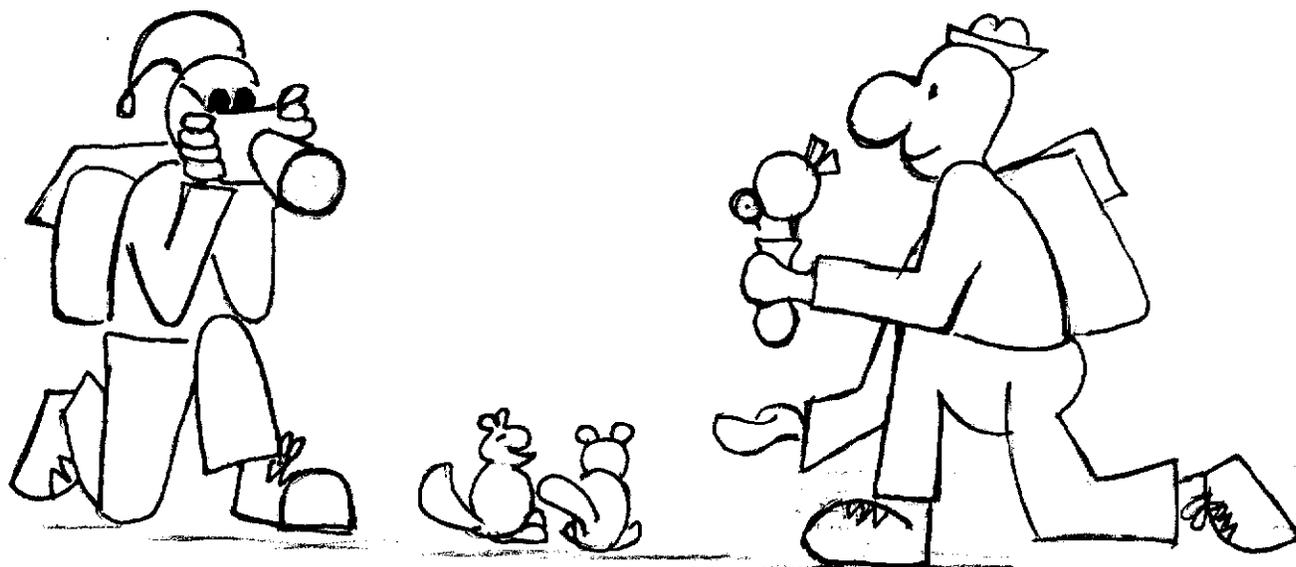
After awakening to the pleasant bird songs of morning, including mountain bluebirds, gray jays, assorted sparrows and one colorful but elusive Williamson's sapsucker, the party set forth through forest snow and fragile barren heather to inspiring views of Snoqualmie, Rainier and the Glacier Peak vicinity, all visible from the easy hike to the west ridge. Since Cashmere "can be climbed from any direction" the party attempted the west arete, then, leaving a pack for a marker, continued east to ascend very hard North Snow slope to the summit (5 hours). Noting a small party coming up a south gully without even breathing hard, the descent was made along the west arete on the south, then north side, ending up one gully away from the pack. During the 3 hour descent to camp the leader demonstrated why a heavy pack is needed to counterbalance a glissade. After a 3 hour trot to the cars, relaxation in Leavenworth included trying to see the summit of Cashmere, no one having been bearing in mind this problem on the summit. The alpine vegetation in the coarse soil is very fragile and suffers, when exposed by snow melt, to wind and hiking erosion. Please be gentle if you hike in this area.

The party: Jim Reed, leader; Sandi Ketler, Olaf Wert, Elton Plaro, Funky Winkerbean, Mary Nothdurft, Dave Wallace, Tom Martin, Katie Martin, and Linda Parker.

### CHAIR PEAK CLIMB

Sunday, June 23, BOEALPERS Al Mercer, Fred Sayer, Mike Shirkey, Don Brown and Ron Malavotte gathered in the Alpental parking lot for the Club's Chair Peak climb. The weather was cool and misty, promising beautiful sunny weather for the climb.

Two hours hiking over the snow brought us to the base of the northeast buttress where we paused for breakfast and watched the inevitable party of mountaineers coming up behind us. Three hours of enjoyable climbing on mixed class 2 to 4 rock (about half of it roped) brought us to the summit. Here we encountered the "crux" of the climb—getting the lid off of the summit register can. After several minutes of valiant effort, this last



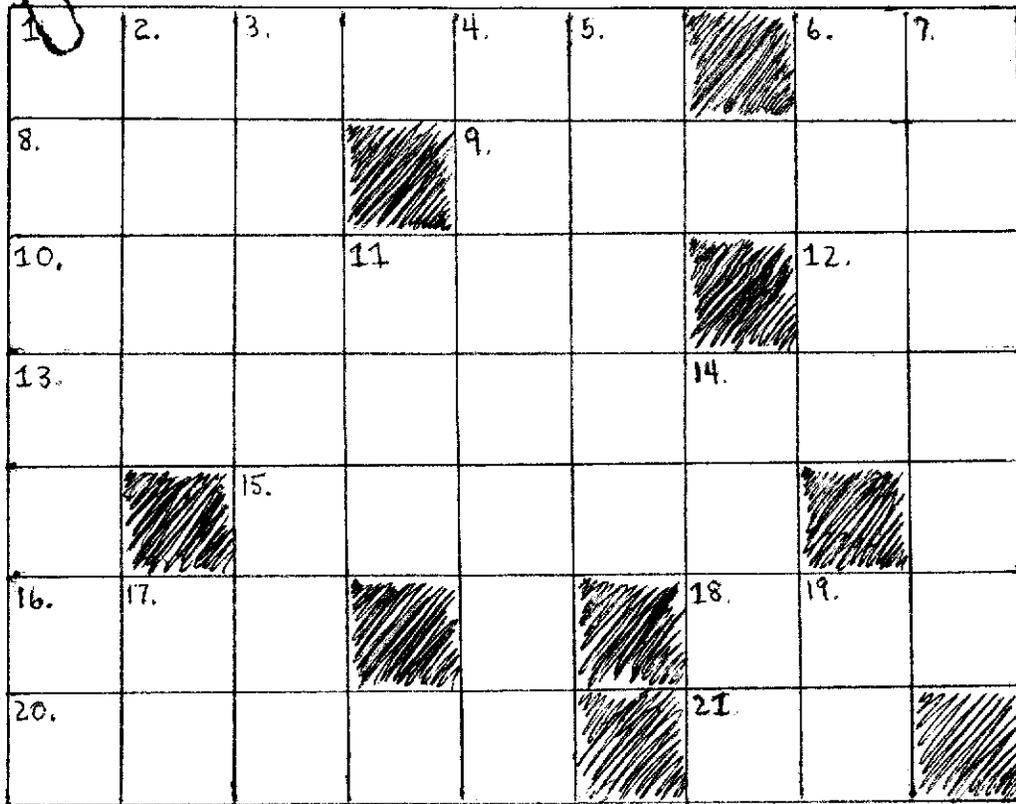
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CHAIR PEAK CLIMB continued

obstacle finally yielded. And we sat down to enjoy our lunches with a sense of happy fulfillment.

After lunch we headed back down the same route, setting up three rappels and down-climbing the remainder. The climb was climaxed by a fantastic glissade all the way to Source Lake and brought to a successful conclusion by 5 cans of your favorite beverage provided by Don Brown.

Al Mercer



## July Puzzle

### Across

1. 9,415 Ft. Rock Pile
6. Compass Point
8. Succeed
9. Constellation
10. A Flower
12. Compass Point
13. President
15. Fatal Result
16. Backpacking --- Step At A TIME
18. Some
20. Chimney Climb Position
21. Compass abbreviations

### Down

1. Barn or Tree
2. Beach Hike Concern
3. Free Climbing
4. --- Spoonbill
5. Appointed Meeting
6. Airplane tip
7. Climbing Need
11. Hard Snow
14. Seasonal Snow Event
17. Compass Point
19. Compass Point

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August Meeting  
Thursday, August 1, 1974, 7:30pm  
Plant Two Engineering Theater

The program planned for the August monthly meeting is what we believe to be a highly interesting and informative slide presentation featuring the Olympic National Park interior and ocean strip. The presentation highlights the geography, wildlife, and history of the park while in addition points out many of the hiking possibilities found within the park's boundaries. This presentation should be an excellent one for those of you who are planning trips into the park and would like to know that some of the areas are like before hand. As always we hope to see you all there Thursday night.

Art Wolfe

Meeting Minutes

July 11, 1974

The July meeting of the Boeing Employee's Alpine Society was called to order by club Vice Pres. Jack Leicester at soggy Camp Long. There were approximately 75 members and guests present for the annual picnic. The minutes were approved as published in the Echo.

There was no new or old business. The only motion that was entertained was proposed by Dave Gerada. It was unanimously approved that the picnic next year be held on a sunny day. With the business meeting adjourned, the sun came out and some volley ball, rock climbing and frisbee throwing was enjoyed by all.

Dave Campbell

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance	June 20, 1974	\$ 502.28
Receipts		105.37
Expenditures		300.00
Ending Balance	July 20, 1974	307.65

Glenn Brindeiro

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## Boealp Activities

- August 3-11 Olympic Natl. Park Hiking and Fishing Expedition  
Eugene Calloway 655-1697 or We 8-3332
- August 10-11 Mt. Adams North Ridge Glenn Hitchcock 655-2466
- August 17-18 Ingalls Peak-North Peak Al Mercer 237-9225  
Cougar Lakes Bruce Gaumont 773-1478
- August 23-25 Eldorado Jack Leicester 342-5372
- August 24-28 Olympic Natl. Park Outing Bruce Gaumont 773-1478
- Aug. 31-Sept. 1 Unicorn Peak The climb will take place at the same time the  
soaring club flies out of Packwood to Paradise. Dave Gerada  
773-8367
- Aug. 31-Sept. 1 Dutch Miller Gap Jim Reed 655-2667
- Sept. 7-8 Lemah Peak Art Wolfe We 5-7674
- Sept. 7-8 Mt. Shuksan Leader Needed
- Sept. 14-15 Nooksack Cirque (Moderate Hike - Fabulous View) Dave Gerada  
773-8367

Reproducible copies of the portion of the old Cascade Climber's Guide not covered by the new guide may be borrowed from Dave Gerada.

Books - Limited number of Cascade Alpine Guide and Freedom of the Hills will be available at August meeting. Profits from the sales will be donated to mountain rescue.

MT. STUART  
July 13, 14th

Under beautiful blue skies, six Boealpers congregated at Turnpike Creek camp along Ingalls Creek to set up our base camp on Saturday afternoon. After finishing dinner, we participated in various games of skill with a balled-up piece of tin foil. Winners included a 3-way tie for first between Don, Russ, and Bruce in the old Folgers tin can toss event (Bruce claimed that the can must have been mountain grown), while I cleaned up in the tin foil drop kick event by far outdistancing my nearest rivals by at least 4 white pine branches layed end to end.

After our tournament of champions, we went on a little walk along the river managing to sneak up upon no wildlife whatsoever. Returning to base camp we soon hit the sack. During the night a large rock slide came down and began fiercely striking the tents. When we all woke up at 4 in the morning, everybody claimed that they didn't notice the rock slide. I guess they're all sound sleepers.

Leaving base camp at five, we headed up the Cascadian Couloir, 20 minutes behind five climbers from Olympia and about a half hour ahead of three climbers from Yakima. An hour out of base camp we began noticing large clouds moving in from the direction of Mt. Rainier which itself was fairly clouded over (poor Jack and Glenn). Two hours out of base camp the clouds were starting to break up and were no longer to be worried about the rest of the day, that is unless you were climbing Mt. Rainier (poor Jack and Glenn). Five hours out of base camp we reached the summit about twenty minutes ahead of the five climbers from Olympia and about an hour ahead of the three climbers from Yakima. Beautiful views of Mt. Adams, Baker, Glacier Peak, the Olympics and cloudcapped Mt. Rainier (poor Glenn) were had from the summit.

We left the rather pleasant sun-shone summit around 11:30 and were back at at base camp by 2:00 and out at the cars, by 6:00, eating dinner by 7:00, home by 10:00 in bed by 12:00, up for work the next morning by .....

Members of the Stuart Summit Seekers Society included Don Brown, slow down and wait up for us a bit with you Russ Kroeker, Linda Parker, Bruce Gaumont, Ron Peltola, and Art Wolfe.

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JULY PUZZLE SOLUTION

## ACTIVITY REPORT - SEVEN FINGERED JACK & MT. MAUDE, JULY 4-6, 1974

A four-day July 4th weekend; snow, snow everywhere; so where to go to camp on flower-strewn alpine meadows. . . . The situation suggested a Southwest facing valley on the east side of the Cascades where snowfall had been lighter and melting rapid. A detailed perusal of hiking and climbing manuals turned up the Leroy Basin area, which met the above prerequisites and offered access to three 9000 ft. summits. To hedge our bets, however, we all brought double ensolite pads; and we needed them. Those unwilling to sleep on snow this year are advised to limit their overnight stays to the Volunteer Park area.

We drove a long, dry, dusty road from Plain (a town as exciting as its name) north towards Trinity, passing enroute cruising hordes of dirt bikers. The hike in followed Phelps Creek for about four miles, entered Glacier Peak Wilderness, then at Leroy Creek headed steeply upward into Leroy Basin. Several hair-raising creek crossings were required. At Leroy Creek, we discovered brook trout in the shallows and learned how to catch them for positive identification (sneak up behind, reach slowly down open-handed, and . . . gotcha!). (Bleeding-heart conservation note: All specimens were replaced in their natural habitat forthwith and were verified to have swum merrily away.) The trail up Leroy Creek was somewhat more evasive as we fanned out and beat through the snow-covered forest for a half mile before locating it. The no-nonsense trail climbed at the rate of 1.4 feet per step and we arrived in the basin.

The next morning we assaulted 7-Fingered Jack, 3000 ft. directly overhead. This target was chosen based on its more glamorous name; tame sounding Mt. Maude being relegated to the status of backup peak. The way up SFJ was steep snow, steeper snow, then scrambling rock, although some of the party actually roped up and found the only Class 3 route. The view consisted of Entiat Meadows, the not-so-tame north wall of Mt. Maude, a Mt. Rainier-to-Baker panorama, and many clouds to the west of Glacier Peak. We were thankful to be east of the crest in clear skies. The summit was a bit congested with 17 Californians, who were spending two whole weeks in the basin as part of some class.

Gaumond and Wolfe capped off the day with a traverse to Mt. Maude, featuring a random west-side ascent (and ultimately, descent) far off the established route. The view from the summit was practically identical to the first, although from a full 5 feet higher elevation. Ice Lakes to the east side were nowhere to be seen, being still under several million tons of snow.

The following day brought complaints of sunburn, disinterest at attempting Mt. Fernow (same old view), and general too-much-sleeping-on-cold-snow malaise), so we packed up, returned to the creek bottom and luxurated in dry, green, sunny meadows. The party: Bruce Gaumond (leader), Art Wolfe (bird and fish identifier and celebrity impersonations), W. James B. Reed (inimitable celebrity), Sandi Ketter (cheerleader for TWJBL), Ray Hofstatter (water diviner) and Sonja Firing (ecological conscience).

## GLACIER PEAK - JULY 4 - 6, 1974

Under gray skies a horde of Boealpers met at the Owl Creek Campground trailhead at 8:00 a.m. on July 4, 1974.

With the prospects of 1,000 Mountaineers starting behind them, the group made good time over five miles of excellent trail to Kennedy Hot Springs. There, a spearhead of six was sent ahead to secure Boulder Basin for the remaining (slower) ten Boealpers.

From the Hot Springs the trail deteriorated, ultimately becoming unrecognizable in the deep snow. Unerringly, the group made their way cross-country, covering the mile between points where the trail was lost and rejoined by zigzagging at least four miles through the forest.

Plans called for a 4:00 a.m. Friday departure for the summit. However, the leader did not specify which 4:00 a.m. Three of the party were still on Standard Time. During the intervening hour's wait, Gloria Steinem's Crusade for equality was set back ten years.

The climb proceeded up the Sitkum Glacier. Excellent cramponing conditions facilitated upward movement. At ca. 8,200 feet, one of the party dropped out due to sore feet and the temptation of sunbathing on the warm rocks.

The last of the rope teams reached the summit by noon. There, all were treated to the spectacle of Steve Ichihara and Sue Bunker driving golf balls toward the Chocolate Glacier with the number three wood Steve had packed up. The party rested in the sun on the windless summit.

The descent through a cloud layer below 9,000 feet was uneven until the collapse of a snow bridge found the leader wedged firmly half in - half out of a crevasse. The party above then debated as to whether or not to use him for a bridge. Debate ended when the wedge was pulled bodily out of the ice. With the possibility of a bridge removed, the rest were left to jump the crack, resulting in some rather spectacular head-long plunges across the chasm.

Navigating by compass, the party continued on through the fog. At one point, the route seemed lost, but when the bottom of the cloud layer was penetrated, the group found themselves 1,000 feet directly above their campsite.

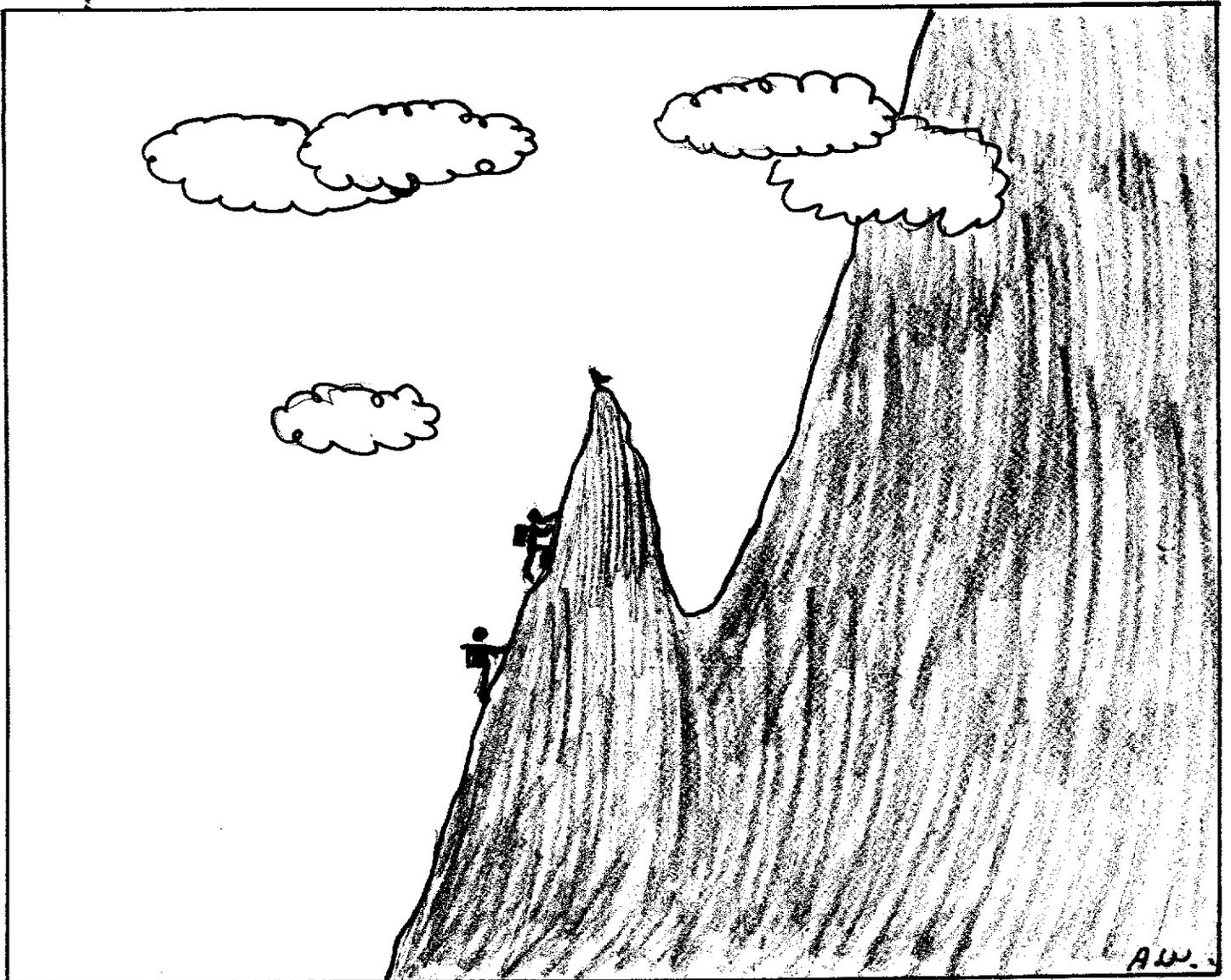
Saturday morning the group decided to disband. Those who went out early enjoyed a coed swim in the hot springs whereas those who came out later were privileged to rescue the resident ranger, who, in his zeal to safeguard the hikers of the area, promptly put an axe through his foot. A good time was had by all (except possibly the ranger).

Due to the large size of the group, I thought it appropriate to extend special recognition to certain individuals who excelled in the following areas:

## Glacier Peak continued

1. Loudest snorer: Russ Kroeker (by 150 dB).
2. Smartest: Don Brown (who, when informed his tentmate was Russ Kroeker - see #1 above - promptly produced a set of earplugs).
3. Most elevation gained and lost: Warren Rouse (who realized he'd forgotten his food 20 minutes out of camp and went back for it).
4. Most independent: Steven Ichihara and Agris Moruss (who never decided whether or not they were a part of the Boealpers party).
5. Sorest feet: Sharon Filer
6. Most avid golfer: Steve Ichihara
7. Best looking golfer: Sue Bunker
8. Fastest ice axe arrest: Bob Cocherell
9. Most dramatic landing after crevasse leap: Laura Gregg.
10. First aide: Carl Magee (for patching up the ranger).

Other party members were Jean and Bill Anderst, Al Bohn, Walt Kelly, Chuck Minor, and the undersigned, who came to realize the meaning of the phrase - "There go my people and I must hurry after them for I am their leader."



HEY HARVE I THINK WE'VE FINALLY  
MADE IT. I'M WITHIN TEN FEET OF  
THE SUMMIT!

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SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MEETING  
THURSDAY, SEPT. 12, 1974 7:30 P.M.  
PLANT II ENGINEERING THEATER

The Boeing Employees Alpine Society is fortunate to have Mr. David Hambly as the guest speaker for the September meeting. David will present slides of a trip to East Africa during the winter of 1970-71, on which he climbed Kilimanjaro, Mt. Kenya, and in the Ruwenzori (Mtns. of the Moon) Range. We hope you will all turn out to welcome David.

MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 1, 1974

The August meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by acting president Jack Leicester at 7:40 P.M. in the Plant II theater. There were approximately 50 members and guests present. The July minutes and Treasurers report were approved as published in the Echo.

Jack had three points of business before opening the meeting to business from the floor. The Mountain Rescue Council sent a letter of appreciation for our contribution after Jerry Sabel's presentation. The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs annual Convention will be held over the Labor Day week-end at the Red Barn in Auburn. There will be an executive board meeting to discuss officers for the 74-75 season sometime before the next meeting. The nominating committee will contact prospective officers and accept volunteers. Please contact Jack if interested.

Old Business: None

New Business: Becky's Guide to the Cascades and the Mountaineers handbook Freedom of the Hills are available from Glenn Hitchcock at a reduced price. All profits from sale of these books will be donated to Mountain Rescue.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 for the Super slide show narrated by Ron Peltola and written by Art Wolfe, etc.

David Campbell

TREASURERS REPORT

Starting Balance, July 20, 1974	\$307.65
Receipts	55.45
Expenditures	101.85
Closing Balance, August 20, 1974	\$261.25

Glenn Brindeiro

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## ACTIVITIES

- Sept. 14-15 Nooksack Cirque (Moderate hike-Fabulous view)  
Dave Gerada 773-8367
- Sept. 20-22 Mt. Olympus Glenn Hitchcock 655-1523

The subject of Boealps sponsorship of a Basic Climbing class was discussed at the executive board meeting. There is some doubt as to the value to the club since very few of the class graduates take an active interest in the club other than a vehicle for learning how to climb. We would welcome any comments from the membership as to their feelings on this topic. If you do or don't want to have a Basic class next spring notify Jack Leicester, E-6151, OH-26 or Bob Lesmeister, B-3020, 64-05.

## ACTIVITY REPORTS

### Mt. Adams-North Ridge (plus)

One hundred twenty miles of paved and twenty miles of dirt road brought ten Boealpers and three friends to the Killen Creek campground on Friday evening, August ninth. Saturday morning at 7:15 the party headed for the high camp at the base of the North Ridge (ca. 7000'). Their journey up the trail passed through flowered meadows with scenic views of Mt. Adams, Rainier, St. Helens, and the Goat Rocks.

Camp was established at 11:00 beside a meltwater pool. The camping area was most comfortable-the tents being pitched on a "beach" of pumice. Wild cantalopes were seen at the waters edge. The weather was fair.

At noon Russ Kroeker and Glenn Hitchcock decided to scout the Adams Glacier route for a possible climb the following year. As the rest of the party relaxed and watched through binoculars the two wound their way up the glacier. Intent on doing a good job at route scouting the two proceeded to the 12,326 foot level where 70 mph winds hastened their departure. Descent was made via North Ridge. The two reached camp at 8:00 P.M.

At 4:00 A.M. Sunday morning the climb up the North Ridge began. After an hour the three non-Boealpers decided to return to camp where one of the two Adams Glacier climbers had remained to saw wood. The climb proceeded up the bare, unstable rock and scree of the North Ridge. Route finding by Bob Cocherell facilitated upward movement. At the top of the ridge the party roped up to cross the one mile and climb the seven hundred feet remaining. Crampons were not needed.

## Mt. Adams (continued)

The nine Boealpers reached the summit by 10:30 A.M. Lunch was eaten in a dug-out behind a wall of snow blocks at the summit. The temperature was 36<sup>o</sup>, wind velocity 50 mph. Descent was made by the same route. The last of the party reached Seattle by 10:15 P.M.

Members of the North Ridge ascent were Glenn Brindeiro, Don Brown, Bob Cocherell, Fred Gray, Howard Higgen, Glenn Hitchcock (leader), Bill Knight, Fred Sayer, and Bob Yourzak.

## Blankenship Lakes, August 17-18

Six Boealpers took a weekend off from a strict regimen of peak bagging ( R. Kroeker take note) for a leisurely backpack in the Cougar Lakes area, now under consideration for Wilderness Area status. We explored the Blankenship Lakes area, north of White Pass, which we unanimously renamed Royal Basin East, due to its thick infestation of mosquitos and other biting things. The party consensus was that the B.L. mosquitos were far cleverer than the R.B. mosquitos of last year, being capable of allacking through a 6 inch loft down parka.

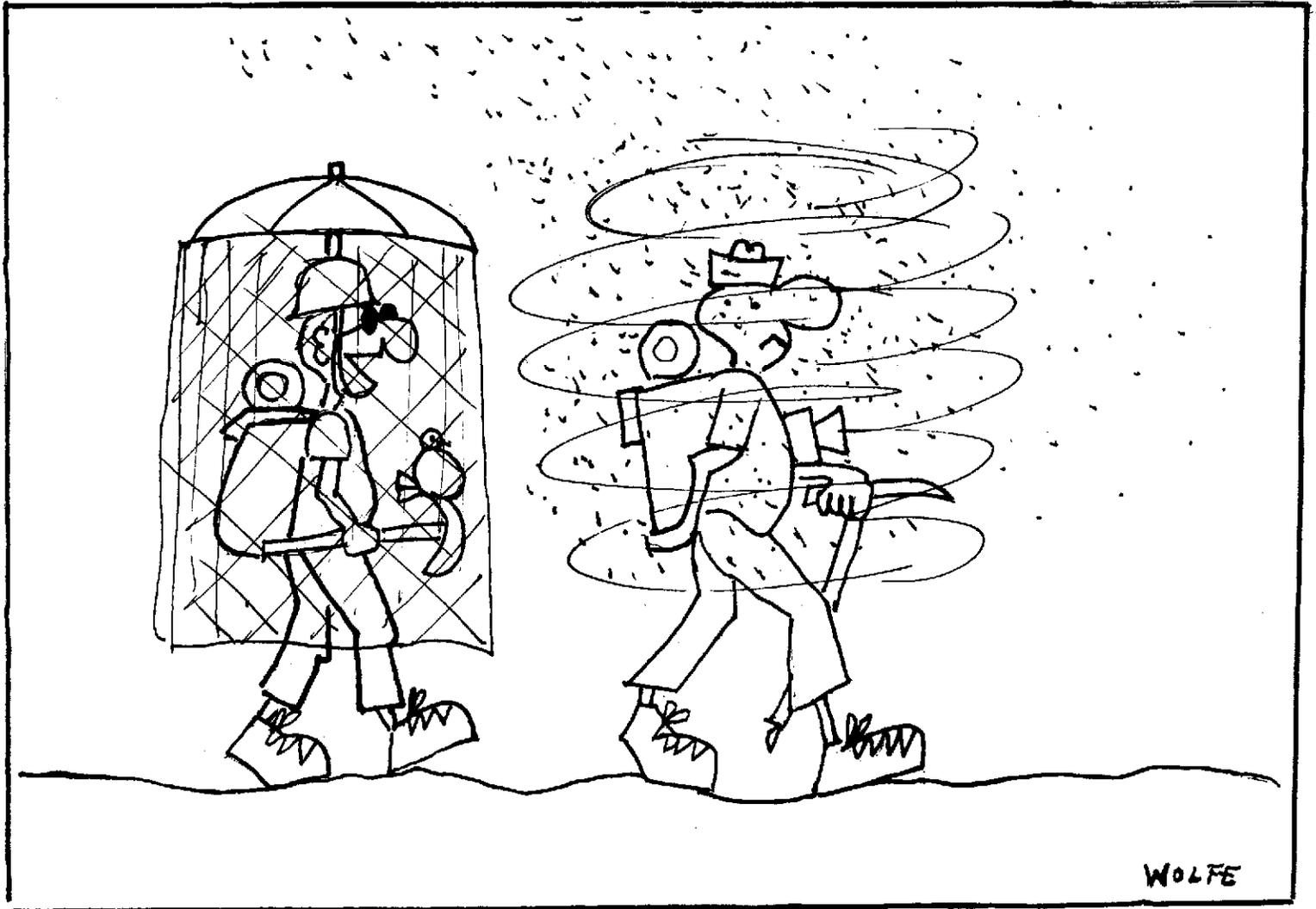
Arriving at the trail head, we poisoned the pure pristine air with various brands of aerosol sprays as we prepared ourselves for the entomological onslaught, and then proceded up the trail, plunge stepping through bottomless dust. At two miles, we descended to Indian Creek, recrossed it several times in the next few miles, and arrived at spacious Indian Meadows, where we luxuriated amid the meandering brooks and thick grasses. Another mile brought us to Blankenship Lakes, 3 medium-sized shallow warm lakes surrounded by numerous other potholes (explaining the mosquitos) and a bumper crop of beargrass. Leaving our packs, we made a cloverleaf exploration around all three lakes before settling on the ideal campsite near Lake No. 2, carefully ascertaining we were 100 feet from the waterfront in accord with F.S. regulations.

As our lake was suitably warm, the more unmodest of us took a swim (Los Angeles style) evading the mosquitos at last. The leader then tested the potability of all the lakes and lakelets (the swim-in lake was not in the running) for drinking purposes, settling on Lake No. 3 as most tasty. Bob L. led the rest of the party elk-spotting, sighting nearby one large bull and family. After dinner, we ascended a nearby knoll to watch the sun set behind Mt. Rainier, then watched stars, satellites, and amassing clouds. Raindrops fell just as we retired, breaking our string of 28 dry days and driving away the mosquitos.

The rainfall stopped by morning, measuring only 1/8 inch in Ray's cup, but a thick fog cover caused the abandonment of our planned assault on volcanic Mt. Tumac. So, we slept in, then packed up

and hiked out, detouring via Pear Lake (which is shaped like a pear) and Apple Lake (which did not remotely resemble in any shape size or form an apple). En route, we caused a mother grouse some trying moments as we scattered her brood. Bob L. saw a seagull?

A good time was had by all, who alphabetically included Bob Cocherell (most-traveled pack), Bruce Gaumont (leader, water taster, and purveyor of fine wines), Ray Hofstatter (most avid swimmer), Bob Lesmeister (seer of wild beasts, inhabitant of the squattiest tent, and impervious to mosquito bites), Katy Martin (bringer of the most food and most changes of clothes) and Linda Parker (tenderest and/or tastiest, according to a confidential poll of 63,000 mosquitos).



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## OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, Oct. 10, '74

Plant II Engineering Theater 7:30 pm

For the October meeting, the Boeing Employees Alpine Society is fortunate to have an excellent presentation of only the third successful attempt of Mt. McKinley's South buttress. The guest speaker is Francis Pedrizetti and he will be presenting his 1973 climb of North America's highest peak. As always, we hope everybody comes and gives Francis a warm welcome.

Art Wolfe

This month is also election time. See Minutes for officer nominees.

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Minutes

Sept. 12, '74

The September meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by acting President Jack Leicester at 7:35 pm. in the Plant II Theater. There were approximately 45 members and guests present. The August Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report were approved as published in the Echo.

Old Business: John Pallock is recovering from influenza. The club hopes he will soon be back in the mountains.

New Business: Annual club elections will be held next month. Candidates that have been nominated by the executive board are as follows:

- President: Glenn Brindeiro, Bruce Gaumont, Russ Kroeker
- Vice President: Glenn Hitchcock, Dave Campbell
- Secretary: Al Mercer, Sue Bunker, Ray Johnson
- Treasurer: Rick Johnson, Clark Kido

Activities: The first of the winter beach hikes is scheduled for the weekend of Oct. 19th. (Now revised) There will be an "expedition" to Hawaii over Thanksgiving. See Dave Gerada if interested.

Programs: The November meeting will be the annual club banquet. Pete Schonei will present slides of the Mt. Lennin climb that took place this summer.

Equipment: A Jansport tent has been ordered and will be in the club inventory in a month or so.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Dave Campbell

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Bal., Aug. 20, '74	\$261.25
Receipts	152.00
Expenditures	235.86
Ending Bal., Sept. 20, '74	\$177.39

Glenn Brindeiro

Activities

- Oct. 12            Saturday. One day Fall hike. Pyramid Peak, Mt. Rainier Natl. Park. Bruce Gaumont
- Oct. 19-21        Enchantments rescheduled. via Asguard Pass. Bruce Gaumont. possibly 22 too
- Oct. 26-28        Three day beach hike. For details see Ron Peltola. 242-4655
- Nov. 2-3            Late Autumn overnight ice breaker. Call Activity chairman for last minute, up to date details.
- Nov. 16-17        Beach Hike. Dave Gerada. 773-8367
- Nov. 28-            Hawaii "Expedition" Call Dave Gerada.
- Dec. 9

A Report: The Dosewallips Loop Olympic Outing ( August 22-25 )

"Today will be the toughest day," said the leader, confidently, "and each subsequent day will get easier." The five followers nodded trustingly, little realizing the folly of the pronouncement. The words were often and unmercilessly repeated to the abashed leader during the ensuing four days of the First Annual Great Olympic Outing and Elk Horn Hunt.

The outing encompassed a triangular route in the Dosewallips watershed of the Olympics: starting at the ranger station on the 1st day and following the west fork to near Anderson Pass; on the 2nd day traversing north from the pass up Anderson Glacier over Flypaper Pass to the Mt. Anderson summit, and then down the Eel Glacier to a camp by Silt Creek; continuing the traverse northward on the third day, down Silt Creek and then up along Sentinel Ridge to Hayden Pass (only 4 miles away); and then, on the trail again, down the main branch of the Dose back to the start. Total Mileage: 34 miles. The attractions of the route include views of the backcountry vistas and wildlife that perhaps only 1% of Dose hikers ever see; the disadvantages are embodied in the not-soon-to-be-forgotten principle that 1 crosscountry-bushwhack-traverse mile does not equal 1 gentle trail mile. We learned this very well.

We assembled bleary-eyed at the Fauntleroy dock on Thursday, and counted ling cods and groupers near the pilings. Deposited on the far shore at Southworth, we drove northward along Hood Canal, then west up the Dosewallips River, testing the undercarriage clearance of our vehicles on the churned-up dirt of the road, and our steering responses in and around the 30-ton earthmovers thereon. At the ranger station, the Old Ranger gave us the bear facts, somberly relating all the recent scare stories and telling us to hang our food 16 feet in the air to thwart Old Smokey (space permits only one token bear pun; readers are welcome to add any that occur to them in the appropriate places. Over 4 days, we've heard them all.)

After snapping the traditional here's-the-party-all-fresh-at-the-trailhead shots, we hoisted our packs and set off upriver. The trail winds by azaleas and giant mushrooms, crosses high bridges, and passes numerous campsites before reaching Siberia shelter just below Anderson Pass. By the time we arrived, it was raining lightly. Since the shelter was empty, we didn't need to pitch tents, so we devoted our energies to devising the world's largest pinata-like bearproof cache, 3 feet in diameter and weighing 80 lbs, dangling 16.1 feet in the air, our massed food stores. The drizzle changed to fog, various peaks appeared and disappeared, we watched deer in the meadows, and Bob Dylan materialized out of the mist to regale us with sing-along favorites long into the night. No bears came, no doubt not up to our challenge.

The morning was misty but clearing and we packed up and climbed the 1/2 mile to the pass, then further up onto Anderson arm to the moraine. In the thick fog, we waited for an hour and photographed wet lupens, then ventured down onto the glacier when a momentary clearing revealed where it was. We ascended to Flypaper Pass, somewhat faster and more optimistically than others, as the weather eventually cleared. A long rest stop followed, then a short snow climb to the Anderson summit, marked by a 7 ft. cairn. We still needed a vote to decide which summit was which. As the view had clouded in again, we grimaced in each other's party pictures at the summit, and signed all the registers. Then we returned to Flypaper Pass, and headed down Eel Glacier, reaching just before dark the only flat spot for 5 miles in any direction, a level area on the moraine that only required displacing several hundred rock per tentsite. A goat grazed on the far hillside as we enjoyed the classic smell of toasting hotdogs and roasting Palus by an open fire. We must confess to unpardonable littering, since the water supply disappeared under a snowfield almost immediately, only to reappear over a spectacular

\*On closer inspection, rhododendrens

waterfall a mile downstream. Into the hole floated one waterbottle, one bowl, and one toothbrush.

The dawn broke on The Day Remembered Best By All. We traveled four miles, which doesn't quite tell it all. The route led downstream, traversing through lush luxurious subalpine meadows, broken by occasional alder patches and snowfields. On one snowfield, we spotted a snoozing bear. Art sneaked up and clicked furiously away with amassed cameras of the group, sending the bear into headlong flight. Farther along we got onto steep forested hillsides, which we traversed for a mile or so across several gullies, gaining elevation slightly. In a clearing midway, Art found his lifelong holy Grail, 28 pounds of elk antlers, 4 feet long each, 6 points per item ( a "royal", hunting fans), complete with skull fragments, which retained enough brain juice to generate a stupefying smell. Nonetheless, Art lashed them on and staggered onward (only 18 miles to go). They are now displayed above his mantelpiece at 9716 44th SW, soon to be declared a National Monument and open for public view 24 hours a day. Hurry over, for rumor has it they will soon be diced up to create 28,651 genuine elkhorn buttons.

The route emerged into precariously steep meadows, which we scaled up onto the col between Sentinel Peak and Sentinel's sister. A long rest followed, and then a traverse westward down and around Sentinel to Hayden Pass. The party collapsed stūmb tuckered, as the leader reasoned that several more miles, on trail now, would shorten somewhat the 15.4 miles remaining to the road. The followers nodded docily.

Needing at least one ascent to mark the celebration of his birthday, the leader led a very small volunteer party (thanks Linda) up to talus slopes to conquer Sentinel Peak. So that the nonclimbers will not know what they missed, I will delete the detailed dramatic depictions of the glorious spectacular panoramas which unfolded from the summit.

In the leader's absence, the chain of command eroded substantially, as tents sprang up on the pass and the plan to descend further was mutinously abandoned. Upon descending, the leader relented, as the sunset filled the western sky, backlighting the clouds around Mt. Olympus, 20 miles distant. It'll be a good year for the sunset division in the January photo contest.

The night was warm and still, aggravating breathing problems in the logan tent that housed the 4, shall we say, least meticulously groomed of our party. Part of the problem was traced to Art's sleeping bag's proximity to the last remains of a 700-pound bull elk most of the day. Part of the problem was also traced to an unnamed party member's socks airing fragrantly from the center pole. A large goat wandered around camp during the night, but disappeared posthaste as a sudden windshift caught him downwind.

The last day brought fifteen point four miles of downhill trudgery, all on trail but just too far for one day. Art lashed up his horns, bemoaning his fate so effectively that the girls quizzily divided up a large share of his other gear. The trail was nicely divided into milestones of meadows and other trails and stream crossings so that we could pace ourselves from one to the next. The way dropped steadily, and the temperature rose proportionately. Lunch was spent near a creek, where we hung our swollen feet in the river, escaping the pain in the numbness of the icy water. Farther on, a bear cub fled from the trail as we plodded on, zombie-like. We realized the end (of the trail) was near as we began to pass Sunday hikers in tennis shoes and girls fragrant with perfume.

The last few miles were spent convincing Art that the antlers were contraband being covered by all the don't-pick-the-flowers-don't-molest-the-animals regulations, and that he'd probably just have to give them up, or worse yet replace them in their original location. The old ranger settled the question, however, with "Them shorell look fine over yer fahrplace, young feller." The junior ranger told us all the world's elk-kill trivia (cougar's go right for the liver first, bear's scatter the bones, etc), having just completed his master's thesis on the subject.

In the closed confines of the car, the antlers really came into their own, setting new standards of ripeness. We had dinner along Hood Canal, then drove home as the sunset highlighted the eastern peaks of the Olympics. We were too tired to look back.

The spirited six: Bruce Gaumont (Leader and chronicler), Linda Parker, Art Wolfe, Katy Martin, Jim Reed (no longer TWJBR) and Sandi Ketler.

Mt. Olympus West Peak      Sept. 20-22

Eat your hearts out, participants of last year's Boealps Mt. Olympus climb! This year's climb proceeded under sunny skies and warm temperatures!

The party of 3 Boealpers was augmented by a climbing party of two whom they met on the trail.

Arising at dawn on Saturday, the five left Glacier Meadows and proceeded to the summit via the Blue Glacier/ J. Winchester shortcut/Snow Dome/False Summit route.

Highlights of the trip included a swim in Elk Lake, crevasse jumping on the snow free Blue Glacier, the views from the summit, the rappells off the summit, and the relief of taking off the boots upon reaching the cars.

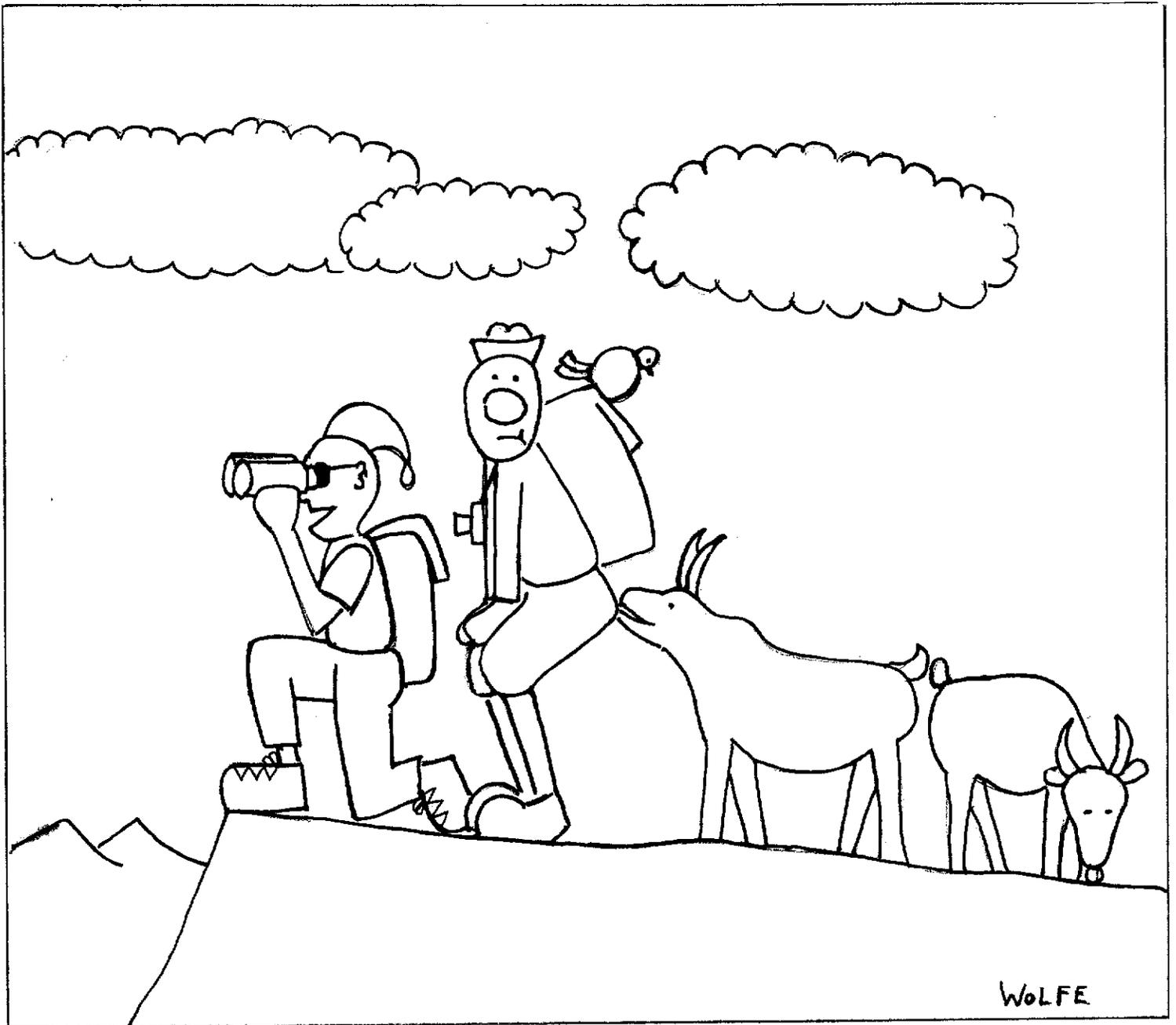
Boealpers were Glenn Hitchcock, Russ Kroeker, and Warren Rouse. Traveling with the aforementioned were Dr. Joe King and Charles Moreland, the only other climbers on the mountain that weekend.

Reproduceable copies of Becky's old climber's guide are available for Dave Gerada.

Olympic Climber's Guide      Contact Dave Gerada.

Cascade Alpine Guide      Contact Glenn Hitchcock

LOST: Four (4) rolls of exposed film, of vibrant sunsets, on Mt. Buckner.  
If found, return to Art Wolfe



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LIKE A HAWK . I CAN SEE A GOAT WAY  
OVER THERE ACROSS THE VALLEY !

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ANNUAL GRAND BANQUET NOV. 7, 1974  
ROYAL FORK RESTAURANT MERCER ISLAND, WN.  
DINNER BEGINNING 6:30 \$3.00  
MEETING 8:00 FREE

The Boeing Employees Alpine Society is indeed fortunate to have Pete Schoening for this years banquet speaker. Pete will present slides of the highly successful 1974 American Expedition to Russias 23,382 foot Lenin Peak. This much publicized climb promises to be very informative since expeditions into this region of the world are very seldom permitted by the Soviet Union. We truly hope you all will attend this special presentation. Wives, husbands, dates, friends and acquaintances are welcome..... and free beer will be provided.

Important Because of advance arrangements that have to be made with the Royal Fork, we need an idea of how many people will be at the banquet. Therefore, please call Jack Leicester, 342-5372 or 546-2086 as soon as convenient to tell him how many of you and your friends probably will attend, or maybe will attend for dinner.

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MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 10, 1974

The October meeting of the Boeing Employees Alpine Society was called to order by Jack Leicester at 7:30 P.M. in the Plant II Theater. The minutes and Treasurer's report were approved with one correction which will be explained below. There were 65 members and guests present.

Committee Reports:

Programs: The November meeting will be the annual banquet at the Mercer Island Royal Fork featuring Pete Schoening with his account of this summers' Lenin Peak Expedition. December will feature Art Wolfe-A High Route in the North Cascades. January will be the annual photo contest.

Activities: As published in the Echo. There will be a McKinley climb in 1976 so get in shape and see Glenn Hitchcock.

Membership: Several prospective members are looking us over.

Equipment: A new Jansport four to six man tent of the dome style has been purchased. The correction to last Months minutes is that John Pollock did not have influenza but was in the hospital. Could it be that he has been carrying too many 6 man tents around? Al Gustafson borrowed a Logan tent before leaving the company. Anyone knowing its location should contact the equipment chairman.

New Business:

The election of officers was held and the new officers for the 74-75 term are as follows:

- President- Bruce Gaumond
- Vice President- Glenn Hitchcock
- Secretary- Al Mercer
- Treasurer- Clark Kido

With no further new or old business the president used his executive power and closed the meeting. The slide presentation of Mt. McKinleys' South Buttress was both scenic and informative as Francis Pedrizetti answered many detailed questions on the logistics and the technical difficulties of the climb.

Dave Campbell

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance, Sept. 20, 1974	\$177.39
Receipts	6.57
Expenditures	39.00
Closing Balance, Oct. 20, 1974	\$144.96

Glenn Brindeiro (In Nepal)

## ACTIVITIES

Our new Activities Chairman is Russ Kroeker, who has attained considerable renown for his multitudenous ascents in Malawi, West Florida, and in the past year the Northwest. Russ is reachable at any reasonable hour day or night on 773-8734 (work) or 631-1772 (home) to tell you all the latest on upcoming activities, subsequent to the semi-official list published each month in the Echo. In the event he can't be reached due to his being out bagging Mt. Lago, which everyone knows is the 30th highest peak in the state, we will soon name an assistant Activities Chairman to fill in as necessary.

If you'd like to suggest, lead, or help organize a climb, hike, overnight, snowshoe/ski tour, expedition, birdwatch outing or other exciting activity, Russ would like to hear from you. Choice dates available throughout the coming season. In the meantime, don't miss:

- Nov. 3 Late autumn day hike to a mystery location in the Alpine Lakes area. Beautiful autumn colors guaranteed. 6 to 8 miles total. Call Art Wolfe, 935-7674.
- Nov. 9-10 An overnight hike into Flapjack Lakes in the Southeast Olympics with an optional climb of Mt. Cruiser (class 4 or 5.7) on Sunday. Optional day hike Saturday only- 8 miles. Russ Kroeker 773-8734/631-1772
- Nov. 16-17 Overnight Beach Hike-Cape Alava loop. Be the westernmost body in the conterminous U.S. Luxurious cedar plank trail; special guided tour of the archeological digs. 9 miles total with optional side trips. Call Dave Gerada, 522-5255 or 773-8367.
- Nov. 23 or 24 Day Hike-Carbon River, Mt. Rainier. Walk the Carbon River streambed from Rainier park entrance to Ipsut Creek or from Ipsut Creek to Carbon Glacier, snow level permitting. Birds, wildlife, rock and plant identification provided of all items seen en-route. 5-8 miles. Call Ron Peltola, 242-4655 or 433-2543.
- Nov. 28- Dec. 9 Diamond Head (est.1000), Haleakala (10,000), Moana Loa (14,000) on the Dave-and-Bruce Hawaii Expedition. Special ceremonies to be held at Pearl Harbor on second Saturday.
- Nov. 30 or Dec. 1 Snowshoe/Ski Hike-Panorama Point, Mt. Rainier. Snow permitting. Get out those cob-web-covered snowshoes or borrow a pair from the 10 the club has (5 different styles). 5-6miles. Call Bruce Gaumond, 773-2620 or 246-2520.
- Dec. 7 or 8 Snowshoe or Ski Tour. Call Russ for details.
- Dec. 26-31 Three to four day holiday beach hike, glass float hunt and mussel feast. Details available soon.

## ACTIVITY REPORTS

The Nooksack Cirque Adventure, or Found and Almost Eaten by the Great Trog.

Well, there we were 150 miles from Seattle looking for a place to stay. Rumors had it that the Great Trog was comfortable, dry and protected and good for as many as a dozen people. Well why not, the price would be right. But first we had to find it. Hey Bruce, where did you look last time? Better yet why don't we just take a look at that big rock over there. The one with the 20 foot pipe sticking up. Hey, we found it. Now lets see..there was me, Bruce Gaumond, Don Taylor, Carl Hoggum, Dick Kerr, and one other for a total of six. This place has been misrepresented. Sleeping spots were selected after an intricate triple-elimination pick-the-short match lottery. My spot was flat, level and smooth but the other guys had nothing but boulders to sleep on. Sorry about that Dick, but you're probably right about the river bed being more comfortable.

After dinner we sat under the Great Rock waiting for the stars to come out and comparing notes on backpacking stoves. Don Taylor decided that my slow burning Blulette was better than his slow starting Optimus, so a trade was culminated.

The Great Rock had obviously been in position for thousands of years. Never the less, one could not help but wonder if there were more where this one came from. Bruce placed us all at ease after he checked out the top of the rock and assured us that the Great Trog would not be continuing on down to the Nooksack.

Morning came none too soon after being snuggled in between Carl and Bruce all night. They just moved in on my spot while I was fluffing up my down booties. Breakfast was quickly eaten and we set out for an attempt at Icy Peak, but thats another story. Maybe next year.

Dave Gerada

Unicorn Peak-Mt. Rainier Natl. Park

On Sunday, Sept. 15, six Boealpers and friend types piled into a truck and headed for Unicorn Peak. At the trailhead everyone piled out and..everyone reached the summit. Everyone piled back into the truck until Enumclaw where everyone piled out for dinner.

One party member ordered a stack of golden brown pancakes sprinkled with butter and seeped in maple syrup with a side plate of hash browns and a cup of hot chocolate. Another member ordered the French Dip Sandwich heavy on the roast beef served along with a tossed green salad with roquefort dressing. The other four feasted on the medium priced to expensive steak dinners served with a large baked potato with sour cream, salt and pepper, rolls and butter, and salad, 3 more roqueforts and one 1000 island. Half of the party drank beer before eating, while everyone had a large cinnamon roll, just heated, with glazed top and hidden raisins, for desert. Everyone then piled into the truck and went home. Burp.

Enchantment Lakes, October 12-14

The thousand pictures we took will do a thousand times the justice to our 3-day Enchantments trip than these thousand words, but since the photo allotment of the Echo is limited to about one, promo for the January photo contest (see elsewhere in this issue) and in black-and-white to boot, words must suffice. So while you were all home several weekends ago (before the rains came) watching the Patriots pummel the Pistons or the Dolphins dump Dubuque, Dave and Joe and I were up in the stark wilds of the Upper Enchantments for 60 hours of miraculously warm autumn weather, featuring days of awe-inspiring ochre visions of waning larches and million-star nights of astromical galaxy-gazing. (Besides the spectacle of autumn larches, the October Enchantments were barren of bugs, all you tormented summer hikers!)

The '73 late-season for the Enchantments was attempted via the standard Snow Lakes route (TWJBR and party), the 3-day in Rat Creek character-creator (Gerada and group) and the Aasgard Pass direct ascent (Wolfe et. al.). We opted for the latter, owing to our limited time and our need to ascend as high as possible to escape the 50-plus-on-the-Richter Scale pollution crises of Puget Sound.

Arriving at the Colchuck Lake trailhead, we found one tiny parking spot amidst the amassed pick-ups (all featuring NRA bumper stickers) of the opening-day hunting crowd, donned our Day-glo parkas, and set forth. A short two hours brought us to Colchuck Lake, where we had lunch before circling left to below Aasgard Pass. (The lake was 10 feet low due to irrigation draw-down, exposing a large part of the lake bottom and permitting passage along the entire shore.) A long 3 hours was then spent surmounting the 2200 ft. rockslide to Aasgard Pass, during which Joe rediscovered his high-angle ice-climbing skills crossing the frozen cascades of the mud slide stream. We shot dozens of slides each, little realizing the token larches en route were but a hint of what lay beyond. We topped the pass with about 1/2 hour of daylight to go, and dropped to the biggest high lake, where we found a 12 foot square patch large enough for the new club 12-man JanSport. Having left the assembly instructions below, we hereby report that set-up is straightforward once you realize the tent arrives (and stuffs) inside out. The interior is spacious, but would be pretty cramped for six unless they were all wedge-shaped and fit neatly into a tight hexagon. The absorption of three tires hikers and all their gear proved the Parkinson camper's corollary that the tenters expand until they fill the tentspace allotted.

The night temperature dipped to 27<sup>o</sup>, so we slept in until morning sunshine warmed us up, then set off to explore everything in sight, amassed cameras dangling from our soon stiffening necks. (When are they going to develop a camera that handles B&W slides and color negatives simultaneously...) Frequent backtracking was necessary so I could retrieve my ice axe from the previous picture-taking sight and Dave managed to become nearly trapped on the Rune Lake direct descent route.

The colors were at their absolute peak, and the temperature at least 60<sup>o</sup> as we clicked our way down into the lower basin. A short side-trip took up to Prusik Pass, from where we watched a spine-tingling ascent in progress of formidable looking

Prusik Peak (makes your fingers itch, doesn't it, Russ?). A swing down around Leprechaun marked our low point for the day. I talked to two guys sipping 16-oz. Budweisers on the way back up who had come all the way from South Carolina after they had seen a friend's Autumn-in-the Enchantments slides. And I thought two extra rolls of film were too much extra weight. . . . The temperature that night again was 27°, as measured 15 inches in front of my nose.

The third day brought a quick ascent up Little Annapurna (who made off with the summit register, anyway?) for views of Seattle wallowing in yellow smog and Rainier floating lightly above it all. We sat on the Roman fortress ruins and counted all the granite needles we would never be tempted to attempt. On the return we tripped over some half-and-half ptarmigans that were between seasons and chased them around trying to take some see-how-tame-ptarmigans-are pictures. One last foray was made through the larches to make sure there wasn't any tree we hadn't gotten at least one picture of, then we broke camp and tripped down the 2200 foot vertical, dislodging an occasional 2-ton boulder as we traipsed. Going down was as bad as up, owing to our tenderized feet and ever-weakening knees. An impromptu vote resulted in a unanimous mandate for the standard Snow Lakes route for next year. On the drive home through Tumwater Canyon, our saturated orange sensors in our brains got a rest, as the brilliant crimsons took over.

Having read the above, you can sign up now for the '75 October Return-to-the Enchantments through Bruce Gaumond,, Dave Gerada, or Joe (Fire-Fox) Robertson.

#### CELEBRITIES-WE-ALL-KNOW-DEPARTMENT

Look in Time, Newsweek, Sports Illustrated (and others) around mid-October for full page color spread featuring John Pollock, Boealp course instructor and JanSport executive (wearing a Kelty pack). Also featuring one unidentified Cascade mountain. . . .

#### COMING ATTRACTIONS - JANUARY PHOTO CONTEST

Start winnowing out those prized pictures of yours to share with us at the 3rd Annual not-too-serious Photo Contest and Exhibition at the gala January 9th meeting. Full details and sample picture in a forthcoming Echo. Your treasures will be presented and described by special celebrity Guest Announcer and Alping Pundit. Three divisions: color slides, color prints, and black-and-white prints. Categories include general mountain scenery, people, wildlife, flowers, sunsets, snowscapes, inclement weather, and seascapes. Prizes will be slide processing envelopes (so you can finally get those 1974 slides processed) and more fresh film, so you can take more pictures in 1975 for next year's photo contest. Sounds like a treadmill, doesn't it. . . . Strategy hint: get your color slide made into color prints when they run those C&X specials and compete in the not-so-heavy print category.

Would the present guardian of the club's MSR tent call B. Gaumond (CH6-2520/773-2620) for delivery by return mail of its tentstakes. How has everyone been holding that thing down all summer?

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE

Darrington Ranger District  
Darrington, Washington 98241

REPLY TO: 1590 Emergency Operations

July 18, 1974

SUBJECT: Emergency Aid



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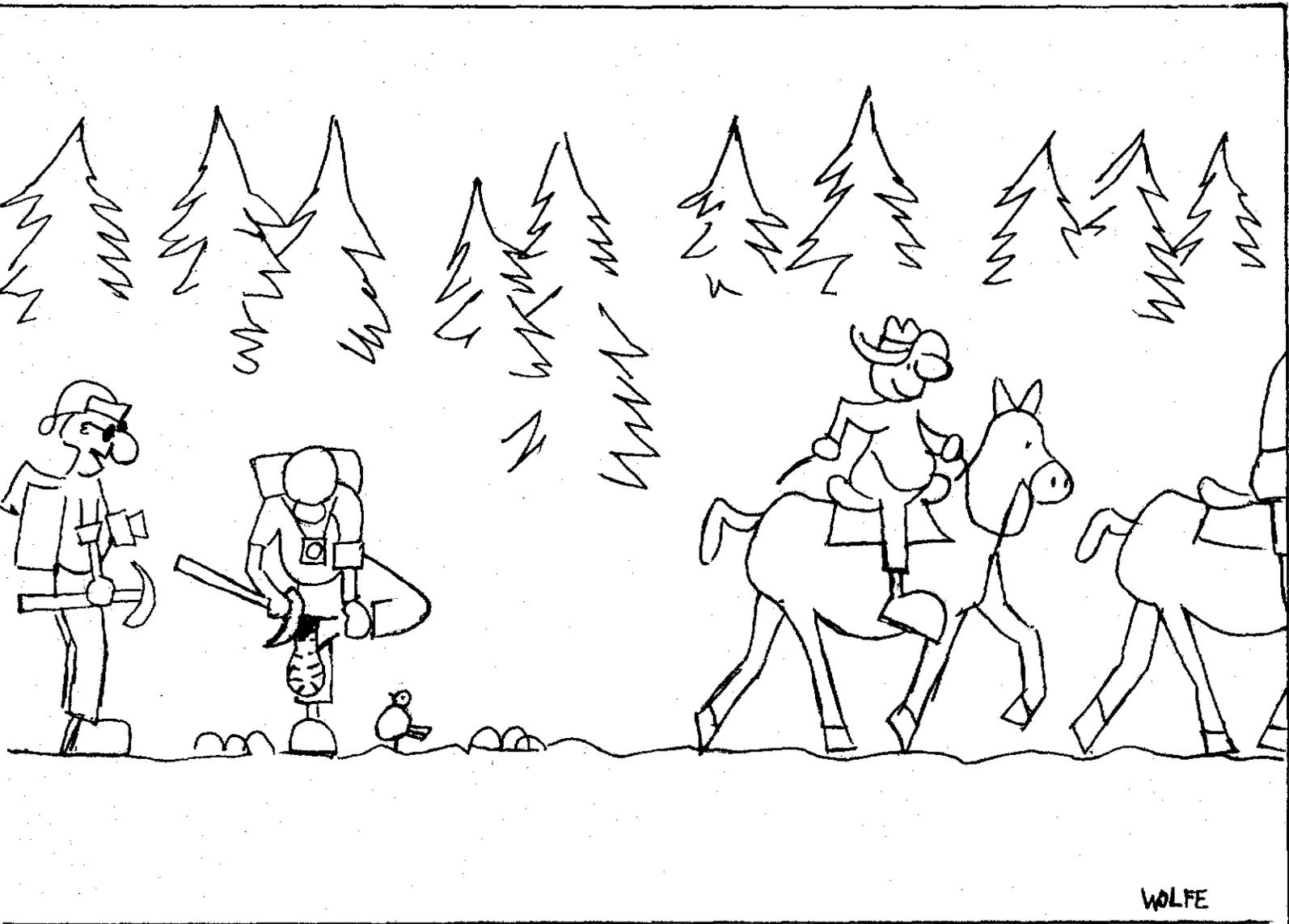
The Darrington Ranger District and the injured employee involved would like to thank you for your assistance in his evacuation from Kennedy Hot Springs on July 6. Certainly, your concern and cooperation helped a difficult situation from becoming worse.

The injured guard received five stitches on the bridge of his left foot, but is now back on the job, thanks to your commitment to his well being.

Thank you once again, and have an enjoyable summer.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Charles T. Downen'.

CHARLES T. DOWNEN  
Darrington District Ranger



NOW HARVE YOU CAN'T SAY THAT I DIDN'T  
WARN YOU TO WATCH YOUR STEP!

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## DECEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1974

7:30pm

PLANT II THEATRE

The Boeing Alpine Society is indeed proud to present the Redoubt High Route for our December's meeting entertainment. Taking place early last August this nine day high traverse provided access to perhaps the most remote group of peaks in the Washington Cascades. Lying between the Canadian border on the north and the Northern Pickets to the south this seldom traveled area offered spectacular panoramas of the surrounding glacier clung ramparts as well as close up glances at the plant and animal life that inhabit their lofty domain. We believe this presentation will be both interesting and informative and sincerely hope that there is a large attendance present to view it. The speaker will be Art Wolfe.

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MEETING MINUTES - November 7, 1974

President Jack Leicester called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. in the Royal Fork Restaurant, Mercer Island. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Past Presidents of BOEALPS who were in attendance were introduced and received a round of applause. The officers and chairmen of the previous year were thanked for their efforts. The new officers and chairmen were introduced and welcomed.

Committee Reports: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Jack Leicester was thanked for his efforts as acting president of the club the past several months. Jim Reed led in a round of applause.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 to hear an excellent presentation by Pete Schoening on some recent climbing in the Soviet Union.

Al Mercer

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance, October 20, 1974	\$144.96
Receipts	97.00
Expenditures	<u>131.25</u>
Closing Balance, November 20, 1974	\$110.71

Clarke Kido, Treasurer

The following letter was received in reply to the Celebrities-We-All-Know-Department in the October issue of the Echo.

1, November 1974

Editor, The Echo

Your last issue contained an article pertaining to an advertisement appearing in several national periodicals. To set the record straight:

The mountains are Big Four and Hall Peak.

The model in the foreground is indeed a Boealp's Instructor.

The blue pack is NOT a Brand K \_ \_ \_ . It is the prototype of the new JanSport Greatsacks - "For the purist who knows how to pack, close riding packs that distribute the load uniformly over the back, shoulders, and hips without the use of a packframe. Support comes from the combination of aluminum stays (bent to the contour of the individual's back) and proper packing (column loading of the three columnar sections of the pack's main compartment). Available in yellow or blue cordura nylon, in two sizes". (Unpaid ad - J.L.)

It should be noted that several Boealp members were of great assistance in the testing and critiquing of this new model last spring and summer. Perhaps some confusion exists from the fact that some testing involved direct comparisons with brands K, R, and C. Needless to say, the JanSport Greatsack has been refined to a point where it is significantly superior to its competition.

Thank you,

An Ex-JanSport Executive

#### ACTIVITIES

- Dec. 7 - Late season fitness maintainer, very early season conditioner - Mt. Si - meet at parking lot at 9:00 AM or Kent at 8:00 AM. Contact Russ Kroeker (home) 631-1772 (work) 773-8734.
- Dec. 14- Bird Outing at Reifel Bird Sanctuary, Ladner, Canada. Leave Seattle or 15 early, binoculars essential. Contact Ron Petola (home) 242-4655 (work) 433-2543.
- Dec. 15- Snowshoe hike to Panorama Point, Mt. Rainier. Contact Bruce Gaumont (home) 246-2520 (work) 773-2620.

- Dec. 21-23 - Mt. Rainier - route undecided, depending on weather. Contact Glenn Hitchcock (home) 246-9082 (work) 655-6516.
- Dec. 26-31 - Three to four day holiday beach hike, glass float hunt and mussel feast, Rialto Beach to Sand Point, elegant fondue at Cedar Creek Shelter. Contact Art Wolfe 935-7674.
- Jan. 4 or 5 - Early season conditioner, Crystal Mt. or Corral Pass hike, perhaps on snowshoes. Contact Bob Lesmeister (home) 839-0583 (work) 257-2754.
- Jan. 11-12 - Camp Muir snowshoe or ski hike. Contact Jack Leicester (home) 546-2086 (work) 342-5372.
- Jan. 25-26 - Hoh River rain forest overnight hike. Luxurious accommodations at Olympic Meadow to survey wintering elk. Contact Bruce Gaumont (work) 246-2520 (home) 773-2620.
- Feb. 1 or 2 - 1 day snowshoe hike to Twin Lakes or Austin Pass. Contact Art Wolfe 935-7674.

#### ACTIVITY REPORTS

##### Mt. Rainier - An Attempt

On the thirteenth of July a climbing party of ten left Paradise in Mt. Rainier National Park with the intent to climb the mountain via the Kautz Glacier - a route of intermediate difficulty. Plans called for establishing a camp at 8000+ feet Saturday night and for a high camp at Camp Hazard below the Wilson Glacier Ice Wall Sunday night. Early Monday morning the party would start for the 14,410 foot summit.

The weather on Saturday was excellent. A cloudless sky and warm temperatures made life at 8,000 feet ecstatic. The weather forecast was good, spirits were high.

Sunday we awoke to find a large lenticular cloud covering the mountain from 11,000 feet upward. The rest of the sky was cloudless, and warm temperatures prevailed. Jim Burrows and I were the first to leave for Camp Hazard.

We had traveled about fifty yards when a shout from the climb leader brought us back to camp. He said that he was considering leaving the mountain because he was convinced the lenticular cap foretold bad weather. Jim and I decided to continue to high camp. Since the weather was good, we felt that the eight others would follow.

An hour and a half later we looked down and saw the others descending. Jim and I discussed our situation. We had a stove, we had sufficient fuel, we had plenty of food, but we had no tent. We had a tarp that could be used as a make-do shelter. The weather was excellent, so we decided to proceed to Camp Hazard at 11,300 feet. As we reached our destination, the lenticular cloud disappeared.

Camp Hazard is a triangularly shaped area of exposed rock nestled directly below the Wilson Ice Wall. Steep gulleys on either side route the ice avalanches away from the camp. Although evidence of large avalanches down the

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adjacent chutes abounded, none occurred during our stay there. However, that evening a massive avalanche rumbled down the mountain three chutes west of our camp.

That night found the two of us alone on that gigantic mountain, huddled under a tarp on a rock island in a sea of ice and snow. Out of a cloudless sky the winds sprang forth, tearing at the cover which protected us. The tarp flapped and flailed us throughout the night, making sleeping difficult and at times impossible. I wondered why I had come there, knowing full well that I would do it again as soon as the next opportunity arose. Such is the climber's paradox.

As planned we arose at 3:00 A.M. Breakfast was a simple affair - previously cooked hard boiled eggs, dry granola, a candy bar, and a drink of water - all under a wildly flapping tarp. The body thus fueled, we crawled out into the elements.

Bitter cold and strong winds shocked our tired minds to wakefulness. Fingers numbed as we donned our crampons. At 4:00 A.M. we departed, skirting the 200 foot high ice cliffs which we hoped would stay frozen in place.

We climbed the Kautz Glacier. As the wind velocity increased, the chill factor dipped to thirty degrees below zero! In the middle of July I felt my toes aching due to the cold. I wore wind pants to prevent heat loss from my legs, and for the first time I found that it was cold enough to wear my down parka while climbing.

We plodded upward through the thin air. At times the wind blew so strongly that as I lifted a foot to step forward I was spun about and left facing the opposite direction. Dawn brought no relief from the cold at 12,000 feet.

My clothing was doing an effective job of insulating me. Except for the toes on my right foot, I was reasonably comfortable. The intense cold at last took its toll and at 13,500 feet Jim decided to turn back. In retrospect, his decision was correct, but on the mountain with less than a thousand feet to gain to the summit and with over thirteen hours of daylight left - I resisted.

Discretion did prevail and we retreated. We reached Camp Hazard under a bright sun, and unthawed on the warm rocks. My toes were numb. After an hour's rest we packed and descended. By 4:00 P.M. we were off the mountain.

There is a happy footnote to this story. Within one week and with another party I reached the top of Mt. Rainier. The mountain, having taught me humility, was then gracious: I stood in warm sunshine on the summit.

Glenn Hitchcock - 1974

Tokeak Point, October 26 - 27.

It was a cold, dark, rainy, stormy, howling night as we huddled in the loft of the luxurious Tokeak Point hostel, held at bay by the rampaging skunks, mice, rats

and other unidentified varmints, rodents and beasties below. Fortunately, our food was hung rafter-high, so we were not to starve for the next day. Unfortunately, an inquisitive spotted skunk (first introduced to all you faithful readers in last year's Toleak Point installment) tends to leave, wherever he trods (my pack mostly), smelling pungently skunky. I spent the next day walking directly downwind from the main body of the party. I.B. finally met his namesake.

We arrived at the 3rd Beach trailhead Saturday morning in overcast weather to count only 5 cars, about 70 fewer than all you summer hikers encounter. At this point, we made the tactical decision to abandon the tents and trust fate that the T.P. shelter would be empty (of people anyway). This guaranteed that we were to spend the next four hours watching the storm clouds amass and worrying about the not-so-remote possibility that the shelter would be occupied and we would have to survive the night sans-tents huddled together in the wet underbrush. In the end we decided peace of mind would have been worth six extra pounds.

The trail to 3rd Beach is luxurious, 4 feet wide and 4 inches deep in beauti-bark - a far cry from the 4-inch-mud you all remember so dearly. Along the way, recent rains had spawned mushrooms, fungi, and many other sorts of non-chlorophyll flora in profusion. Many were identified by Ms. Bunker en route, although none to the certainty required for eating. As mountain-sage and recent Time-Life star John Pollock has said, "Every year, mushroom experts are found dead in the woods, identification guides under their arms".

The always-too-short hike down 3rd Beach was followed by the high route over Taylor Point on a reasonably dry pre-monsoon trail, featuring more mushrooms. Descending to the beach, we then had 3 miles of interesting walking along the varied shoreline to Toleak Point. Low point of the journey (about 2 feet below sea level) was when the leader got bored of sitting on the big rock below Scott Bluff waiting for the tide to recede a bit more, and ventured forth between unpredictable waves across the last 30 feet of open water, rock to rock. He discovered the phenomenon that the water is deepest just shoreward of each submerged rock, and found that his 18" green rubber waders were at least 20 inches too short. The rest of the party watched amusedly, then proceeded to step in the same holes just explored by the leader.

The shelter was found to be occupied by only 2 people; the rest of that party (8 kids) were mercifully camped down near the beach. We moved in, and then explored the tidepools, choreographed an amassed flock of 500 seagulls, and played frisbee. (Anyone know how to throw a frisbee into a 30-knot wind?) We then retired to a leisurely banquet, featuring three entrees each, flickering candlelight, and an elegant red wine (Yakima Valley 1975). Dave then amazed the assembled kids with 3-shell sleight-of-hand theatrics. Finally, we discovered a rustic checkerboard, and the serious competition began. First the limpets beat the clams, then the limpets beat the rocks, then it was rocks over clams, clams over limpets, rocks over clams again, and limpets over clams (twice). Final standings will await further match-ups on subsequent beach hikes. At last, we blew the candles out, and the real nocturnal activity began (see opening paragraph). We refrained from throwing any boots at the skunks, and they responded politely by refraining from fumigating the premises.

It rained, blew, stormed and howled all night (see opening paragraph) but by morning it was just foggy and by the time we took off the sun was breaking through. We assessed the skunk damage and found it to be negligible. We headed back around

11:00 A.M., found Taylor Point a morass from the previous nights rain, and lingered at 3rd Beach flushing our boots in the surf, and then clamored up the single sea-stack at mid-beach. We then returned to the cars, where the leader depleted his remaining energies trying to extricate his size 9 wet feet from his size 8½ wet green boots. We finally retired to the Vagabond in Forks for dinner, and are happy to note that their heretofore acclaimed elk rack (although more pointy) is actually at least 10 inches smaller than the set Art Wolfe carried out 18.4 miles from last August's Olympic trek. Speaking of Art Wolfe, it should be noted that he was to lead a second Toleak Point party in on Sunday and pass us en-route. A subsequent phone call verified our suspicions that he never got out of bed that day.

The party was comprised of Bruce Gaumont (limpets), Dave Gerada (rocks), Sue Bunker (clams), and Little Bruce (our spotted midnight Rambler).

#### MISCELLANEA COLUMN

(All news, notes, musings, want-ads, suggestions and exhortations welcome in this space.)

Glenn Hitchcock has a number of books for sale at vastly reduced prices:

Freedom of the Hills (3rd ed.)	\$7.00
Becky's Cascade Alpine Guide	7.00
Olympic Climber's Guide	4.00

Contact Glenn at the monthly meetings, or call him at 655-6516 (work)  
or 246-9082 (home)

Anyone interested in receiving a copy of the BOEALPS BY-LAWS contact Glenn Hitchcock.

#### NEXT-TO-LAST-NOTICE

The annual photo contest is coming up at the January meeting (January 9th). Use all this rainy weather to sort through your past season's accumulations of slides, color prints, and B&W prints. Don't wait until the last minute. More details to be published in the next Echo.

Lonely, bored, lackadaisical, getting out of shape? Like to meet new friends, participate in exciting new activities, test your mettle against the wilderness. Exclusive contacts; inquiries confidential. Call Activities Chairman Russ Kroeker and sign up for wintertime activities - 773-8734 (work) or 681-1772 (home).

#### LEARN TO WRITE/DRAW AT HOME IN YOUR SPARE TIME

Become a published author/artist, earn the admiration and respect of your friends, and open new career horizons, by contributing to the Alpine Echo, the mouthpiece of your club and general open forum for anything in English (sorry J.B.R.) you can get to the Editor by the monthly press deadline. Tell us about your climbing/hiking activities (club or otherwise). All manner of reports, ramblings,

and miscellaneous of-interest filler welcome. Also cartoons and sketches. Echo deadline is the 25th of each month.

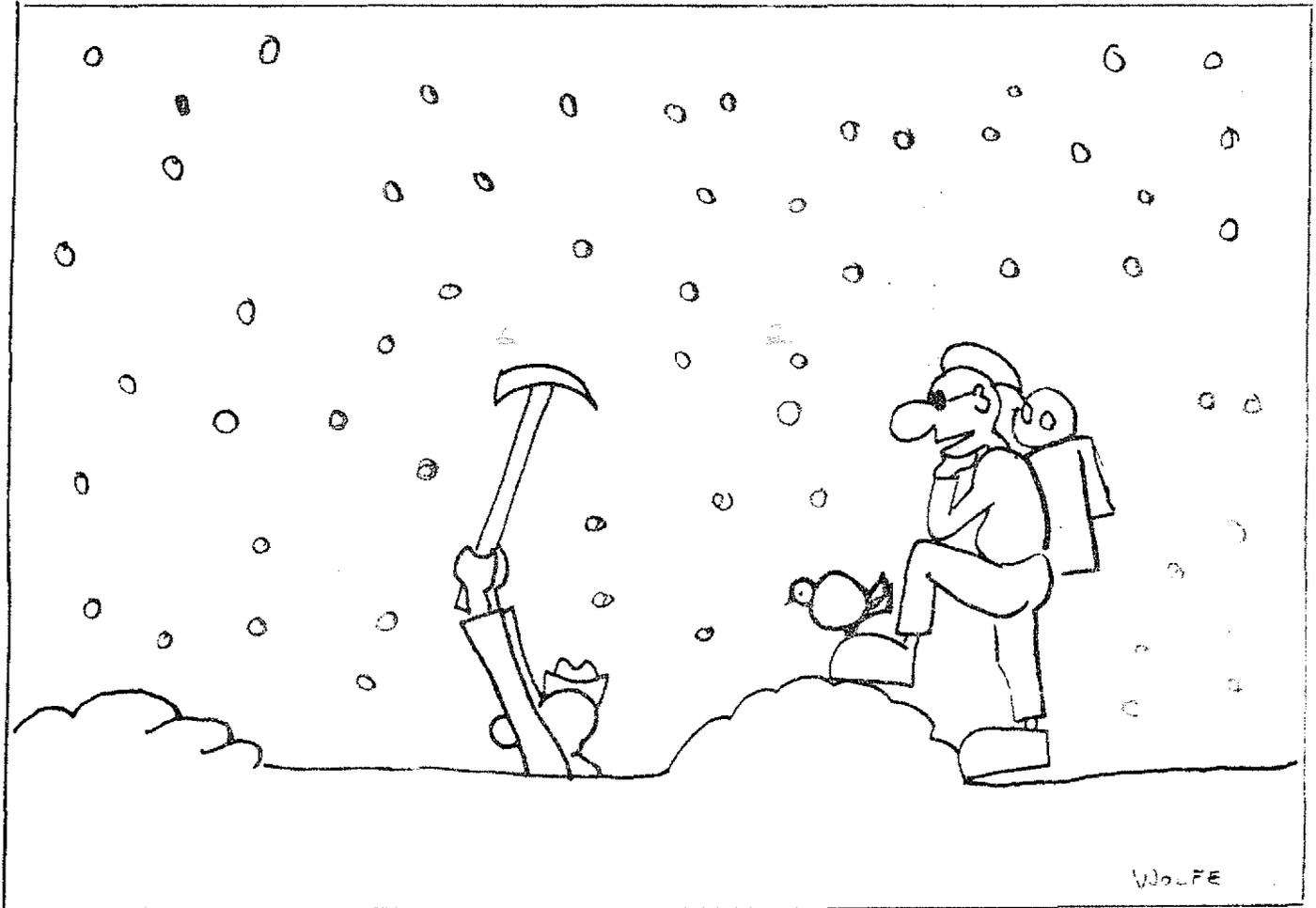
FOR SALE

Ladies brown suede dress boots from Eddie Buaer. Almost to knee style, in good condition, size 7½. Allergy to fleece lining forces owner to sell. \$25.00 or offer. Contact Mrs. Glenn Hitchcock at 246-9082.

SECOND HIGHEST PEAKS IN WASHINGTON (Unofficial)

(look for these on Russ's 1975 activity schedule)

11.	Mt. Shuksan	9127
12.	Mt. Maude	9082
13.	Mt. Buckner	9080
14.	Mt. Logan	9080
15.	Seven-Fingered Jack	9077
16.	Jack Mountain	9070
17.	Black Peak	8990
18.	North Gardner Mountain	8974
19.	Copper Peak	8966
20.	Mt. Redoubt	8956



FACE IT HARVE WE'LL JUST HAVE TO HIKE  
DOWN THE ROAD AND COME BACK FOR  
YOUR CAR NEXT SPRING .