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JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1975 7:30pm

3RD ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST AND EXHIBITION

Royal Fork Restaurant, Mercer Island
Dinner Starting at 6:00 P.M. \$3.00
(Optional but Encouraged)

Once again we are starting off the new year with our now-traditional annual photo contest and exhibition. This event provides a retrospective of all our 1974 activities as highlighted by our best slides and prints of the year. The categories are:

<u>Color Slides</u>	1. General Mountainscapes
	2. Wildlife
	3. Winterscapes
	4. Sunsets/Sunrises
	5. Flora
	6. Inclement Weather
	7. People

<u>Color And</u>	1. General Mountainscapes
<u>B & W Prints</u>	2. Wildlife
	3. Seascapes
	4. Miscellaneous

Prizes (film and processing) will be awarded in each category, and you may enter up to 5 pictures in each category.

All members and friends are invited to attend and encouraged to participate. Since the success of this show depends on your contributions, please take a few minutes to flash through all those hundreds of pictures you took last year to select a few to share with your fellow members. Don't hold back from participating just because you may feel your photos are not of Ed Cooper calibre. It's all in fun and we hope to have a large number of participants.

Dinner (optional) from the Royal Fork's delectable buffet (all you can eat, anyway) will start anytime from 6:00pm through 7:30. If you bring photos, please arrive no later than 7:00, so we can get them all logged in and put your initials on your slides. See you there!

MEETING MINUTES - December 12, 1974

The meeting was called to order in the Plant II Theater by President Bruce Gaumond at 7:43pm.

The minutes of the meeting of November 7 were approved as submitted.

Officer & Committee Chairperson's Reports

Treasurer - Clark Kido: The monthly report was submitted and will be published in the Echo.

Membership - Rick Johnson: Annual membership dues will be due in January, (3\$ this year, as usual).

Programs - Dave Campbell: January 9th meeting will be the Annual Photo Contest at the Royal Fork on Mercer Island. Members should get their slides & prints ready.

Equipment - Ray Johnson: The missing Logan Tent was returned. Tents that need repairs should be taken to R.E.I. and the repairs charged to the club.

Conservation - Sandy Biggerstaff: Reported on a land use study of Mt. Baker National Forest and a recent study hearing. She does not believe that the study presents clear options and asked for support from the club in the form of letters, ect., in order that the most beneficial alternatives be selected. She offered additional information to those who were interested.

Activities - Russ Kroeker: The activities list has been published in the Echo. Dave Campbell will lead an overnight snowshoe hike on the 18th and 19th of January in the Chinook Pass or Mt. Baker areas.

Echo - Sue Bunker: Publication deadline is the 20th.

Announcements

Bruce Gaumond and Dave Gerada just returned from a hiking and climbing trip to Hawaii. They will present a program in the near future.

Russ Kroeker is retailing Edelweiss Ropes and is taking orders for a quantity buy.

Jack Leicester is taking orders for JanSport "Greatsack" packs for a discount buy.

Glenn Hitchcock is organizing a Rainier winter climb in February. Glenn also has books "Freedom of the Hills" and "Cascade Alpine Guide" for sale for Christmas.

Art Wolfe is organizing an Olympic Peninsula hike in January.

Bruce Gaumond called an Executive Council Meeting for the 3rd Thursday in January, January 16.

Unfinished Business: NONE

New Business: NONE

Respectfully submitted,
Al Mercer, Club Secretary

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance, November 20, 1974	\$110.71
Assets	49.00
(Book sales)	
Expenditures	25.00
(December meeting program)	
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Closing Balance, December 20, 1974	\$134.71

Clark Kido, Treasurer

ACTIVITIES

Jan. 4 or 5 Early season conditioner, Crystal Mt. or Corral Pass Hike, perhaps on snowshoes. Contact Bob Lesmeister (home) 839-0583 (work) 237-2754.

Jan. 11 or 12 Camp Muir snowshoe or ski hike. Contact Jack Leicester (home) 546-2086 (work) 342-5372.

Jan. 18-19 Overnight snowshoe hike around Table Mtn. or to Sourdough Gap. Contact Dave Campbell (home) 248-0621 (work) 655-1461.

Jan. 25-26 Hoh River Rain Forrest overnight hike. Luxurious accomodations at Olympic Meadow to survey wintering elk. Contact Bruce Gaumont (home) 246-2520 (work) 773-2620.

Feb. 1 or 2 One day snowshoe hike to Twin Lakes or Austin Pass. Contact Art Wolfe 935-7674.

Feb. 8 Easy to intermediate snowshoe hike to Monte Cristo area or further east depending on weather. Contact Mike Heneghan (home) 937-4687 (work) 655-3936.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

North Ridge - Mt. Stuart

It started out as a 3-day trip (Labor Day weekend), but through missed connections and general ineptness wound up being a long 2-day trip instead. Sunday morning found us at the end of the Teanaway Road, unenthusiastically pondering the pain we were about to inflict on ourselves.

We hiked up the Ingall's Lake trail to Ingall's Pass (6480'), then down into the meadows on the far side, where Al made a solemn vow he would never again drink so much beer the night before a climb. After dozing in the sun for awhile, we traversed across the Ingall's Creek headwall on a faint - at times invisible - tract, to meet the Ingall's creek trail at around 6000'; then via Stuart Pass (6400') and a 1-mile long rock slide to Goat Pass (7640'), the logical (?) bivouac site. Here we took our evening repast of cold food - a stove being one of the items sacrificed to keep our packs light and small. Spent the night in our down jackets and a space blanket (which will keep you toasty warm only if you have a bonfire going also, which we didn't), and watched the moon rise over Sherpa Peak and flood the countryside with dazzling light. Between the space blanket's inefficiency and the moon's phenomenal brightness, we spent most of the night awake. Finally, the arrival of the local thief (a coney) brought a full alertness as we alternately attempted to bribe and then do bodily harm to the little rascal. Needless to say, 6:00am came on us all too soon.

We traversed the Stuart Glacier to the North Ridge itself, then scrambled up to the mid-ridge notch, which we found to be a beautifully protected site where we should have stayed the previous night. At this point (7800') we roped up for the remainder of the climb.



The first 1000' up to the Great Gendarme was fairly straight-forward class 4. Most of it was very solid granite blocks with solid holds and protection. Being in the shade of the peak kept us cool despite the cloudless sky and calm air. Unfortunately, due to a slight route-finding error (a matter of being 30' too far west), it took us 4 hours to go the first 800'. At about 8500' we walked up a stairway of blocks to an extraordinary perch on the crest of the ridge with the Ice Cliff Glacier on one side and the Stuart Glacier on the other, 1000' below us. Here we left our offerings to nature, and noticed we were running low on water - a point which would come up often as we went along.

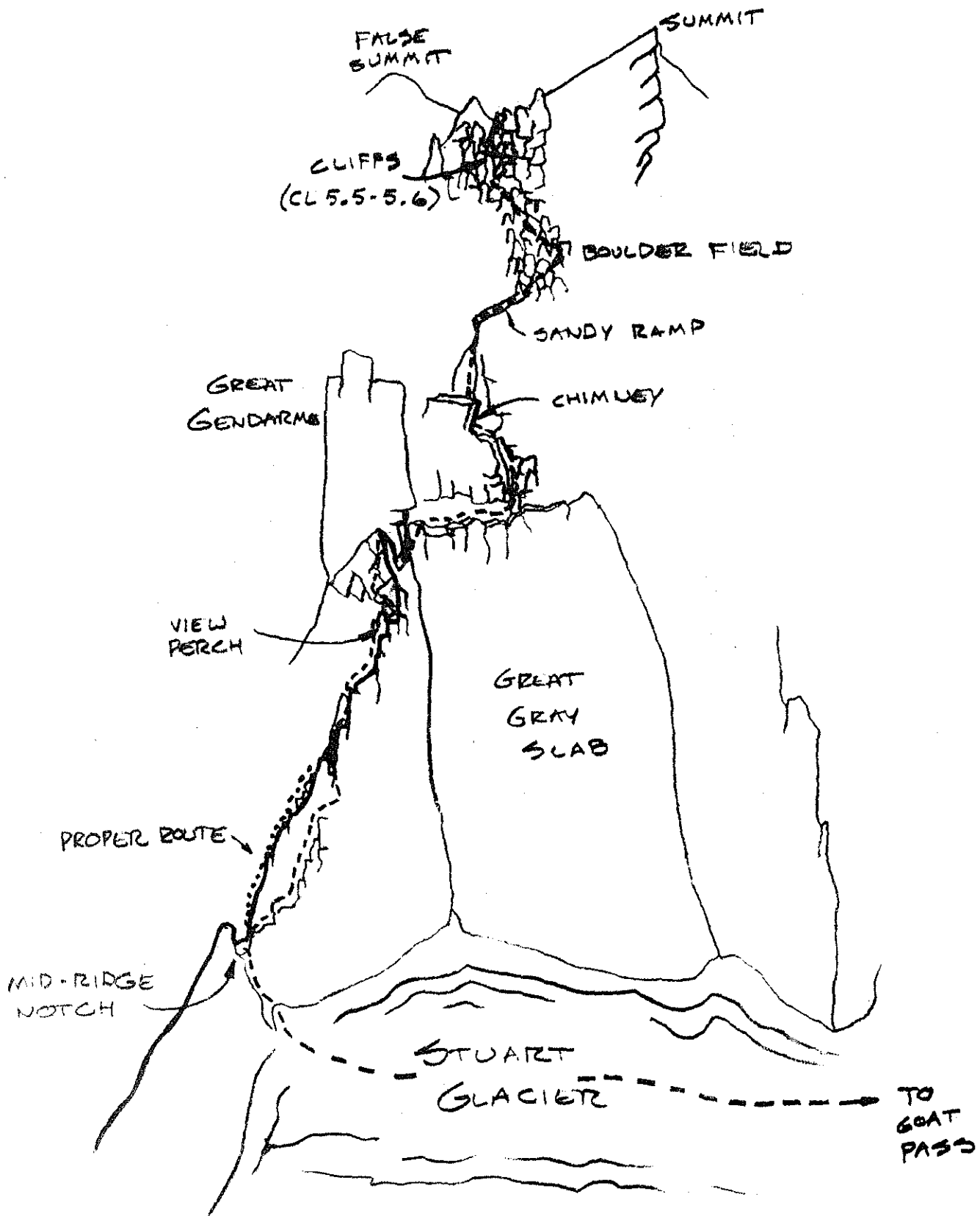
The last 100' to the Great Gendarme involved a few contortions and a breath-taking traverse over slabs hanging above the Ice Cliff Glacier, then up the knife-edge to the base of the gendarme. Immediately to our west was a sheer gray slab, smooth as the proverbial baby's behind, angling down 1200' (at about 70°) to the head of the Stuart Glacier. At the top of this slab was our route, a series of ramps and cracks.

From the base of the Great Gendarme we repelled 75' into a col, then via a long hidden step and a friction slab, up to the top of the gray slab. The route across the top of the slab turned out to be a series of easy ledges and contorted cracks, which led to another col. Entry to this col was up an angled chimney about 30' long, then up the col two leads to a sandy ramp angling up west. Above us we were finally able to see the summit, only 500' above us and a boulder field and some broken cliffs away.

It took us $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours more.

The boulder field is alarmingly unstable and only over-shadowed by the cliffs, which are equally unstable, but vertical. After dancing up the boulder field to the tune of "Rock! Rock! Rock!", we got to the final problem. It was, to quote Cool Hand Luke, "one mean sumbitch". An infinite number of possibilities, but only one solution. I'm not sure we found the proper one, but after sweating, grunting, cursing, and finally calling on supernatural forces (Christopherson has the most amazing way of

N. RIDGE ROUTE - MT. STUART



praying), we popped up 100' below and 100' east of the summit block - a marvelous wedge of smooth granite overhanging the Stuart Glacier Couloir. The end had come on us before we knew it, and left us a little bewildered. We walked around below the summit block for awhile, grinning and shaking hands as we began to realize what we'd done. It was just before 6:00pm.

It had been nearly 10 hours since we had left the mid-ridge notch, and it seemed like 40; though it had passed without us realizing it. The guide says it's a 6-hour climb, but our having nearly doubled that time meant very little to us. We never did climb the last 50' to the true summit and didn't find the register, but neither of those meant much to us, either. We had already done what we set out to do.

We were tremendously exhausted. The only moisture we had with us was a small can of chocolate pudding, which was consumed with abundant gusto as we watched the sun edge toward the horizon. We were alone on the mountain (as we had been all day), gazing around at the Cascades and hearing nothing but the breeze and our own movement. Our struggles were well rewarded. Unfortunately, it was getting dark.

We scrambled around to the east, finding a melt-water stream where we quickly drank ourselves sick ("You should always drink to eliminate your thirst", right?), then started down Cascadian Couloir. Total darkness came on quickly, and we thrashed and tumbled down the gullies, until the moon finally came up, about the time we hit the Ingall's Creek trail at Turnpike Camp. Realizing we'd die if we had to bivouac another night, we set off to find the Long's Pass trail, missing it by only $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. On our very thorough back-track, we found the trail, dragged ourselves over the pass, and coasted down to the car at 2:30am. Repeatedly we asked ourselves what madness had taken hold of us; repeatedly we couldn't find the answer. But we knew, despite our pledges of "never again", that we would have gone back for more if we'd only had the time. There's a mysterious quality to a long hard climb that transcends the fatigue, pain, and hazards and makes you crazy; I don't know what it is, but I sure like it.

Participants: Al Christopherson, Fred Sayer

Afterthoughts: Take three days. Instead of traversing below Ingall's Lake, go to the lake then walk the ridge around to Stuart Pass. Don't drink a lot of beer the night before. Bivouac at the mid-ridge notch. Burn space blanket. Go up the gully at the east end of the mid-ridge notch, not the obvious gully that leads west. Pitons not required; wired stoppers helpful. Take a camera. Take at least three quarts of water above the Stuart Glacier. Talk to someone who's done the climb to find out about the route. Have a party of not more than 4. Be prepared for strenuous 5.5 - 5.6 climbing when you reach the broken cliffs, the final obstacle on the north ridge. Camp at Turnpike Creek the second night. If you get up early enough, knock off Ingall's Peak on the way out.

Panorama Point Snowshoe/Ski Hike - December 15

Nine snowloving Boealpers brought in the winter snowshoeing season on December 15. Heartened by the clearing skies on Saturday, we assembled bleary-eyed Sunday morning at the Southcenter Theatre at 7am. This is a popular assembly spot, judging from the other 20 cars worth of other snowshoeing parties mulling about. We got everybody sorted out and headed (through the rain) for Mt. Rainier. Inside the park the first challenge of the day was chaining up, where the front-wheel-drive vehicles swept all the awards. Gaumond (Fox), using the roll-forward technique, edged Millican (Civic), who favored the jack-it-up method. Both finished far ahead of Annis (Vega), who still uses the outdated jack-it-up-and-take-the-whole-tire-off scheme. The chains proved rather unnecessary, however, because the chains-required sign was apparently removed minutes after we passed, probably because driving

conditions were excellent due to a heavy rain all the way to Paradise. Snowshoeing conditions were somewhat less than excellent.

We regrouped in the roundhouse, spirits and down clothes severely dampened, and decided to delay the ascent by $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, and have a cup of coffee. Party sentiment was sharply polarized between the lets-get-going and the lets-go-home factions. We visited all the exhibits of fauna, flora, geology, glaciology and Jim Whittaker. Then we had a cup of coffee, noted vacillation among the ambitious faction, and delayed the ascent $\frac{1}{2}$ hour more. So we went to the auditorium and saw the slide show "The Mountain as a Museum". Then we had a cup of coffee discovered further erosion among the now-not-so-ambitious faction and stalled for another $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. So, we returned to the auditorium to view the movie, which asked the cosmic question, "What is a Mountain" (GP). Then we had another cup of coffee. Finally, as it was noted that the downpour had subsided to drizzle, we decided to venture out.

Owing to the thorough soaking by the rain, the snow was the consistency of Royal Fork mashed potatoes. This presented the classic question for our two cross-country skiers (Steve and Margo). which wax to use? While the 7 snowshoers disappeared up the mountain, the skiers went through their wax inventory: black, white, red, yellow, green, avacado, puce, mauve, vermillion, and henna. Nothing seemed to work. Finally an effective combination was discovered, consisting of equal parts of bubble gum, STP, and peanut butter. The waxing obstacle overcome, the skiers followed our tracks. We snowshoers compared the relative merits and characteristics of our 7 different kinds of snowshoes. Conclusions: in mashed potatoes, they're all cumbersome.

Upward beyond the ski area, the weather improved markedly, yielding views of the mountain, Nisqually Glacier, the Tatoosh Range, the constant pattern of swirling clouds and shifting weather patterns. The sun was sighted momentarily. A lunch stop was taken in a strategically-located three-people igloo sans entrance and sans roof. We all crowded inside for protection against the wind. A further advance up to the base of Panorama Point provided yet-better views of the terrain above before the retreat back down to Paradise.

After climb celebrations were held at the highly-recommended Alexander's Manor (about 1 mile outside the park entrance on the north side of the road), where Mor learned how to bone trout, Sue learned not to sit with her back to the fire for too long, Bruce learned not to leave his beer under the drip from the ceiling, and we all learned how to make Kissell's home-kured gourmet-style dried beef jerky (see elsewhere in this issue). Morals for the day: don't drive 2 hours expecting to go snowshoeing when it's over 50° in Seattle, don't give up immediately during a downpour, and don't forget your chartreuse ski wax.

Participants - Bruce Gaumond (leader), Larry Annis, Don Taylor, Jim Kissel, Sue Bunker, Ray Hofstatter, Avshalom Mor, Steve Millican, and Margo Somethingorother.

CONSERVATION EDITORIAL

The Mount Baker Land Use Study is now in progress, and upon studying the alternatives it is obvious that the same large areas in each alternative have been carefully kept in a category called the "unclassified land" category. That means the Forest Service will go right on determining what the land will be used for.

The planners of the Forest Service have also recommended four areas to be set aside for further study toward their eventual inclusion in the wilderness system. These areas also are virtually the same in all four alternatives. Because these areas (approximately 100,000 acres) have been selected for further study, they will be treated as wilderness until a final decision is made.

One of the land use alternative defines eleven other areas as potential wilderness (400,000 acres). These areas are: Tomohoi - Silesia, Mt. Baker, Twin Sisters, Diobsud, Alma Copper, Falls Jug Lake, Circle Peak, Lost Creek, Dickerman, Higgins Mt., and Pressentin Creek. Public opinion could get these areas recommended as new study areas which would give them the same protection as actual wilderness until the Environmental Impact Statement, which will result from the study, is acted upon.

If we do not lend our support now, individually and as a group by the time we have another chance to do something to preserve these areas it may be too late. The Forest Service criteria for a wilderness area is 5,000 or more acres and no roads.

The Forest Service is soliciting public opinion through January 15, 1975. Address your letters to:

Land Use Planning Team
Mt. Baker - Snoqualmie National Forest
1601 Second Ave. Building
Seattle, WA 98101

The Forest Service has said its alternative are mix and match and that all suggestions and comments will be welcomed and read. If you have any questions or would like to look at the four alternatives yourself please contact me. Every letter counts. Only 850 odd letters were received in all the Alpine Lakes land-use studies (luckily the majority favored the wilderness proposal).

Sandy Biggerstaff
237-8898 or 747-6413

MISCELLANEA COLUMN

ANNOUNCEMENT - Executive Board Meeting (Officers and Chairpeople)

When: Thursday, January 16, 7pm

Where: To be announced

Topic: 1975 Directions and Activities

FOR SALE

Kelty Med. size backpack with extender bar, A4 bag (with extra back pocket), and rain cover. . . . \$40. Contact Glenn Hitchcock at 655-6516 (work) or 246-9082 (home)

INFORMATION WANTED

Does anyone know of anyplace in town that specializes in cleaning down sleeping bags? I don't want to spend a week doing it myself in the bathtub. Call Bruce Gaumond 773-2620 or CH6-2520.

DEAR SUBSCRIBER

As you undoubtedly have noticed, your calendar now shows 1975 and your subscription to the Echo (and all those other club benefits) is EXPIRING SOON. To continue all these benefits through the exciting climbing/backpacking/hiking/snowshoeing/beach-walking season ahead -

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

at the as-usual, good old non-inflationary bargain-basement price of only \$3.00.

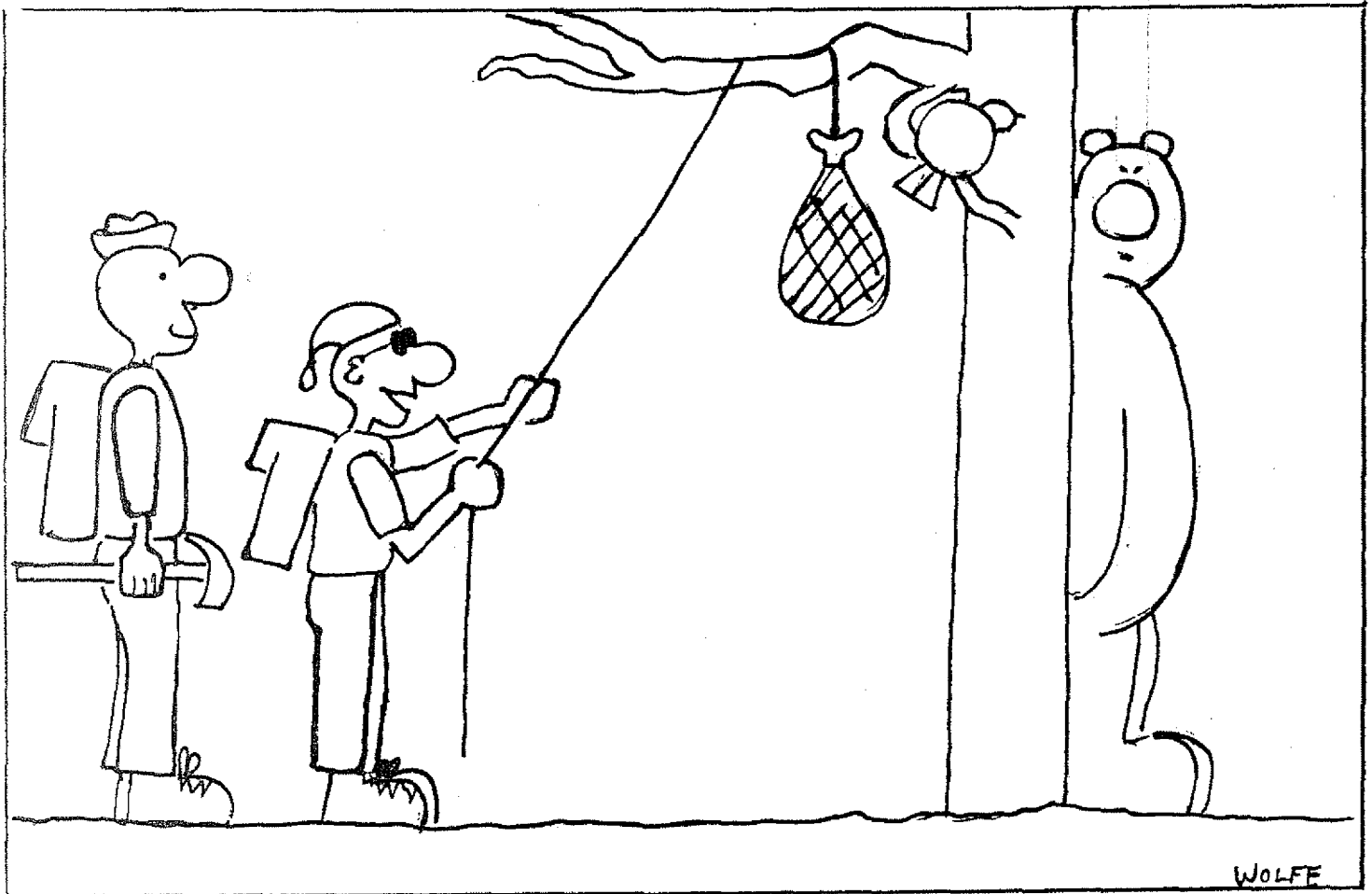
Send in the form below (to update our roster) along with your \$3.00 to Membership Chairman Rick Johnson at (1) Org. E-8440, M.S. OT-04; (2) 2 West Casino Road, Everett WA 98204, or (3) bring to the January Meeting.

NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS (Street, City, Zip) _____

HOME PHONE: _____

WORK PHONE: _____ ORG: _____ M.S. _____



HEY HARVE THE MICE WILL NEVER REACH THIS!

KISSELL'S DRIED BEEF

2 QTS. WATER
1 CUP SALT
1/2 CUP SUGAR
1 BOTTLE LIQUID SMOKE
4OZ. WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE
4OZ SOY SAUCE
4-6 LBS. WELL TRIMMED ROUND STEAK

SLICE ROUND STEAK 1/8 - 1/4" THICK AND SOAK 1 OR MORE DAYS IN CURING SOLUTION OF WATER, SALT, SUGAR AND LIQUID SMOKE; ADDING WORCESTERSHIRE AND SOY SAUCE AS DESIRED.

SET OVEN AT LOWEST TEMPERATURE WITH DOOR CRACKED AND COOK UNTIL BURNT AND SHRIVELED (10 - 12 HOURS)

FAST METHOD DRIED BEEF

(SLIGHTLY INFERIOR)

- DISOLVE AS MUCH SALT AS POSSIBLE IN BOILING PAN OF WATER (ADD LIQUID SMOKE)
- PLACE MEAT IN SIEVE AND BOIL FOR 1 MINUTE
- COOK IN OVEN AT LOWEST TEMPERATURE, WITH DOOR CRACKED, UNTIL DRIED (ABOUT 6 HOURS)

(DOES NOT DRIP IN OVEN)

Please return by Feb. 1

ANNUAL END-OF-THE-YEAR QUESTIONNAIRE

(YOUR CHANCE TO BE HEARD)

To improve the club to reflect members needs/desires, expectations, we have provided the following questionnaire to fathom your opinions. This was drawn up by Boealp founder, climbing course instructor, and recent Time Magazine celebrity, John Pollock. Please take a few minutes to fill it out (or as much of it as you care to) and return it to our central mail drop C/O Sue Bunker, Echo Editor, M.S. 69-04. No signature is required, unless you want to sign it. General results to be published when available.

MEETINGS

NUMBER ATTENDED IN 1974: _____

PROGRAMS: RANK IN ORDER

_____ MEMBERS' TRIPS

_____ GUEST SPEAKERS TRIPS

_____ MOVIES

_____ "HOW-TO"

OTHER SUGGESTIONS: _____

TRAINING

_____ TOOK A BOEALP COURSE _____ YEAR _____

_____ TOOK A NON-BOEALP COURSE _____ WHERE _____

_____ HAD NO FORMAL TRAINING

CLIMBED BEFORE JOINING BOEALPS: YES _____ NO _____

IF YOU TOOK BOEALP COURSE:

	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR
ROCK CLIMBING	_____	_____	_____	_____
ROPE HANDLING	_____	_____	_____	_____
SNOW CLIMBING	_____	_____	_____	_____
GLACIER CLIMBING	_____	_____	_____	_____
NAVIGATION & ROUTE FINDING	_____	_____	_____	_____

HOW COULD THE BASIC COURSE BE IMPROVED? _____

I WOULD LIKE FURTHER TRAINING IN (RANK)

____ ROCK CLIMBING ____ AID CLIMBING ____ RESCUE ____ ROUTE FINDING

____ ICE CLIMBING ____ LEADERSHIP - OTHER (SPECIFY) _____

CLIMBING

DURING 1974, I CLIMBED THE PEAKS LISTED BELOW: (CHECK ONE ENTRY PER PEAK)

PEAK _____	BOEALP CLIMB _____	BOEALP COURSE CLIMB _____	PRIVATE CLIMB _____	OTHER ORGANIZED CLIMB _____
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I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BOEALPS ORGANIZE CLIMBS OF THE FOLLOWING PEAKS DURING 1975

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BOEALPS ORGANIZE THE FOLLOWING BACKPACKS/HIKES IN 1975

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN BOEALP CLIMBING AND/OR HIKING TRIPS OF ONE, TWO OR THREE WEEKS INTO THESE AREAS (RANK)

_____ YOSEMITE	_____ ALASKA
_____ TETONS	_____ CANADIAN ROCKIES
_____ WIND RIVER	_____ CANADIAN COAST RANGE
_____ COLORADO	_____ MEXICO (VOLCANOES)
_____ HAWAII	_____ EUROPE

OTHER (SPECIFY) _____

ACTIVITIES

I FEEL THE CLUB COULD BE IMPROVED BY CHANGING ITS EMPHASIS AS FOLLOWS:

	<u>MUCH MORE</u>	<u>A BIT MORE</u>	<u>JUST RIGHT</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NONE</u>
CLIMBING	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
HIKING/BACKPACKING	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
SNOWSHOEING	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
SKI TOURING	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
BEACH HIKING	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
SLIDES & MOVIES	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
CONSERVATION INVOLVEMENT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
CLUB-OWNED EQUIPMENT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
SOCIAL EVENTS	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
CLUB LIBRARY	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
TRAINING	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
THE ECHO	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

OTHER GENERAL COMMENTS IN CLUB STRUCTURE, LEADERSHIP, PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, ETC.:

HAPPY NEW YEAR AND MANY ENJOYABLE ALPINE ENDEAVORS IN 1975!!

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FEBRUARY MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1975 7:30pm

BSRL CAFETERIA

On February 6, the BOEALPS are proud to present Glenn Brindeiro's slide show on Trekking to Everest. Along with close-up views of Everest, Nuptse, Lhotse, Ama Dablan and other eastern Nepal peaks, Glenn will compare the experiences of trekking in the Himalayas with climbing and hiking in the Cascades. We will be meeting in the congenial atmosphere of the old BSRL CAFETERIA and the refreshments are guaranteed to be a least as good as always. See you there.

News items and editorial comment contained in this publication do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of The Boeing Company.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 7:55pm by President Bruce Gaumond at the Royal Fork Restaurant on Mercer Island. The Previous Minutes were approved as submitted.

Announcements

President - Bruce Gaumond - Executive Committee meeting called for Thursday, Jan. 16.

Activities - Russ Kroeker - the Camp Muir snowshoe hike was cancelled for the weekend of January 11-12. A Snoqualmie Pass snowshoe hike and Hoh River overnighiter are planned for the weekend of January 25-26.

Programs - Dave Campbell - planning to lead a snow overnight hike to Table Mtn. the weekend of January 18-19. The February program will be slides of Glenn Brindero's recent trek in Nepal. The March meeting will be slides of Bruce Gaumond and Dave Gerada's hiking trip in Hawaii.

Vice President - Glenn Hitchcock - has books for sale.

Mrs. Glenn Hitchcock wants to organize hikes suitable for the whole family. Asked for suggestions and calls from wives who might have similar interests.

No new or unfinished business.

Meeting closed at 8:15pm.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF JANUARY 16, 1975

The club meetings will be held in the BSRL Cafeteria in February, March and April. This, hopefully, will be better than the Plant II Theater for slide presentations and post-meeting discussions.

A general discussion of the climbing course was held. John Pollock, the previous year's instructor, answered questions and described his experiences in the club and with the basic climbing course. Some of the highlights of this discussion were:

1. The course has been designed to teach people to climb independently in small parties rather than in large organized groups (unlike, for instance, the Mountaineers).
2. John has found teaching the course very rewarding with typically a diverse and responsible group of students.
3. The course exhibits a high ratio of people who complete the course rather than dropping out.
4. It was felt that the course could be better integrated into club activities. Means to do this might be to include experienced club members on course climbs and to offer a series of "major" climbs (Rainier, Adams, Olympus, etc.) at the close of the course.

It was desired to offer the basic climbing course again this year. John Pollock will be the course instructor. Jack Leicester will be course coordinator for the club. Details will be announced later. Enrollment may be limited and the orientation meeting will be held about the middle of March.

Club Secretary,

Al Mercer

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance, December 20, 1974 \$134.71

Receipts

Dues (46 @ \$3)	138.00
Book Sales (2 @ \$7)	14.00
B.E.R.C. contribution (1st installment)	200.00
Royal Fork Restaurant (excess revenue)	24.30
Savings account (interest)	1.62
Freedom of the Hills text (5)*	---
Cascade Alpine Guide (11)*	---
	<u>\$377.92</u>

Expenditures

Glenn Brindeiro (December refreshments)	21.66
Clark Kido (January Executive Meeting refreshments)	5.00
Bruce Gaumond (January photo prizes)	39.00
	<u>65.66</u>
Closing Balance, January 20, 1975**	<u>\$446.97</u>

*Club assets

**As reported to Boeing Employee Recreation Council (B.E.R.C.)
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Clark Kido, Treasurer

ACTIVITIES

Feb. 1 or 2 One day snowshoe hike to Twin Lakes or Austin Pass. Contact Art Wolfe, 935-7674.

Feb. 8 Easy to intermediate snowshoe hike to Monte Cristo area or further east depending on the weather. Contact Mike Heneghan (home) 937-4687 (work) 655-3936.

Feb. 16 Hike up Guye Peak with or without snowshoes. Contact Terry Miller (home) 353-6799 (work) 342-4783.

Feb. 22 - 23 Beach hike - Rialto Beach to Cedar Creek. Contact Bruce Gaumond (home) 246-2520 (work) 773-2620.

Mar. 1 - 2 Overnite hike to Silver Peak or Granite Mountain, snowshoes or touring skis. Contact Jim Burrows (home) 747-2238 (work) 237-2640.

Mar. 8 or 9 1 day hike up McClellan Butte. Contact Dick Kerr (home) 854-4113 (work) 773-2419.

ACTIVITY REPORT

The Tale of Twelve Tough Trekkers

Twas Thursday the twenty-sixth of December that twelve truly tremendously tough trekkers trekked, tracked and trugged tirelessly through trickery trails, towering trees, twanging twigs, treacherous tidelands and threatening temperatures, not to mention the tumultuous thunderheads whose torrential torrents thrashed and tore totally at our tents twile we took the time to taste the thoroughly tempting tidbits of tiny turkeys, tangy tomatoes, tasty tatoos and tepid teas.

Late Thursday morning, a goodly group of gutsy, gung-ho, rain-garbed go getters gathered. Soon afterwards we were on the trail to Sandpoint. Arriving at Sandpoint at mid-afternoon, we quickly assembled our tents and began gathering firewood for what we knew would be a long night. The temperature hovered around 40° as winds blew in off what the local Indians refer to as Olă - Kă - Hă - nă - hă; "great water that doesn't taste too nice."

That night we practiced roasting one of ten chickens that we brought along for the second night's potluck. The next morning we decided to abandon our previous plans of hiking seven miles down the coast to Cedar Creek for the second night's camp since the tides were too high. Instead we decided to hike four miles south for a day hike and return to Sandpoint again for the second night. During this day hike several of our novice beachhikers were introduced to the basic techniques required in seashore travel, including cliff crawling, rock hopping, wave dodging and log balancing. Also, many of the members saw their first bald eagle, Turnstone, Harlequin duck, and very uncommon Hooded Merganser. Returning to Sandpoint just before dark we quickly began preparing for a feast unmatched since the Toleak fondue of last year. Included in the feast was chicken wrapped in tin foil and roasted over hot coals, potatoes prepared in the same manner, rolls, butter, shrimp salad, wine and popcorn. The only trouble encountered in the preparation of this feast was when we put nine chickens into the coals, an hour later only seven came out. That's right, two chickens vanished as we sat around the small firepit watching them cook. We have no explanation to account for this strange phenomenon, although I did hear what sounded like muffled burps into the wee hours of the morning coming from the direction of Clark Kido's tent.

During the night, hale and high winds battered our tents giving way to steady drizzle the next morning. Saturday morning four members had to return home while the remaining eight packed up and left Poached-Poultry-Point heading north to Cape Alava. Along the way we paused briefly to gaze at an occasional bald eagle and to photograph the petroglyphs (Indian rock engravings) that are located just south of Cape Alava. The weather was still gloomy by the time we reached the Cape, therefore three more members cowardly left for home, leaving the remaining five "hard-core" beachhikers. They just don't make men like they used to. Unfortunately, the story has to come to a close since I don't know what happened to those five suckers who stayed another night in the rain at the cape.

It wasn't until we reached Winslow Saturday evening that we discovered it had snowed in Seattle three days before.

Members included Gene Calloway and his two sons Dave and Danny, Clark Kido and friend Loreli Seifert, Jim Kissel, Lee Huey and his wife Sally, Avshalom Mor, Sue Bunker, Bruce Gaumond and Art Wolfe.

MOUNTAINEERING ORIENTED FIRST AID CLASSES

Mountaineering Oriented First Aid Classes will be offered again this year. This is a unique opportunity to learn about wilderness accident response, self-rescue techniques, hypothermia, pulmonary edema, snow blindness, and other mountain first aid problems.

All classes are scheduled for 27 classroom hours (nine sessions), including one field practical at Camp Long. Classes will meet twice each week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7pm until 10pm. All classes lead to attainment of an American Red Cross Standard First Aid and Personal Safety certificate.

Registration

Registration is open to the general public on a first-come, first-served basis. Register by calling The American Red Cross, First Aid and Water Safety coordinator at 323-2345. State that you wish to sign up for a Mountaineering Oriented First Aid Class and indicate the number and location of the class you wish to attend. For the Everett Community College Classes only, call the Everett Chapter of The American Red Cross at 252-4104.

Course Materials

Students will be expected to purchase an American Red Cross Standard First Aid and Personal Safety Text, Dick Mitchell's test, Mountaineering First Aid, and certain necessary first aid supplies for learning practical skills. All of these will be made available at the first class meeting at a cost of approximately \$5.00. Students will also be required to bring day packs for use in improvising first aid materials from items you would normally have with you in the mountains.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

<u>Class No.</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
*M/O 3	February 4	Everett Community College
M/O 4	February 4	Hiawatha R/C, Calif. SW & SW Lander
M/O 5	February 18	Greenlake R/C, 7201 Greenlake Dr. N.
M/O 6	February 18	Discovery Park R/C, Fort Lawton
M/O 7	March 4	South Park R/C, 8th S. & S. Thistle
M/O 8	March 4	Bellevue Community College Rm B104
M/O 9	March 18	Delridge R/C, Delridge Wy. SW & SW Alaska
**M/O 10	March 18	Montlake R/C, 16th E and E Calhoun
M/O 11	April 1	Meadowbrook R/C, NE 107th & 30th NE
M/O 12	April 1	Queen Anne R/C, 1st W. & W. Howe
M/O 13	April 15	Rainier Beach R/C, Rainier S. & S. Henderson
M/O 14	April 15	Greenlake R/C, 7201 Greenlake Dr. N.
M/O 15	April 29	Red Barn R/C, 17601 Moneysmith Rd.
M/O 16	April 29	Bitterlake R/C, N. 130th & Greenwood N.
M/O 17	May 13	Loyal Heights R/C, 21st NW & NW 77th
M/O 18	May 13	West Woodland Elementary (Ballard)

***M/O 19	May 19	Everett Community College*
M/O 20	May 27	Bellevue Community College RM B104
M/O 21	May 27	Langsten-Hughes R/C, 17th S. & S. Yesler

*Room assignments to be scheduled

**Sandi/Jim

***Monday - Wednesday classes

R/C - Seattle Parks Department Recreation Center

FIRST AID INSTRUCTORS

Instructor's Course

A Mountaineering Oriented First Aid Instructor's Course will be offered early in 1975. Call Jim Reed if interested in first aid development as an instructor or victim.

MISCELLANEA COLUMN

ANNOUNCING THE 4th ANNUAL BOEALPS PHOTO CONTEST. . . . (January 8, 1976, so start getting your slides ready.)

THANKS for all the participation in our 3rd Annual and best-yet Photo Contest at the January meeting. Despite the impending snow (which never came), icy roads, the Royal Fork's infamous cuis(quea)ine, and the concurrently televised UW/UCLA debacle, attendance and participation were excellent. Special thanks to all who helped run the show: Announcer and Ex-Pres. Ken Spietz (when are we going to climb Mt. Scene?), Program Chairman Dave, Art Wolfe for all the printing, courtesy of Wolfe Printing, Sue and Al and Ron for logging in 317 slides, and Glenn and all you ballot counters.

General agreement was expressed by all present concerning the extremely high overall quality of the entries. They were too good, in fact, since it was practically impossible to choose from among them all. It's easy to see that when there are 50 entries in a category, 15 of them fantastic, 15 superb, and 20 merely good to very good, it's inevitable that the winner will get maybe 7 votes and four or five other entries will get 5 or 6 votes each. If we could only vote for 5 entries in a category and then have all the ballots computer-tabulated for instantaneous results. . . .

Photo contributors were: Laura Gregg, Dave Campbell, Agris Moruss, Gordon Thomas, Carl Carlson, Al Mercer, Joe Robertson, Glenn Hitchcock, Frank John, Ray Johnson, Mike and Carl Henderson, Jim Reed (in absentia) Art Wolfe, Linda Parker, Ken Spietz, Mike Shirkey, Ron Peltola, Maury Muzzy, Glenn Brindiero, Dick Burwell, John Lixvar, Joe Hopkins, Sandi Ketler, Jim Burrows, Bob Lesmeister, Fred Sayer, and me (and I hope I didn't forget anyone).

The Winners, Color Slides

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| Mountainscapes: | 1. Mt. Rainier - Agris Moruss |
| | 2. Below Cascade Pass, October - Art Wolfe |
| | 3. Prusik Peak Reflection - Bruce Gaumond |

Winterscapes: St. Helens' Ice - Carl Henderson
Sunsets: Sunset Number 3 - Ron Peltola
Wildlife: Wood Duck - Art Wolfe
(With special mention to Ken Spietz for the 20 mm shot of his dogs' nose.)
Flora: Flowers in the Mist - John Lixvar
Inclement Weather: Still Morning 0 Bruce Gaumond
People: Smile, Russ - Glenn Hitchcock

The Winners, Color and B&W Prints

Mountainscapes, Color: 1. Enchantment Lakes Autumn - Joe Robertson
2. Mt. Rainier from Eunice Lake - Art Wolfe
Mountainscapes, B&W: 1. Grand Awe-Inspiring 3' x 6' Panorama of the
Cascades from Mt. Baker to Mt. Rainier as seen by
Photographer from the Summit of Mt. Buckner on a
Crisp Autumn Morn Following the First Snowfall -
Art Wolfe.

(Grand Prize Winner for Most Diligent Effort in the spirit of the Annual Photo Contest. This must-be-seen-to-believe masterpiece will be returned and set up at the February meeting by popular demand for your viewing pleasure and as an aid for your next summer's planning. If you missed it before, don't this time.)

2. Flagpole Needles, Enchantments - Bruce Gaumond

Wildlife: Fawn with Cold Feet - Bruce Gaumond
Seascapes: Winter Winds Whip Wild Waves, etc. - Bruce Gaumond
Miscellaneous: 1. Indian Paintbrush - Linda Parker
2. Daybreak - Bruce Gaumond

Runners-up in all categories too numerous to mention. Well we've got a whole year now to get ready for next January 8th.

Who didn't get their prize for best slide? I have one left.

Bruce Gaumond

MAYBE-THE-LAST-REMINDER

Pay your dues. Send \$3.00 now to Rick Johnson, Membership Chairman, E-8404, M.S. OT-04. Include for our records: Address, City, Zip
Home Phone
Work Phone, Org, Mail Stop

DEFINITELY THE LAST REMINDER

We're still collecting those questionnaires that appeared in last month's ECHO. Let us know what you want to do this year by taking a few minutes to fill it out. Return to Sue Bunker, M.S. 69-04. Results to be published only if a statistically valid sample of returns is obtained. Send them in as-soon-as-possible.

FIRST NOTICE:

The Program Chairperson is always on the lookout for potential speakers for our monthly meetings. If you know of someone interesting who has taken an interesting trip or who can speak interestingly on some subject of interest, let us know. You yourself may be a good candidate. Call Program Chairman Dave Campbell, 655-1606, if you know someone appropriate or have any good program ideas.

BE-A-PLEASANT-TENTMATE-THIS-YEAR-DEPARTMENT

All right, here's where you can get those four-years-and-eighty-seven-nights-since-purchased down sleeping bags cleaned: 5 Point Cleaners at 10th and Madison. Close by the Co-op and recommended by them.

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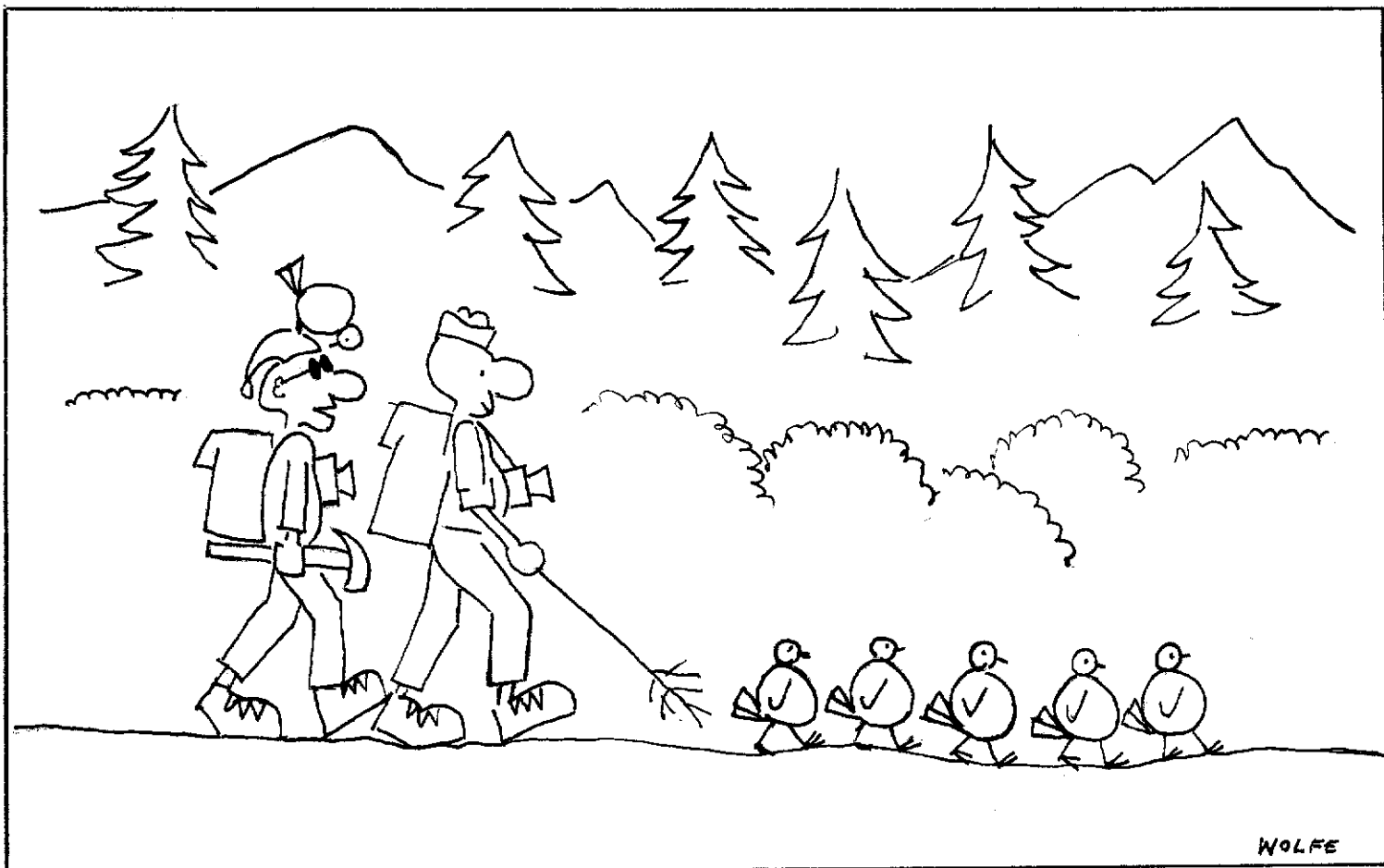
GENUINE FRANK KUSKE FORAGE FEDORA in Halloween jungle colors complete with sunglasses case. Will owner please contact Jim Reed, and arrange return at BOEALPS monthly meeting. Otherwise article will be donated to Conservation Chairman as a travelong trophy.

WANTED

Bell Toptex climbing helmet, size 7 1/4 - 7 1/2. Call G. Kanheisner 237-7316 or 255-9467.

FOR SALE

Kelty medium size backpack with extender bar, A4 bag (with extra back pocket), and rain cover. . . . \$40.00. Contact Glenn Hitchcock at 655-6516 (work) or 246-9082 (home).



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ONE OF MY TEAKETTLE DINNERS FOR ONE
OF YOUR DINNERS?

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1 Ray Johnson	Bellevue	747 3087	655 2541	21			
2 Mike Sharkey	Renton	255 7641	337 9	22	Lauri Gregg	Seattle	EM39586 3423235
3 Dale Christensen	Bellevue	641 0835	342 1444	23	Bruce Gaumont	S Seattle	CH6 2520 773 2620
4 Glen Brinderio	Kent	854 4083	237 0696	24	Jim Reed	Mercer Isl	AD2 0597 655 2667
5 Ray Brown	Bellevue	855 4083	655 1461	25	Mor Avshalom	Everett	353 5812 342 4289
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7 Terry Miller	Everett	353 6799	342 4784	27	Dick Burwell	Bellevue	747 8067 655 4150
8 Allen Oakley	Bellevue	746 0424	655 4665	28	Frank Kuske	Bellevue	747 3452 587 3058
9 Paul Brault	Bellevue	747 3449	237 2014	29			
10 Gordon Thomas	Des Moines	TR8 3836	655 4860	30			
11 Pat Holden	Everett	355 7185	342 3830	31			
12 Warren Rouse	Everett	337 1310	342 1189	32			
13 Russ Krockert	Kent		773-8734	33			
14 Clark Keto	Seattle	283 5665	3423830	34			
15 Dave Wallace	Bellevue	822 5440	342 016	35			
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17 Pete Saunders	Bellevue	747 3665	342 5540	37	* REPAIR		
18 Glen Hitchcock	Burien	246 9082	6552466	38			
19 Al Quarto	Seattle	632 6353	342 4759	39			
20 Dick Taylor	Renton	255 6984	655 8874	40			

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BOEING EMPLOYEES ALPINE SOCIETY, INC.



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President: Bruce Gaumond 773-2620
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Past President: Jack Leicester 342-5372

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M.S. 69-04

MARCH MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1975 7:30pm

BSRL (Bldg. 15-01) CAFETERIA

THE WILDERNESS OF HAWAII

The March meeting program will be a slide show presented by Ex-President Dave Gerada and President Bruce Gaumond, who recently backpacked and climbed throughout many of the wilderness areas in the Hawaiian Islands. Highlights of the trip included backpacking through the vast volcanic crater of Haleakala National Park on Maui; and along the cliffs of Kauai's NaPali coast to the hidden Valley of Kalalau; and on the Big Island, a summit climb of Mauna Kea, at 13,769 feet, the highest point in the Isles, and an exploration of Hawaiian Volcanoes National Park's Kilauea Crater, most volcanically active spot on earth. Also featured will be a glimpse of quaint native life, flora, and customs of these alluring, mysterious, far-away tropical isles.

In addition to the slide presentation, a selection of related B & W prints will be on display.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gaumond at the BSRL Cafeteria at 8:40pm.

The previous minutes were approved as submitted.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Bruce Gaumond - The March program will be a presentation on Bruce Gaumond's and Dave Gerada's recent hiking/climbing trip to Hawaii. In addition to the activities already published in the Echo, outings will be scheduled to Mt. Shasta and Mt. Hood this spring.

Activities Chairman Russ Kroeker - The activities schedule has been published in the Echo.

Climbing Course Coordinator Jack Leicester - The climbing course will be offered this year. An Orientation Meeting will be held at 7:30pm, March 12, in the Plant II Engineering Theater. Also, a group purchase of packs will be made soon. See Jack for details.

NEW BUSINESS

Jack Leicester moved and Pete Saunders seconded a motion to purchase Art Wolfe's North Cascades Panorama for \$62.00 and to donate it to the North Cascades National Park in the name of BOEALPS. Motion passed without opposition.

There were 41 members and 30 guests present at the meeting. The meeting was closed at 9:05pm.

Club Secretary,

Al Mercer

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance, January 20, 1975	<u>\$446.97</u>
<u>Receipts</u>	
Dues (21 @ \$3)	63.00
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Dave Gerada (Feb. refreshments)	19.39
Bruce Gaumond (tent pegs & misc. equipment)	6.30
Closing Balance, February 19, 1975	<u>\$484.28</u>

Club Treasurer,

Clarke Kido

ACTIVITIES

March 1 - 2 Overnight hike to Silver Peak or Granite Mountain, snowshoes or touring skis. Contact Jim Burrows (home) 747-2238 (work) 237-2640.

~~March 8 or 9 1 day hike up McEllean Butte. Contact Dick Kerr (home) 854-4313 (work) 773-2419.~~

March 15 or 16 Eagle Peak - Hurricane Ridge area. Snowshoe and ski-touring hike. 8 miles, panoramic view of the Olympics. Call Ray Hofstatter (work) PA3-5600 (home) 634-0714

March 22 - 23 Overnight snowshoe and ski-touring hike - Lake Stuart - 12 miles roundtrip. 1-day tagalongs welcome for abbreviated distance. Art Wolfe WE5-7674.

March 29 or 30 Dungeness Spit - hike and waterfowl seminar, 14 miles roundtrip. Contact Ron Peltola, (work) 433-2543 (home) 242-4655.

April 5 or 6 Castle Peak, Tatoosh Range; snowshoes probably necessary. Spring views of Mt. Rainier. Contact Bruce Gaumond (work) 773-2620 (home) 246-2520

April 12-13 or 19-20 Mt. Hood spring climb. Luxurious but cheap accommodations at Mazoma Lodge. Contact Jack Leicester 342-5372.

April 25 Mt. St. Helens, Forsyth Glacier Route, spring sunshine, Friday night lodging in the haunted hand-hewn hikers hostel. Contact Dave Gerada, (work) 773-8367 (home) 522-5255.

April Pyramid Peak, Rainier Park

June Little Tahoma, 3rd highest peak in state
and more ----- (summer is almost here)

For this month only, additional ACTIVITIES INFORMATION will be available from Glenn Hitchcock, (work) 655-6515 (home) 246-9082.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Hoh River Great Winter Elk Hunt and Sunbathing Convention, January 25 - 26

Ten BOEALP backpackers sighted six hundred Olympic elk several weeks ago - 15 were spotted at the park entrance from the comfort of our cars, 1 was surprised along the trail near Happy-Four Shelter, and 584 were leisurely studied in the slides-for-sale rack at the Hoh Visitor Center. But lack of live elk flesh notwithstanding, it was an enjoyable 18-mile-roundtrip weekend up the Hoh River Trail. The weather was 40% overcast, 9% misty, 1% rainy, and 50% sunny (all day Sunday). Pretty good luck for mid-January up the moist Hoh River, where it has to rain (statistically) 5 inches each winter day just to keep up with the cumulative rainfall projections.

The drive over was a virtual tie between the Northern contingent (Edmonds Ferry route) and the Southern faction (Humptulips high route), taking just around 4 hours in each case. The ranger at the visitor center acted as if he hadn't seen a visitor since Thanksgiving. (Actually, he'd spent Thanksgiving rescuing some novice unprepared backpackers from Elk Lake.) The camp robbers in the parking lot dive-bombed as if they hadn't seen anyone since Labor Day.

The trail up the Hoh reaches Olympic Meadows in 8.7 miles, gaining only 954 feet. Along the way is the once-was World's Largest Sitka Spruce (16 feet 4 inches in diameter, 180 feet tall), followed soon after by the still-is World's Largest Red Alder (no data available). A short break at a waterfall provided Class 3.5 rock-climbing opportunities for the more ambitious amongst us. Lunch was partaken at the spanking-clean Happy-Four Shelter, still sparkling from the four-bags-of-trash November clean-up performed by Art and Ron. The temperature was 40°, but patches of blue sky portended good weather ahead. The soft mud of the trail (it actually wasn't too muddy) provided a multitude of tracks for investigation. We made positive identification of an elk, a deer, a coyote, a Raichle Grimsel, a Henke Arosa, and a coastal sasquatch. Unidentified was a large, deeply impressed print featuring 4 toes and claws. The last person in line looked over his shoulder frequently.

Soon after, patches of snow gave way to a near-continuous snow pack, averaging 3 inches at Oly Meadows, where we lodged in the splendor of the two trail shelters. The bunks therein were adjudged fair to good, the phone service was convenient (3 rings gets you the Blue Glacier), running water (cold only) was nearby, and all the varmints (bears, skunks, and mice) were all away wintering at Kalalock. The phone, incidentally, was strung in through 1749 assorted insulators in all shapes, colors, and model years - a sight that would have been mouthwatering to insulator-hoarder John Pollock, who had canceled out at the last minute.

At the shelters, Mor demonstrated wet-wood campfire starting techniques using liberal dosages of fire-starter. An exploration party surveyed the river gravel bars, but no elk were flushed. Darkness brought clear skies and a full moon. Snorers were assigned to Shelter A and nonsnorers to Shelter B. The temperature hit 24°.

Morning brought bright blazing sunshine as we packed out. A wayward exploration was made of more meadows and gravel bars along the river. No elk were sighted but we did sight large quantities of elk sign, if you know what I mean. The views back upriver featured sparkling snow-clad Mt. Carrie and other peaks in the Bailey Range (rarely seen from the Hoh even in July). Farther on down the trail we startled a genuine live specimen of the rare Elkus Olympicanus Mysteriosus, browsing by the trailside. He or she turned tail and bolted immediately for the undergrowth as we fumbled for our exposure meters. You'll just have to take our word on it.

The sharp-eyed elk-spotters included Bruce Gaumond (leader), Bob Cocherell, Don Taylor, Bob Bunker, Sue Bunker, Jim Kissell, Lee and Denise Hedin, Gene Calloway, and Avshalom Mor.

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DEAR SUBSCRIBER -

Absolutely the last notice - 1975 dues are due - \$3.00 entitles you to full club benefits for the year: equipment borrowing, discount prices, sugar cookies every first Thursday, and the Echo, bringing you the finest in nagging reminders like this. In the absence of your renewal, we will mercilessly excise your name from our revised mailing list and next month at this time your mailbox will be empty except for assorted junk mail, detergent samples and your copy of Readers Digest. Remember, no back ECHO issues are available, so keep your file complete. Send \$3.00 check, money-order, or small-denomination, untraceable, well-laundered bills by March 10th at the latest to the Membership Chairperson Rick Johnson, ORG 2-8452, M. S. OL-17 on Rt 2 West Coast Road, Bremerton, WA 98311.

JOIN ANOTHER CLUB

The American Alpine Club has sent us a package of brochures and applications for membership - apparently they have a recruiting drive on. The AAC is for the more purist among climbers, you need to get recommended by 2 members and you have to show your proficiency by listing all the mountains and rocks and routes and even first ascents you've done so far so they can evaluate whether you measure up or not. Dues are (brace yourself) \$10.00 initiation and \$20.00 a year, but think of the status. If status isn't important to you, see previous item.

AAC information brochures and applications, if your interested, are available from Bruce Gaumond.

SPRING 1975 BASIC CLIMBING COURSE

All the basics on rock climbing, snow and glacier travel, equipment, route-finding and more.

Dates - Orientation Meeting, Wednesday, March 12, Plant II Theatre, 7:30pm., classes every Wednesday for 10 weeks, starting March 26, field trips.

Instructor - John Pollock with assistance by club members.

Further Information - Jack Leicester, Climbing Course Coordinator, 342-5372 (work) or ~~546-2086~~ (home). Brochure on course for prospective applicants available from Jack, Al Mercer (655-0165), or Bruce Gaumond (773-2620/246-2520).

CONSERVATION INFORMATION

If you want to find out more about the proposed Sunshine Mine, which will tunnel from Silverton through Vesper Peak to mine molybdenum, tungsten, and even silver and gold; write to: Forest Supervisor, Mt. Baker - Snoqualmie National Forest, 1601 2nd Avenue, Seattle 98101. A descriptive pamphlet is available now and a draft environmental statement is due out later in the year. Get on the mailing list and make up your own mind.

Winter Recreation Parking Study - Al Mercer has a copy of a study done by the UW evaluating parking availability, needs, and projections for winter recreationists outside of established ski areas. If you'd like to read it and give us a synopsis, call Al.

REMEMBER OUR KAYAKING FACTION?

Back in the middle ages several years ago we used to have some kayak-building activities under our auspices. Some members made this mold and then some kayaks and floated merrily down local creeks, sloughs, rivers, gorges, and rapids. As no new kayaking interest has surfaced, it's time to dispose of the mold and close out kayaking activities. The following letter from Andy Johnson, Ex-Kayak Chairman, proposes a commendable wrap-up. A vote on the proposal will be taken at the March meeting.

BOEALP Club Members:

The BOEALPS Boater's status is as follows:

1. No suitable work place has been provided by the Company.
2. Boat building activities have been at a standstill for the past 12 months.
3. No new membership has appeared with the intention of building boats.

It is proposed that any further efforts to promote the kayak building program through BOEALPS be discontinued. The kayak mold presently considered BOEALPS' property should be disposed of and it is suggested that it be donated to the Explorer Post (487), who donated the contours for it subject to the following provisions.

1. Those BOEALPS members who have not completed the seats for their boats will be entitled to do so if the mold is given to Explorer Post (487).
2. Those BOEALPS members who desire to build a kayak from the mold, may do so free of all mold fees, providing construction is started within one year from the date of donation.

The above proposal appears to be the most equitable way to conclude the boat building program. If BOEALPS has any other ideas of merit they should be considered.

This proposal should be reviewed by the BOEALPS executive committee and voted on by the membership if the executive committee agrees that the proposal is satisfactory.

Please let me know the will of the club when you can.



Andy Johnson
Past Kayak Committee Chairman
BOEALPS

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL K-2 EXPEDITION

An American expedition led by legendary Seattle climber and REI mogul Jim Whittaker is attempting an assault this summer of Pakistan's K-2, world's second highest peak (28,250 feet). K-2 has been attempted only seven times, and successfully scaled only once, in 1954, by two members of a team led by the Italian Ardito Desio.

Because of the political scene in Pakistan, no permits have been issued for K-2 attempts for 15 years, until this 1975 effort. The party is comprised of 7 Washingtonians (including Diane Roberts, a.k.a. Mrs. Whittaker), 1 Washingtonian/Canadian, and two token Californians. Jim Wickwire, who has spoken several times at our meetings, is one of the climbers. The route will be up a new route, part of which has never been seen, let alone attempted. An excellent feature article on the attempt appears in the February 10th issue of Sports Illustrated -- if you

haven't seen it, it's well worth your while to seek it out.

Because of the large amount of money necessary to mount an expedition in these inflationary times, the 1975 American K-2 team is soliciting contributions of any amount. The climb is budgeted at about \$200,000, and even with large contributions from National Geographic, the Sierra Club, various equipment manufacturers, etc., about \$40,000 is still needed, and must be primarily raised from private donations. The pitch: Be a small part of this historic event by contributing something - it will mean a lot more to you to be a co-sponsor as you follow the expedition's progress in the national press from April through July. For every donation of \$10.00 or more, you will receive a postcard signed by the expedition members, posted with Pakistani stamps, carried by porters from the base camp at the foot of K-2, and mailed to your home address. A worthwhile memento of the attempt. So dig into those pockets and support Seattle's attempt on mighty K-2.

The following is from a donation card published by the expedition:

1975 American K2 Expedition

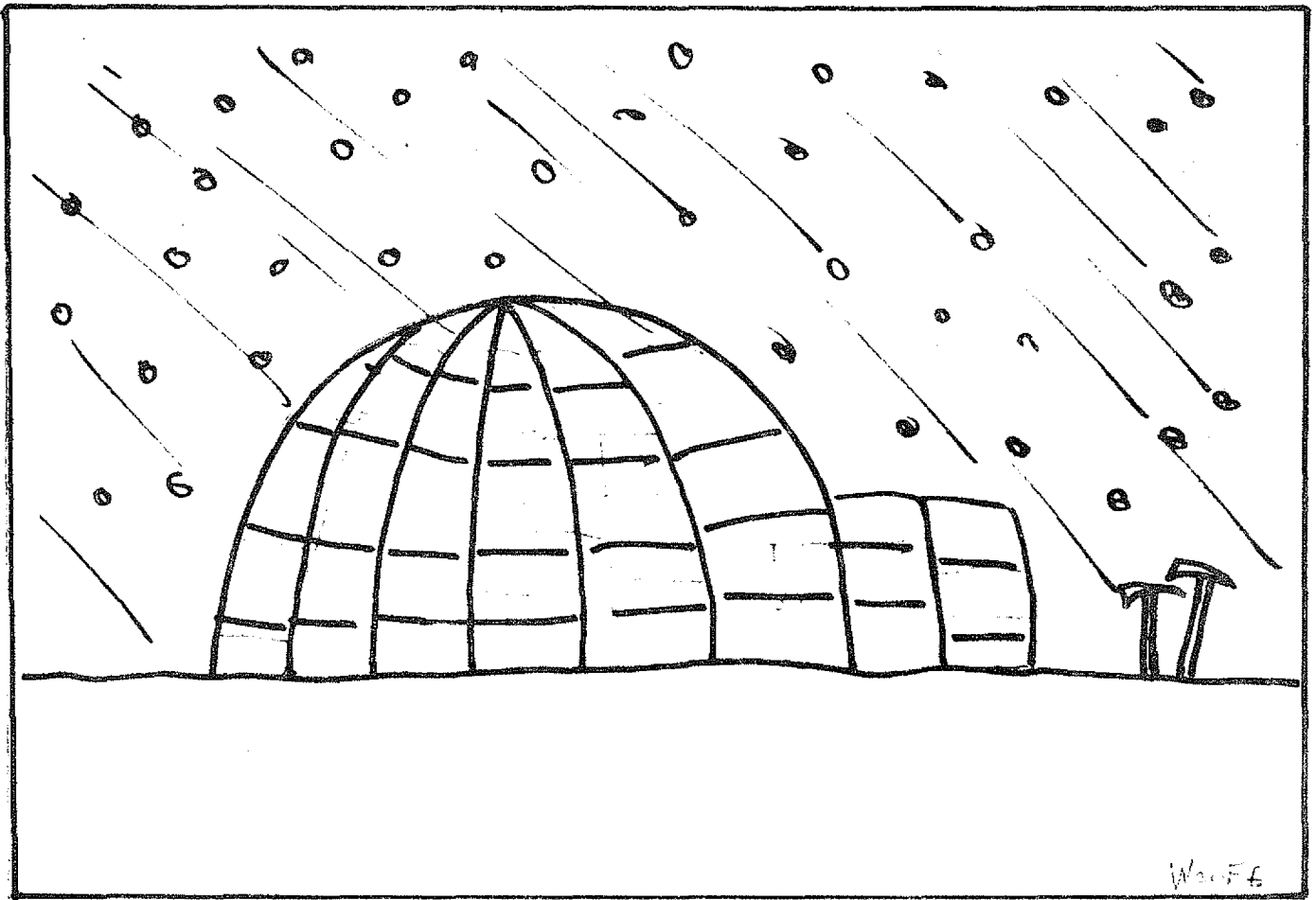
- 1 ☐ I am a genuine friend of all climbers and a true patron of the noble art of mountaineering. Here is my fantastic, tax deductible contribution of \$1000 (or more). I understand that all team members will chant my name in awe and gratitude (bowing toward Mecca) with each breath between Skardu and the summit.
- 2 ☐ It has been my lifelong dream to climb K2. Please accept my humble donation of \$500, on the understanding that my name will be discreetly placed near the top of your alternates list.
- 3 ☐ You can't imagine how little I care about your egotistical little adventure. But to spare myself and my family further harassment, I've enclosed \$_____ in laundered, unmarked bills in a plain brown wrapper. Any future communications from you will be sent unopened to my personal attorney.
- 4 ☐ I have no shame. Here is my \$10 for the autographed postcard you will send me from Base Camp. I think the stamps may be valuable someday.
- 5 ☐ I don't want your overpriced postcard and I refuse to contribute any money. Frankly, I don't think Jim Whittaker knows the difference between 5.10 and 6-12. (I realize, of course, that my name will be placed on the Rumdoodle Society enemies list.)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Please mail with your check to: American Alpine Club
113 - E. 90th Street
New York, N.Y. 10028



*I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY SAY, HARVE,
I'M COLD!*

COMING IN NEXT MONTH'S ECHO

1. Marooned at Muir, a classic account of five harrowing days at Camp Muir in a raging blizzard with 3 days food and only Russ Kroeker for entertainment. By Glenn Hitchcock. The gripping tale of the Boealps 1975 Winter Rainier Ascent.
2. A report on The Cedar Creek Glass-Ball Hunt, Creek Wading Contest and Mussel Feast.
3. The Further Adventures of Harve by Art Wolfe.
4. Super-delectable, 17-ingredient Granola recipe from Sue. Eat right to climb right.
5. Results of the 'Great Questionnaire'.

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APRIL MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 1975 7:30pm

BSRL (Bldg. 15-01) CAFETERIA

For the April meeting, Boealps is fortunate to have Al Zob. He will give a slide presentation of kayaking and wilderness experiences in British Columbia and Alaska. The trip begins in the Spectrum Mountains of B.C. at the headwaters of the Iskut River. Al and his partner, Ulrich Ganz, ran the Iskut 200 miles to the salt water then 150 miles to Juneau up the inland passage. The show will include spectacular mountain and glacial scenes, wildlife, and the problems of running an unchartered river. See you all there.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 6, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gaumond, at the BSRL Cafeteria, at 7:45pm. Previous minutes were approved as submitted.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Glenn Brindeiro will replace Clarke Kido as Treasurer. Clarke has left Boeing.

Russ Kroeker is taking a new job in Africa. Glenn Hitchcock will be acting Activities Chairman.

Club membership stands at 96.

Posters and brochures for the climbing course are available.

CONSERVATION NEWS:

A petition to support a state program to provide winter parking is available.

Olympic National Park has just published a wilderness study and environmental impact statement. Copies can be obtained from the National Park Service.

The Alpine Lakes proposals are receiving some interest in Congress, more information next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved and seconded to sell the club's "Northwest" snowshoes. It was passed without opposition.

It was moved and seconded to dispose of our kayak molding equipment as outlined in the last ECHO. It was passed without opposition.

The meeting was closed at 8:10pm.

Club Secretary,
Al Mercer

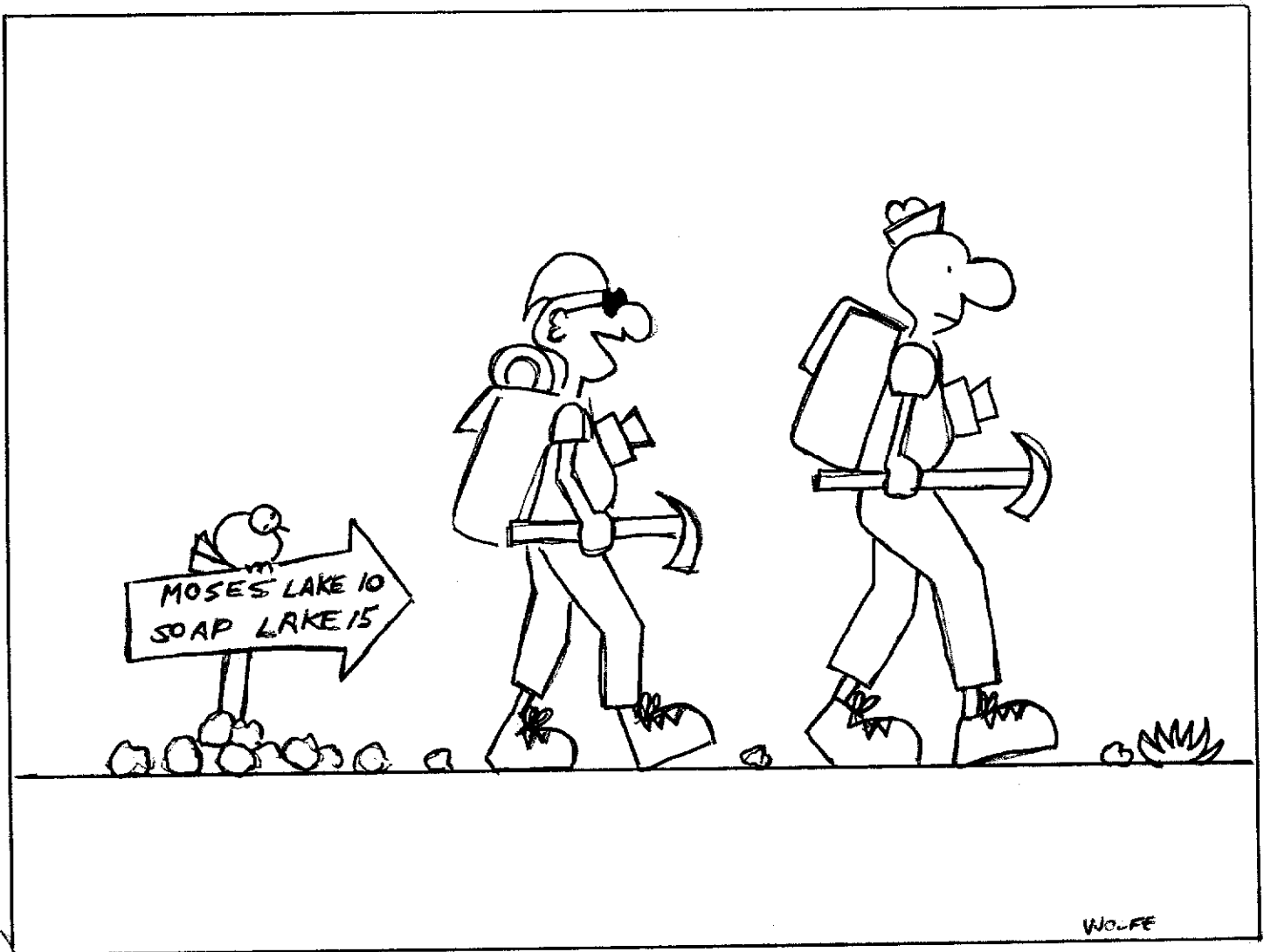
TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning Balance, February 19, 1975	\$484.28
<u>Receipts</u>	45.00
<u>Expenditures</u>	20.32
Closing Balance, March 20, 1975	<u>\$508.96</u>

Club Treasurer,
Glenn Brindeiro

ACTIVITIES

Since the reassignment of Activities Chairperson Russ Kroeker to Portuguese Angola to direct the installation of airport landing systems for Boeing, we've had to regretfully relegate Russ to the status of West Africa Correspondent and find a new activities chairperson. So don't run up your phone bill trying to get hold of Russ in Luanda to see what's happening. Call instead: New Activities Chairman Art Wolfe, WE5-7674, any hour day or night (preferably night, as Art's at school most of the day and his grandmother isn't too conversant in mountaineering topics). Art will draw upon his substantial club experience as past program director, his extensive familiarity with the Northwest wilderness, and his vast circle of influential friends and potential climb leaders to lay out an imaginative slate of exciting summer climbs and other adventures. If you have ideas or want to volunteer to lead, call Art today and be heard (to be heard if his grandmother answers, you'll have to speak up a little). In the meantime, try these: see Page 4



AW, CHEER UP, HARVE. JUST VIEW THIS AS SORT
OF A SHAKE DOWN CRUISE FOR CLIMBING
IN HAWAII!

- March 29th or 30th Dungeness Spit - Hike and Waterfowl Seminar. See Ron re-name birds without realizing it. View the world famous Victoria Flower Gardens just across the Straits. Call Ron Peltola (wk) 433 2543 (home) 242 4655.
- April 5th or 6th Castle Peak, Tatoosh Range. Snowshoe through hoardes of hungry grey jays, verdant forests, and gently rolling hills. See Mt. Rainier, Mt. Adams, and Mt. St. Helens. Call Bruce Gaumond (wk) 773 2620 (home) 246 2520.
- April 5th & 6th Mt. St. Helens. Climb and have fun with Glenn in the snow. See if he really did bring a Sherpa back from Nepal. Round trip just 8 miles. Call Glenn Brindeiro (wk) 237 2680 (home) 854 9389.
- April 12th and 13th Mt. Hood Spring Climb. Enjoy travel? Visit our neighbors to the South and climb their best attribute. Luxurious but cheap accommodations at world renown Mazama Lodge which has been known to attract people from as far away as Clallam Bay. Call Jack Leicester (work) 342-5372, (Home) 546-2086.
- April 19th & 20th Marmot Pass, Mt. Buckhorn. Hike the high country of the Olympics. View the majestic interior snow-laden monarchs, feed goats, ride elk, tease marmots, call Art! Round trip 10 miles. Art Wolfe (home) 935 7674 (work) 935 7674.
- April 25th Mt. St. Helens. Climb this state's newest volcano. Ascend the beautiful Forsythe Glacier. See Spirit Lake glistening in the sun far below, while mild breezes gently caress your cheeks. Spend Friday night in the enchantingly quaint hiker's hostel located under tall swaying pines. Contact Ruth Kirk or Dave Gerada (wk) 773 8367 (home) 522 5255.
- May 3rd Kendall Peak. Climb the peak that reputedly offers the best views of Guye Peak as well as Commonwealth Basin. Contact Tom Kent (home) 546 4098 (work) 342 3424.
- May 10th or 11th Mt. Persis. Snowshoe this easy peak that overlooks the tremendously rugged west wall of Index. See the Olympics, Mt. Rainier, Glacier Peak, Mt. Winnman, the Sea-First Building, and much, much more for only the nominal cost of driving to the trailhead. Contact Bob Lesmeister (work) 237 2754 (home) 839 0583.

....Do you find yourself avoiding the bathroom scale?

....Are you ashamed to be seen in a bathing suit?

If yes! do something about it. Join the Boealp's weightwatchers club and sign up for the coming climbs. Or better yet, lead one. It's easy. Just call me, Art Wolfe - 935 7674.

BOEALP VOCABULARY WORD OF THE MONTH. "VERDANT"

1. Green with vegetation

ACTIVITY REPORT

Cedar Creek Beach Hike, February 22-23

Off from the Rialto Beach parking lot strode the nine green-rubber-booted Boealpers, north along the tilted beach made out of two-inch black ball-bearing rocks that won't stand still when you walk on them, north towards the fertile mussel beds that lay seven miles beyond at Cedar Creek. A sprinkling of rain produced a variety of raingear of varying effectivenesses, but it soon subsided and the way ahead was traveled in general overcast, moderate wind, and mild temperatures. Meticulously detailed planning by the leader provided optimal tidal patterns; as an example, the ebb ebbed precisely at the moment we arrived at the Hole-in-the-wall, allowing us to pass through unwetted. Great thing about Rialto Beach North - no headlands to scale.

A major disappointment occurred as we rounded Cape Johnson; we passed three exiting backpackers laden to the gills with 16 inch glass floats. They each had three or four hanging off of them - and probably had scores more of moderate-sized ones in their packs. Oh, well, one day too late. First aid was administered to Art, who was bleeding profusely from his palms after digging his nails through them in disgust.

Further on, an array of wildlife was sited: dozens of seals, one nonnocturnal raccoon foraging in the tidepools, soaring eagles, and cantankerous crows molesting soaring eagles. After four miles, the beach changed from rock to fine smooth glassy moist sand, bringing a last 3 miles of idyllic strolling. Cameras captured sunning starfishes, cranky crabs, and elegant eagles playing in the wind lift over offshore seastacks. (If I tell you this is the most nearly perfect section of all of Washington's wilderness coast, you won't all flock there and ruin it, will you?)

Arriving at Cedar Creek we pitched out tents, stowed gear, and either collapsed from our out-of-shape exertions or picked up pails and sprinted to the water for an hour's pastime stalking the wild mussel (*Mytilus edulis edibilabilus*). For comparison, we also dug clams. Mussels are easier - you pluck them off the rocks and fill your bucket in 3 minutes 40 seconds. Clams are somewhat more difficult - you dig and reach in the cold water with your hands until they're numb, and you get a sore back and you usually come up with a rock shaped just like the elusive clams. After 56 minutes, we quit with 2/3 of a bucket-full. Later around the roaring community fire, while more conventional types warmed hot dogs, the bon vivants steamed the shell-fish for serving with melted butter, tossed salad, and crisp garlic bread. General consensus favored the mussels over the clams (more work isn't always rewarded). For all of you who subsist on Mountain House ravioli when roughing it, mussels are orange (clams are yellow-white), have no sand within (but you have to pull out the "beards"), and go best with a chilled dry white wine with full body, robust character, and discriminate breeding. (They go pretty good with cold Oly, too.)

Apres-dinner entertainment featured a game of dart (there was only one) played in the dark after which the party split up into the quiet, early-to-bed bunch and the rowdy, the-evening-is-young- bunch who sat around the campfire, got out the old radio (purists read no further), and listened to the Huskies pulverize the outclassed Bruins, 103-81. Needless to say, the fan reaction of the latter faction to the events of the contest kept the former faction from getting too much early sleep. Post-game activities included a three-way soccer match on the beach (in the dark). I defended north, Art defended south and Ron defended the ocean. A full moon arose (where do you think those good tides came from) and shed a bit of light on the frivolities.

An added bonus generously provided by the leader was a shortening of the over-long night from 14 hours to 13 hours (due to daylight savings time). Nothing like winter beach hikes to catch up on the last month's sleep. Morning brought general drizzle, but fortunately temperatures stayed around 50 to stave off the cold. Departure was at 11 for a leisurely walk out. Unfortunately, two non-party early departures cleaned the beach ahead of us of the newly-washed-in floats. We consoled ourselves instead with surveying the seal herds (schools? pods? flocks? gaggles?), and counting eagles. Midway, the more ambitious explored Snowy Owl Island offshore at low tide, where thundering waves crashed against the shore as seals surfed daringly through it all. Rains dwindled to overcast, which eventually changed to clearing.

After-trip festivities were held at the Vagabond in Forks, where it was again ascertained that the elk antlers therein do not hold a proverbial candle to the gargantuan pair Art Wolfe harvested from Silt Creek last August (see October ECHO). Participants included Husky Fans, Bruce Gaumond (leader), Art Wolfe, Ron Peltola, and somnambulist supporters Don Tylor, Gene Calloway, Lee Hedin, Denise Hedin, Mark Hedin, and Mor Avshalom or Avshalom Mor, whichever you prefer. For those of you who missed out, just think how next winter is almost here when once again the bold beachhikers will again brave boiling breakers and buffeting breezes to give you something to read back home in your cozy living rooms.

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VOLUNTEERS -

If you're interested in helping out with the climbing course during the various field activities, let us know. Assistance by experienced club members is welcome during course sessions in rock climbing, snow climbing, glacier travel, etc. You get to help the course, revisit those memorable locales where you learned it all, and get to know our new club members. Call Jack Leicester, Climbing Course Coordinator, 342-5372 or 546-2086.

TELL ME BY MAY MEETING -

whether you would like to go to Mt. Shasta in early June, (probably either Memorial Day weekend or the weekend after). If there is sufficient interest, we will try to rent a bus over a weekend; otherwise we'll drive down and take 3 days altogether (e.g., leave Friday night, drive most of Saturday, climb Sunday and sightsee and return Monday. We need to get a feeling for what the interest is for this trip. Don't be a Washington provincialist; expand your horizons, if only to prove to yourself that we have it better here.

Call Bruce Gaumond 773-2620/CH6-2520.

ANOTHER PLUG

If the ECHO doesn't satisfy your monthly leisure reading yen for climbing/camping/wilderness topics, you are referred to Backpacker magazine, which needs your support and is well worth the price. It's been published quarterly for several years now, and is a sumptuous glossy production job with lots of excellent color pictures; name-author articles on photography, conservation, and adventures in faraway lands; and comprehensive ratings and surveys of equipment, and climbing/backpacking paraphernalia.

Unfortunately, it's been kept going primarily by large injections of the publisher's

own funds, who anticipated a few years of subsidy while the subscription base increased enough for the magazine to pay its way. Due to inflation, however, costs have escalated and the subscription base must now grow substantially in the near future if the magazine is to stay afloat. So they need your subscription. The price is reasonable (\$6 a year or \$15 for 3 years) and the contents are invaluable to anyone interested in any facet of the alpine experience. Address for subscriptions: Backpacker Magazine, Box 2946 Boulder Colo. 80302. Address for information: 28 W 44th St. NY, N.Y. 10036

HERE'S WHAT YOU LIKE, DON'T LIKE, WANT, THINK YOU WANT, OR SAY YOU WANT

At last - results of the first annual questionnaire and opinion survey published in the January ECHO.

Questionnaires returned: 35

Questionnaires impounded: 1

Questionnaires not returned because subscribers did not want to destroy the elegant bindings of their January ECHO: 129

Average number of meetings attended: 5.57

Perfect attendance: 2 (you two get an extra sugar cookie next meeting - if you're there).

Program preferences: About equal among member's trips, guest speakers' trips, and "how-to", with movies slightly behind (some have probably seen "Americans on Everest" one too many times).

NOTES: A World Premiere movie will be shown at the June meeting. And the last "how-to" was beyond anyone's recollection; but wait for the May meeting.

Took Boealps Climbing Course: 20

Took other courses: 12 (Some took several courses altogether.)

No formal training: 5

Consensus opinions on our course:

Rock climbing - good

Rope handling - good

Snow climbing - good to excellent

Glacier climbing - good to excellent

Navigation and route finding - fair to good

Other comments:

"Run another intermediate course"

"More use of club members as assistants" (See elsewhere in issue.)

"More bivouac and survival techniques"

Various comments:

"More rock climbing"

"More snow climbing", "more glacier climbing"

"More route finding", "Enjoyment of class was excellent"

and many more specific comments, since turned off to John Pollock for detailed analysis of merits, feasibility, and handwriting.



READER'S DIGEST

750 Third Avenue • New York, N.Y. 10017

Telephone: 972-4000

February 14, 1975

Boeing Employees Alpine Society
P.O. Box 3707 M.S.4H-96
Seattle, Wash. 98124

Dear Sir/Madam:

Reader's Digest General Books is planning a volume on the subject of walking. The objective of the book will be to acquaint readers with the joys of walking and with specific hiking trails of every level of complexity. Our scope will be walks on public lands--all Federal, State, Provincial, and Local parks and wildlife refuges that are open to the public.

We would be most grateful if you could send us any literature your group may have, especially annotated maps, brochures and other illustrative materials. Our walking book is intended to be of service to the amateur and the experienced walker alike, and will take up the degree of difficulty, kinds of preparation, practice, and other aspects of the subject. However, beyond our coverage of preparations and techniques, we are in need of the names of trails, what features are of special interest, and how and when groups are formed.

Any information you may be able to provide regarding walks in the North American Countryside (from Canada to Mexico), will be most welcome. Sources of information will, of course, be acknowledged in the book itself.

If there is any expense involved in providing us with this information, please let us have a description of the kind of material and its cost, and we will reply promptly.

We look forward eagerly to hearing from you and will be most appreciative of any help you can give us.

Sincerely,

Alma E. Guinness
Senior Editor

AEG/gd

The executive board will step aside and give this one to anyone who wants it. We presume this is a for-real letter (walking?).

FOR SALE

Optimus 111B cooking stove, \$20.00. Call Dick Kerr (work) 773-1324, (home) 854-4113.

WANTED

Used 75 - 85cm ice axe. Call Brent Hanson 746-3994.

GRANOLA

3 - 5 CUPS OATS (ROLLED OR STEEL CUT) PREFERABLY NOT QUAKERS QUICK

3 - 4 CUPS NUT PIECES (RAW)

CASHEWS (PARTIALLY ROASTED ONLY)

PEANUTS

ALMONDS

WALNUTS

PECANS

PINE NUTS

1/2 - 1 CUP SESAME SEEDS (RAW)

1 - 2 CUPS SUNFLOWER SEEDS (RAW)

1/4 - 1 CUP WHEAT GERM (RAW)

1/2 - 1 CUP BROWN SUGAR \DEPENDING ON HOW SWEET YOU WANT IT (MIX IN BEFORE
ADDING HONEY AND OIL)

1/2 CUP WARM OIL

1/2 CUP WARM HONEY

ADD THE OIL AND HONEY TO APPROXIMATELY 10 CUPS OF THE ABOVE STUFF AND MIX UNTIL EVERYTHING LOOKS COATED (MORE OR LESS). BAKE AT 325-350 DEGREES IN A LARGE SQUARE CAKE PAN(S) FOR 30 MINUTES TO AN HOUR. STIR EVERY NOW AND THEN, MORE OFTEN TOWARDS THE END. ADD DRIED FRUIT AFTER IT COOLS. STORE IN LARGE COFFEE CANS.

NOTE: STIR EVERY NOW AND THEN WHILE COOLING OR IT WILL TURN INTO A BIG COOKIE.

IT'S DONE WHEN IT'S A NICE BROWN. IT GETS CRUNCHY AS IT COOLS.

ALL OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED INGREDIENTS ARE FOUND AT THE PUGET CONSUMERS CO-OP, 2261 NE 65th, Seattle 522-7888.

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MAY MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1975

7:30pm

BSRL CAFETERIA (BLDG 15-01)

Gary Frederickson--High-Angle Snow and Ice Climbing on Mt. Robson

If you've ever wondered how to climb a 2500 ft. 60°+ hard-snow or ice wall and what the view is like looking straight down (gasp), here's the program that will tell it all. Gary Frederickson has climbed and photographed two spectacular routes--the Kain Face and the North Face--on Mt. Robson, which at 12,972 ft. is the highest point in the Canadian Rockies and one of the most imposing-looking peaks seen anywhere.

In addition, Gary will discuss fundamentals of high-angle ice climbing, demonstrate specialized equipment used, and describe preparation and training exercises that precede ambitious attempts such as these.

Whether you plan on doing high-angle snow some day or whether you're never going to do it, don't miss this first-hand view of these breathtaking ascents.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 3, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gaumond at 7:45pm.

Reports and Announcements (Art Wolfe's Activities Program is printed separately)

- o Program Chairman Dave Campbell: The following programs are planned -
 - May - A film program
 - June - Keith Gunnar and a demonstration of mountain photography
 - July - Annual picnic
- o Conservation Chairperson Sandy Biggerstaff: A report on the Alpine Lakes and upcoming legislation was presented. A coalition of the Sierra Club, ALPS, and others is supporting a conservation oriented bill which may be considered this session. The bill is HR3977 submitted by Congressman Lloyd Meeds. She encouraged us to write our Senators and Congressmen in support of the legislation.
- o Equipment Chairman Ray Johnson: The Northwest snowshoes are still for sale. No tents will be available the last weekends in April & May due to reservations by climbing course participants.
- o President Bruce Gaumond: Response to the idea of purchasing a spool of goldline was asked. Glenn Brindeiro is collecting dues. The climbing course needs member volunteers to help with the field trips and classroom sessions. The kayak mold has been donated to the Explorer Scouts as previously outlined. Art Wolfe's panorama has been presented to the North Cascades National Park for their visitor center. Jack Leicester will carry a plaque of the Boealps Logo to the Mazama Lodge at Mt. Hood.

New Business

- o Moved and seconded to appropriate \$25.00 to permit Boealps to become a sustaining member of ALPS. Motion passed.
- o Moved and seconded to appropriate \$25.00 to permit Art Wolfe, in the name of Boealps, to donate copies of his North Cascades Panorama to R.E.I. and to the Mountaineers. Motion passed.

Meeting was closed at 8:20pm.

Club Secretary,

Al Mercer

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning balance, March 20, 1975	\$ 508.96
<u>Receipts</u>	\$5291.91
Dues	\$ 189.00
Basic Climbing Course fees (62 @ \$42)	\$2604.00*
Book sales	\$ 283.50
Savings Account (Interest)	.41
Equipment sales	\$ 215.00

*Climbing Course Instructor has not been paid

Expenditures \$ 838.46

Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs	\$ 30.00
ALPS	\$ 25.00
Dave Campbell (April meeting refresh.)	\$ 15.46
Al Zob (Speaker fee)	\$ 25.00
Art Wolfe (N. Cascades Photos)	\$ 87.00
Dave Gerada (Book purchase)	\$335.00
Glenn Brindeiro (Stamps)	\$ 3.00
Jan Sport, Inc. (Equip. purchase)	\$318.00

Closing balance, April 20, 1975 \$2962.41

Club Treasurer,
Glenn Brindeiro

ACTIVITIES

Call Art Wolfe, Activities Chairman (WE5-7674) for late-breaking developments.

- May 3 Castle Peak, Tatoosh Range (rescheduled). Details in last Echo. Call Bruce Gaumond (WK) 773-2620 (HOME) CH6-2520
- May 10 or 11 Mt. Persis. Details in last Echo. Call Bob Lesmeister (WK) 237-2754 (HOME) 839-0583
- May 18 Mt. Angeles snowshoe hike. Snowshoe up Mt. Angeles. See the spectacular panorama from the summit. Look south to Mt. Olympus, north to Pt. Angeles, the Straits of Juan de Fuca and Victoria, east to Mt. Baker and the Cascades, west to the Pacific Ocean, up to the sun and down to your feet. By the time you've taken in all the views you're ready to return. Call James Reed (TWJBR) (WK) 237-0985 (HOME) 723-5525
- May 24/25 Mt. Fitzhenry. Climb spectacular Mt. Fitzhenry, the majestic snow-capped peak that rises dramatically above Lake Mills on the northern border of the Olympics. They say from the summit one can look west towards the Pacific and see the islands of Honshu, Hokkaido, Shikoku and Kyushu. (Or at least over the entire expanse of the Bailey Range.) Call Ron Peltola (WK) 433-2543 (HOME) CH2-4655
- May 31 or
June 1 Mt. Washington and Mt. Elinor. Celebrate this nations 200th Birthday (approx.) by climbing Mt. Washington and Mt. Elinor. Located in the Southeastern Olympics and highlighting Seattle's western view, these peaks rise abruptly above placid Hood Canal. These peaks can be easily climbed in one day and offer fine views southeast to Mt. Rainier. Call Dave Campbell (WK) 655-1606/773-2176 (HOME) 248-0621
- June 7/8 Mt. Baker. Do you enjoy spelunking? Does hot steam soothe your aching muscles? If yes, then Mt. Baker is the place for you. Sign up and climb Washington's largest sauna before it's too late. Call Bruce Gaumond (WK) 773-2620 (HOME) 246-2520

- May 17 Mt. Phelps. Call Al Mercer (WK) 655-5982 (HOME) 746-9596
- June 7/8/9 Mt. Shasta. Climb this volcanic giant (14,162') of Northern California. Interested persons should sign up with Glenn Hitchcock before June 1. If enough signups are received, a bus may be chartered. Climb via the standard route (Class 2) on Sunday, June 8 (or Monday, June 9, if weather is a problem). Call Glenn Hitchcock (WK) 655-6516 (HOME) 246-9082
- June 14 or 15 Pyramid Peak. Hike the quiet, spectacular backcountry of spectacular Mt. Rainier National Park. See spectacular views of Mt. Rainier's spectacular west face. Call spectacular Don Taylor (HOME) 242-5997
- June 14 or 15 Ingalls Peak (south and middle summits). See close-up views of Mt. Stuart's rugged west face. See the site where Bob Lesmeicester found an authentic arrowhead just one year ago. Marvel at the sights of the Alpine Lakes Wilderness. Call Al Mercer (WK) 655-5982 (HOME) 746-9596
- June 21/22 Marmot Pass revisited. Due to unforeseen circumstances (namely a large logging machine blocking the Quilcene River Road) the Marmot Pass hike has been moved-up to this weekend. Read last month's Echo for details. Call Art Wolfe (HOME) WE5-7674
- June 28/29 Del Campo Peak and Gothic Basin. Climb into the beautiful Gothic Basin just west of Monte Cristo. From the basin climb Del Campo Peak. See spectacular views of the Glacier Peak area. Call Tom Martin (HOME) 246-1849
- July 4 Wknd 4-5 day trip to Low Divide in the Olympics, with climbs of Mt. Seattle, and Mt. Queets or Mt. Christie. Details next Echo.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Lake Stuart Snowshoe Hike, March 22-23

The old adage "If it's lousy weather in Western Washington, head east of the mountains" could not be disputed the weekend of March 22-23. As six Boealpers gathered and left Jack Leicester's house early Friday afternoon, the weather was far from encouraging, namely rain, hail, thunder and lightning. The farther east we traveled, however, the progressively better the weather became. Arriving in Leavenworth, we decided to split the cost of a warm, comfortable, quiet hotel room so we could get an early start the next morning for Saturday's primary objective, that being a snowshoe hike into Stuart Lake. At this point the word quiet should be deleted from the previous sentence, as we unwisely wound-up in the room between one containing three drunks singing "Belly-up to the floor boys" while the other was occupied by two drunks and a Great Dane named Sam whose thunderous barking was only slightly drowned-out by the Tumwater trio in Room 7. This noise eventually subsided after Bill Staab in an unquestionably heroic display of courage, went out into the hall (clad only in his long-johns) to request an end to the encores. There should be a law restricting the use of corrugated cardboard for wall partitioning in hotels.

Rising early Saturday morning and consuming a large breakfast in the hotel's restaurant, we were soon on our way up the snow-bound Icicle River Road, under partly cloudy skies. Upon reaching the Eight-Mile Creek turn-off, we put chains on Jack's truck, thereby enabling us to travel the entire distance up to the Stuart Lake trail head. At the

trail head we fortunately found an easy 2' wide by 1' deep snowshoe trail to follow. The trail made travel much faster than we had expected. As the sun rose above the ridge to the east, coats and sweaters were quickly dispensed with, while sunscreen and goggles were donned. Eating lunch in the warm sunshine below spectacular views of Mt. Stuart and the entire Stuart Range made us feel fortunate that we hadn't stayed in the rain in Seattle. During our lunch break, we were set upon by a hungry hoard of Grey Jays and Nut Crackers.

A mile beyond our lunch spot, we set up camp at the edge of a forest just below Stuart Lake. Before ascending the snowy slopes to the lake, we gathered some firewood since there was an ideal fire pit nearby. At the lake we encountered a fairly cool breeze blowing in off the snow-bound lake; therefore we didn't waste much time returning to the warmer, protected confines of our camp. That evening we dined around a warm fire as a light snow began to fall. Later than night we could hear an occasional coyote serenading a mile down the valley (or was it the trio back at the hotel?).

The next morning we packed up and left under partly cloudy skies, reaching the cars about two hours later.

Hike members included Jim Kissel, Bill Staab, Jack Leicester, Gene Calloway, Ron Peltola and Art Wolfe (Author).

Mount Hood - April 12, 1975

After signing the register, the 1st climbing party left the lodge (6,000') at 6:15A.M. with instructions to meet the rest of the party at 8:15 at the "triangle moraine" (8,600').

The 2nd climbing party, loaded on skis and boarded the snow-cat at 8:10A.M. The trip to the 8,600' moraine took 20 minutes and the 8:30 arrival time was about 10 minutes behind the arrival of the hikers.

Skiing equipment was stashed. Climbing equipment and ropes, although not needed here, were donned to save time later. Eight of the climbers, led by Brindeiro, were to do the west side "hourglass" route, and the remaining ten, the southside route over the "lower hot rocks". Hopefully, we would meet on top, although I expected the west side to take about 1 hour longer.

We started for the summit at 9:00A.M. Our final view of the west sideers came an hour or so later where they had stopped in Illumination Rock Saddle to don crampons.

As snow became more firm, we did the same. Bridging the "lower hot rocks", the sulfur smell from the steam escaping was overpowering. Soon, however, we were lounging on the "Hon's Back" for a quick lunch and "eyeballing" the bergschrund for the best passage. Several earlier parties had climbed around the schrund, leftward. Being conservative but adventurous, we climbed rightward. The route saved about 10 minutes.

The summit was made at 1:45P.M. Everyone spread out like lizards to soak up the views and the sun. About 30 or 40 minutes later, Brindeiro's big Keltty appeared from the west and soon the west side group was amongst us in what must have been some sort of record for that route.

They reported that a nearby avalanche and ice chunks spilling sporadically down the

"hourglass" had spurred them to a speedy exit up the chute. (We recommend a very early start for this route or make sure conditions are such that the route is well frozen.) This problem was not expected at this time of year.

The descent was warm and problem-less. The skiers arrived at the stashed equipment at about 3:30P.M., donned skis and started long, lazy traverses down the mountain.

Along about the 3rd lazy traverse, the leader decided to try a new maneuver, called the "Inverted-Wye, spread eagled swan dive". This action requires the simultaneous unweighting, burying of the inside ski-tip, and re-weighting of the downhill ski whilst bending the upper torso forward and throwing both arms abruptly over the head and quickly forward, as in a swan dive. When properly executed, one may hear the "pop-pop" of both ski bindings releasing the boots from the skis and the "whuff" sound of all breath being driven from the lungs as one's chest collides with the snow surface and the pack lands on top of the body.

Dave (Jean-Claude) Campbell whooshed up quickly and christied to a stop to check the fallen body.

Upon finding a feeble response, he "tsk-tsked" and muttered something like "the snow IS tough to ski, isn't it?--", whereupon he continued down the mountain, executing perfect turns.

Painfully extricating himself from the prone, the leader spied big Don giant-stepping down the slope, and with a "Wait for me, Don", he quickly strapped the skis on the pack and joined the silent one for the long trek down.

All arrived safely and were checked out at about 5:00P.M.

It was a good group and a fun climb.

Humbly submitted.

Those participating: "Tenzing" Brindeiro, "Jean-Claude" Campbell, Chris Madden, Dick Nicholson, Dave Ayres, Mat Culley, Tom Gilpin, Dale Christianson, Joe Robertson, Joe Hopkins, Don Brown, Dave Wallace, Wade Chrisman, Rick Gibbs, Lamar Hood, Ray Hofstatter, Sonja Fairing and Jack Leicester.

Mount Hood - April 12, 1975

After a very scenic 5 hour drive down Interstate 5 and the back roads of Oregon, our first challenge began. Jack Leicester wanted to make sure everyone was current on route finding. Thus, our problem was to find the Mazama Lodge. Mistake No. 1 was going 4 miles too far to the Timberline Lodge; Mistake No. 2 was wrong cabin No. 1; Mistake No. 3 was wrong cabin No. 2.

Nevertheless, everyone made it and after a "pleasant" 4 hours of sleep, the climb day had at last arrived. Party No. 1 charged up the mountain at about 5:30A.M. in order to meet the still sleeping party No. 2 at the 8700 ft. level and the Boealps are again 18 strong.

The weather was perfect. One group of 8 took the western "hourglass" route led by

Glenn Brindeiro and the other group of 10 took the standard southern route led by Jack Leicester. Both parties made good time and the summit was conquered by all.

However, the real challenge didn't begin until the skiers began skiing down from the 8700 ft. mark. Rime ice made skiing almost impossible and most gave up and carried their skis back to Timberline Lodge. I think it was Jay Culley who commented "Did you ever get the feeling we are trying to cram too much activity into one day?"

If you weren't there, you missed a great climb and a lot of fun. I think Jack deserves a gold star for this one!

Joe Hopkins

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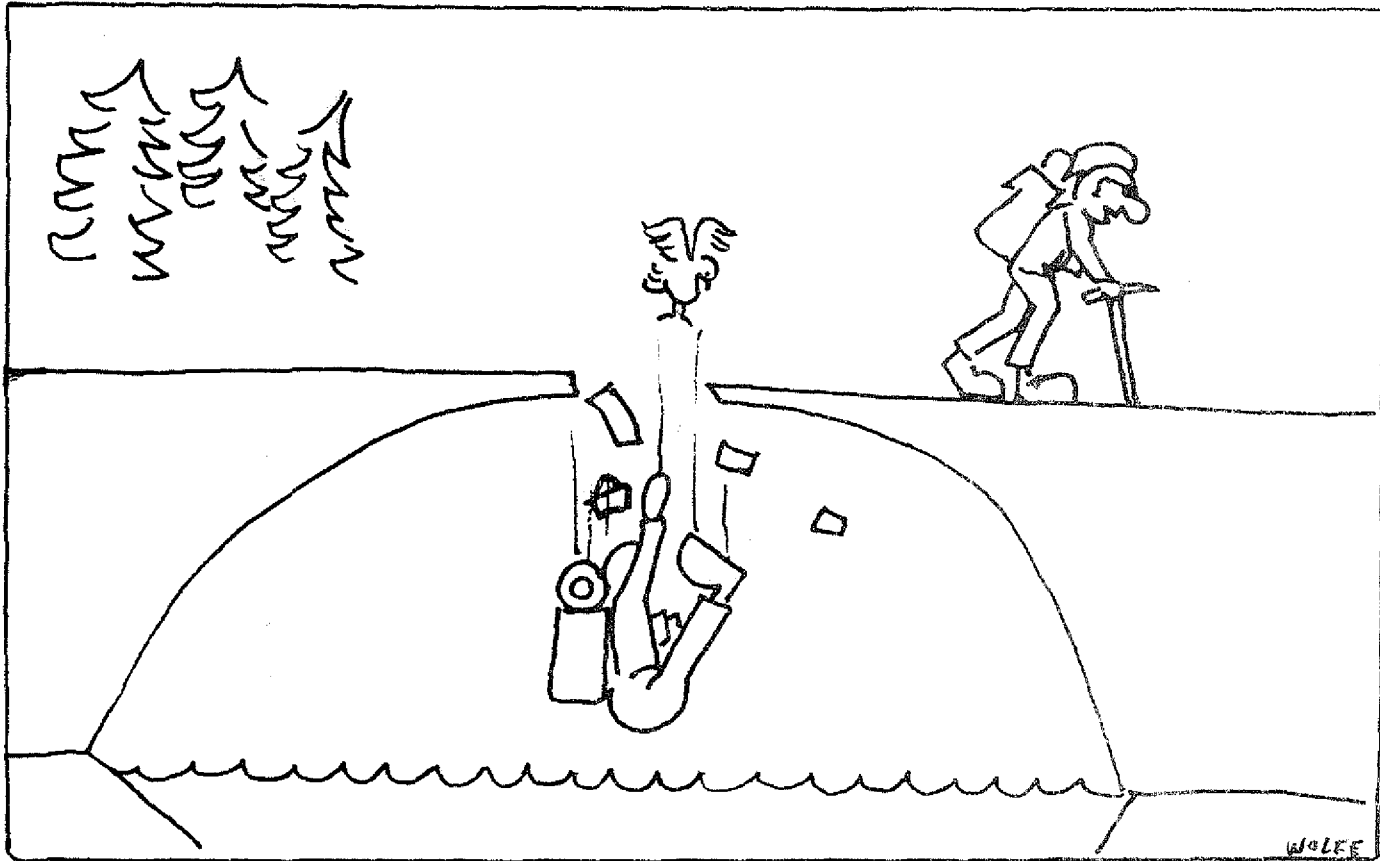
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Mrs. Glenn Hitchcock (Donna) will be leading a hike to Lake 22 near the Verlot Ranger Station. The hike will be sometime in May, the date will be set as soon as those interested make their preference known. This is a 5 1/4 mile round trip hike on very good trail. The uphill is gradual and the cascading river provides

a lovely series of waterfall views. The deep, lush forest refreshes the city weary spirit.

So give Donna a call and bring along the older kids for a family hike. 246-9082

QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS CONTINUED

WHAT TO DO IN 1975

OK, so every body wants to climb Rainier, Adams, Baker, St. Helens, Glacier, and Olympus. Others want to climb Bonanza, Eldorado, Constance, Shuksan, Hinman/Daniels, Twin Sisters, Slesse (any volunteer leaders?), Del Campo, Stuart, Whitehorse, and countless others. The list has been turned over to Art, who will accommodate you all. But you better get in shape, because seven peaks a weekend isn't going to be easy

Also lots of good backpack ideas, or ideas for general areas to go to and then climb from. Plan now for the 5-day July 4th trip to the Low Divide with climbs of Mt. Seattle and Mt. Queets. We'll try to consider all of these but if you really want to go somewhere, just call Art and volunteer to lead. We'll also try to run several activities per-weekend when one won't appeal to everyone (for example, during the weekend of the Willis Wall attempt there may be a hike around Sunrise Parking Lot for the faint-of-heart).

Extended Trips:

Still under evaluation; the question probably wasn't comprehensive enough. But if you want to organize (not necessarily lead) one, call Art and we'll get some talk going to see where the interest is.

General Club Activities:

Predictably, most everyone wants more of everything, which obviously requires more of you - your ideas, your participation, and most of all your offering to help. Clubs don't run themselves and newsletters don't write themselves. We listen to everybody, will climb anything climbable, and will print anything printable (mild editorial censoring occasionally called for).

BOEALP MEMBERS -----

The latest word from the Recreation Office is that they need to have all our members' social security numbers in order to update the tab runs for the Echo. If you want to receive your Echo next month, I need to have this Membership Record filled out in full and returned to me - Sue Bunker M.S. 69-04 - immediately (I can also collect them at the May mtg.) or you will not receive your next Echo.

Last Name		First Name	Middle Initial
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Social Security Number		General <input type="checkbox"/>	Supervision <input type="checkbox"/>
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Organization	Mail Stop	Co	Extension
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Street			
Home Phone	Date	Month	Day
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June Monthly Meeting
Thursday, June 5, 1975, 7:30 pm
Plant II Engineering Theater (note temporary change of meeting location)

Guest Speaker: DEE MOLENAAR - CLIMBER, AUTHOR, & ARTIST

The program for the June 5th meeting will be "K2 The Savage Mountain" by Dee Molenaar. Dee will describe the 1953 K2 expedition which he participated in as well as other climbs on the mountain. He will also give a progress report on the present American K2 expedition. Be sure to attend this fabulous show at the Plant II Theater. The hypothermia film "By Nature's Rules" will be shown at 7:00 before the business meeting.

News and opinions expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the Boeing Company.

Minutes of the Meeting of May 1, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gaumond in the BSRL cafeteria at 7:45 pm. The previous minutes were approved as reported in the "Echo." There were appr. 70 members and guests in attendance.

Reports and Announcements (Activities are printed separately)

- President Bruce Gaumond: Sue Bunker needs social security numbers for the members in order to mail out the "Echo." Those not filling out the form presented in the April "Echo," will not receive the May issue.
- Climbing course coordinator Jack Leicester: The basic climbing course is about half completed and is progressing smoothly. The everdry ropes purchased by members are on the way. Jack wants inputs on a group buy of goldline and on group buys of packs & tents.
- Equipment Chairman Ray Johnson: The northwest snowshoes are still for sale. The climbing course students have reserved all the club tents for the weekend of May23-24.
- Conservation Chairperson Sandy Biggerstaff: Proposals are available for a new Lake Chelan wilderness area. MSR is pressing a law suit against Mt. Rainier National Park with regard to their wilderness-use limitations.

Old Business

The "Frank Kuske Forage Fedora Award," presented to the best-dressed former conservation chairman, was presented to Frank Kuske by Jim Reed.

New Business

None

A discussion of the recent avalanche accident on Mt. St. Helens was held. John Pollock offered some additional information on the accident. He noted that the campsite used had been occupied many times previously without incident. He felt that Harmon Jones, the class instructor (and former Boealps member and instructor) had acted in a commendable fashion, organizing the class after the incident and getting them to safety under very difficult conditions. The suggestion was made that club members who know Harmon write the University of Puget Sound (President Phipps), voicing support for continuation of their climbing course and for Harmon as an instructor.

The business meeting was closed at 8:20 pm.

AL MERCER
Club Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance, April 20, 1975 \$2,962.41

Receipts

Dues	\$168.00	
Basic Mountaineering Course Fee (1)	42.00	
Book Sales	149.50	
Climbing rope sales	<u>316.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>675.50</u>

Total Cash Available 3,637.91

Expenditures

John Pollock (Basic Mountaineering Class)	\$1,260.00 ^a	
Climb High Inc. (Club rope purchase)	412.50 ^b	
Mountain Rescue (Club contribution)	75.00	
Gary Frederickson (Speaker Fee)	25.00	
Glenn Brindeiro (May meeting refreshments)	<u>26.22</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>1,798.72</u>

Ending Balance, May 20, 1975 \$1,839.19

a Final payment due on May 28, 1975

b Paid with profits from book sales

GLENN BRINDEIRO
Club Treasurer

Activities

Call Art Wolfe, Activities Chairperson (We 5-7674) for late-breaking developments.

May 31 or June 1 Mt. Washington & Mt. Elinor Dave Campbell (wk) 655-1606
Details in last issue. (hm)248-0621

June 7,8,9 Mt. Shasta Glenn Hitchcock(wk)655-6516
(hm)246-9082

There's still time to get in on the Boealps historic anniversary ascent of California's Mt. Shasta, 14,162 feet high and home of the mystics, seers, and gurus. There's still a possibilty to drive down in a rented van or we'll take our own cars (generous 10¢ a mile reimbursed to drivers) . A side trip via incredible Crater Lake on our return.

June 14 or 15 Pyramid Peak Don Taylor (Hm) 242-5997
Details in last issue. 226-6055

June 14 or 15 Ingalls Peak Al Mercer (wk) 655-5982
Details in last issue. (hm) 746-9596

June 21,22	Marmot Pass	Art Wolfe (h.m) We 5-7674
Details in last issue.		
June 21,22	Mt. Baker (Rescheduled)	Bruce Gaumont (wk) 773-2620
Details in last issue.		(hm) 246-2520
June 28,29	Del Campo Peak & Gothic Basin	Tom Martin (hm) 246-1849
Details in last issue.		
July 4,5,6,7	Low Divide Olympics	Art Wolfe (above)
Call leader for details.		
July 12,13	Glacier Peak	No leader yet.
July 19,20	Mt. Whitehorse	Dale Christianson (hm) 641-0835
July 19,20 ^x	Mt. Rainier - Kautz Ice Fall	Ken Ludeke (wk) 655-2288
July 26,27	Mt. Adams	Bruce Gaumont (above)
February 1976	Aconcagua Expedition	Glenn Brindeiro (wk)237-0696
		(hm) 854-9389

Rising to 22,900 ft. in the Andes, this peak is the highest point above sea level on the American continent. The climb is being organized by the Mountaineers with the option of two routes available to the party.

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Activity Reports

Dungeness Spit March 29

The second Boealp bird outing of the year attracted 7 enthusiasts (there were only 2 for the first outing in December) for a hike out to the lighthouse on Dungeness Spit, March 29. With only one of the early risers oversleeping and catching a later ferry, the "swan upping" (thats what these events are referred to in England) was off to a day breaking start, assembling at the trail head and descending the short half mile trail down the bluff onto the sandy, log-strewn Dungeness Spit "outback" (thats what these remote areas are referred to in Australia).

Water fowl spotted along the six mile (that might be wrong) spit included: loons (common & red-throated), grebes (western & horned), cormorants (the double-crested only), geese (canadian & black brant), sandpipers (rock & sanderling), gulls (herring & california of all ages), and ducks (mallard, widgeon, greater & lesser scaup, common goldeneye, bufflehead, oldsquaw (a first sighting for all enthusiasts), surf & white-winged scoters, red breasted merganser, and coot).

Also sighted were crabs, clam bubbles, a curious & playful "pod" of seals (thats what

these groups are referred to in crossword puzzles), a dead cow (theorized to have wandered over the bluff), a dead western grebe (with evidence of predator nibblings on its neck), and a dead dog (no consensus reached as to cause of death).

Lunch was eaten at the tip of the spit , where soccer player Sam Alom won the golden arm award by rock pounding a shasta can at 25 yds with merciless accuracy. (Shasta can was later carried out).

Afterwards, we approached the lighthouse and while waiting for the lighthouse keeper we entertained a neglected dog by having him fetch rocks in the tall grass. When the friendly keeper appeared we made an ascent of the lighthouse after taking off our boots. The keeper gave us all the lighthouse trivia: built in 1857, the register which we signed went back to 1897, number of steps, power of light, how often the brass is cleaned, average number of winter visitors, expected automation coming in next year and past history (including a large skirmish on nearby graveyard spit in the 1860's between local Indians and Vancouver Island Indians when the lighthouse keeper saved the life of an Indian maiden who had been stabbed seven times).

A western meadowlark was spotted upon our return to the cars. On our way home we abandoned our side trip up Hurricane Ridge to feed and photograph the deer because of the accumulating rain clouds and settled on a visit to the Dungeness Art Gallery and dinner in Sequim. Party members included: Bruce Gaumond, Dave Gerada, and cousin Fred, Don Taylor, Sam Alom, Art Wolfe, and Ron Peltola.

Whatever Happened To Whatshisname ---

Ex-activities chairman and super-enthusiast Russ Kroeker can be reached as follows: (keep in touch and you might get invited to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro)

Direct Approach: Boeing Aerosystems International
PO Box 6239
Rua Dos Erganof, N 1-2º, AP34
Luanda, Angola, Africa
Attn: Russ Kroeker

Indirect Approach: Russ Kroeker
(but cheaper on postage) The Boeing Company, M.S. 64-10
PO Box 3707
Seattle, Washington

Further pen-pal information - Sue Bunker, Echo Editor, has been grounded for a few months by a foot operation and would like to read about what she's missing. Send accounts of activities to M.S. 69-04 for Echo publication.

The FWOC, of which Boealps is a member club, had a general workshop meeting in Olympia on April 6th. Bruce Gaumond and Glenn Brindeiro attended, as did representatives from the Mountaineers, Washington Alpine Club, Sierra Club, Washington Kayak Club, Audubon Society, and the Mt. St. Helens Club (Longview). Miscellaneous notes follow.

The Mountaineers are publishing a book about the South Cascades similar to the recent Alpine Lakes book, with photos by Bob & Ira Spring and a big emphasis on Forest Service practices (and malpractices) in the area -- in particular, in Gifford Pinchot Forest. The book would be distributed to all Congressmen with an aim of getting a bill through to provide more protection for the area.

Ruth Itner of the Mountaineers described their efforts on trails. Interesting information: In Washington in 1930 there were 6000 miles of logging roads and 24,000 miles of trails; today, 42,000 miles of roads and only 13,500 miles of trails. There have been no new trails built in Mt. Rainier Park in 25 years. Trails require general yearly maintenance which costs \$60 for 1 mile in 1 year on the average. If not maintained, after 6 years the cost of reconstruction averages \$3,000 per mile, which is 1/2 the cost of new construction. The Forest Service has had a 25% reduction in trail maintenance funds this year. The Forest Service needs to be told in building new trails, to spend the same money on more miles, instead of building the super-highway trails in vogue today.

The Forest Service generally has poor information on current trail conditions; there are just too many miles to keep track of. Ms. Itner has worked out a "trail condition" form, 1 page of blanks to fill in that hikers on a particular trail could send to the Forest Service (or other agency) after a hike to let the Forest Service know what conditions are, and, more importantly, what condition the trails in (bridges out, mud bogs, downed trees, etc.) In fact, there's a lot that just we users could do to help preserve the trail-- in the way of moving brush or small logs, re-channeling drainage to prevent washouts and mud accumulation, etc. — without taking major effort. Someone in California wrote a book solely on trail construction techniques, and the Mountaineers were thinking of bringing him up to make a presentation sometime. Might be interesting. (Don't scoff at those championing trails and trail maintenance; even if you confine your outdoor's endeavor to peak-bagging, trails are obviously very essential for access to the backcountry. Without a trail to get you started, an afternoon climb would often be a 3 day climb, including 2 days of bushwhacking. Can you name one mountain you've climbed that doesn't start on a trail?)

Ms. Itner is also the Mountaineers spokesperson for the winter recreation parking bill, House Bill 762, which would provide plowed-out parking places for showshoers and ski tourers which would be supported with a \$5 annual fee. Snowmobilers have their areas plowed out using some moneys from their registration fee. They don't like us parking in their areas (although only deaf snowshoers probably even bother). But on the other hand they don't support our bill, because it could require mandatory registration (\$5) which they think would lead to mandatory snowmobile registration, which would indirectly catch all the snowmobile transactions where no one pays the sales tax. HB762 would be administered by the Parks and Recreation Department with help from the Highway Department, and would involve up to 50 areas. Pay your \$5 and you also would get a map showing all available places, types of activity appropriate for the area, avalanche dangers, etc. The bill would be overseen by a 9 person Advisory Committee chosen from the user community (Mountaineers, etc.)

The FWOC has a convention on Labor Day weekend at a guest ranch in the Sawtooths in Idaho, a great area for backpacking and climbing- like the Enchantment Lakes multiplied by 1000. If anyone is interested in going and rubbing elbows with the Who's Who of conservation, speak up and we'll designate you official representative. Perhaps we could pay some expenses (e.g., registration). At the convention they discuss cosmic themes of wilderness preservation and vote on resolutions and things like that. We've been asked to submit some proposed resolutions. Any ideas?

There'll be some House hearing locally on the Alpine Lakes Wilderness Act sometime this summer. Congressman Meeds submitted the Conservation coalition bill (HR 3977). The opposition bill also submitted is HR 3978, which provides for 2 tiny wilderness areas instead of one big one. Finally the Mountaineers are doing a study on the impact of hiking guides and climbing manuals on the use (and overuse) of our wilderness. (Do guides encourage use or do they spread out the use that would be there anyway?) If you have an axe to grind, a cause to espouse, or a theory that bears hearing, write the Mountaineers and get it off your chest.

Alpine Lakes Wilderness Bill (HR 3977) -- The Time Has Come

One June 28, a Saturday, there will be a public congressional hearing on HR 3977, the House Bill to create an Alpine Lake Wilderness area, somewhere in the State of Washington - probably in Seattle, although the location has not been made public. Boealps, as well as numerous other interested groups (some pro and some con) will be testifying at this hearing. The club officers and committees hope you keep that day open and come to the hearing to give our position some solid visible support.

From discussion with Don Parks of ALPS (Alpine Lake Protections Society), I have learned that ALPS expects congress as a whole to vote with the consensus of Washington State Congressmen. So it is very important to write or phone your representative and senator. If you care enough to do your small part in preserving this wilderness once and for all, sit down for 5 minutes and write a short note expressing your support for this bill. Or make a phone call. Below is a list of Congressmen and their phone numbers. (Early in the morning it will cost less than 50¢ and a few minutes of your time to state your opinion by phone to any of our Washington delegates, or at least to leave a message urging their support.)

Some members of the executive board will be putting together a statement to read at this hearing; and anyone who wishes to put in their two cents worth is welcome to give me a call. Also, I have a copy of HR 3977 if anyone wants to read it.

Sandy Biggerstaff
Conservation Chairperson
Work 237-8898 Home 747-6413

Phone Numbers (call in early morning, our time):

Senator Warren Magnuson 202-442-5545 Senator Henry Jackson 202-442-7476

#1-- Rep. Joel Pritchard	202-442-4220	#6-- Rep. Floyd Hicks	202-383-1666
2-- Rep. Lloyd Meeds	202-252-3188	#7-- Rep. Brock Adams	202-442-7478
3-- Rep. Don Bonker	202-225-3536		

Mailing Addresses: Senators -- Old Senate Office Building, Wash. D.C. 20510
Representatives -- House Office Building, Wash. D.C. 20515 (7)

Spire Rock

Spire Rock is located in Spanaway Park and resembles the original "Schurman Rock" in Seattle, from which so many thousands of climbers have received their basic training. However, the placement and design of crevices, walls, and ledges were carefully planned by two leading climbing instructors to provide the most up-to-date training.

The Project: The Rock is 40 feet long and 27 feet high. Spire Rock is nearing completion thanks largely to the great effort given by Pierce County Parks crews last summer, helped by Army National Guard men who placed some beautiful multi-ton slabs, and by the persistent efforts of volunteers working every Sunday, starting about 10 A.M.

If you'd like to help us, or just want to ask a question, call "Billie" at LE 1-0438.

Drive south from Tacoma on Pacific Avenue (S.R. 7) as though going to Mt. Rainier. Turn right at South 152nd, (at a Union 76 station, Spanaway Park Shopping Center). Go west 1-1/2 blocks and enter the Sprinker Field parking lot. That's Spire Rock you see down at the west end.

TWO CARTOONS NEXT MONTH ! !

ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

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| July 4 | Climbs of Mt Seattle and Mt Queets. Other July 4 activities to be scheduled. Call Art. |
| July 19, 20 | Mt Rainier climb up regular route (Disappointment Cleaver) also will be made if we find a leader - call Art to volunteer or to suggest someone. |

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July Monthly Meeting

Thursday, July 10, 1975

BOEALP'S ANNUAL PICNIC

Camp Long - West Seattle

6:00PM

This month's BOEALP meeting will be the annual picnic at Camp Long starting at 6:00pm. The club will provide chips, hot dogs, buns, relishes and pop. If you want desert and salad, please bring a serving of either. Activities will include climbing on the rock and glacier, frisbee, and perhaps volleyball. This is always one of our most enjoyable meetings, even in the rain. Bring the whole family for a fun filled evening of climbing and eating. Camp Long is at Hudson and 35th Ave. S.W.

Minutes of the Meeting of June 5, 1975

The meeting was called to order in the Plant II Engineering Theater at 7:45 by President Bruce Gaumond.

Reports and Announcements The Program and Activity lists are published separately in the ECHO

- Conservation Chairperson Sandy Biggerstaff: A congressional hearing on the Alpine Lakes Wilderness proposal will be held by the House National Parks and Recreation Subcommittee in the Health Sciences Auditorium at the U.W. on June 28. All interested people should turn out to support the conservation coalition proposal for this area.
- Climbing course instructor John Pollock: The basic climbing course is completed. 63 people attended and 54 completed the course. The course was characterized by lots of wind, rain and snow and a lot of enthusiasm on the part of the participants. Diplomas were awarded the graduates and several swards were presented included "most steps broken out" and "high altitude social directing". A special "piece of cake" award was made to Jack Leicester who very ably assisted in the course.

No new or old business.

The business meeting was closed at 8:05pm.

AL MERCER

Club Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance, May 20, 1975		\$1,839.19
Receipts		
Dues	\$ 15.00	
Climbing rope sales	\$ 235.00	
Book sales	19.50	
Northwest snowshoe sale	10.00	
Total Receipts		<u>279.50</u>
Total Cash Available		\$2,118.69
Expenditures		
John Pollock (Basic Mountaineering Class)	\$1,260.00 ^a	
Climb High Inc. (Club rope purchase)	18.80 ^b	
Dave Gerada (Club book purchase)	62.86	
Dee Molenaar (Speaker fee)	50.00	
Dave Campbell (June mtg. refreshments)	25.20	
Total Expenditures		<u>\$1,416.86</u>
Ending Balance, June 20, 1975		<u>\$ 701.83</u>

a Final payment b Balance due

GLENN BRINDEIRO

Club Treasurer

ACTIVITIES

July

- 12 - 13 Glacier Peak - Pete Ackerman
 (Home) 486-3855
- 19 or 20 Mt. Whitehorse - Dale Christiansen
 (Home) 641-0835 (Work) 237-2150
- 19 - 20 Mt. Rainier - Need leader - Call Art and volunteer
- 26 - 27 Mt. Adams (North Side) - Bruce Gaumond - Party limit of 12
 (Home) CH6-2520 (Work) 773-2620
- 26 - 27 Sahale Peak - Ray Johnson
 (Home) 747-3087 (Work) 655-2541

August

- 2 - 3 Eldorado Peak - Dave Gerada
 (Home) LA2-5255 (Work) 342-4337
- 2 - 3 Three Fingers - Agnis Moruss
 (Home) 246-1594 (Work) 342-1561
- 16 - 17 Climbleader's Climb (?) Mt. Shuksan - Jack Leicester
 (Home) 546-2086 (Work) 342-5372
- 16 - 17 Little Tahoma (11,117') - Tom Gilpin
 (Home) 822-3661 (Work) 773-0960

We still need more leaders, particularly for 1-day climbs. Call Art and lend your services. Your choice on places to go, or Art will give suggestions.

ACTIVITIES

June 1

Adventure on Guye Peak and Mt. Snoqualmie

Early Sunday morning before the sun was up and the hangover set in, a youthfull BOEALPER (D.E.C.) set out to conquer a couple more peaks. His energetic plans included the east side of of Guye Peak, then traverse across Cave Ridge to Mt. Snoqualmie (if possible).

The climb up Guye went smoothly, except for occasional uneasy glances downward, and the view was superb. The decent route was renamed "insane traverse" while some particularly interesting moves were being executed. After safely crossing the sheer cliffs, cavernous pits, this hearty soul relaxed for a while and chucked a few snow balls over the edge and then set his sights on Mt. Snoqualmie towering overhead. A rather large group of climbers was noticed making their way up the standard route so a detour was abruptly made to give them plenty of room. The climb was uneventful except for our seasoned climber dropping his pack off a waterfall. The pack was quickly retrieved and the false summit was made in short time. The true summit was not bothered with due to the fact that there was standing room only. So at high noon with the sun beating down mercilessly on our hero's head, he set off down the fierce slopes with the thought of a cold beer on his alleged mind.

While cruising the main drag of the thriving metropolis of North Bend, in search of that golden neckter, our friend made a pit stop and was accosted by some fellow adventurers who offered to buy his spart tire. So with a gleem in his eye and extra beer money in his pocket, our young wayfarer set off for home.

NAME WITHHELD BY REQUEST

June 14 - 17

Mt. Olympus

After rendezvousing at Port Gambol^{le} on Friday the 13th, six "strong" and ambitious BOEALPERS were determined to scale the lofty summit of Mt. Olympus. On Saturday morning at 7:00am, after a short nights sleep in the Hoh River parking lot, the party set off towards their first destination of Elk Lake, 14.2 miles away. Four miles into the hike, Tep developed his first sign of blisters (bad). Nevertheless, Ted (Ryun) Kitzmiller and Agris (Kip Kano) Moruss arrived at the Olympic Guard Station (8.7 Mi.) about 1 hour ahead of the remaining four tortoises. By 4:00, all members had safely arrived at Elk Lake, (Along the way a large herd (6) of Roosevelt Elk was spotted.)

It was decided that we would get up at 3:00 the next morning and attempt the summit, weather permitting. The next morning came, the alarm went off at 3:00 sharp, and the pitter-patter of little rain drops could be heard bouncing off of the tent. This minor problem did not stop Ted though. As persistant as he was, he could not convince me that today was a good day to climb. So, he went from tent to tent trying to interest the others. . .no such luck. By 3:15 he was back in the sack and didn't move from it for 7 more hours (14 hours total). The rain did quit in the early morning but a fog hung over the lake all day. Four of us went up to Glacier Meadows to scout out the Blue Glacier and that 5 mile trip was the main highlight for Sunday (it should be noted that Wayne Thomas set a new cooking endurance record of 3 hours 13 minutes to prepare his breakfast). Sunday evening, Agris gave the entire group instructions of the Joe Hopkins method of starting a

SVEA stove. It seems the proper technique is to not only pour fuel on the base of the stove but also on the tree stump on which it resides. Then, when the match is set to it, the flame is guaranteed to warm up the stove and the camp.

Monday was the big day. The alarm was set for 2:30am. At 2:25, Wayne awoke the entire camp and said that by his watch it was 2:31, but it was running a little fast. Well, we got up 5 minutes later. . .after the official alarm went off. The weather was drizzling. By 5:30, all had arrived at Glacier Meadows and by 6:00am the Blue Glacier was attained and we roped up. At about 6000 ft. we broke through the cloud layer and a beautiful blue sky was above us. The summit was conquered at 10:30am. The only visible mountains sticking up through the clouds was the largest Olympic Peaks and the top 1/3 of Mt. Rainier (later we found out it had rained all weekend in Seattle). We also saw no other climbing parties on the mountain. We arrived back to Elk Lake at about 4:00 and Wayne prepared one of his marathon dinners (2 hours 27 minutes cooking time; short of his previous morning record).

The next morning at 7:30, the 14.2 baton death march to the cars began, and by 4:00 all had arrived.

Among the injuries were blisters, a swollen Achilles tendon, an ice axe gore (when Waynes 180 lb. pack fell on me), a twisted knee, and 12 very sore feet.

It must be mentioned that when I was about 2 miles from the cars on the last day, a father with his family on a little day hike asked me if I was having fun? I didn't know how to answer him then, but now I guess I could say YES!

Climbing party members were:

- Agris Moruss (Geography and photo expert)
- Bill Raker (Sleeping bag king)
- Jay Culley (Twisted knee specialist)
- Ted Kitzmiller (Blister expert)
- Wayne Thomas (Chief cook)
- Joe Hopkins (Official timekeeper and author)

June 14
Pyramid Peak

Properly impressed by Dee Molenaar's recent slide show and talk on pyramid-shaped K2, a group of adventurous BOEALPERS looked around for something (on a much smaller scale) to try out luck on. Appropriately enough, we settled on Pyramid Peak in Mt. Rainier National Park.

Leaving the cars under clear skies (thoughtfully planned for by the neophyte leader), the "expedition" headed up the trail toward Indian Henry's hunting grounds. Upon coming to the swaying, bounding suspension bridge high over raging Tahoma Creek, the rest of the group got its jollies as the leader staggered and lurched across. However, the leader was fiendishly pleased to note the complete lack of laughter from any followers when it was their turn on the roller-coaster.

On the southside of Tahoma Creek, the trail soon disappeared under a blanket of snow, leaving the expedition to navigate by a combination of map, compass, altimeter, and democratic vote. We eventually reached Indian Henry's and took a vote on the

proper route to the base of Pyramid Peak.

On the way, we decided to climb Copper Mountain. (Actually, we figured we might as well.) As a result of our democratic vote, we had taken a wrong turn and wound up on a ridge within a couple hundred feet of the top of Copper.)

That summit conquered, we descended and started up Pyramid. At this point it should be noted that the consensus of the team was that the southwest face of Pyramid is just a wee bit steeper than the "walkup" advertised in the guide books. By the time the summit was attained, the cloud-cap which has been on Rainier all day had spread across the rest of the sky and the wind almost blew one member into a quick exit off the summit.

The trip down and out was relatively uneventful, except for more navigation practice. The leader and one member felt brave enough to make a two-at-once crossing of the bridge, which definitely gave it a different set of oscillations. As a grand finale, the eagle-eyed team spotted a deer (fearlessly grazing in the parking lot).

"Expedition" members were, Don Taylor (leader), Erwin Molnar (chief step-kicker), Wade Chrisman (high-angle route picker), and Bud Waller (sun lotion provider and deer spotter).

June 1
Mt Washington - Mt Elinor Traverse

The summer came early for a brief period this spring and 13 Boealpers went to the Olympics to take advantage of the sunshine. While waiting for the team to assemble, we learned that we weren't the only party on the mountain. A chartered bus full of climbing course students from Bremerton pulled up and unloaded climbers numbered one through twenty-nine. We followed their steps for a ways, then chose a different route over the ledge to enter Big Creek Basin. The summit of Mt. Washington was attained by 11:00 climbing on good snow almost all the way.

On the summit there was talk of mutiny. Lake Cushman looked cool and inviting and Mt. Elinor looked like a long ways away. Our previous plans and determined leadership prevailed, however, and we headed over to Mt. Elinor after dropping 1500 feet from Washington's chin. A long glissade was our reward for the climb up Elinor, the wet snow providing relief from the seventy degree sun. The cars were reached about 3:30 after a fine first climb of the summer season.

Party members were: Ton and Katie Martin, Art Wolfe, Linda Parker, Glen Brindeiro, Mike Bunt, Don Brown, Ron Malovette, Jerry Jansen, Carl Holgram, Al Schmidt, Frank Kuske and Dave Campbell - leader.

June 6, 7, 8, 9
Mt. Shasta

On Friday evening June 6, nine Boealpers appeared at Southcenter ready for a pilgrimage to California's Mt. Shasta. Their rented van/bus gleamed a fluorescent orange as the party members attacked the first problem - how to get nine full packs and nine people into a "twelve" passenger van with no luggage space. This task completed, the journey started at 6:30pm.

At 4:30 the next morning someone mumbled "That must be Shasta." and eight minds burst into semi-consciousness for the first glimpse of the mountain. After a gourmet breakfast in Weed, CA., the heavy van proceeded toward "the mountain".

The van then struggled up some of the worst jeep trails in Northern California. Half a dozen times eight tired Boealpers pushed, cajoled, and intimidated the van through sand, snow, rocks, trees, and logs in order to reach the 6,800 ft. level. Finally after being pushed out of one last sand trap the now "earthy" orange van was abandoned.

The hike to base camp at the terminus of the Whitney Glacier proceeded smoothly. The forests of northern California are quite open, allowing easy access through the trees. Timberline was about 7,800 ft. and from there the Boealpers made an ascending westerly traverse, heading toward the valley between Mt. Shasta and Shastina. They arrived at the 10,000 ft. level and established camp on the glacier by 2:00pm.

At 4:15 Sunday morning the three rope teams started up the glacier. As the day progressed stops for pictures became more frequent. The Whitney Glacier itself proved to be no problem. Two impressive snow bridges were safely crossed, as was a small ice fall.

The 14,162 ft. summit was reached by 10:00am. There the party took another 500 pictures, had lunch, and rested under a cloudless sky.

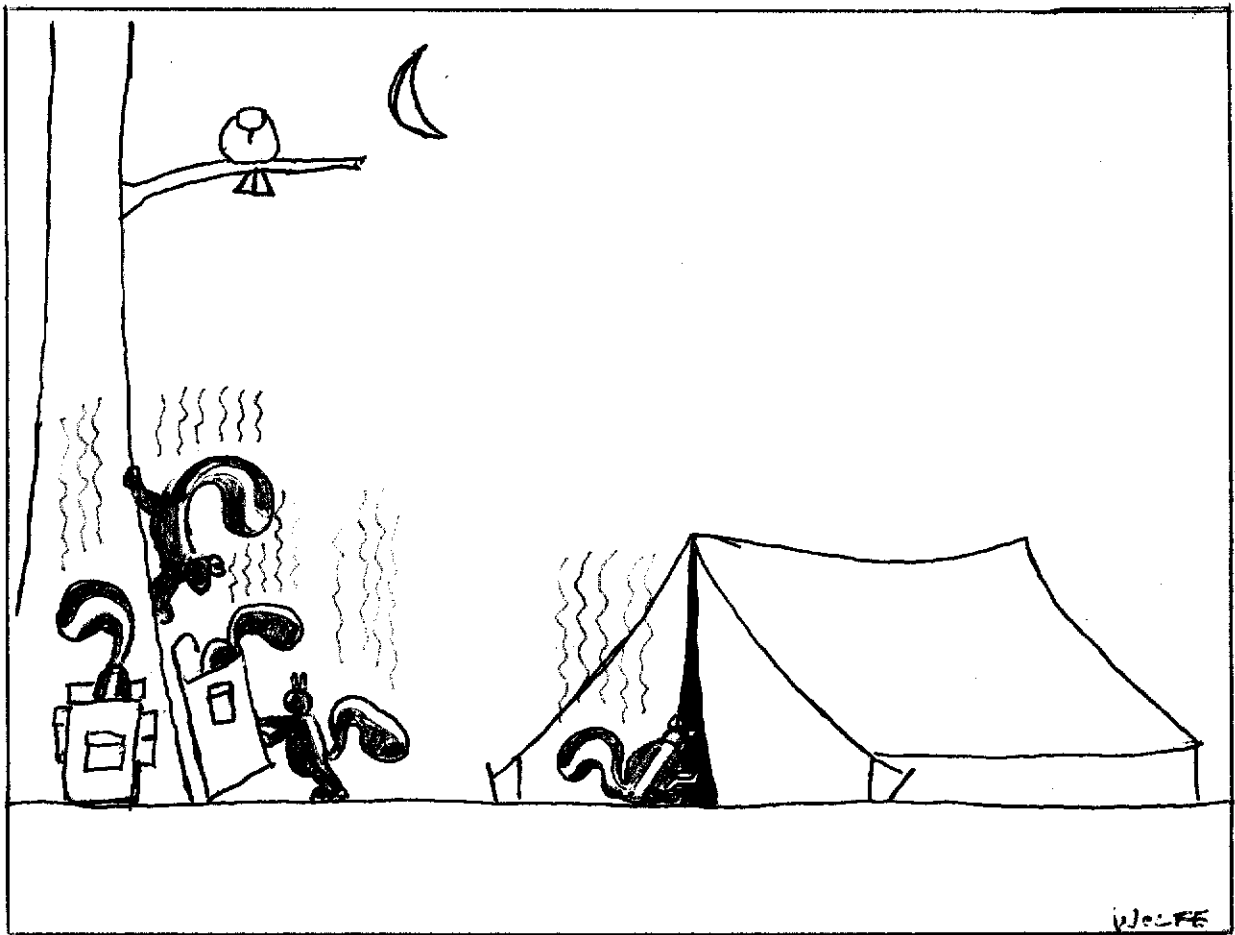
The descent was prolonged by a missed turn in the ice fall region (should have been more heavily wanded on the way up). All reached base camp at 3:45pm. The return to the van took two hours which included a party separation and some triangulation. It was observed that those who were off route reached the van first. (No explanation for this phenomenon has yet been set forth.)

The ride out proved to be no easier and more damaging than the ride in, the van loosing its skirmish with a downed log. A stop for dinner in Yreka, a few hours rest at a road-side picnic area in southern Oregon, and an eight hour drive put the Boealps in Seattle by 3:00pm Monday.

The trip proved successful. The Whitney Glacier route is undoubtedly the most scenic on the mountain. The weather was good, and all party members capable and strong. My thanks to the members of the party:

Glenn Brindeiro (Ass't Leader), Mor Avshalom (Navigator Cum Laude), Bruce Gaumond, Tom Gilpin, Jim Kissel, Ron Larpenteur, Ron Malavotte, and Bill Bye. Special recognition and thanks to the hardest working and most abused party member: the brown van.

Glenn Hitchcock



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HARVE, HAVEN'T YOU EVER HEARD OF SKUNK
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August Monthly Meeting

Thursday, August 7, 1975

7:30pm

BSRL CAFETERIA

For the August meeting, the Boealps are happy to have Keith Gunnar, well known photographer and mountaineer. Keith will present a program on mountain photography. Here's your chance to pick up some pointers on how to take a winning photo for next year's photo contest. He will bring cameras and other gadgets he finds useful and will also present a slide program to illustrate techniques.

For this meeting we will be back at the BSRL cafeteria. Hope to see you all there.

Minutes of the Meeting of July 10, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gaumond, at Camp Long, at 7:00pm.

Reports and Announcements (The Program and Activity lists are published separately in the ECHO)

- Conservation Chairperson Sandy Biggerstaff: A congressional hearing on the Alpine Lakes Wilderness proposal was held and Sandy indicated that public support has been significantly in favor of the Alpine Lakes Bill.
- Glenn Hitchcock will be acting Membership Chairman. Rick Johnson has left the company.

No new or old business.

The business meeting was closed at 7:30pm

AL MERCER
Club Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance, June 20, 1975		\$701.83
Receipts		
Dues	\$ 6.00	
Book sales	21.00	
Interest from savings	<u>.42</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>27.42</u>
Total Cash Available		\$729.25
Expenditures		
Dave Campbell	45.00	
(Picnic refreshments)		
Bruce Gaumond	<u>10.00^a</u>	
(Volleyball & ice)		
Total Expenditures		<u>55.00</u>
Ending Balance, July 20, 1975		\$674.25

a) for picnic

GLENN BRINDEIRO
Club Treasurer

ACTIVITIES

August

- 8-9-10-11 Mt. Despair, area just west of the southern Picketts. Leader Art Wolfe, WE5-7674
- 9 - 10 Mt. Thompson - Don Brown (hm) 767-6875 (wk) 655-8897
- 16 - 17 Climb leaders climb - Mt. Shuckson - everybody invited - Jack Leicester (hm) 546-2086 (wk) 342-5372
- 16 - 17 Little Tahoma - Tom Gilpin (hm) 822-3661 (wk) 773-8336
- 23 - 24 Icy Peak - Art Wolfe WE5-7674
- 29 - 9/2 Mt. Goode - Mt. Logan, Park Creek Pass - Art Wolfe WE5-7674

September

- 6 - 7 Mt. Daniel - Bruce Gaumond (hm) 246-2520 (wk) 773-2620
- 12-13-14 Bonanze Peak - Don Brown (hm) 767-6875 (wk) 655-8897

Late September or early October - 4 days Enchantment Lakes - no leader yet

ACTIVITIES

June 21 - 22

Mt. Baker

The 10,750 foot summit of Washington's most-talked-about, most-scientifically probed and most-polluting mountain was attained on June 22 by a party of Boealpers who left you all behind in the rains of Seattle. Fearing that a sudden eruption would close down 100% of the mountain instead of the 5% or so now off-limits, we departed northward in spite of the unpromising forecast of clouds everywhere. Luck fell to the adventurous, however, as the cloud layers extended only to 6000 feet, leaving all above in radiant sunshine.

We chose the standard Coleman Glacier/Roman Wall route, which permitted a leisurely first day, up past Kulshan Cabin onto the glacier. The way was half on snow, with a lot of mud in the remainder, very foggy, but warm. The cabin served as a Grand Central Station focal point, as all of the larger parties on the mountain seemed to pass through at the same time, creating a nightmare of mud and probably a vision of horror to anyone who seeks solitude instead of safety-in-numbers. There were the Mountaineers, a college class from Bremerton, and some Canadians, each group numbering over 20 (as did we). Fortunately, all camped at different levels, and climbed with different departure times and at varying rates of ascent, so no one got in anyone's way. No doubt everyone was hoping to become the last-human-to-stand-on-Baker's-summit-before-she-blew-herself-from-Bellingham-to-Concrete.

The way above the cabin, out of the timber and up the snow gulch, led to

occasional glimpses of blue skies and white slopes above, in turn leading to optimism for the way ahead. Because of this, reaching the foot of the glacier at an early hour and only 3 miles from the car, we ascended up to the broad basin around 6900 feet, at last leaving the clouds completely below. The site was ascertained to contain no crevasses greater than 3 inches across, and tents of every size, shape, color, and national origin were erected, lending an outdoor-recreation-show atmosphere to the scene. In hopes of getting a weather update, we went up the ridge below the Black Buttes with Don Brown's \$7.95 Radio Shack special---only to find that the special \$7.95 price does not include 2 fresh C-cells.

We were awakened around 5am by the Mountaineers marching by in precision formation, and set out ourselves shortly after six. By 6:35 the guest step-kicker had gotten us to 800 feet above camp and to a point of near-exhaustion and the leader took over to instill a sense of leisure to the proceedings. The way was well marked by a deep trough formed by the week's traffic, and the saddle was reached by 9:30. Views out over the cloud-filled hinterlands led to a new game: trying to identify all those peaks sticking out by only their uppermost 500 feet.

The last 1600 feet was slow, as a high overcast filled in, winds arose, and a hint of sulfurous fumes appeared. The fumes increased, and the views from the summit plateau over the crater area revealed how dirty and yellowish-brown most of the ~~snow~~ on the southeastern part of the mountain had become. The Puget Sound Pollution Control Board presently lists Mt. Baker as the second worst hydrogen-sulfide polluter in the Puget Sound region.

We worked our way to the 30-foot lump on the far side of the summit, that's the 10,750 summit, and lolled about for a good hour eating and snapping pictures and catching our collective breath. The descent to camp was quick, ending in a dead-reckoning course through thick fog (the clouds had risen) that fortunately led to the right place. The descent off the glacier was more of the same cloud layer until the view opened up a bit below. A new descent route was sampled, only about two gullies to the right of the right one. Eventually, the cabin was found and a short 45 minutes beyond ended our stay on the Sleeping Vesuvius of the Nooksak. The biggest and best victory celebration was held at the highly-acclaimed Best-Buy-check-rated cafe-service-station in Glacier on the north side of the street.

Participants of the ascent were Bruce Gaumond (leader), Tom Gilpin, Lee Savage, Pete Ackerman, Ruth McGlaughlin, Pete Tracy, Bruce Kinney, Doug Marsden, Gay Bendixson, Frank Hogan, Mary McMullin, Rick Gibbs, Paul Johnson, Don Brown, Bob Packer, Howard Higgen, Carl Henderson, Don Taylor, Erwin Molnar, Bill Knight and son.

MISCELLANEOUS

For Sale - Alpenlite frame backpack - retail price is \$75.00. Four years old, like new will sell for \$45.00. Contact Joe Hopkins (hm) 246-2732 (wk) 237-0235



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April 21, 1975

Boeing Alpine Society
c/o Mr. Art Wolfe
9716 - 44th SW
Seattle, Washington 98136

Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of the National Park Service, we would like to thank you for your kind donation of a large photo-mural of various mountain peaks in North Cascades National Park. It is through such generous donations as yours that we are better able to provide quality experiences for our many visitors to our National Parks.

It is understood that this valuable item will be afforded the same care and maintenance as other such items belonging to the National Park Service. While the Government cannot be obligated to any permanent setting for the photo, you can be assured we will use it to the best possible advantage.

In order to keep our records straight please sign two copies of this letter in the space provided; keep one for your files and return the other to us.

Thank you again for your generosity.

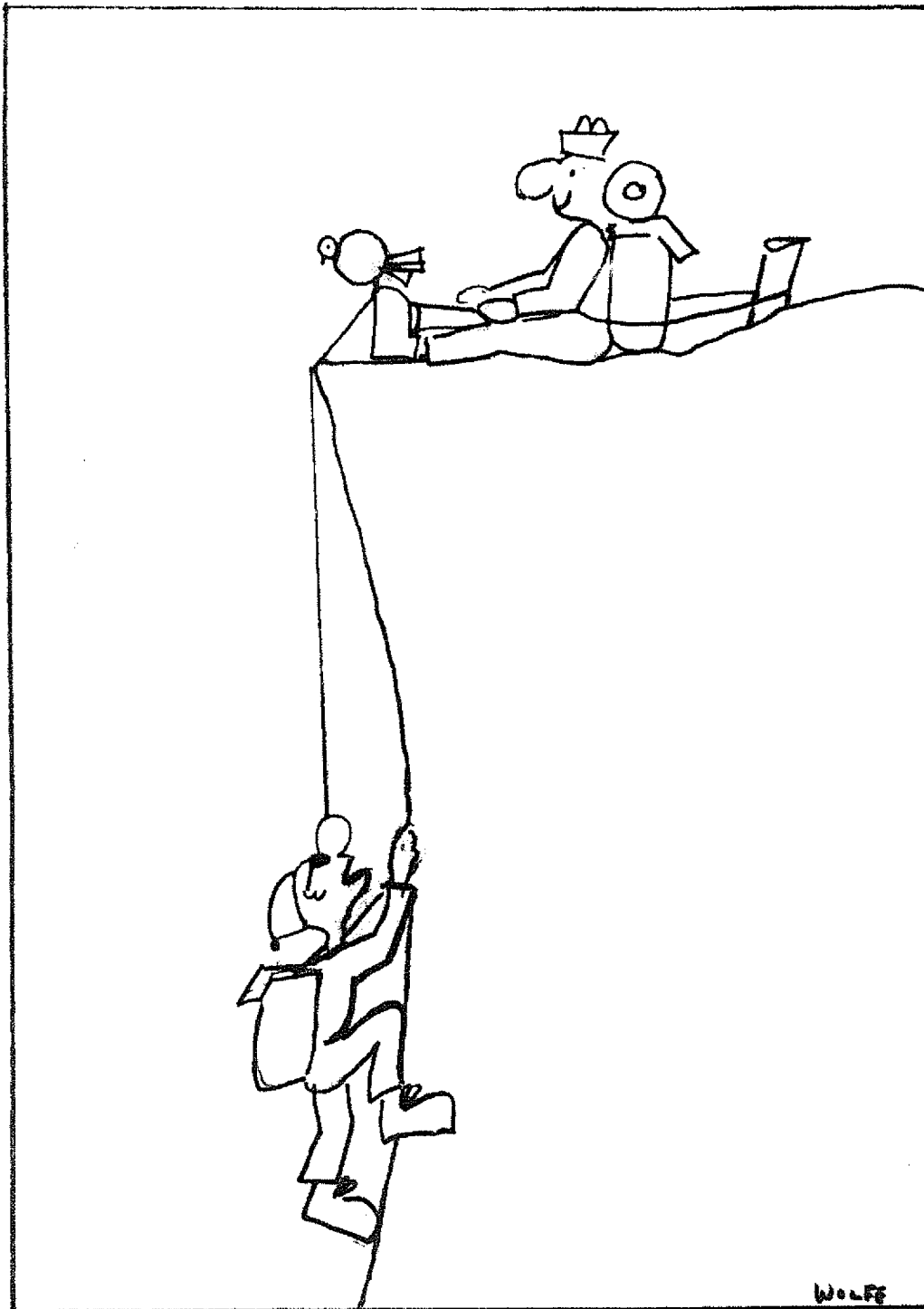
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September Monthly Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 1975 7:30pm
BSRL CAFETERIA

For the September meeting, the Boealps are proud to present Bill Sumner, co-owner of the Swallows Nest Climbing Shop. Bill will give us an account of climbing in the Fairweather Range of Glacier Bay National Monument Alaska. Bill and his climbing partners climbed the then highest unclimbed peak in the range, a 12,600 foot peak of mixed snow, ice, and rock climbing. Be sure to join us at the BSRL cafeteria for this spectacular slide show.

NEWS ITEMS AND EDITORIAL COMMENT CONTAINED IN THIS PUBLICATION DO NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THE VIEWS AND OPINIONS OF THE BOEING COMPANY.

Minutes of the Meeting of August 7, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gaumond , at the BSRL cafeteria, at 7:40pm. Minutes and Treasurer's reports were approved as reported in the August issue of the "Echo".

Reports and Announcements (The Program and Activity lists are published separately in the Echo)

- Glenn Hitchcock is now acting Membership Chairman.
- Ray Johnson, Equipment Chairman, warns all members to call early to reserve tents. He also reported that the MSR stove is not working properly. We have a new piece of equipment, a volley ball. It seems the Recreation Unit would not take back the one we used at the picnic, a petty difference over an additional hole in the afore mentioned volley ball; so the Recreation Unit now has a new volley ball, and so do we.
- Sandy Biggerstaff, Conservation Chairman, reported on the July 19 Alpine Lakes Wilderness hearings in Wenatchee. This second hearing was more emotional than the one held in Seattle. A lot of logging trucks and hard hats seemed to add to the atmosphere. Once again no one favored the Forest Service bill. In the group testimony, 2/3 testified against the ALPS sponsored bill, while 2/3 of the individual testimony was for the conservation bill. Stay tuned for the latest developments.

The Forest Service is conducting a trails inventory this summer. In our area, it is being sponsored by the Mountaineers. The object is to get actual user evaluations of the trails in the Mt. Baker - Snoqualamie, Wenatchee, Gifford - Pinchot and Olympic National Forests. Starting July 31, requests to field check trails can be made at R.E.I.

Old Business

Climbing ropes are still available through Jack Leicester. The new building at Marblemount Ranger Station now houses Art Wolfe's panorama donated by the BOEALPS.

New Business

Russ Kroeker is sitting out a civil war in Africa.

FLASH!!

Sighting of a climber reported - faster than a speeding bullet - look out above! Kamikaze Kroeker is back!

SANDY BIGGERSTAFF
Acting Secretary

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July 12

Del Campo Peak

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Finding your way up, fortunately, is somewhat obvious. Finding your way down, unfortunately, is a bit trickier: trying to intersect a hidden trail without dropping too low into the valley below or staying too high and having a half hour of bushwhacking. We chose, or happened into, the latter course, developing new route-finding skills and a new appreciation for our Great Depression, which resulted in all those fine efficient trails.

Moral: wands can come in very handy even where you'd never expect to need them. We did reach the cars, still in the heavy unbroken fog below, with about 10 minutes of daylight remaining.

Students of the wilderness: Bruce Gaumond (leader), Don Brown, Bruce Kinney, and Stan Leszynski. Where were you, Frank Kuske?

July 12 - 14

Mt. Rainier, The Kautz Glacier Route

In the beginning, the climb was planned as a four day, eighteen person expedition on Mt. Rainier with ascents to two separate days by the Fuhrer Finger and the Kautz Glacier routes. A small faction was interested in doing the Kautz Ice Cliff as a technical problem although the main party intended to ascend the chute west of the cliff. After one postponement, the venture simmered down to a 3 day, nine person ascent by the Kautz chute route plus a possible camp in the crater and a descent to Muir via the DC.

Breaking camp in the Paradise Inn Saturday morning, four of us met the climb leader, Bob Van Noy, and the rest of the party outside the Ranger station at 7am. After dividing up the group equipment, the party began the trek to the 11,500 ft. Camp Hazard. Somewhere above the Turtle we observed the break-off and impressive avalanche of a 150 ft. high slab of the Kautz ice cliff. Camp Hazard was reached in the early afternoon and our three tents were established on the only really adequate sites in the immediate area. This done, there was time to gaze at the ice cliff with respect (and relief). It appeared as a uniformly vertical wall of ice several hundred feet high which defended most of its base with vertical, wet rock. After dinner, Bob and I explored a direct route to the chute. The whole area was now in shadow, and looking back, Camp Hazard formed a black silhouette of people and tents against a low, sunlit cloud layer. The view was so striking I regretted not carrying a camera on this 30 minute excursion.

The ascent up the Kautz chute the next morning went slowly due to the rock-hard ice. As each rope team took its turn inching up and across the chute (belayed), there was plenty of time to manage a few photos while balanced on five or six crampon points. Breakfast was eaten on exiting from the chute into the warm sun. Also, some debate was given to the altimeter's verdict that we had gained only 800 feet above Hazard. From here the ascent soon proceeded off the Kautz and onto the upper Nisqually. At this point, the apparent nearness of the crater rim made it difficult to accept the altimeter's reading of 12,800 ft.; leading to suggestions that I invest in a more precise instrument (this was the club's). Although no further altimeter readings were announced, it was generally observed that another hour of climbing did not bring the crater rim appreciably closer. Two large crevasses were encountered on the Nisqually. The first was passed on an overhanging lip and the second over a sunken snow bridge (belayed). Below the last, a long sleep-in occurred about one hour from the summit. Here, another group of similar size

which had "leap-frogged" with us from Camp Hazard turned back, anticipating a slow descent through the ice chute. The top of the crater rim was intersected and followed on the west to Columbia Crest. The time from Hazard was about 9 1/2 hours (with full packs). About two hours had been spent in the ice chute.

The air was remarkably clear and the top only "breezy". With reasonable weather anticipated, camp was made in the crater, directly below the summit. Towards evening, a number of people reported queazy stomachs, headaches, and losses of appetite. Some remedies for this apparent altitude sickness were aspirin, alka seltzer, food, and naps. Four of us spent the night making the best of a restless high altitude sleep and a flapping McKinley tent. In the morning a frozen water bottle in the tent and the sudden formation of a summit cloud cap indicated a definite change in the weather. Exiting from the cloud a thousand feet below we regained visibility of the route. On the Ingraham, some not too surprising changes from the week before were encountered. But on the Cowlitz a massive rock avalanche had left dark red and brown boulders standing on two-foot high stems of snow, like mushrooms. Dinner was enjoyed by most just outside the park.

There were three graduates of the 1975 Boealps Mountaineering class on this climb. They all exhibited strength, skill, and determination and climbed as equal members of the party. For me, it was a very memorable adventure on Mt. Rainier.

Participants were: Bob Van Noy (leader), Nancy Alden, Bill Andrews, Paul Bouche, Jim Crim, Rusty Crim, Y. Liu, Jamie Wild, and Glenn Brindeiro (author).

August

East Wilmon Spire

This Cascades Classic was done on the spur of the moment early in August by some BOEALPERS.

The approach route, and climb, with pictures are described in an article by John Spezia in the August 1973 issue of OFF BELAY. The final, 200-foot rock climb is described in the AAC CLIMBERS' GUIDE, 1961, P. 146, Rt. 1. We did a variation of this route after the 1st pitch.

We left the car at Monte Cristo at 7:00am. and loafed our way to Glacier Basin, arriving in the basin at 8:15. The weather was excellent, so we lightened packs and stashed extra gear before ascending a snow fan into the gully leading to "The Notch". For the 1st 1000 feet, the slope in the north-facing gully averaged 30° to 35° and climbing was easy although the snow was quite hard. Things were going too good. Abruptly, the gully narrowed, the moats on either side of us became large and deep, and we were faced with the task of crossing a formidable schrund. But the upper lip was too high above us and the crevasse too wide. After some searching, it was either rappel 15 feet down to a snow bridge in the right hand moat and then climb the rotten rock to the top of the schrund, or call off the climb.

Using an ice axe anchor, the rappel was made and the 30 feet of crumbly rock carefully climbed with belays. (Class 5.4, the hardest of the day.) Attaining the crest of a rock buttress just above the schrund, we were chagrined to find another gully - snow-free and scree-covered which, had we explored the

lower basin, would have been found the shortest route, avoiding the schrund. (Someone mumbled something about "lousy routefinding".) Above the schrund, the route abruptly enters a narrow couloir, which steepens immediately to 45°. This gully is 700 to 800 vertical feet and the last 100 to 200 feet may be 50°. (Seems like 70°.) The snow was very hard with a slushy surface layer. We climbed carefully! (Always take crampons on this route if done late in the summer.)

Exiting the gully, we found ourselves in "The Notch" between the east and north Wilmon Spires with excellent views of Silvertip, Gothic and Del Campo Peaks to the south and the Cadets, Sloan and Monte Cristo to the north.

The rock climb of the spire was done rapidly. Terry led two roped pitches to the summit; climbing the route "clean". (Chocks only for protection.)

We were on the summit at 1:00pm. After sorting hardware, three rappels, the last a 'free' 60 footer, brought us back to the base of the pinnacle.

Elatedly, I threw my axe into a nearby moat. Terry's eyebrows rose. He suggested we rest awhile. I took a long drink of "ERG". Fortunately, the axe was easily retrieved.

The trip down the long, steep chute was one of continuous belaying, facing into the slope and was a tiresome drag. The schrund was avoided by taking the adjacent, scree-covered gully, although we later had second thoughts about the easy, lower snow gully vs. the tiring scree and loose rock.

We arrived back at the car at 4:30pm. An excellent climb.

The "guide" rates the rock at Class 4-5. Class 5 (5.2) is more accurate. Rock shoes are helpful. The Boealps should do this climb annually.

The cast: Terry Miller, Jack Leicester.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUMMER IS OVER (OR DID IT EVER COME).

. . .bringing (1) crisper weather, (2) shorter days, (3) golden larches in the Enchantments, (4) regrets about all those places you never got to during these past few months, and (5) Boealp elections. Officers will be elected at the October meeting and committee people appointed by the new administration shortly afterwards. We have lots of positions and really not all that much work, so if you'd like your name on the Echo masthead, think now about where you could help. An election committee comprised of Jack Leicester (342-5372), chairman, and Bruce Gaumond (773-0703), and assistant chairman, will devise an election slate to be published in the next Echo, just before the October meeting. To save us the time of canvassing our roster, however, we initially invite and welcome any volunteers (and suggestions) for office and for committee positions. Keep the club thriving and active, give us a call, and with a modest show of volunteerism, maybe Jack and myself will have a minimum amount of work and a little bit of time to enjoy some climbing and hiking to make up for all these wet, foggy, miserable August weekends we've been sitting through out there. . . .

A REAL DEAL FOR SYBARITES

If you've looked longingly at the Thermo-Rest pads in the co-op, thinking that \$25 is just too much beyond your means, even for a revolutionary sleeping pad that really keeps you warm on snow and really cushions you on hard ground, good news: Laura Gregg can get you a substantial discount from a special source. The pad combines open-cell foam with a blow-up air-mattress construction to provide a result far better than ensolite. The special price is for "seconds; but they all work fine, with only minor flaws. Call Laura on 342-3235 or 363-4586 and sleep soundly forevermore.

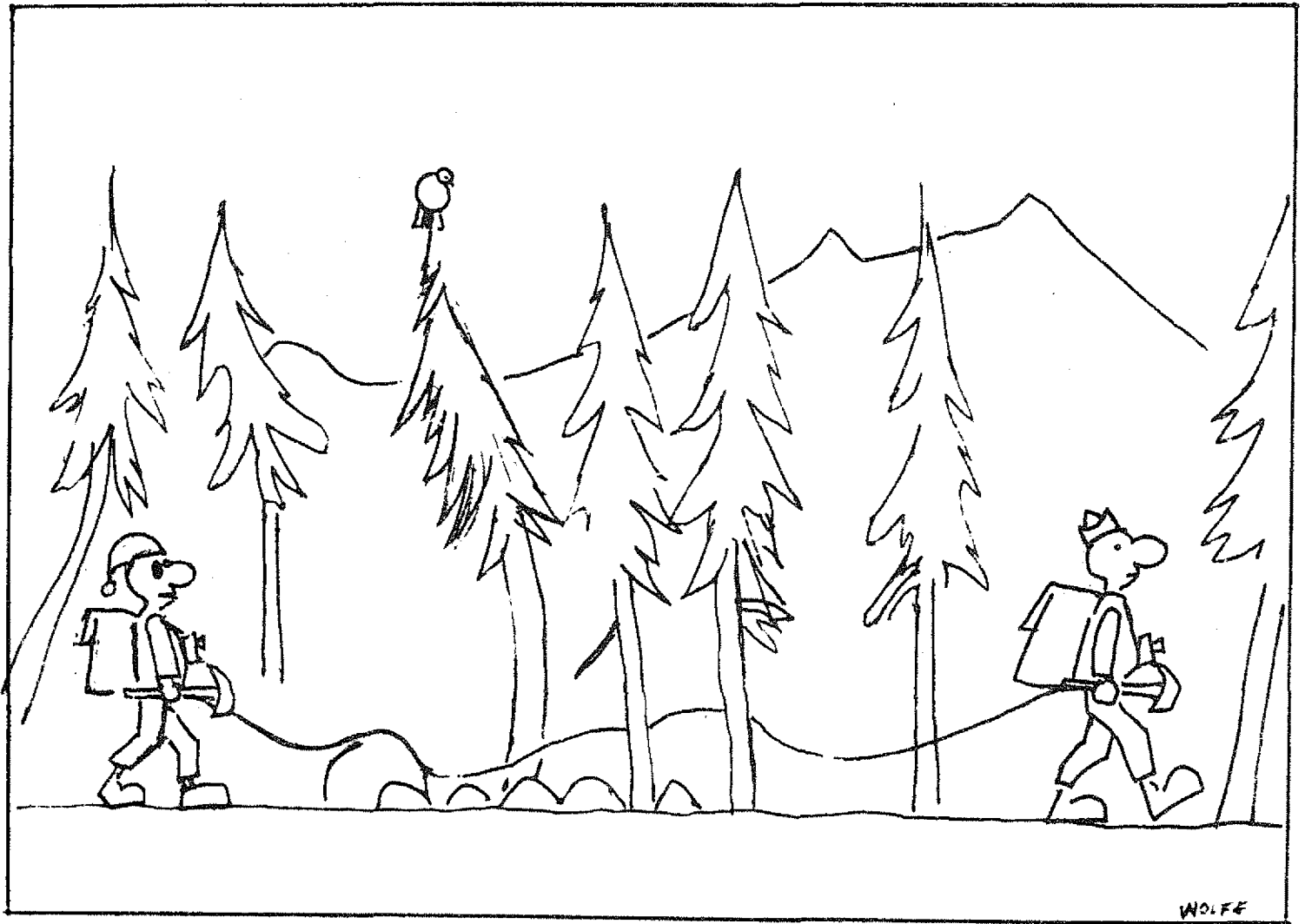
WANTED

One cheap backpacker would like a 90cm ice axe. Condition not important. Contact Wally Younger 655-1458.

FOR SALE

Ken Speitz has some crampons for sale. Having lost the ad he called in, I can't tell you anymore about them except to call Ken if you're interested in buying a pair of crampons, I think. 455-0706

Glenn Hitchcock, Membership Chairman, would like to know the identity of the young woman who paid \$3 Boealps dues at McDonald Center in early August and never called back.



HARVE I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU ARE
SAFETY CONSCIOUS, BUT DON'T YOU THINK
WE COULD UNROPE NOW?

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October Monthly Meeting

Thursday, October 2, 1975

7:30PM

BSRL CAFETERIA

The winter climbing season is approaching and to help you prepare yourself for the months ahead, Boealps is proud to present Don Polinsky, national ski-patrol instructor, for the October meeting of the Boealps. Don has attended national avalanche seminars and will give an informative lecture in which you will learn to recognize avalanche paths, to select routes in avalanche terrain, and to use the weather service information to the best advantage to assure sunny skies on every outing.

Be sure to attend the October meeting of the Boealps to hear this informative lecture and remember, October is also the month for club elections. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

Minutes of the Meeting of Sept. 4, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm in the BSRL Cafeteria.

- Dave Campbell outlined upcoming activities. The October meeting will be the annual election-of-officers gala. Jim Whittaker is scheduled to speak at our annual banquet in November.
- Art Wolfe discussed activities, which are published separately.
- Sandy Biggerstaff and Bruce Gaumond pointed out some recent activities on the conservation scene. Or perhaps non-activities is a better word. It turns out that Congress is still sitting on the Alpine Lakes proposals and may not act for several months.

Winter parking at several locations near recreation areas is available for a season fee of \$5.00. Bruce has the details.

Larry Penberthy has initiated a suit against Rainier National Park in an attempt to get them to relax their backcountry hiking and climbing party restrictions. He is accepting contributions to cover the cost of the suit.

- Bruce announced that the treasury had more than \$700 and suggested that a purchase of equipment might help alleviate this embarrassment of riches. After a discussion in which the members expressed their opinions about the relative merits of various styles, sizes, and brands of tents, the following motion was proposed:

"Moved - To allocate \$200 for the purchase of a tent at the discretion of the Equipment Chairman before the October meeting, if it is found desirable and necessary. The Equipment Chairman is charged with the responsibility of recommending further purchases at the October meeting."

Motion passed

- Laura Gregg has a special purchase deal on "Thermarest" pads.
- Ray Johnson has information on a bulk purchase of Mountain House Freeze Dried Food. The stuff would have to be re-packaged but is available at a substantial discount.
- The meeting was closed at 8:15PM.

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Club Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance, August 20, 1975 \$384.46

Receipts

Dues	\$ 9.00
Book sales	6.50
B.E.R.C. contribution (2nd installment)	200.00
Rope sales	<u>266.00</u>

Total Receipts \$481.50

Total Cash Available \$865.96

Expenditures

Bill Sumner (Speaker fee)	\$ 25.00
Dave Campbell (Sept. meeting refreshments)	13.39
Ron Olcott (Dues correction)	<u>3.00</u>

Total Expenditures \$ 41.39

Ending Balance, September 20, 1975 \$824.57

GLENN BRINDEIRO

Club Treasurer

ELECTION SLATE

Nominations for Club Office in Bi-Centennial Year 1976

PRESIDENT: Warren Rouse - Russ Kroeker
VICE PRESIDENT: Carl Henderson - Paul Bouche
SECRETARY: Sandy Biggerstaff - Don Brown
TREASURER: Don Taylor - Rick Brylczyk

Further nominations are welcome from the floor at the meeting.

ACTIVITIES (Call Art Wolfe WE5-7674 for latest details)

OCTOBER

4 - 5 Black Peak (off Northcross-State Hwy; given A-1 rating by John Pollock.
Contact Warren Rouse (hm) 1-337-1310 (wk) 342-5184.

11-12-13 High Divide, contact Art Wolfe WE5-7674

18 or 19 12-14 mile day hike to Mineral Mt. overlooking (underlooking) Willis
Wall on Mt. Rainier. Contact Bruce Gaumond (hm) Ch6-2520 (wk) 773-0703.

Oct Cont'd

25 - 26 Yellow Aster Butte rescheduled. Fall colors and climb of Mt. Tomyhoi.
Contact Jim Kissell (day) 248-0677.

November

1 - 2 Gourmet beach hike - Cedar Creek - Contact Art Wolfe WE57674.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

Sept. 6 - 7

Mt. Daniel

At last, August sunshine arrived, five weeks late, and eight Boealpers took full advantage, scaling 6960 foot Mt. Daniel, highest point in King County and Cathedral Rock, highest point within a one-third-mile radius of Peggy's Pond and home of the world's densest flying-ant population. We made a leisurely 8am Eastgate departure on Saturday morning, being delayed another half hour as we all consolidated and transferred to Frank Kuske's deluxe 11-passenger Supervan, identical in type to the poor vehicle which we used and abused during last Spring's memorable Mt. Shasta assault. The ride over was interrupted in Roslyn as Frank bought 5 pounds of group pepperoni for the climb ahead at a secret unheralded butcher shop known only to true pepperoni fanciers (you heard it here first); then we plunged onto the 12-mile Salmon La Sac - Fish Lake road that would be a telling test for any vehicle ever made. Fortunagely, we'd had van-piloting experience during June's destruction-testing on the Shasta backroads, and negotiated the washboard, potholed, eroded track in fine fashion. Due to the obstacles of the road, we naturally expected the parking lot at road's end to be empty. We were only wrong by 116 vehicles: all sorts of campers, trailers, pickups, jeeps, horse trailers, Winnebagos, and trail bikes. First day of high-country hunting season. The pristine stillness of the wilderness meadow was unbroken except for the gentle throb of a gasoline generator running some camper's air conditioner.

The route was fairly obvious, just a matter of following your nose, as from 60 to 80 horses had passed through earlier. Fortunately, the hunters were hardly in evidence except for distant volleys; the deer were nowhere in evidence -- not one sighted all weekend, either on the hoof or over the hood of anyone's truck. An hour brought us to Squaw Lake for a sunny lunch, followed by a long hot mile-plus up to Cathedral Pass. Finally, the long sidehill brought us to Peggy's Pond and a comfortable grassy campsite.

An hour's rest and we assaulted Cathedral Rock, ostensibly by the NW Couloir route, which consists of several hundred feet of hand-hold heather, a critical-mass talus basin where progress is about as futile as on a treadmill, then up several rock-and-dirt (one-at-a-time-please) gullies. Finally, when there's nowhere else to go, you turn left and are confronted with a huge chock-stone right in your path, and what you do is go right under it through this large-size marmot-hole, then up behind it, out on top; turn right, and it's 30 feet to the summit. We weren't the first ascendants that day: every summit rock was aswarm with more flying ants per square inch than can be imagined (like walking on roller bearings). What ever happened to plain old summit ladybugs.....We found the register and looked up all the Boealp climbers and wondered what was the point of signing on the last page of a register...The descent was quick and after dinner we traded tales around the campfire with Jim Reed's dental hygienist and watched the Milky Way and discussed black holes and pulsars and quasars and other items of cosmic significance.

The dewless dawn (lucky for all those no-tent gamblers amongst us) saw us off towards Daniel. With the clear day ahead, we opted for the ridge ascent to the left, figuring the views would be better. So they were -- from Glacier to Stuart to Adams, and a multitude of the Alpine Lakes -- Circle and Spade and Deep and Venus. In orderly fashion, we ascended the East, Middle, and West Peaks to assure the real summit was among them -- the map shows the name on the East Peak, but the Middle and West are higher; both of them are 7960+ officially but the West is obviously 30 feet or more higher. The views at the West Peak included perfectly-named Pea Soup Lake and a bank of clouds encroaching from the west over Hinman that looked like winter itself approaching.

The descent was largely experimental: we tried going around north of the East Peak, below the Spire, but the 4 inches of recent snow on old hard ice coupled with a 50° slope won out. So we retraced south of the peak instead, then circled across the Hyas Creek glacier basin and descended via glissade until the last chute. Here, any glissade calls for nerves of steel (and an intelligence bordering on the foolhardy) as the 55° chute chicanes in S-curve fashion between two rocky sides. Not being too adroit at switching ice-axe hands in mid-descent at 30 mph, we chose instead to kick down, employing the new rapid technique taught by Bill Sumner at the September meeting. Back at camp we packed up, but debated whether to play AWOL en-masse, and enjoy one more sunny day in the all-too-short season. Company conscientiousness won out, and we trudged out. (All but Al, who sauntered out with his 20-pound pack, having mastered the Paul Helmke course in go-lite mountaineering. Al carries a day pack without even any pockets on it.)

The victory celebration was held in Cle Elum, where we discovered and devoured the victuals of the Sunset Cafe (south side of the main street). All partakers therein expressed extreme satisfaction with quality of food and service. (Latest in a series of Prime Paramount Post-Peak Party Palaces recommended by your trustworthy food-and-libation correspondent).

Celebrants included Bruce Gaumond (leader), Pete Saunders, Al Schmidt, Bob Moore, Bob Cockerell, Sonja Firing, Ray Hofstatter, Frank Kuske, and his van.

Sept. 13 - 14

Ingalls North Peak

Southwest Face Route: This climb described in "Cascade Alpine Guide," Page No. 321. The route is designated at 4th class and done in "4 hours" from the parking lot at De Roux trailhead.

We chose to take 2 days. Overnight camp was made at Lake Ingalls, just below the 3 peaks of Ingalls. The 3 mile trip into the lake took 2 hours (would have been less, except Linda lost the trail and made for Longs Pass). Excluding a 45 minute lunch and sun bath at Ingalls Pass (it was here that Linda learned that a "tit-mouse" isn't really some kind of deformed rodent. Warren is a store-house of this sort of data). The balance of the afternoon and evening was spent on soaking tired feet in the cool lake, watching Warren skinny-dip, and picture taking and rock scrambling. Views of forbidding Mt. Stuart were spectacular as usual.

Arising at 6:00 the next morning, and after a leisurely breakfast - we departed for the summit. (But not before noting that at least half our food stores had been

happily eaten by the "night visitors" - including a whole bag of Warren's "Snickers". After physically restraining Warren from abandoning the climb in order to hunt down and murder the evil-doers, we were on our way.) In 1 1/2 hours of scrambling, we reached the saddle between the north and east peaks at 9:00am.

Donning climbing gear, we dropped down and west a hundred feet to the 1st pitch, a 30' friction slab. Alternating lead, Paul & I were able to follow the described route until we ran into a formidable wall. Flipping a mental coin, we chose to climb the rightward gully which subsequently terminated in lots of air. Retracing, we went leftward and ran into some interesting traversing across a ledge above the southwest gully. Once this was done, the route steepened and exposure required the placement of a couple of chocks for protection on the final, 4th class, 100 foot lead. A scramble from here, up the ridge crest, on the left side, over talus, shale and very unstable rock, bypassed the false summit and all of us were on the summit by 1:00pm. (Would have made it by noon, except Linda had some route finding problems, again.)

The climb down was a series of long rappels. Two 120' ropes were tied together and used. A single, 150' rope, doubled, would be a problem, as rappel anchors are few and far between. On the 1st rappel, some difficulty was encountered in locating an anchor point. As Karl said, it was "a bummer".

The group arrived at Lake Ingalls camp at 5:15pm - a long, beautiful day. The trip to the parking lot took 1 hour - 20 minutes. In retrospect, it would be better to limit the party to 4 persons on one route- especially if the climb is to be done in one day from the parking lot. If more than 4 wish to go on the climb, other routes and variations can be done so as not to limit the outing to only 4 persons.

The climbers; Paul Bouche, Karl Lonsson, Jack Leicester (leader), Ruth McLaughlin, Robin Obata, Warren Rouse, Linda Ryder.



ALPINE LAKES

protection society

September 22, 1975

Dear Boealps:

Congressman Meeds has put forward a compromise proposal for the Alpine Lakes which is unacceptable to the Alpine Lakes Protection Society. The Meeds compromise proposal is fundamentally deficient in two ways: (1) it basically adopts the Forest Service's wilderness boundaries, not ours, and (2) it provides no mechanism for land use planning for the private lands in the perimeter of our National Recreation Area.

The apparent reason for this unacceptable "compromise" is that strong pressure on Congressman Meeds has come recently from the timber interests. Those supporting our bill, HR 3977, must once again make their voices heard. Congressmen will meet sometime within the next two weeks to decide what proposal they will support. It is imperative that you speak out in the short time remaining. Do the following:

1. Call Western Union and have them send a telegram to your Representative urging him to support HR 3977. Your telegram need be no more than ten words.
2. Call your Representative's local office, ask to speak to the staff member responsible for the Alpine Lakes, and tell that person that you urge your Representative to support HR 3977.

Many of us testified to the House Subcommittee at this summer's hearings on the Alpine Lakes. Now we must speak with equally strong voices to our own Representatives in Congress. Act now.

Sincerely,

ALPINE LAKES PROTECTION SOCIETY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert E. Ordal".

Robert E. Ordal
President

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Membership: To Be Announced
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747-3087
Conservation: To Be Announced
Echo Editor: Ron Peltola 242-4655
(c/o Walt Peltola, M.S. 43-48)

November Monthly Meeting

Thursday, November 6, 1975

7:30pm

BSRL CAFETERIA

SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF MOUNT MCKINLEY PARK

For the November meeting, the Boeing Alpine Society is indeed honored and delighted to have one of our most prestigious, admired, multi-talented and dashing members for your entertainment. Can there be any doubt? YES!! Art Wolfe, whose many climbing accomplishments include the first summer ascent of perennial Pika Peak as well as putting in three new routes up the north wall of Round Mtn., will be giving a slide presentation of his recent 13-day backpacking trip in Mt. McKinley National Park. The presentation is drawn from the 700 pictures Art took on the trip. It should be emphasized that his presentation features the park itself rather than a climb of Mt. McKinley. Art's presentation reveals the park's many dramatic differences in terrain, as well as the widely varied wildlife that coexist within their 3,000-square-mile arctic home. Sounds of some of these animals will also be demonstrated.

Finally, Art will discuss some of the do's and dont's when planning a trip to the park.

We sincerely hope that there is a large turn-out to greet Art; he promises an entertaining evening for all.

Written by Art Wolfe,
Program Chairman

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Minutes of the Meeting of October 2, 1975

The meeting was called ^{to} order at 7:43pm by President Bruce Gaumond.

- Dave Campbell announced the postponement of the annual banquet until January. The January program will be on the recent K2 expedition.

Art Wolfe will present his slides on Mt. McKinley National Park for the November meeting.

- Bruce read the resume's of the candidates for office. Election was conducted by ballot with the results -

President	Warren Rouse
Vice President	Carl Henderson
Secretary	Sandy Biggerstaff
Treasurer	Don Taylor

- Art Wolfe detailed the club's outdoor activities and announced the Nov. 1-2 beach hike as the official opening of the beach hiking season.
- Sandy Biggerstaff urged that letters be written to Congressmen in support of the ALPS proposal before the deadline of October 23.
- Ray Johnson opened a discussion of tents and snowshoes. Two motions on equipment purchase were made by Pete Saunders and seconded:
 1. That BOEALPS allocate up ^{to} \$350 for purchase of two tents at the discretion of the executive board.
 2. That BOEALPS purchase two pair of Sherpa snowshoes.
- Bruce read a letter from Sam Fry, President of the Mountaineers thanking us for the donation of Art Wolfe's North Cascade Panorama and for our cooperation on the winter parking bill.

The meeting was closed at 8:23pm.

GLENN BRINDEIRO
Acting Club Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance, September 20, 1975 \$824.57

Receipts

Book sales	6.50	
Savings account (interest)	.42	
Rope sales	\$156.00	
Update of records*	<u>3.97</u>	
Total Receipts		\$166.89
Total Cash Available		\$991.46

Expenditures

Don Polinsky (speaker fee)	\$ 25.00	
Dave Campbell (Oct. mtg. refreshments)	13.66	
CLIMB-HIGH, INC. (rope purchase)	<u>222.81</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>\$261.47</u>
Ending Balance, October 20, 1975		\$729.99

*This accounts for a long outstanding check, etc.

GLENN BRINDEIRO
Club Treasurer

ACTIVITIES (Call Jack Leicester 342-5374/546-2086 for latest details)

TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE OCTOBER MEETING.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

October 1 - 4

Enchanted Lakes via Lost World

With the Weather Service's promise of five days of sunshine and reports of yellowing larch, our party of four set off after work Wednesday for Leavenworth and the Cashmere Crags. Arriving at the Snow Lakes trailhead after dark, a forced march by flashlight was started at 8:00pm. The anticipated campsite, across a bridge, 4 1/2 miles in, was reached three hours, 55 switchbacks, and sans one flashlight later. Fortunately, variations in trail lighting had been worked out in advance and it was found that only every other person needed to use a flashlight. Unfortunately, the anticipated campsite was on less than level ground. (Good campsites are available 2 miles from the trailhead.) Another forty-five minutes found a weary four at Nada Lake and suitable camping.

The first night was a harbinger of every night we were to spend. The stars we had seen for the last four hours discharged a "heavy dew" and a scramble to set up the second tent led to a broken tent pole and a fitful sleep.

The route Thursday morning continued around Nada Lake to Nada Creek. The rockslide above Nada Lake was climbed on the left until a thirty-foot cliff was encountered. Dropping packs, Jim Kissell free climbed a twenty-five foot chimney to a chockstone and then across a narrow ledge to gain the cliff. Using a fixed line to haul up the packs the party soon was on top of the cliff and back on the route to Nada Creek and into Temple Canyon. A pleasant morning was enjoyed hiking alongside the creek, over mason granite boulders, and among the larch and douglas fir. By noon, a campsite at the head of Temple Canyon had been selected. With increasing winds and an abundance of cumulus clouds, camp was set prior to the afternoon climb.

Three climbers left at 1:30pm heading up the left headwall of Nada Canyon. At the top of the headwall, a second valley of golden tamarak opened before us. Keeping Temple Ridge to our left, we found several more lush campsites, recommended for good weather. Finally Pogo Col was identified to the of Mt. Temple and the Stacked Crag group. The ascent of Pogo Col was a mixture of scree and class three rock with a better climb to the left side of the Col. Temple Ridge was reached at 4:00pm and a vantage point twenty feet below. Stacked Crag was found. Because of high winds, the late time of day, and fatigue of the party, it was decided to settle for pictures of Snow Lake and the last 40' pitch of Mt. Temple. The return to camp was uneventful except for the noted worsening of the weather.

Thursday night brought wind, rain and snow. Gusts of wind could be heard starting at the ridge above our camp and screaming down on us. The anticipation of every gust increased when a snag fell forty feet from camp. Friday morning we decided to break camp and head out. At 10:00AM, we were standing in rain gear with packs on our backs, and the first patch of "sucker blue" appeared. In ten minutes every cloud in the sky had blown away. We headed on, to the the Enchantment Lakes.

With full packs, we chose to climb straight out of Temple Valley. Keeping to the left of the rockslide, we soon made the ridge and turned left. Every rise brought more vistas of golden tamarak until Prussik Peak and finally Prussik Pass came into view. Crossing Nada Pass Shield Lake appeared below us. In front of us the flat plain steepened to form the side of Temple Ridge. For nearly an hour we continued to cross the cliffs above Shield Lake and below Temple Ridge.

The night's snow and ice which had melted on the flat plain was abundant on these sun sheltered slopes. Finally we reached a point 200 feet below Prussik Pass. Climbing the left side of the pass, we saw our first views of the Enchantment Lakes; Rune Lake below us was dominated by Little Annapurna and golden tamarak clung to every crevasse. Contouring left we came to Gnomes Tarn and each in turn posed for pictures below the infamous Prussik Peak. Dropping packs we wandered for hours identifying peaks, passes and lakes. With the weather once again worsening, we made for a sheltered spot above Leprechaun Lake. No sooner than had we made camp when the snow flurries started. After a few belayed climbs and rappels from the mason granite massifs, we had supper and returned to a duplication of Thursday night's wind and snow.

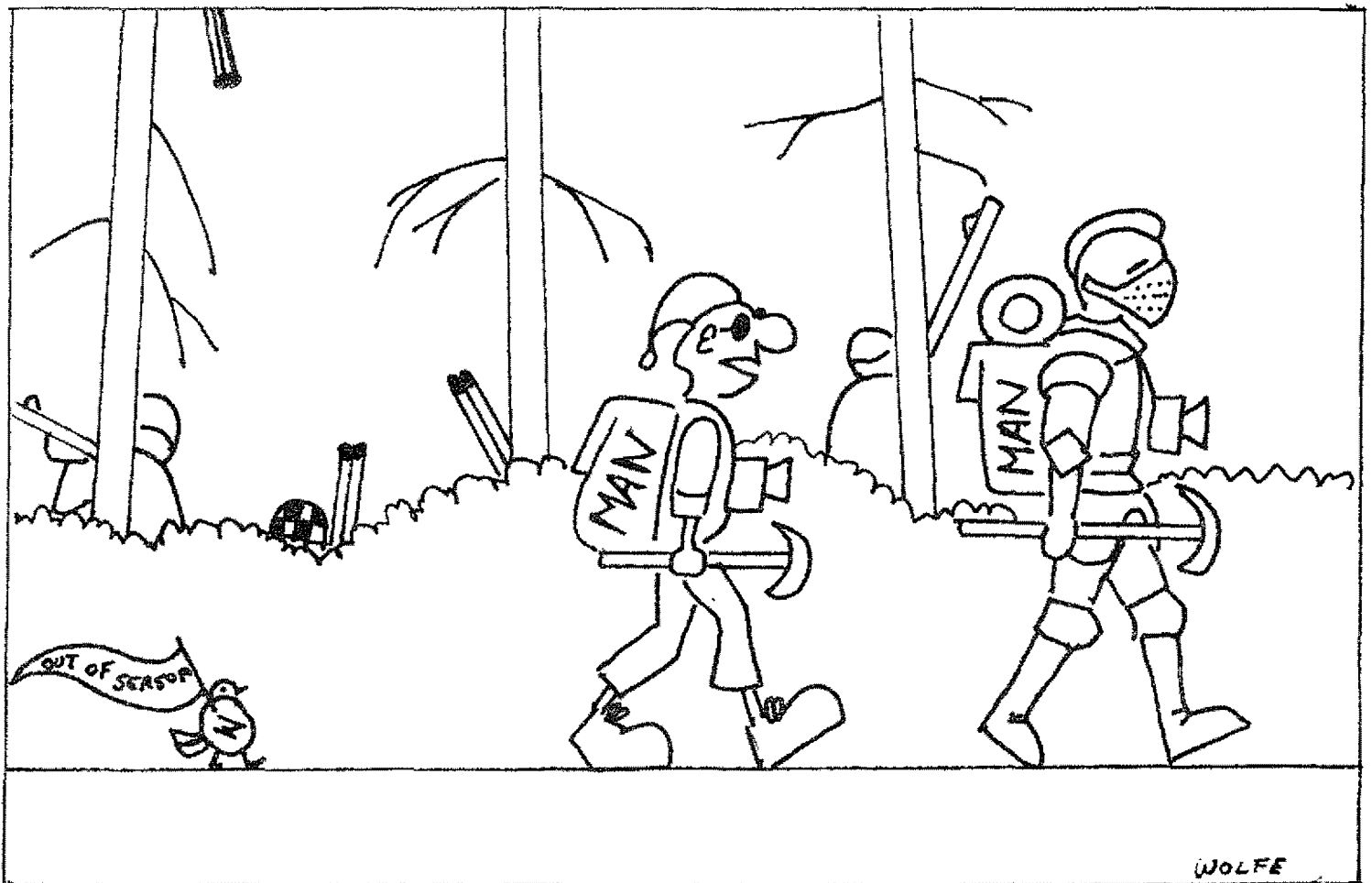
Saturday morning we awoke to find the granite slabs covered with fresh snow. The previous vistas of blue lakes, gray peaks and golden tamarak were outlined in vivid white. With weather conditions similar to Friday and the fatigue of the party worsening from lack of sleep, the decision was made to leave under favorable conditions. Route finding was difficult due to the snow and a section of the trail

above Lake Vivienne was impassable due to ice. A rappel was set up and accomplished by ourselves and two other parties. After a lunch at Snow Lake, a forced march of some four hours duration ended the adventure.

A home cooked dinner complete with deep dish cobbler was enjoyed at the Canderella Restaurant, located four and a half miles west of the Wenatchee Lake cutoff.

The route used to enter the enchanted basin is highly recommended in spite of an additional days travel required. The interesting travel and potential climbs out of Temple Canyon are worth considering.

Party members were Carl Hendricks, Bob Moore, Jim Kissell, and Bruce Kinney.



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December Monthly Meeting

Thursday, December 4, 1975

7:30 p.m.

BSRL CAFETERIA

For the December meeting, the Boeing Alpine Society is indeed fortunate to have an excellent slide presentation, featuring climbing in India's Himalayas. The speakers are Dave Hambly and Mike Clark who along with five others climbed 23,360 ft. Trisul Peak located in the Garwhal Himalayas of northern India in May and June of this year.

We hope there is a large turnout to greet Dave and Mike.

Art Wolfe,
Program Chairperson

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Minutes of the Meeting of November 6, 1975 - BOEALPS

Our new president, Warren Rouse, thanked the former officers for the job they did during the past year. Last month's minutes and treasurer's report were approved as published in the Echo.

Special Winter Parking Pass for designated plowed out areas will be on sale at REI, Eddie Bauer's, and most ski slopes. Some areas to have parking will be Gold Creek, Stampede Pass, and Alpental. Cost of the pass is \$5.00.

Jack Leicester made a motion to keep two "Edelweiss ropes" on hand for sale as members want them in order to simplify ordering. Glenn Hitchcock objected. Motion passed.

Anyone who wants to provide input toward buying tents, please contact one of the officers.

Meeting adjourned to view the perils of Art Wolfe and eating habits of Ron Peltola in Alaska.

Sandy Biggerstaff
Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance, October 20, 1975		\$729.99
Receipts:		
Book Sales	\$15.50	
Total Receipts		15.50
Total Cash Available		<u>745.49</u>
Expenditures:		
Speaker Fee, November	25.00	
November Meeting Refreshments	16.91	
Executive Meeting Refreshments	14.00	
Total Expenditures		55.91
Ending Balance		<u>\$689.58</u>

Don Taylor
Treasurer

Activities

December 6 - 7	Point of Arches Beach Hike with Leader Bruce Gaumont wk 773-0703 hm 246-2520
December 13 or 14	Silver Peak Snowshoe or Ski tour with Leader Jack Leicester wk 342-5374 hm 546-2086
December 20 or 21	Lanham Lake easy Snowshoe or Ski tour with Follower Ron Peltola. All Beginning harmonica players welcomed. wk 433-2543 hm 242-4655
Between Christmas and New Year's	Beach Hike (three to four days) with Leader Art Wolfe wk 935-7674 hm 935-7674

The High Divide Incident, Oct. 11-12

The High Divide Incident is the gripping true-life account of how eight men and one boy withstood freezing temperatures, marauding bears, and lewd elk - and lived to tell the tale.

(Preface ala Eric Rybeck.)

This is their story.....

On the weekend of October 11 - 12, nine Boealpers avoided the gloomy, overcast skies of Seattle by escaping to the sun-bathed ridges of the Northwestern Olympics. Taking the 6:10 ferry out of Edmonds and then driving two hours to the end of the Sol Duc River Road, we assembled at 10:00 under clear cerulean skies. Spirits were as high as the poly bottle in Jim Kissel's upper left pack pocket. We quickly hiked the five miles of Sol Duc River valley trail, and then our pace slowed as we ascended the 2,000 feet, 3.5 miles to the High Divide trail terminus in crimson huckleberry meadows pausing only briefly for lunch below Heart Lake. Locating a flat spot on the grassy ridge between the Sol Duc and Hoh River valleys commonly known as the "High Divide", we set up camp, in full view of majestic Mt. Olympus, the highest monarch of the Olympics, which rises some 7,000 feet out of the dense rain-forests of the Hoh valley.

We spotted a small herd of Roosevelt elk near our camp. Jack Leicester demonstrated an amazing tonal resemblance to that of a bull elk. This brought a spontaneous challenge rebuttal from the herd's number one bull. So while Jack and the elk exchanged glowering looks and whistled challenges, the rest of us abandoned them in search of water, dismissing their threats as being (you guessed it) just a bunch of bull.

That evening some of us dined on steak, cheese and wine, serving as perhaps a transitional adjustment for our palates between summer's freeze-dried wonders and winter beach hike gourmet cuisine.

Later that evening, several of us hiked 3/4 of a mile along the ridge to view the sun setting over the low clouds above the Pacific. A spectacular sunset it was with shades of scarlet and crimson highlighting the billowy clouds far below. We also spotted a black bear browsing the blueberry bushes by Heart Lake, while a large herd (40 head) of elk settled down for the night on the slopes above Lake No. 8.

Before bed Rick Gibbs cooked up an excellent batch of popcorn while the temperature rapidly plummeted under star-filled skies.

During the night a very closeby serenading Great Horned owl awoke us as did an occasional semi-coherent mumble from Jack Leicester, dreaming of defending his newly-won herd.

Morning brought frost and partly cloudy skies. The clouds soon parted and the temperature again rapidly rose. Breaking camp around 9:00, we were again under way heading west along the High Divide trail, eventually dropping back into the Sol Duc River valley, and our cars some twelve miles in the distance. Along the way we spotted the Heart Lake bear and more elk near Lake No. 8. We ate lunch below Bogachiel Peak before ascending it. A mile past Bogachiel Peak, we spotted another bear on the upper slopes of Seven Lakes Basin. This one we were able to photograph at close range before it disappeared into some high brush.

As we descended into the Sol Duc Valley the low clouds that had been hovering over the ocean were rapidly rising and enveloping the Olympic foothills. By the time we arrived back at the cars the mountains were completely shrouded in clouds. Dinner went down a little easier that night in Port Angeles knowing that we were indeed fortunate having hit the clear weather just right.

Hike members included: Ray Johnson, Charles Minor, Paul Bouche, Rick Gibbs, Jack Leicester, Jim Kissell, Bruce Gaumond, Ron Peltola, and (myself) Art Wolfe.


Oh, before I forget - there was just one more noteworthy occurrence. Having missed the 8:30 ferry and knowing that the next one wouldn't arrive until 9:15, several of the more parched party participants decided to walk up to the nearby pub for what they termed "a quicky". Unfortunately, that weekend was the opening of deer season and the Ferry Service scheduled an extra ferry for 8:40. So while Jack, Bruce, Paul, and Rick were up at the tavern, their key-less cars were preventing a hundred and eight disgruntled, unsuccessful deer hunters from boarding the ferry, perhaps explaining why Jack spent the entire ferry ride back to Edmonds hiding in the fifth stall from the left in the men's room.

Post Card from Clarke Kido

Always delighted to hear from friends who have left the area, past treasurer Clarke Kido is now living in Idaho Falls. Below is a copy of a post card from Clarke to Boealps with a majestic picture of Grand Teton glued face down.

MY FELLOW BOEALPERS -

JUST A NOTE FROM THE GRAND CITY OF IDAHO FALLS - QUICK BUT AND THE A.B.C. IS CHALLENGING A REFRESHING CONTRAST TO THE EVERETT COMPLEX. TOWN LIFE IS LIMITED, A FEW LOUNGES, THEATRES, RESTAURANTS, AND ONLY A COUPLE SPORTING GOODS STORES. BUT FOR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, THIS IS THE PLACE FOR IT. SUN VALLEY IS 2 1/2 HOURS AWAY, JACKSON ABOUT 1 1/2, GRAND TARGHEE LESS THAN 1 HOUR, SNOWBIRD AND ALTA, UTAH ABOUT 2 HOURS. AND THOSE MOUNTAINS AROUND HERE!



Grand Teton, elev. 13,765 ft., from road through the National Park section of the Jackson Hole, Wyoming. One of the most impressive aspects of America's most spectacular peaks.

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1 DEFINITELY PLAN TO PACK OUT IN THE TETON AREA SOON. PLENTY OF VARIETY AROUND HERE. THERE EVEN AN ACTIVE CLUB IN IDAHO FALLS. BUT MORE LATER.

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Winter Parking Permits Now on Sale

The following gives all the details (courtesy of the Mountaineers):

Good news for Washington's winter recreationists. Were you frustrated with the scarcity of parking available for your favorite winter sport? With the recent passage of HB 762 (Winter Recreational Parking), the money from sale of permits will be used to establish new parking spaces in and near your favorite winter areas. The more individual permits sold the greater the number of parking spaces that can be plowed. You can now eliminate the scarcity of winter recreational parking by supporting this program.

Every snowshoer, alpine tourer, nordic skier and ski lodge users should obtain an individual \$5.00 winter parking permit as soon as possible. As revenues are received from the sale of permits, contracts will be let to snowplow the proposed parking areas. They are:

Gold Creek, one mile east of Hyak.

Cabin Creek, one mile east of Stampede Pass.

Keechelus Lake Road, right off Stampede Pass Interchange.

Alpental side of I-90.

Smith Brook Creek Road, #2714, three miles east of Stevens Pass summit.

Mill Creek Road, #2617, five miles east of Stevenes Pass summit.

The greater the number of permits sold the more parking areas will be available and the better bargain it will be for everyone. Additional contributions are welcome. The program is designed to be self supporting. Purchase your winter recreation permit now.

Snowmobilers are already contributing funds for snow removal through a snowmobile registration fee and fuel tax.

Under CH . 209, Laws of 1975, 1st Extraordinary Session, the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission is administering the winter recreation parking program. A nine-person winter recreation advisory committee has been formed representing all aspects of winter sports. This committee has been assisting State Parks with getting plans underway to implement the act for winter of 1975-76.

Under the new law user permits must be properly displayed in the lower left-hand corner of the windshield dashboard in order to legally park in the areas.

You may purchase SNO-PARK permits from the Mountaineer Clubroom, 719 Pike Street, Seattle, or from:

Aannex Rents Inc.

Alpine Hut

Northwest Alpine Guide Service

Eddie Bauer, Inc.

Walt Little

Kongsbergers Ski Club

Recreational Equipment Inc.

Ski Rack and Mountain Shop

Swallow's Nest

Washington Ski Touring Club

in Seattle

Alpine House

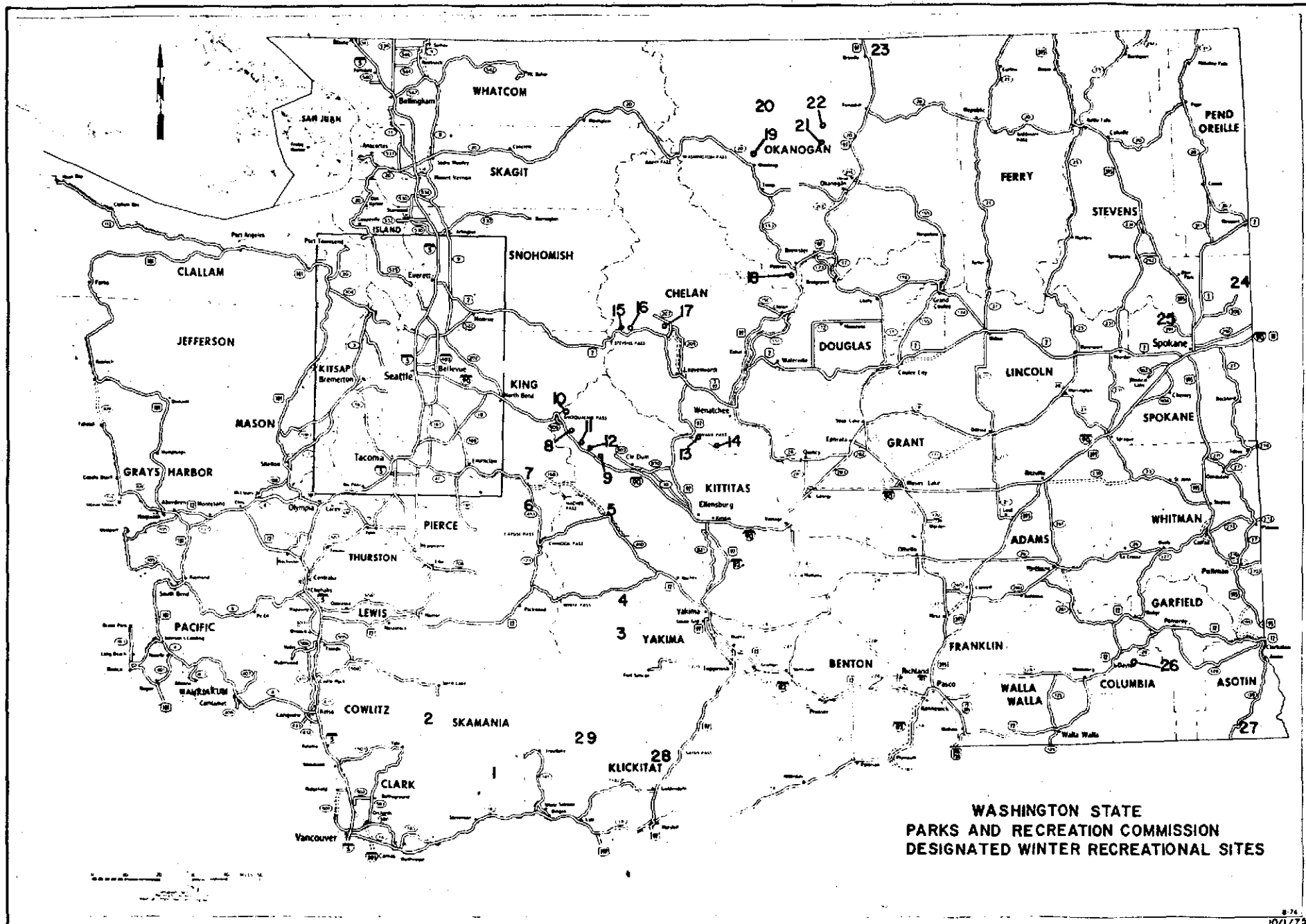
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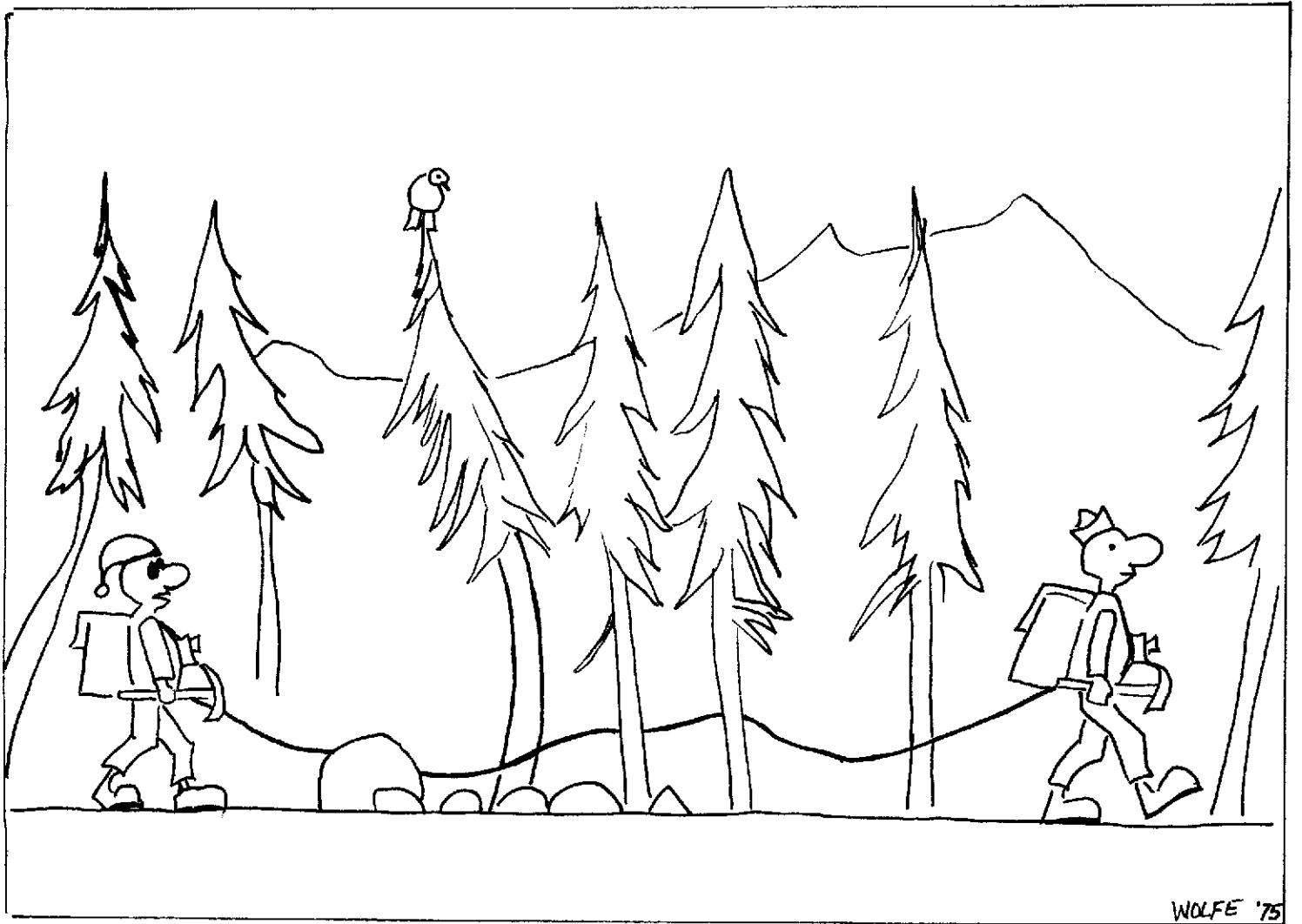
DESIGNATED WINTER PARKING SITES

<u>Map No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	Wind River	20 mi. NE Carson
2	Cougar	8 mi. E Cougar, Hwy 503
3*	Ahtanum (DNR)	26 mi. W Union Gap
4	Tieton Airstrip	16 mi. E White Pass, Tieton Road
5	Naches Campground	18 mi. N. Naches, Hwy 410
6	Buck Creek Airstrip	22 mi. E Enumclaw, Hwy 410
7	Greenwater Road	18 mi. E Enumclaw, Hwy 410
8**	Gold Creek	2 mi. E Snoqualmie Summit, Hyak Exit
9	Easton Airstrip	1 mi. W Easton, Interstate Hwy. 90
10**	Alpental	Snoqualmie Summit
11	Stampede Pass Interchange	8 mi. E Snoqualmie Summit
12**	Cabin Creek	9 mi. E Snoqualmie Summit
13	Swauk Pass	25 mi. S Leavenworth, Hwy 97
14	Squilchuck St. Pk.	7 mi. SW Wenatchee
15**	Mill Creek	5 mi. E Stevens Pass
16**	Smith Brook Creek	7 mi. E Stevens Pass
17	Lake Wenatchee	22 mi. N Leavenworth, Hwy 2 & 207
18	Alta Lake	2 mi. SW Pateros, Hwy 153
19	Pearrygin Lake	5 mi. NE Winthrop
20	Eight-Mile Ranch	18 mi. N Winthrop
21	Conconully St. Pk.	15 mi. NW Okanogan
22	Kerr Campground	18 mi. NW Okanogan
23	Osoyoos Lake	1 mi. N Oroville, Hwy 97
24	Mount Spokane	34 mi. NE Spokane
25	Riverside	3 mi. downriver from Spokane
26	Hatley Gulch	8 mi. E Dayton, off Hwy 12
27	Fields Spring	24 mi S Asotin, Hwy 129
28	Brooks Memorial St. Pk.	12 mi. NE Goldendale, Hwy 99
29*	Glenwood (DNR) Shelter Only	5 mi. N Glenwood

*Permit not required

**Will only be plowed if money becomes available





HARVE, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU ARE
SAFETY CONSCIOUS, BUT DON'T YOU THINK
WE COULD UNROPE NOW?