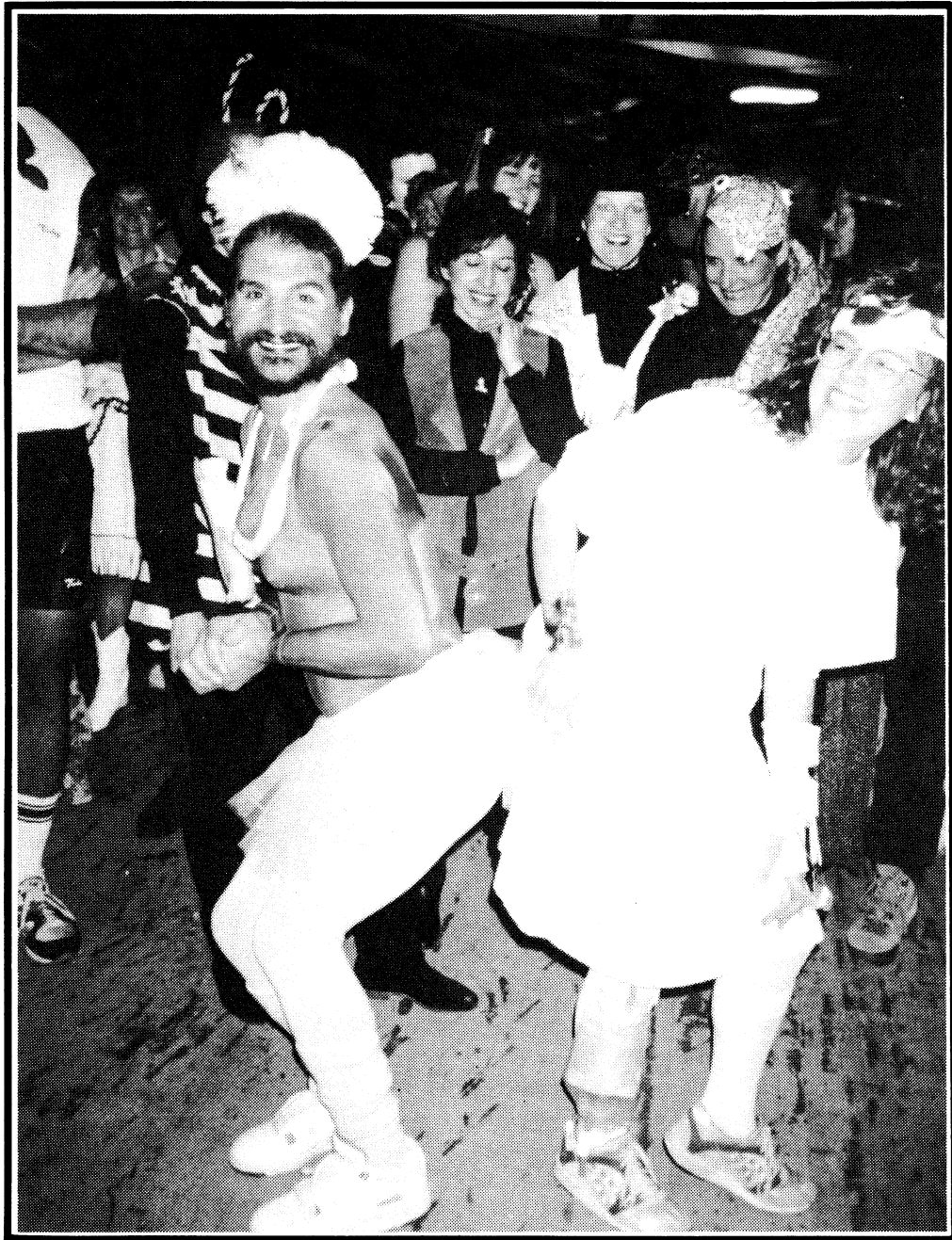


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IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT A PHOTO: We welcome photos of all kinds: black & white prints, color prints, and slides. Please include captions describing when and where the photo was taken, the names of the people in it, and the name of the photographer. **Photos will not be returned unless requested and accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope, otherwise they will be found in the Red Box outside the office door of the WMC.**

WMC PURPOSE
(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

The purpose shall be to promote the physical and spiritual well being of its members and others by outdoor activities: to unite the energy, interests and knowledge of students, explorers and lovers of the mountains, deserts and rivers of Utah; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains in behalf of science, literature and art; to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states; to foster awareness of our natural areas including their plants, animal and bird life.

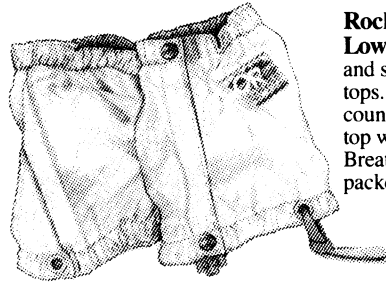
COVER PHOTO:

Photo by Clint Lewis of WMC party animals at play in the Lodge. Larry Schumer is identified by his brazenly bold pink pants under a blush pink tutu and leotard. A gauze tiara adds the coronating touch to his attire. The young lady remains a mystery!

Outdoor Research

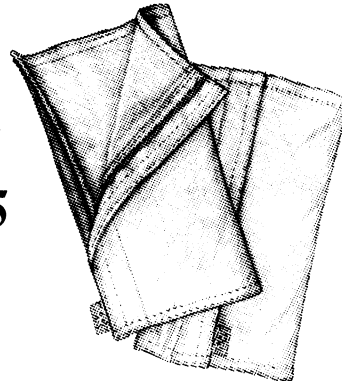


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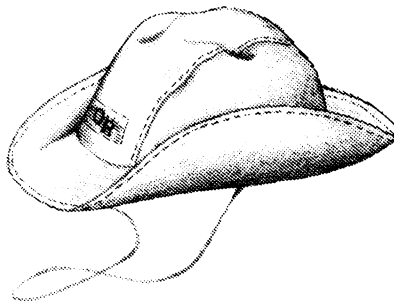


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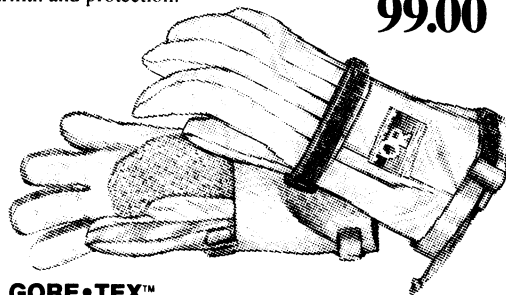
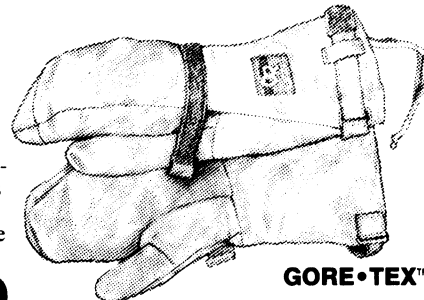
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TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER JANUARY 1969

BY DALE GREEN, HISTORIAN

Included with this month's Rambler was an "Escalante brochure," produced by the Mountain Club with assistance by The Sierra Club and Rocky Mountain Center on Environment. The goal was to provide a forum to propose an Escalante Wilderness Area, an idea years ahead of its time.

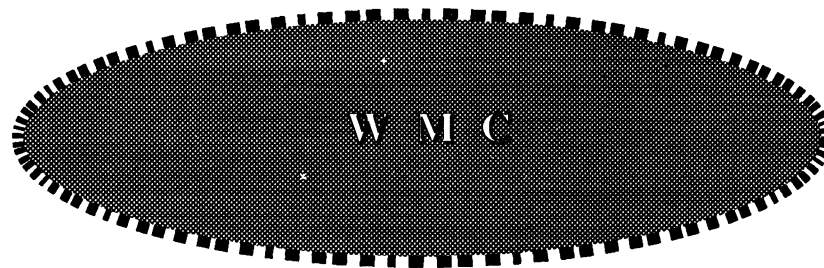
Remembering issues that never seem to be completely resolved: June Viavant, Conservation Director, discusses building new paved roads in Canyonlands Park, increasing fees for grazing livestock on public lands to an equitable value, and reducing services at National Parks because of underfunding and understaffing.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB JANUARY, 1944

(From Board of Directors' Minutes)

The Forest Service has approached the Mountain Club for assistance in Post War Planning toward the development of the Brighton area. Plans have already been drawn for a series of ski huts and the Club was asked to suggest locations for them.

It was moved by Chic Morton, seconded by O'Dell Petersen, and unanimously passed, that the Club file an application with the Forest Service for the purpose of construction of a ski lift at Brighton, preferably at the Mount Millicent base. The Forest Service had stated that they already had on file applications for two other ski lifts.



EVENTS AT A GLANCE

SKIING/SNOWSHOEING

January

- 1 Crack of Noon Trip to Lake Mary Ski Tour
- 2 Alta to Lake Blanche Ski Tour
- 2 Leader's Choice Ski Tour
- 2 Uinta's Ski Tour
- 2 Leader's Choice Snowshoe
- 8 American Fork Twins from Alta Ski Tour
- 8 Dog Lake Ski Tour
- 8 Desolation Lake Ski Tour
- 8 Greens Basin Via Days Fork Ski Tour
- 9 Violin Lessons at Powder Park Ski Tour
- 9 White Pine Ski Tour
- 9 Reynolds Peak Exploratory Loop Snowshoe
- 15 Beaver Creek/Unita's Ski Tour
- 15 Powder Park Ski Tour
- 15 White Pine Ski Tour
- 15 Bountiful Peak Snowshoe
- 15 Box Elder Via Dry Creek Ski Tour
- 16 Leader's Choice Ski Tour
- 16 Red Pine Ski Tour
- 16 Upper Green's Ski Tour
- 16 Greens Basin Snowshoe
- 16 Days Fork From Alta Ski Tour
- 22 Greens Basin Ski Tour
- 22 White Pine Ski Tour
- 22 Silver Fork From Brighton Ski Tour
- 22 Red Pine Snowshoe
- 22 Leader's Choice Ski Tour
- 23 Silver Fork Ski Tour
- 23 Powder Park Ski Tour
- 23 Bear Trap Fork Ski Tour
- 23 Mount Raymond Ski Tour
- 23 Lake Blanche Snowshoe
- 28 Moonlight Tour - Millcreek Ski Tour
- 29 Wolf Creek/Woodland Ski Tour Uintas
- 29 Powder Park Ski Tour
- 29 White Pine Ski Tour
- 29 Soldier Fork Ski Tour
- 29 Mineral Fork Snowshoe
- 30 Daniels Pass Ski Tour Uintas
- 30 Upper Greens Basin Ski Tour
- 30 North Face of Reynolds Ski Tour
- 30 Days Fork Snowshoe
- 30 Leader's Choice Ski Tour

February

- 5 Beaver Creek Environs Ski Tour Uintas
- 5 Grizzly Gulch Ski Tour
- 5 Leader's Choice Ski Tour
- 5 Powder Park via Dog Lake Snowshoe
- 5 Maybird Ski Tour
- 6 Scott's Pass Ski Tour

SKIING/SNOWSHOEING

February

- 6 Leader's Choice Ski Tour
- 6 Desolation Lake Ski Tour
- 6 Thomas Fork Ski Tour
- 6 Dog Lake Snowshoe
- 12 Norway Flats Ski Tour Uintas
- 12 Willow Peak Ski Tour
- 12 Lake Desolation Ski Tour
- 12 Upper Greens Basin and Beyond Ski Tour
- 13 North Fork of the Provo Ski Tour Uintas
- 13 Powder Park Ski Tour
- 13 Pfeifferhorn Ski Tour

SOCIALS

January

- 6 Country Western Dance Lessons
- 13 After Work Social
- 20 Country Western Dance Lessons
- 22 Nominations Banquet and Dance
- 27 Country Western Dance Lessons
- 30 7th Annual Spaghetti Supper

February

- 17 Country Western Dance Lessons

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

January

- 2 Snow Shoveling and Work Party at the Lodge
- 5 WMC Board Meeting
- 8 Avalanche Class
- 9 Audrey Kelley Clinic
- 13 Movie for Climbers
- 23 Ice Climbing
- 23 Snow Shoveling and Work Party at the Lodge

February

- 2 Board Meeting
- 9 General Membership Meeting

VOLLEYBALL

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| DATES: | Mondays Jan. 3, 10, 24, 31 |
| MEET: | Highland High School
2100 S. 1700 E.
Girl's Gym |
| TIME: | 6:30 pm |
| FEE: | \$1 Member \$2 Non members |
| CALL: | Ross Martin 364-4006 |

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE SKI DIRECTORS

Clint Lewis and Norm Fish

AVALANCHE CLASS

**8:30 am Saturday, January 8, 1994 Zion
Lutheran Church
1070 Foothill Drive**

Schedule information on Activity Page.

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FILM FESTIVAL

The Sundance Institute invites you to the 1994 Sundance Film Festival in Park City from January 20-30. Screenings are offered at the Tower Theatre in SLC and Sundance Institute Screening Room at Sundance. Discounts are also available for students, senior citizens and the disabled. Contacts: Carla (476-9524), Jill Miller (328-3456), or (322-1700).

A REMINDER:

The Audrey Kelley Ski Clinic at the LODGE will be held on Jan. 9th beginning at 9:30 am for beginning and intermediate cross-country skiers.

Classes: On understanding equipment, dressing for outdoor winter conditions and tips on waxing.

A hot lunch is included in the fee of \$6.

Parking is limited at the Lodge with the lifts taking up space, so meet and car pool from the west side of Hillside Plaza at 8:30 am. Bring cross-country skis, poles, boots and wear appropriate clothing for a day in the "colder" snow weather. Any questions??? call Harry Kimbrough (485-1483).

From the Lodge Directors

The Lodge Directors are consolidating all of the records, blueprints, and other documents related to the Lodge and are in desperate need of some filing cabinets. So if you have a heavy duty, commercial grade filing cabinet (letter, legal, or lateral) that is collecting dust and you would like to donate it to the Lodge, please call Rich Osborne at 647-0205.



PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee have found the following individuals who are willing to run for the offices and directorships as indicated. Incumbents are marked by an * asterick. The term of office is March 1, 1994 to February 28, 1995.

President	Jerry Hatch*
Secretary	Nance Allen*
Treasurer	Larene Miller
Membership	Linda Kosky*
Boating	Gene Jarvis
Conservation	John Veranth*
Co-Conservation	?
Entertainment	Mary Ann Losee*
	"Sam" Kievit
Hiking	Donn Seeley*
Lodge	Rich Osborne*
	Bob Myers*
Mountaineering	Kyle Williams*
Publications	Jean Frances*
Co-Publications	?
Co-Ski Directors	Brian Barkey
	Cheryl Soshnik
Bicycling	Frank Luddington
Information	Michael Treshow*
Trustee	Leslie Woods

Please contact one of the following committee members if you or anyone you know is qualified and would like to run for any of the above positions. Your help and interest would be greatly appreciated.

Hank Winawer	277-1997
John Shavers	467-7558
Julie Jones	278-4753
Joyce Schelstraete	263-9043

From Lodge Directors

The Lodge Directors are trying to replace the last electric stove. If you have an extra one that is in good working condition, one you would like to donate to the Lodge, please call Rich Osborne at 1-647-0205.

REI Free Clinics

**Contact Marty Stum or Kelly Davis
486-2100.**

Clinics Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm

REI and 'Sports Guide' magazine announce their Second Annual Amateur Photo Contest. This year's theme is "muscle-powered action sports." The contest will run for three months, with winners receiving prizes, publication and a shot at the grand prize in June. Entries for the first round of competition will be accepted from January 1 to February 1, 1994.

Jan. 11 Mark Freed presents show and video on the turquoise colored rivers, waterfalls, and lush jungles of Rio Jatate and Agua Azul, Mexico.

Jan. 18 Registered Nurse Pam Foyster will present a slide presentation and lecture on the prevention, basic diagnosis and treatment of hypothermia and frostbite.

Jan. 25 Utah Avalanche Forecast Center will present an advanced avalanche clinic on how to determine whether or not a slope is safe to ski or snowboard.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC Director can be listed in the Club Activities section of the *Rambler*. Send your proposed activity for approval to the hiking, boating, skiing, etc., director for inclusion in their activity schedule. Those activities sent directly to the *Rambler*, without approval, will not be published

PARKING INFO: CANYON PARKING NOTE: Even days—down side. Odd days—up side.
Check sign in canyon.

HILLSIDE PARKING NOTE: Park on the west side of the parking lot, south of the bank.

Jan 1 **SKI TOUR: CRACK OF NOON TRIP TO LAKE MARY** (NTD) traditional tour
Sat will be led by Leslie Woods (484-2338) who will show sympathy for wooly-headed
 skiers. Track skis and low cut boots are not acceptable for this trip. Skins are highly
 recommended. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 12:00 pm.

Jan 2 **LODGE: SNOW SHOVELING AND WORK PARTY** (NTD) Come and join us for
Sun an hour or two after your ski tour! From noon until 5:00 pm we'll be shoveling snow from
 the roof and continuing with building maintenance and construction. Light snacks will
 be provided. Call Rich Osborne (647-0205) for more information.

Jan 2 **SKI TOUR: ALTA TO LAKE BLANCHE** (MSD) George Westbrook (942-6071).
 This is rated at 14.0. George requires you call to register. This will be an early start to
 get back before dark. Skins, pieps, and shovel required. Meeting place is Hillside Plaza.
 Call George for meeting time.

Jan 2 **SKITOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE** (MOD) Ken Kelley (649-3520) will lead this trip
 and select an area near Brighton. Bring skins, pieps, and shovel. Meet at Hillside Plaza
 at 9:00 am.

Jan 2 **SKITOUR: UNTAS** (MOD) Rating MOD due to length not steepness, so no pieps or
 shovels required. Meet at Parley's K-Mart 8:30 am, then pick up leader Cheryl Soshnik
 (649-9008) at the Park City McDonald's exit at 9:00. OH! bring towel for hot tubbing!!!

Jan 2 **SNOWSHOE: LEADER'S CHOICE** (MOD) Clay Benton (277-2144) will find an
 interesting place to snowshoe on this moderate trip. Meeting place is Hillside Plaza (7000
 S. 2300 E.) behind the bank at 9:00 am.

Jan 5 **BOARD MEETING:** Attend WMC Meeting at 7:30 pm, 888 So. 200 E. and/or the Pre-
Wed Board Meeting that begins at the Trang Restaurant at 6:30 pm at 818 So Main.

- Jan 6
Thu **SOCIAL: COUNTRY-WESTERN DANCE LESSONS** Linda Kosky will be teaching new line dances, round dances and the basic two step. No partners required and only \$2 each night you attend will cover the rental of the building. Meet from 7:30-8:30 pm at First Unitarian Church, 569 So. 13th E. To register and get details, call Linda (943-1871) or Mary Ann (278-4587).
- Jan 8
Sat **AVALANCHE CLASS:** The annual Avalanche Class sponsored by the WMC will be held at the Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 South on Foothill Dr. Classes start at 8:30 am and go until about noon followed by a lunch break and practice with pieps and pit digging. Class will regroup at the Hillside Plaza at 1:00 pm to go to the Spruces, then end about 3:30 pm. More info from the Ski Directors on page 14 .
- Jan 8 **SKI TOUR: AMERICAN FORK TWINS FROM ALTA** (MSD 12) The Caldwells (942-6065) will lead this trip. Snow conditions will determine the route, please call for the specifics. Register with the leaders—car spotting.
- Jan 8 **SKI TOUR: DESOLATION LAKE** (MOD) Dallas Chopping (292-6298). Skins, shovel, and pieps required. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Jan 8 **SKI TOUR: DOG LAKE** (NTD) Gary Lindstrom (532-1259) This trip starts at Mill D North Fork and is rated at 4.5. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Jan 8 **SKI TOUR: GREENS BASIN VIA DAYS FORK** (MOD) Chris Biltoft (364-5729) This trip will go up Days Fork and then across rather than zig-zag up the main road. Bring skins, shovel, and pieps. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Jan 9
Sun **AUDREY KELLEY CROSS-COUNTRY SKI CLINIC:** Meeting at the Lodge at 9:30 am. Instruction for beginners and intermediate skiers plus tips for the outdoors and waxing. \$6 fee includes hot lunch. Bring cross-country skis, poles and boots and dress appropriately for a day outside. Please give Harry a call (485-1483). He can use assistance, help, and participation. Car pool from Hillside Plaza, south of the bank at 8:30 am as parking at the Lodge is limited now that Brighton is open.
- Jan 9 **SKI TOUR: VIOLIN LESSONS AT POWDER PARK** (MOD 7.0) Brian Barkey. (583-1205) Some folks say that one needs practice to do the violin concerto on the mountain. Here's your chance! The self proclaimed mountain maestro "Brian Barkey" will offer violin lessons for those adventurous enough to follow! Pieps, skins, and shovels required. Violins optional. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Jan 9 **SKI TOUR: WHITE PINE** (MOD 8.0) Meet Leslie Woods (484-2338) at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am to carpool to the trailhead. Pieps and shovels required.
- Jan 9 **SNOWSHOE: REYNOLDS PEAK EXPLORATORY LOOP** (MOD) Knick Knickerbocker (565-0910) does not recommend this trip for beginners. He plans a different descent down Reynolds Peak and feels it will be a strenuous snowshoe experience. Meet Knick at the west side of Hillside Plaza parking lot behind the bank at 9:00 am.

- Jan 13 **CLIMBING: THURSDAY NIGHT MOVIE** While the wind is howling and the ice is forming, let's watch a good climbing movie at Kyles' new house at 8745 S 1449 W at 7:00 pm. We'll plan some great outings for 1995, have fun socializing and enjoy tasty pot luck goodies. If you get lost, call (568-9330), Kyle will answer and give explicit directions.
- Jan 13 **SOCIAL AFTER WORK:** 5:30 pm gives you a chance to spend time with WMC friends. Same location as in December. For details call Phyllis Anderson (943-8500).
- Jan 15 **SKI TOUR UINTAS: BEAVER CREEK/UINTAS (NTD)** Nance Allen (486-0546). Meet at 10:00 am at the K-Mart at Parley's. Participants need to have been skiing before. Track skis & boots are fine. Call if you have questions.
- Jan 15 **SKI TOUR: BOX ELDER VIA DRY CREEK (MSD)** Rolf E. Doebbeling (467-6636). Call for meeting time, place, and arrangements. Pieps, shovels, skins required.
- Jan 15 **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK (MOD 7.0)** George Swanson (466-3003) will meet you at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Skins, pieps, shovels required.
- Jan 15 **SKI TOUR: WHITE PINE (MOD 8.0)** Dale Woodward (288-9471). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. NOTE: On this day in 1919, 21 people drowned in a 30 foot wall of molasses in Boston. We'll make sure we find snow, not molasses. Pieps, skins, shovels required.
- Jan 15 **SNOWSHOE: BOUNTIFUL PEAK (MOD+)** Join Bert Balzer (299-0246) on this longer and harder showshoe. Call Bert for meeting time and place, and for additional information.
- Jan 16 **SKI TOUR: DAYS FORK FROM ALTA (MSD 12.0)** Walt Haas (534-1262). Meet at mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon to take the bus to Alta. We'll hike up to Flagstaff and ski down Days Fork. Afterwards we'll take the bus down. Call Walt for time. Pieps, shovels, required. Skins strongly recommended. Bring \$3.00 for the bus.
- Jan 16 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD)** Christine Allred (261-8183). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am. Practice what you learned at the Audrey Kelley Clinic on Jan. 9th or just bring your track skis for this easy gentle tour. Call if the weather is looking dismal and we'll go to a movie instead.
- Jan 16 **SKI TOUR: RED PINE (MOD 5.5)** Jerry Mitchell (277-8054). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. We'll go to the ridge overlooking Maybird and come down Red Pine. Skins, pieps, shovels required.
- Jan 16 **SKI TOUR: UPPER GREEN'S (MOD 7.5)** David Vance (486-1878). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Come celebrate "National Nothing Day" today and maybe we can make it something. Skins, pieps, shovel required.

- Jan 16
Sun **SNOWSHOE: GREENS BASIN (NTD)** Visit this beautiful hidden meadow. Beginning snowshoers are more than welcome on this tour led by Mark Jones (486-5354). Meet at Hillside Plaza (7000 S. 2300 E.) behind the bank at 9:30 am.
- Jan 20
Thu **SOCIAL: COUNTRY-WESTERN DANCE LESSONS** Linda Kosky will be teaching new line dances, round dances and the basic two step. No partners required and only \$2 each night you attend will cover the rental of the building. Meet from 7:30-8:30 pm at First Unitarian Church, 569 So. 13th E. To register and get details, call Linda (943-1871) or Mary Ann (278-4587).
- Jan 22
Sat **SKI TOUR: GREENS BASIN (NTD 3.0)** Janiece Pompa (582-4110). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Skins recommended—we can practice telemark turns at the basin.
- Jan 22 **SKITOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MSD)** Allan Gavere (486-1476). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Skins, pieps, shovels required.
- Jan 22 **SKI TOUR: SILVER FORK FROM BRIGHTON (MOD+)** Larry Stewart (944-0213). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Pieps, shovels, skins required.
- Jan 22 **SKI TOUR: WHITE PINE (MOD 8.0)** Larene Miller (278-8958). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Bring lunch and come prepared to have a great ski day. Skins, pieps, shovels required.
- Jan 22 **SNOWSHOE: RED PINE (MOD)** Chris Baierschmidt (272-7952) will lead this intermediate trip up the popular Red Pine Trail. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Jan 22 **SOCIAL: MID-WINTER BANQUET AND DANCE** Bring a friend or come on your own to the annual AWARDS and NOMINATIONS BANQUET. Our agenda includes presentation of awards, nominations to the 94/95 Board, dining, dancing, fun!!! Cost: \$18 per person. Place: Double Tree Hotel, 215 W. South Temple. Music: Wind River Band. A cash bar will be available (no brown bagging please). Beverage cost: \$2.75 - \$3.50. *Reservations must be received by Jan. 15.* (See reservation form on page 21). For further details, call Mary Ann (278-4587) or Phyllis (943-8500).
- Jan 23
Sun **CLIMBING: ICE CLIMBING THAT IS!!!** Call Kyle Williams (568-9330) to help organize beginning to intermediate. Ice climbing leaders needed.
- Jan 23 **LODGE: SNOW SHOVELING AND WORK PARTY (NTD)** Come and join us for an hour or two after your ski tour! From noon until 5:00 pm we'll be shoveling snow from the roof and continuing with building maintenance and construction. Light snacks will be provided. Call Rich Osborne (647-0205) for more information.
- Jan 23 **SKI TOUR: BEAR TRAP FORK (MOD 7.5)** Frank Davis (272-7217). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. We'll ski the bowl at the top 2 or 3 times and then make lots of tree turns on the way down. Pieps, shovels, skins required.

- Jan 23 Sun **SKI TOUR: MOUNT RAYMOND (MSD)** Call leader David Smith (572-0346) for meeting time and place.
- Jan 23 **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK (MOD 7.0)** Tom Walsh (524-5542 wk, 969-5842). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. We'll observe Humphrey Bogart's arrival on the scene in 1899. Skins, pieps, shovels required.
- Jan 23 **SKITOUR: SILVER FORK (NTD)** Janet Chatwin (255-3732). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am. Sturdy boots and skins recommended.
- Jan 23 **SNOWSHOE: LAKE BLANCHE (MOD+)** See the WMC emblem (Sundial Peak) on this more difficult snowshoe tour. Leader Clarence Bertino (484-3679) will meet in-shape snowshoers at the Hillside Plaza at 10:00 am.
- Jan 27 Thu **SOCIAL: COUNTRY-WESTERN DANCE LESSONS** Linda Kosky will be teaching new line dances, round dances and the basic two step. No partners required and only \$2 each night you attend will cover the rental of the building. Meet from 7:30-8:30 pm at First Unitarian Church, 569 So. 13th E. To register and get details, call Linda (943-1871) or Mary Ann (278-4587).
- Jan 28 Fri **SKI TOUR: MOONLIGHT TOUR- MILLCREEK (NTD)** Sam Kievit (277-1789). Meet at rear/north parking lot Olympus Hills Mall at 6:30 pm. Track skis okay. Wear your snuggies (wear warm clothes) and bring a snack to share or a toddy for toasting.
- Jan 29 Sat **SKI TOUR: SOLDIER FORK (MSD 9.0)** Jim Piani (272-3921). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 8:00 am. We'll take bus to Spruces, need to spot cars in Mill Creek. Please call to arrange car pool. Bring \$1.50 for bus.
- Jan 29 **SKI TOUR: WHITE PINE (MOD 8.0)** Larry Larkin (486-9060). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Pieps, shovels, skins required.
- Jan 29 **SKI TOUR UINTAS: WOLF CREEK/WOODLAND (NTD+)** Lade Heaton (277-8832). Meet at the Parley's K-Mart at 9:00 am. We'll celebrate W. C. Fields birthday in 1880 and Edward Abbey's birthday in 1927. Skins recommended.
- Jan 29 **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK (MOD 7.0)** Cassie Badowsky (278-5153). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Skins, pieps, shovels required.
- Jan 29 **SNOWSHOE: MINERAL FORK (MOD-)** Follow leader Ray Duda (272-4601) up the mining road to the lower mine. Meet at the Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Jan 30 **SKI TOUR UINTAS: DANIELS PASS (NTD+)** Lucy Shoell (272-5234). Meet at Parley's K-Mart at 10:30 am for car pooling. Track skis okay. Good kick and glide plus mild hills, and a bowl to practice telemark turns. Optional: Attend the social at Vince Desimone's in Park City after the ski tour.

- Jan 30 Sun **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MSD)** Call trip leader Craig Steury (581-9572) for details. Pieps, skins, and shovels required.
- Jan 30 **SKI TOUR: NORTH FACE OF REYNOLDS (MOD)** Karen Perkins (272-2225). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Pieps, skins, shovels required.
- Jan 30 **SKI TOUR: UPPER GREEN'S BASIN (MOD 7.5)** Andy Schoenberg (583-3193). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Pieps, shovels, skins required.
- Jan 30 **SNOWSHOE: DAYS FORK (NTD)** This easy snowshoe starts at the Spruces and will go up Days Fork to the first big meadow. Meet leader Mark Jones (486-5354) at the Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am.
- Jan 30 **SOCIAL: 7th ANNUAL SPAGHETTI PARTY AT VINCENZO DESIMONE'S** 6 pm and enjoy Italian cuisine and fellowship by the fire with coffee and hot chocolate provided. Cost: \$5/person. Bring other drink choices. Directions: Take I-80 to Park City exit, turn left at Meadows Dr. (a short distance before the Radison Hotel, drive to the crest of the hill, turn left and up the hill to the "T", turn right and look for the U.S. flag flying high!). No children or pets! Call Vince (649-6805).
- Feb 2 Wed **BOARD MEETING:** Attend WMC Meeting at 7:30 pm, 888 So. 200E. and/or the Pre-Board Meeting that begins at the Trang Restaurant at 6:30 pm at 818 So. Main.
- Feb 5 Sat **SKI TOUR UINTAS: BEAVER CREEK ENVIRONS (NTD+)** Mike Treshow (582-0803). Meet at Parley's K-Mart at 9:00 am. No track skis. Skins required.
- Feb 5 **SNOWSHOE: POWDER PARK VIA DOG LAKE AND BIG WATER (MOD)** Powder Park is usually a skier's destination, but I've enjoyed this trip several times on snowshoes and I think you will too. Meet me, Norm Pobanz (266-3703), at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am.
- Feb 5 **SKI TOUR: GRIZZLY GULCH (MOD)** Kevin Oakes (277-8742). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Come celebrate Ronald Reagan's birth in 1911. Bob Marley was also born on this day if you are of a different persuasion. Skins, pieps, shovels.
- Feb 5 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD)** Chas & Emily Hall (277-1555). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. We'll go wherever the snow is the best for some easy telemark turns. Skins, pieps, and shovels (mostly skins) required.
- Feb 5 **SKI TOUR: MAYBIRD (MSD 10)** Peter Hansen (583-8249). Meet at Little Cottonwood parking lot at 8:00 am. This is a difficult tour and the worst part is at the end when you are tired. Eat your Wheaties and come for a great tour. Pieps, shovels, skins required.
- Feb 6 Sun **SNOWSHOE: DOG LAKE (NTD)** Come with Carma Pobanz (266-3703) on this leisurely trip through the aspens up Mill D. Meeting place is the Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am.

- Feb 6
Sun **SKI TOUR: SCOTTS PASS** (NTD 4.0) Barbara Richards (484-8097). Meet at Hillside Plaza Shopping Center parking lot at 9:00 am. Skins recommended.
- Feb 6 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE** (MOD) Mohamed Abdallah (583-8700). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Celebrate the Feast of Lanterns on this day (and maybe someone who can tell us what that is will get a prize). Skins, pieps, and shovels required.
- Feb 6 **SKI TOUR: DESOLATION LAKE** (MOD 5.5) Leader T.B.A. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Bring a lunch. Pieps, shovels, and skins required.
- Feb 6 **SKI TOUR: THOMAS FORK** (MSD 11) Dennis and Karin Caldwell (942-6065). Meet at the northeast side of Olympus Mall. Call to register for this tour. Pieps, skins, and shovels required.
- Feb 9
Wed **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:** Held at Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 Foot-hill Dr. at 7:30 pm. Keeping the Lodge is a major concern to the Club—we need your input—on this and other issues.
- Feb 12
Sat **SKI TOUR UINTAS: NORWAY FLATS** (NTD) Jerry Hatch (467-7186). Meet at Parley's K-Mart parking lot at 9:00 am. Long gentle pull uphill through ponderosa pine. Interesting place, not like the Wasatch (and not like Arizona either where, in 1982, a saguaro cactus fell and crushed a poacher).
- Feb 12 **SKI TOUR: WILLOW PEAK** (MOD) Ellie Ienatsch (272-2426). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Call Ellie if you have questions. Pieps, shovels, and skins required.
- Feb 12 **SKI TOUR: LAKE DESOLATION** (MOD 5.5) Jim Byrne (582-5631). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Along the way we can celebrate the birth of Charles Darwin in 1809. Skins would be helpful, pieps and shovels are required.
- Feb 12 **SKI TOUR: UPPER GREENS BASIN AND BEYOND** (MSD) Harold Goeckeritz (272-6205). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Skins, pieps, and shovels required.
- Feb 13
Sun **SKI TOUR UINTAS: NORTH FORK OF THE PROVO** (NTD/MOD) John Veranth (278-5826). Meet at Parley's K-Mart at 8:00 am. Very flat, the flattest tour in the area. Those wanting a more challenging tour can go further.
- Feb 13 **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK** (MOD 7.0) Pat Kottcamp (467-7231). Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:00 am. Come help celebrate the marriage of Dagwood and Blondie in 1933. Skins, pieps, and shovels required.
- Feb 13 **SKI TOUR: PFEIFFERHORN** (MSD) Call Walt Haas (534-1262) for arrangements. Pieps, shovels, and skins required.

Feb 17
Thu

SOCIAL: COUNTRY-WESTERN DANCE LESSONS Linda Kosky will be teaching new line dances, round dances and the basic two step. No partners required and only \$2 each night you attend will cover the rental of the building. Meet from 7:30-8:30 pm at First Unitarian Church, 569 So. 13th E. To register and get details, call Linda (943-1871) or Mary Ann (278-4587).

FROM THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE

Parking: For tours meeting at the Hillside Plaza (7000 S. 2300 E.) be sure to park *south of the bank* where parked cars will not interfere with shoppers.

Ski Tour Participants Responsibilities: It is suggested that each tour leader read the following to the group before starting the tour:

“It is your responsibility to be prepared for this ski tour with proper clothing, food and equipment. It is also your responsibility to stay with the group! The Tour Leader suggest/requests on the uphill climb that the uphill skier never lose sight of the person following. In this way the group **Will stay together** and be able to help any skier with problems. **DOWNHILL PORTION:** Before starting we will form groups of 3-4 skiers with equal ability with one of the group members chosen as group leader. The Tour Leader will note the group leaders' names **BEFORE** starting downhill. During the downhill portion, each group **MUST STAY TOGETHER.** We will regroup at the selected locations on both the uphill climb and downhill run.”

WMC SKI TOUR RATINGS EXPLANATION:

NTD (Not too difficult): Terrain is mostly gentle. Participants should be able to do a kick turn, snowplow, and descend a slope by traversing. Usually no avalanche danger.

MOD (Moderately difficult): Proficiency climbing and descending intermediate slopes is required. Pieps and shovels may sometimes be suggested or required. If a piep is carried, this implies knowledge of how to search for a buried companion.

MSD (most difficult) Strenuous, usually involves long ascents, steep or narrow descents. Pieps and shovel are always required.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

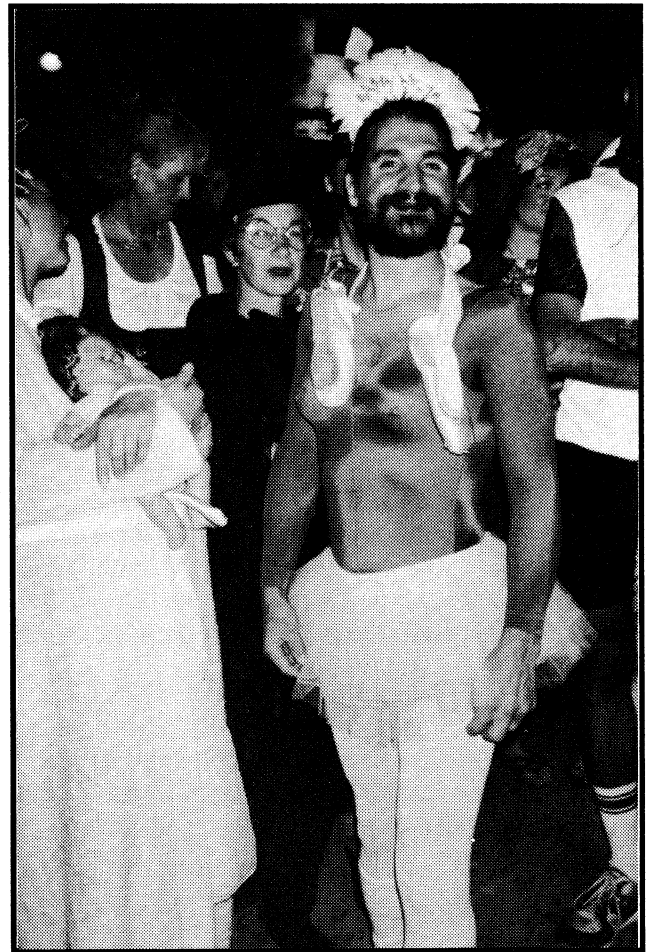
- Feb 4-6 **La Sal Mountains (Mt. Tomasaki) Backcountry Ski Tour:** William McCarvill is leading this tour for experienced backcountry skiers only. The group will stay in the Mt. Tomasaki cabin maintained by Tag-A-Long Tours in Moab. Snow cat transportation provided into (but not out). A guide will be with the group the first day. Special Note: Will intends to drive to Moab Thursday, Feb. 3 and stay in a motel. The group will ski out Monday afternoon Feb. 7 and return to SLC that night. A \$50 deposit is necessary to hold a reservation and is non-refundable unless another person takes the slot. Call Will for details ASAP (943-5520).
- Feb 12-13 **Idaho Yurt Trip:** A quickie yurt trip to the Inman Pass yurt in the Portneuf Range of SE Idaho (near Pocatello) has been arranged by Rob Jones, WMC newcomer and Idaho native. It's approximately 170 miles (3 1/2 hour) drive from SLC. Group will drive to the trailhead early Saturday morning, Feb. 12, and ski to the yurt, returning to SLC the evening of Feb. 13th. Enrollment is limited to 6. Advanced beginner to intermediate skills are necessary and skins highly recommended. Cost of yurt rental is about \$15 per person. Call Rob (485-3262) for more information and to register.
- Feb 18-21 **North Rim of the Grand Canyon Touring/Snowshoe Trip:** Reservations are still being taken for the North rim of the Grand Canyon ski touring/snowshoe trip. Three night stay at Kaibab Lodge cabins or yurt. On Thursday, Feb. 17th we car-pool to Jacob's Lake Lodge just south of Kanab to catch the newer high speed snowvans on Friday morning for the ride to Kaibab Lodge, returning the morning of Feb. 21. The package price for Kaibab Lodge includes lodging, excellent meals, non-alcoholic beverages, ski clinics and other goodies. Price will range from \$390.00 depending on yurt or cabin availability. A deposit of \$100.00 for the yurt and \$125.00 for the cabins is required and is non-refundable unless someone else takes that slot. Balance required before Jan 7. Space is limited: for more info call Dallas Chopping (292-6298) without delay for information and reservations as space is limited.
- Feb 25 thru
Mar 6 **San Juan Ski Trip:** Advanced skills required. We will have the use of house in Lake City, CO and spend two nights in backcountry cabin. A \$100 deposit is required. Leader: Michael Budig (328-4512). Trip is limited to 6 participants, so sign up early. This is an exploratory trip.
- Mar 10-13 **Sun Valley Idaho Ski/Snowshoe Trip (3 nights).** Come and join us for some fun in the snow at Sun Valley, Idaho. We plan to alpine (downhill) ski for 2 days or ski 1 day and snowshoe 1 day. Sleeping arrangements have been made for 3 nights in 3 condos at Ketchum, Idaho (Sun Valley Ski Resort. **LIMIT of 16.** Call Knick Knickerbocker (364-6521 W, 565-0910 H) or Mark Jones (486-5354) for more information. A deposit is required to hold your reservation.....**call early to register as this trip will fill fast.**

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Mar 12-14 **LOGAN CANYON STEAM MILL YURT:** Kyle Williams is leading this three day, two night MOD yurt trip to Steam Mill yurt in Logan Canyon with a **limit of 6**. Cost: \$45 per person: food and sleeping bags will be packed in. Phone Kyle (568-9330) to register and for more information.

Apr 20-24 **GRAND CANYON ADVENTURE:** We have 16 places at the most luxurious accomodations on the Grand Canyon bottom—Phantom Ranch—for 2 nights. This includes cabins and six meals. We will stay on the south rim on the nights of 4/20 and 23. Additional nights on the rim are optional. A non refundable deposit of \$50 is required by Feb. 1. This trip usually fills quickly. Call Mike Eisenberg (572-2676)

FROM THE RECENT PAST



1993 Lodge Halloween Party —Photo by Clint Lewis

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

by Dale Green

Wouldn't it have been nice if someone on the Notch Peak trip, where Jerry Hatch had his accident (see the December Rambler), had just picked up the phone and dialed 911? Think of the time it would have saved. Jerry might have been in the hospital before Wick Miller reached the phone in Delta to call for help.

The idea is not far-fetched, in fact it is completely practical. As an example, this fall I met some acquaintances near Antelope Springs about 10 miles north of Notch Peak to do some exploring only to find one car from the group was missing and presumed lost. My weekend was ruined! We would have to search the roads as best we could while returning to Delta where the sheriff could be notified. One of the fellows had a hand-held amateur radio. He called the Salina repeater, got a dial tone (phone patch), and directly dialed a friend in Provo who determined our other vehicle had had two flat tires and limped into Delta on the rim. The weekend was saved.

Most of you are probably saying, "So what." "I am not interested in amateur radio and could never pass any test." Before totally rejecting the notion, please read on.

In 1991 the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) changed the rules allowing an amateur radio license to be obtained WITHOUT passing a Morse code test. A pool of 645 multiple choice questions has been compiled from which 55 questions are asked in two tests. You must get 74% of the questions correct to pass. There are many books which publish the complete pool of test questions along with the correct answers and explanations. The test questions and answers on the actual exam duplicate exactly word for word the questions and answers in these books (except that the order of choices may be rearranged.) There are no reworded or trick questions or substitutions. A high percentage of the answers involve the application of common sense and require little study. I repeat, **NO MORSE CODE TEST IS REQUIRED.**

Anyone with sufficient motivation can pass these tests. If you are not technically inclined at all, the answers can be memorized. At my examination there were people ranging in ages from a 7-year-old girl to gray-haired grandmothers. The exam room was actually dominated by high schoolers, both male and female. Several did not pass the tests but most did. Some of the kids retried

the test as many as 4 times, finally passing. The average examination time per test for adults was 5-6 minutes.

I have several friends who now have these licenses, referred to by the FCC as "Technician Class." None of them is technically inclined but they are motivated. For each question they couldn't figure out they "simply" memorized the answers. The time commitment for study was 10-15 weekday nights and a few weekends. Personally, I was both motivated and technically inclined. When I heard on Monday morning that the exam was Tuesday evening, I got the books and read through them that evening and most of Tuesday. I passed the exam that night easily, missing only one question on regulations. The tests are easy.

What does all this get you? For about \$300 you can purchase a transceiver with which you can legally communicate from almost anywhere in the contiguous United States. That includes our local canyons and even the Uintas and wilds of SE Utah and West Desert. Think of the peace of mind that gives you when backpacking in remote areas. Yes, you might have to climb out of the bottom of the Maze to the plateau above, or hike to a nearby ridge or peak, but this is little time compared to running all the way back to your car and driving into town. How this is done is through repeaters which are strategically located on mountain tops almost everywhere. A small hand-held, near palm-size, 2- to 5-watt transceiver is sufficient in most cases to communicate with the repeater, which in turn has much higher power, and can reach a very large surrounding area. Many repeaters have equipment called a phone patch which allows direct-dialing from a touch-tone pad on your transceiver.

Almost all repeater frequencies are monitored 24 hours a day. In an emergency someone will hear your call and can assist. This summer some friends of mine exited a cave in Logan Canyon very late at night. Two of them took a wrong turn and got lost, reaching the main road miles from camp and much too tired to hike back up. After hitching a ride into Logan they used their transceivers and called their wives in Salt Lake through a repeater to tell them what had happened. A monitoring amateur heard their plight (there is no privacy on phone calls), got out of bed at 4:00 a.m., borrowed his neighbor's jeep, drove down to the all-night burger joint where my friends were, and then drove them all the way back up the canyon to their camp!

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EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

WMCers should give very serious consideration to obtaining their Technician Class license, carrying a transceiver in their pack, and learning how to use it. The two books which most people use to study for the tests are readily available from any Radio Shack store. The first is for those who have very little background on electricity and radio. It is Now You're Talking and costs \$16.99. The other recommended guide is No-Code Plus for \$7.99. This book is considerably more brief with answers and explanations next to the questions and very little text. It is the one I used, but I recommend studying both.

LOCAL USE OF CELLULAR PHONES FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Cellular phones can be used in selected areas of the local canyons. They certainly can be used on the range front where the city can be plainly viewed. Where they might be used when inside the canyons is an unknown but I observed one individual using his phone from a ridge at the head of Mill Creek. With the use and ownership of cellular phones becoming ubiquitous I have proposed, with the approval of the Governing Board, that the WMC compile and publish a map of locations on and near our hiking/skiing/snowshoeing trails where reliable phone contact may be made.

To this end, we are asking that those of you who have cellular phones to stick them in your pack and periodically try to make contact in likely places, especially ridges, passes, mountain tops, etc. Make a note of both successes and failures and phone the information to Tom Silberstorf (255-2784) who will compile and consolidate the information.

The map will be published as soon as enough data can be gathered to make it worthwhile. It will be a continuing effort for a couple of years to come since all areas of the canyons cannot be covered in one season. While we do not have many emergencies, knowing where we have the ability to immediately call 911 can save lives.

This effort is to produce a map for emergency communications. Please don't spoil the outdoors experience for others by having your cellular phone turned on so you can receive phone calls at any time reception is possible. Thank you.

FROM THE LODGE DIRECTORS

by Robert Myers and Rich Osborne

The Lodge work parties continue to be well-attended and will continue throughout the winter. We will continue to work on the porch, repair doors, address structural deficiencies, mortar the logs, build cabinets, cut wood, shovel snow, and general housecleaning.

Rich also plans to open the Lodge on an informal basis throughout the year, so if there are specific dates you'd like to see the Lodge open, or if you would like to host an open night at the Lodge, please call Rich at 647-0205. Admission is \$5 per person (or \$20 per family on designated family nights. Call for reservations.)

We only need to replace one more stove, so please call Rich Osborne if you have an extra electric stove in good condition that you would like to donate to the Lodge. The Lodge Directors are also consolidating all of the records, blueprints, and other documents related to the Lodge and are in desperate need of some filing cabinets (letter, legal, and lateral sizes). So if you have a heavy duty, commercial grade filing cabinet that is collecting dust and you would like to donate it to the Lodge, please call Rich Osborne at 647-0205.

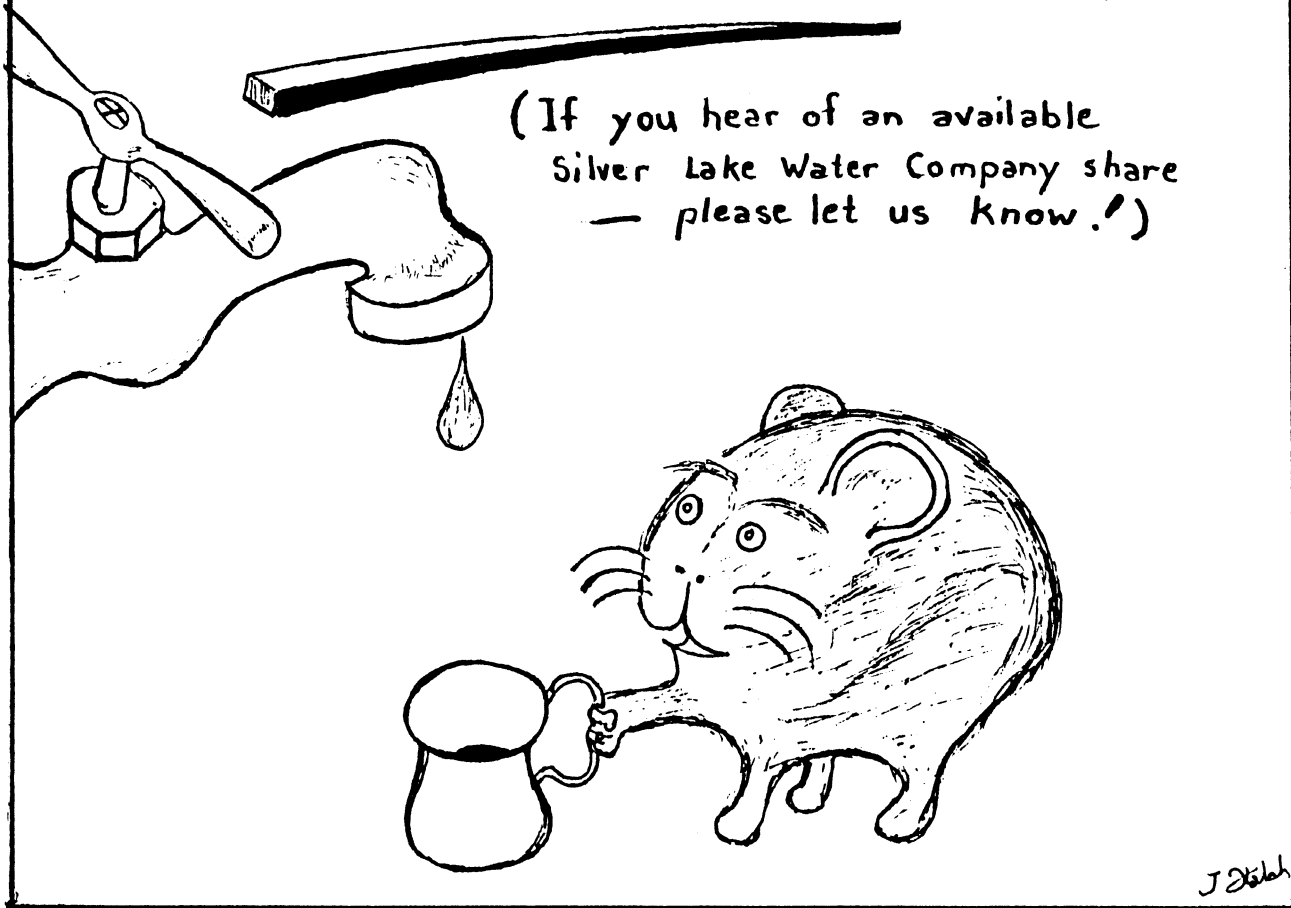
UPCOMING LODGE WORK PARTIES SNOW SHOVELING WORK PARTY

Sunday, January 2 from noon until 5 pm

Sunday, January 23 from noon until 5 pm

We will shovel snow from the roof and continue work on the porch, exit doors, mortaring the logs, building cabinets, and housecleaning. Snacks will be provided. To get involved with our work parties please call either of the Lodge Directors - Rich Osborne at 647-0205 or Robert Myers at 485-9209.

THE CLUB NEEDS SOME WATER!



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jerry Hatch

This month I really didn't feel like writing a message; I'm somewhat tired from working on the Forest Service lease. It has been a big job for several people in the Club. A big thanks goes out to Karin Caldwell, Nance Allen and Rich Osborne who wrote our response, to Tom Berggren, who besides acting as our legal adviser, has also been our liaison with the Forest Service, and to Tom Silberstorf and Alexis Kelner who supplied us with needed materials.

The application is in now. Mike Sieg of the Forest Service said we did a good job. (See his letter on page 23.) Now I am in a tired, but somewhat whimsical mood, and I think, "For a change I will draw something." I thought I would create sort of a mascot for the Club. May I introduce you all to Perry Pika.

"Why a pika?" you may ask.

Well, he's something I can draw. I hope to use him occasionally to try and catch your attention. This month he is announcing we are still very anxiously looking for a water share at Brighton; a project that is very important and vital for us folks. If any of you hear of anything give me a call.

*You are cordially invited
to the Wasatch Mountain Club's
Mid-Winter Banquet and Dance*

SAT., JANUARY 22

*Doubletree Hotel
215 West South Temple*

\$18.00 per person

6:00 - 7:00 *Social Hour*

**7:00 - 9:00 *Dinner, Presentation of Awards, Nominations
for 1994/95 Governing Board***

9:00 - 12:00 *Dance to the music of the Wind River Band*

Reservations should be made by Jan. 15. Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club. Send Check(s) and reservation form to M. Losee, 4239 South 1500 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84124.

RESERVATION FORM • MID-WINTER BANQUET AND DANCE

Your name _____ Number of individuals attending _____

Check(s) enclosed in the amount of _____

LODGE STATUS

The following letter from District Ranger Mike Sieg will keep you current on the Forest Service Position regarding the status of the WMC Lodge

Dear Jerry,

Several people have expressed concern to me directly, and others indirectly, about the process we are using to decide whether or not to issue a new special-use permit to the Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) for their lodge. Also, the "struggles" the WMC is having with the Forest Service were discussed in December's Rambler. I am writing to explain the situation, through my eyes, so the club will get a feel for where we are at and what lies ahead.

The lodge has been on National Forest System land since it was built in 1929. It has been authorized through a series of special use permits, the last two were for 15 years each. The last permit expired on May 5, 1992. We met with members of the Club on February 2, 1993 and October 12 to discuss the process and requirements for obtaining a new permit.

Because the permit has expired the decision to issue a new special-use permit is discretionary and we are required to conduct an environmental analysis to determine the appropriateness of maintaining the lodge on the National Forest. The process is the same we require of any proponent who wishes to have a structure on the National Forest. This analysis will assess the nature and significance of the physical, biological, social, and economic effects of the proposal and its reasonable alternatives. This will involve public scoping, identification of the relevant environmental concerns, development of a reasonable range of alternatives, estimation of the environmental consequences, and a written decision. This decision will be appealable.

Some proposals, such as short term uses with little or no land disturbance, may be categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Assessment (EA). An EA is a document that discloses the environmental analysis in detail. A proposal to maintain a facility, such as the WMC lodge, on the National Forest requires the preparation of an EA. After the EA has been available for review by the public for 30 days we will be able to make our formal decision.

At times our environmental analysis process may be frustrating to proponents. Our experience is that it results in better, and more informed, decisions.

Special-use permits are issued with expiration dates for several reasons. One is so that we can re-evaluate the use to see if it is still consistent with current laws, regulations, policies, and public demands. It is also an opportunity to bring facilities, such as the lodge, up to current health and safety laws, regulations and standards.

We take a decision to commit National Forest System land for 15 years to a private-club type use seriously. I would expect the members of the WMC to appreciate this as much as anyone. This is particularly important in an area such as Brighton where public demands for the use of the National Forest are increasing.

Our decision is not as clear cut as it may seem. Current Forest Service direction is to not issue permits for private-club type uses and to reserve property with high outdoor recreation resource values for future use by the general public. It directs us to always consider the public's need first when conflicts exist between currently permitted private-club use, as the opportunity arises, unless there will be no public needs for the land involved. We realize that the lodge is on the National Register of Historic Places and we also have direction to protect and manage for historical values.

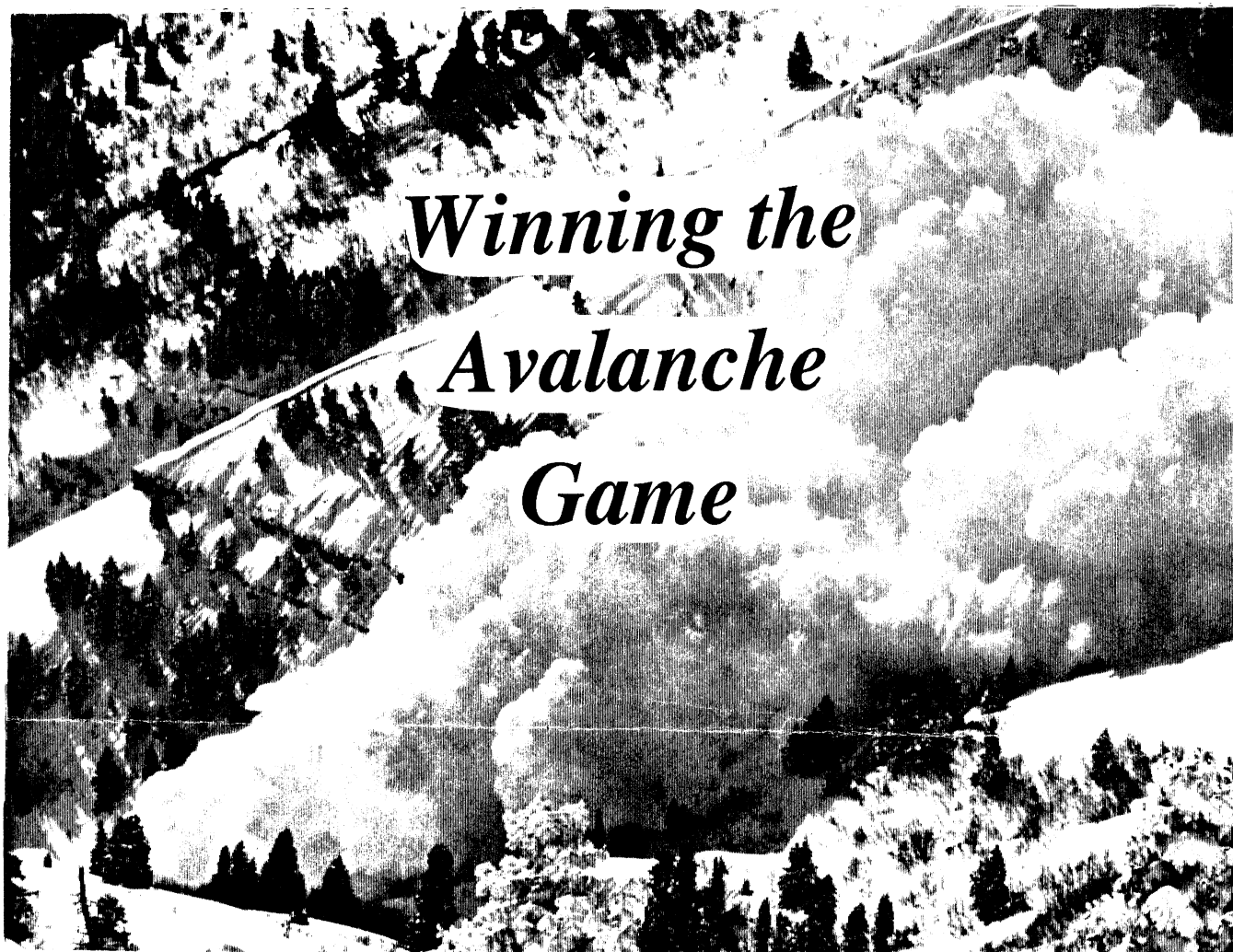
Our engineers have done a detailed structural inspection of the lodge and identified numerous items that need to be fixed. Some are major and some are small. If the decision is made to issue a new permit it will be contingent upon making the necessary structural changes. Also, like all the facilities in the canyon within 300 feet of the sewer, the lodge will be required to connect to the sewer.

Yesterday we received the application for a new special-use permit and it is quite good. We will work with the WMC to develop a reasonable schedule for completing the environmental analysis and I expect things to go smoothly.

If you are other club members have any questions please call me.

Sincerely,

Michael Sieg, District Ranger



Winning the Avalanche Game

Photo of avalanche near Provo Canyon by Jerry Hill

"**Winning the Avalanche Game**" will teach you how to avoid setting off avalanches when venturing into hazardous backcountry terrain. The 58 minute production is an entertaining blend of spectacular avalanches, winter recreationists, informative graphics, and interviews with 15 recognized avalanche professionals on the topics of:

- **Who gets caught in avalanches and why**
- **The human factor in decision making**
- **Routefinding and safe travel**
- **Testing snow stability**
- **How to read avalanche terrain**
- **Avalanche rescue**

Proceeds from the sales of this video fund winter safety information and services provided by the Utah Avalanche Forecast Center and Wasatch Interpretive Association.

You can buy a copy of this video for \$19.95 at the following Wasatch Interpretive Association outlets:

8230 Federal Bldg.	Salt Lake Ranger District	Union Station	Silver Lake Nordic Center
125 South State Street	6944 South 3000 East	2501 Wall Avenue	Brighton, UT
Salt lake City, UT 84138	Salt Lake City, UT 84121	Ogden, UT 84401	

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HEY HO EVERYONE. IT'S MOVIES!

by Kyle Williams

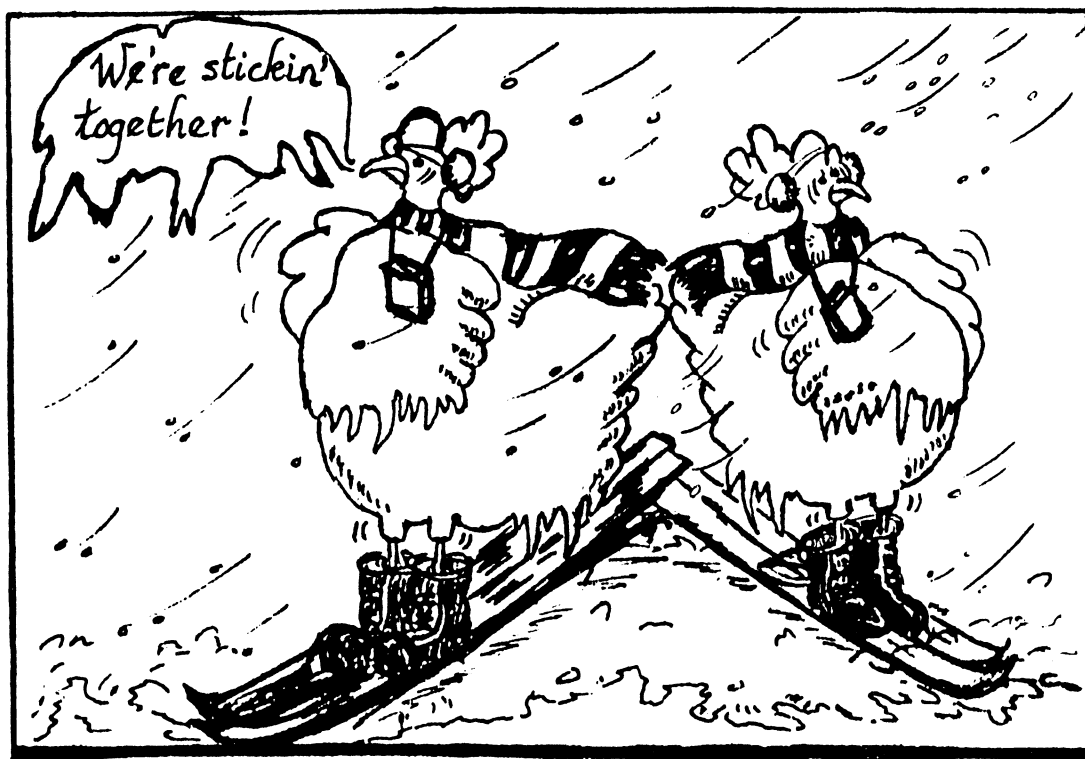
"You've got to fight like Hell!" Strong words from Tom Kimbrough, Avalanche Forecast Center expert and co-star of a great new video called "Winning the Avalanche Game" produced by the Wasatch Interpretive Association and co-sponsored by the Wasatch Mountain Club.

Tom was referring to your actions and attitude when first caught in an avalanche, and that punching tone crashes through all 58 minutes of "Winning". Teaming up with an all-star cast of avalanche experts (and some surviving victims), Tom and Bruce and the folks teach avalanche safety as if it were a matter of life and death. Hey, what a coincidence! IT IS!

Teaching snow physics and snowpack dynamics, the film helps dispel such myths as: "It won't slide on us" and "You can't learn anything from digging a snow pit anyway". Only a few minutes of "Winning" is spent on rescue, suggesting that a much more important focus is avoidance! There seems to be a tendency to hang that beacon around our necks and take off in dangerous country as if it were a good luck charm. IT AIN'T! Yes, a beacon can save your life if your friends can dig you out in time, but more often than not they'll dig out a body that has been fatally damaged by a wild ride over the river and through the woods. This film makes plain that studying the snow and choosing a safe route is the best plan.

Every skier, snow-snowshoer, shredder, climber and machiner needs to own and regularly review this video. It's available for \$19.95 by calling the Wasatch-Cache National Forest office at 524-5030. Order form available on page 25.

Do it. The life you save could be your own.!



Here's how to order
"Winning The Avalanche Game"

VHS videotape

Please fill out this form and mail to:



Wasatch Interpretive Association
P.O. Box 526246
Salt Lake City, UT 84152-6246

or fax your credit card order to the:
Utah Avalanche Forecast Center
(801) 524-4030

Your purchase helps fund avalanche safety information and services.

Ordered by: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Payment enclosed:

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_____ Check (Payable to Wasatch Interpretive Association) Orders paid by check may be delayed for clearance.

Charge my: _____ Visa _____ Mastercard

Account Number _____

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Your Signature: (required) _____

Note: Credit card order cannot be processed without signature.

Quantity _____ \$19.95 each in United States	Quantity _____ \$25.00 each in Canada
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WESTERN UINTAS SKI TOURS

by Cheryl Soshnik

In an effort to convince WMC members that there is life beyond the Wasatch Front, for the next three months the ski tour committee will be luring you to the Western slope of the Uintas. Routes in the Uintas generally tend to be longer, less steep, and have less avalanche danger than that younger mountain range to its west. We'll start this month with some northern tours—from rank beginner to MSD overnights. In February, we'll describe tours along the Mirror Lake Highway, and then finish you off in March with some southern temptations.

While I haven't been on all of these routes YET, my technical advisor, Carthy McKathy (that wild woman from Kamas and the best darn sports writer Park City has ever seen) has done them all. If you have additions, corrections, or suggestions, call me (649-9008) and we'll get this updated for next year. Northern Area (Weber River and Smith and Morehouse)

General directions: From Highway 189 at Oakley, turn east and drive along the Weber River toward Smith and Morehouse canyon. Hoyt Peak ski tour begins after 4 miles, the remainder begin at the end of the road, 11 miles from Oakley.

Name: Smith and Morehouse Canyon to Ledgefork Campground

Rating: Beginner - NTD

Topos: Slader Basin, Erickson Basin

Beginning Elevation: 7,400'

Highest Elevation: 7,800'

Elevation gain: 400'

One-way miles: 3 on groomed road

One-way hours: 1 to 1-1/2

Avalanche danger: None

Recommended equipment: Track skis or light touring skis

Comments: Snowmobile use on weekends. Good beginner or moonlight tour.

Directions: From the parking area at the end of the plowed road, turn right (south) and ski along a

groomed snowmobile road. After 1-1/2 miles, you come to Smith and Morehouse reservoir. Another 1-1/2 miles takes you to Ledgefork Guard Station. Return the same way you skied in.

Name: Red Pine Canyon to Mud Lake Flats

Rating: Mod

Topos: Slader Basin, Erickson Basin, Hoyt Peak

Beginning Elevation: 7,400'

Highest Elevation: 9,635'

Elevation Gain: 2,235'

One-way miles: 7: 3 on groomed road; 4 on ungroomed 4WD road

One-way hours: 3

Avalanche danger: Yes

Recommended equipment: Touring skis, pieps and shovel

Comments: Depending on snow conditions, snowmobiles may not go very far past Ledgefork Guard Station along the Red Pine Canyon road. Trail breaking likely.

Directions: Begin with the NTD Smith and Morehouse tour. At Ledgefork Guard Station, turn right (west) along the Red Pine Canyon road. There are steep treed slopes above you, so beware of avalanches. Eventually you will loop clockwise to Mud Lake flats. You will probably have to return the same way you came although there is some indication of a steep descent route down Beartrap Creek back to the Smith and Morehouse road.

Name: Windy Ridge

Rating: MOD+

Topo: Slader Basin

Beginning Elevation: 7,400'

Highest Elevation: 10,666'

Elevation gain: 3,200'

Elevation loss: 3,200'

One-way miles: 3-3/4: 3/4 on groomed road; 3 route finding

One-way hours: 3

Avalanche danger: Yes

Recommended equipment: Backcountry skis, skin, pieps, and shovel

Comments: Do not be confused by another "Windy Ridge" named on the eastern edge of the Topo.

Directions: From the parking area at the end of the plowed road, ski through the gate toward Thousand Peaks Ranch on groomed snowmobile road, for 3/4 mile. Work your way across the Weber River (frozen in mid-winter, may be running water earlier or later in the year. You may want to bring a pair of boots just for the crossing), and break trail north towards the nearest canyon. Work your way up to the ridge on the left (west) side of the canyon. Some easy bushwhacking at the lower end, easy skiing along the ridge. The reward: great bowl skiing at the top, and then ski back via the canyon bottom.

Name: Weber Canyon to Holiday Park

Rating: Beginner - NTD - MOD (because of the length)

Topos: Slader Basin, Whitney Reservoir

Beginning elevation: 7,400'

Highest Elevation: 8,000'

Elevation Gain: 600'

One-way miles: 8 on groomed road

One-way hours: up to 4

Avalanche danger: none

Recommended equipment: Track skis or light touring skis

Comments: Not as heavily used by snowmobiles as the Smith and Morehouse road. Holiday Park has year round cabins. This road receives almost no snowmobile traffic during the week.

Directions: Ski through the gate and toward Thousand Peaks Ranch from the parking lot. Ski along the Weber River to Holiday Park or turn around at any point for a shorter day.

Name: Weber River to Mirror Lake Highway via Smith and Morehouse to Norway Flats or North Fork of Provo

Rating: MSD Overnight

Topos: Slader Basin, Erickson Basin, Soapstone Basin

Beginning elevation: 7,400' at Weber River, 7,600' at Mirror Lake highway

Highest Elevation: 10,200 at Island Lake

Elevation Gain: 2,600' or 2,800'

One-way miles: 20 (10 miles to Island Lake) on groomed road, unpacked trail, and route finding

One-way hours: 8 hours (probable trail breaking each day)

Avalanche danger: No, unless you wanted to ski peaks off the side of the trail

Recommended equipment: Backcountry skis, skins, overnight camping gear, shovel, pieps if off trail skiing

Comments: This overnight trip requires a car spot. One car is left at either the Norway Flats trailhead or the North Fork of the Provo trailhead and then drive to the Smith and Morehouse trailhead to begin the trip (or vice-versa).

Directions: Ski the Smith and Morehouse road to the Ledgefork Guard Station. Unless snowmobiles have been through, begin breaking trail south along the Smith and Morehouse pack trail. Work south and east to Island Lake for the night. Next day, either go directly south to the Norway Flats trail or continue east 1 mile to the North Fork of the Provo. Cautions: This trip requires excellent map reading and route finding skills. You should not attempt this trip unless there is someone along who is familiar with the area.

Name: Hoyt Peak via South Fork Weber River or Swifts Canyon

Rating: MSD

Topos: Hoyt Peak

Beginning Elevation: 6,700'

Highest Elevation: 10,228'

Elevation Gain: 3,528'

One-way miles: 5-7 on groomed road to trail breaking on 4 WD road to route finding

One-way hours: 4-5

Avalanche danger: Yes

Recommended equipment: Backcountry skis, skins, pieps and shovel

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WESTERN UINTAS SKI TOURS

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Comments: This is a long day with major trail breaking on steep grades if snowmobiles have not used the area recently.

Directions: Park at the South Fork of the Weber River. You can go two ways. The less steep route travels south along the South Fork on a groomed snowmobile route for 3 miles. Then turn west and follow White Pine Creek 4 miles to the top of Hoyt Peak. If you want a challenge, the second route goes west from the parking area and follows the river 1/2 mile, then turns south and steeply goes up Swifts Canyon for another 4 1/2 miles. If both routes had been packed by snowmobiles, you could make a loop trip. Good bowl skiing on the east face of Hoyt Peak.

Name: Hoyt Peak via Hoyt Canyon

Rating: Mod+

Topos: Kamas, Hoyt Peak

Beginning Elevation: 6,627'

Highest Elevation: 10,228'

Elevation gain: 3,601'

One-way miles: 7 on groomed road to trail breaking on 4 WD road

One-way hours: 4-5

Avalanche danger: Yes

Recommended equipment: Backcountry skis, skins, pieps and shovel

Comments: This approach is not as steep as the one from the South Fork of the Weber. If recently travelled by snowmobile, there is less trailbreaking.

Directions: This route does not begin at Oakley. Instead, drive south to Marion and turn east on the Upper Setting Road. Park at Weller Repair and ski east on the snowmobile road which eventually narrows to a trail up Hoyt Canyon. The trail circles Hoyt Peak to the south, then climbs north to the ridge, then west to the summit.

This list of Uinta ski tours is the first installment of Uinta ski tours as compiled by Cheryle Soshnik, one of the Co-Ski Directors for the 1994-95 season. More tour descriptions will follow next month.



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TRIP TALKS

MT. WHITNEY, MUIR PEAK

Sept 30, 1993

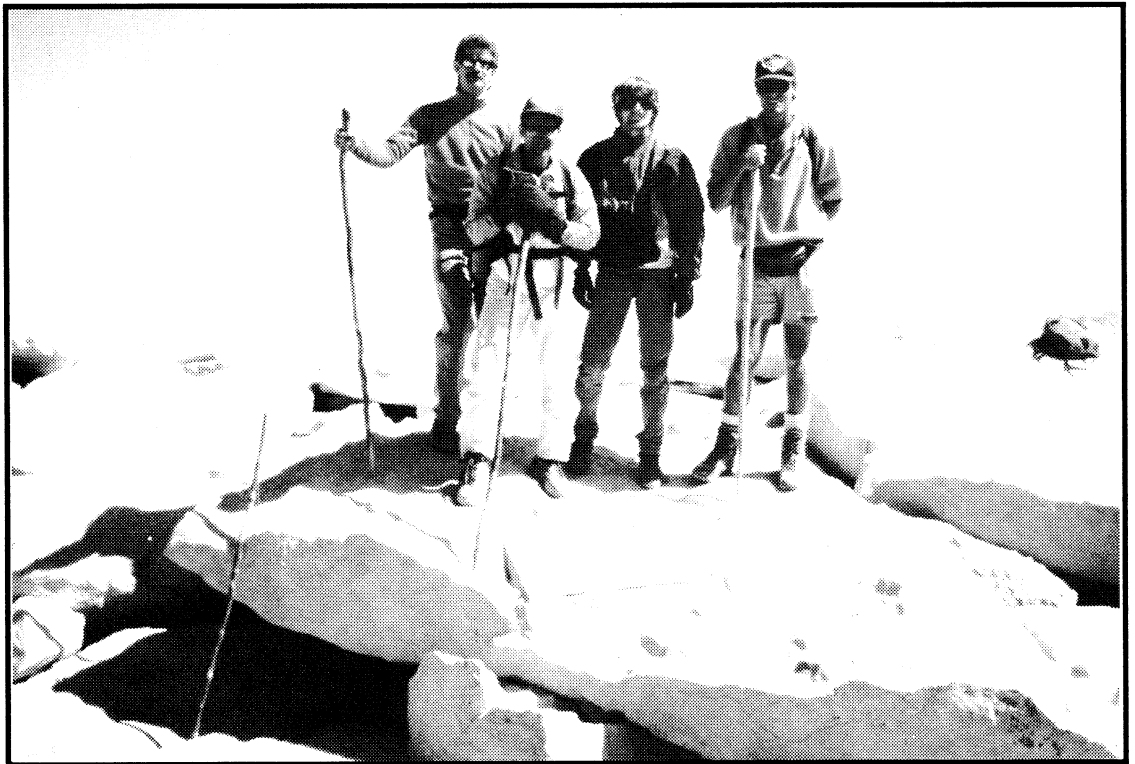
by Kip Yost

Camping at the foot of the mighty Sierra Nevada in a crisp, early fall is one of the most pleasurable activities I can imagine. This particular excursion was all the more enjoyable for the inch thick steaks and German beer we had secured in town before the ride up into the canyon. To further enhance our revelry, an incredibly rich full moon bathed our campsite with a generous dose of iridescent moonshine which caused the surrounding granite walls to glow in a most surrealistic manner. An evening more perfect I've never seen.

The morning that greeted us was less hospitable; very clear and very cold, but it set us all to work at a brisk pace. There was a mountain to be climbed! Our campsite was wrapped, bundled, and packed in minutes

and we set our feet upon the trail that would take us to the summit of the lower 48 states of America. There would no doubt of our success, the weather was perfect and I could tell we would be making very quick time.

Of the four in our party, I was the only one to have summited Mt. Whitney before. But I had unhappily developed a nagging cough (later turned out to be bronchitis) which made it very evident that I would be the last to see the summit on this particular day. The other hikers in our group could easily have left me at least an hour behind, but paused to regroup at 12,500 and 13,000 ft, which I greatly
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Left to right: Stuart Shultz, Mohammed Abdallah, Kip Yost, Tom Callahnan. Photo by a passing stranger.

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appreciated. We did manage a respectable time to the summit (just over six hours). But I knew that had I not been dragging we could easily have made the 11 mile trip in under 5 hours. Oh well! There's always next year. Speed was of the essence, however, for we planned on not one but two 14,000' peaks today and wanted to complete the whole trip in under 11 hours. I knew the other hikers in our party had more than enough strength and speed for both peaks, but I was beginning to worry about myself. After summiting Whitney, however, I felt that I still had enough steam left for one more and we continued as planned, sort of

The book I had purchased on last year's trip described the route to Muir Peak as a steep scramble beginning 300 yards beyond the main trail's intersection with the Muir trail coming up from the west. None of us had brought a yardstick, however, and we couldn't agree on just where to begin our scramble upward. After a bit of pacing and discussion, we guessed.... wrong! It was a beautiful peak, to be sure, but once on top it became painfully clear that it wasn't Muir Peak. Damn! Oh well, like I said, there's always next year.

Our trip participants included the ever stalwart Mohammed Abdallah, Stuart Schultz, Tom Callahnan and myself, Kip Yost.

by Phil Figgan

Sunday morning found seven stalwart souls in search of travel and adventure. As there was not enough snow yet to either snowshoe or ski, Norm Probanz combined his group with mine for a hike up Grandeur. Bert Balzer announced early on that he was going with the group having the most "beautiful single women". As we had none, Bert resigned himself to our group and a less than the "in-flight fueling speed" he is famous for.

The trail was packed with snow and a bit of ice lower down, but the temperature was pretty mild once we got into the sun. Coming down from the summit, things had turned a bit mushy; but all in all a beautiful day.

Trekkers were: Ken Engstrom, Mohammed Abdallan, Bert Balzer, Dale Woodward, Norm and Carma Pobanz, George Frazier and myself, Phil Fikkan.



TWIN PEAKS HIKE (or Giving Monument Peak the Runaround)

by unknown contributor

I have always found it difficult to follow mandates given by mortals. Why even "canned messages" from the twelve are being used to knock unconscious any free thinkers in the "big valley".... Pass the opener. Here, use my head.

Creation had on her best paisley dress this fall morning. To avoid wrestling with her boughs and only seeing her reds and golds ventrally from a crawling position (on this near record wet year), I avoided the bushwack to Monument and misled the consenting vagabond group. After all, Clinton and Messner remind us that the days of true group leadership are gone.

Our doctor of communication (Carrie) assured us a sociable pace up Broads Fork to the saddle of Sunrise/Twins. Brian burped his Barkey and averted a major acidophilus explosion at lunch on the saddle. Remember, $PV=hRT$ and don't eat beans at high altitude. We fourth classed to the top and cruised both peaks. After all, from the west peak we all could look down our noses at that penultimate spur in the shadow 2,000' below (Monument).

All was well till now, till descent. Now Mohamed assumed the dereliction. I could feel it happening. At the top he was herding us like sheep with his large staff, which he disguised as a hiking stick. Twice he threw it down, but no one was struck by it's venomous fangs.

He forced us into the dark north chute on descent, where we all assumed our roles. Mohamed kept throwing his stick down, driving us before him into the dark chasm. Like a freshly animated gargoyle, Mark kept launching 100-200 pound rocks into the abyss watching us scowl and shriek. Total body gesticulation to avoid crush injury. Brian provided the insane laughter for the rest of us. I immediately recognized that having your own space less endangered another species, so I high speed scrambled down.

I woke up from my little nap in the meadow and saw in a vision a doctor, a shepherd, a jester, and a rocket scientist. I think I saw the snow gathering around their heads. Could this be the last "nice day" to go out and play ?

We all topped out: Carolyn Clark, Brian Barkey, Mohamed, Mark, Pat ?.

MAGNIFICENT SEVEN ON THE SELWAY

July 27-31, 1993

by Gary Lindstrom

Gather 'round, fellow boaters, while I put another log on the fire and recount the tale of a glorious trip last summer that will inspire you to dispatch those '94 permit applications.

Dear Ol' Lanie Benson, from far off Driggs, ID, joined the WMC a while back in order to "get on some river trips." But it was Lanie himself who scored on the choicest lottery of them all: The Fabulous Selway.

The Selway runs 47 miles north, then west, through the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in Idaho's panhandle. It joins the wild (and crazy, permit uncontrolled) Lochsa, forming the Clearwater River. Remoteness, free flow, and wilderness conservation rules limit private launches to about 50 a year from early June to late July. Figure 1200+ private applications per year for the 4-river lottery including the Selway, and you'll see how fortunate we are that Lanie joined the WMC!

Descending 28 feet per mile from Ponderosa highlands to fern-glen rain forest, the Selway offers beauty, wildlife, isolation, and plenty of river excitement, with 15 class 3 rapids and 5 class 4 rapids (Ham, Double Drop, Ladle, Little Niagara, and Wolf Creek).

Like the movie, our Mag 7 gathered strength by enlisting thrill-seekers as they drifted in: Gary, Martin and Wayne in SLC, Lanie in Idaho Falls, and Rich, Jim and Allen in Salmon—the latter two still drying their canoes from the WMC Main Salmon float. Also rendezvousing in Idaho Falls were Keith Motley, Leslie Warshow, Carl Cook, and two pooches, all of whom agreed to solve our shuttle problems by a coordinated upriver back-pack.

High spirits prevailed at the Paradise Guard Station put-in infecting boaters, shuttlers, and canines; in fact, shuttler intervention in a canine altercation raised fear of a REAL shuttler infection (of the hand). Nevertheless, the shuttle contract was honored, though a mid-trip shuttler/boater rendezvous was scrubbed as a result.

The Selway level, as measured at Paradise, is rated very hazardous at 6 ft., high at 4-6 ft., moderate at 2-4 ft., and low under 2 ft. Our armada put in at 1.4 foot and falling, which proved to be quite acceptable for our shallow draft craft, though rocks impeded some rapids (more on this later). Weather ranged from pleasant to glorious, with the only rain falling gently the first night.

Floating like stealth bombers over shallows, we became keenly aware of (i) the incredible water clarity, and (ii) the fine trout easily captured by eye, if not by fly. In fact, at each opportunity Jim practiced miniature fish teasing with his trusty rod. Much more effective were the eagles and ospreys, who entertained us with impressive high altitude dive and snatch fresh dinner runs, as we savored our re-hydrated dinners purloined from home food storage programs.

And then there were the rapids! Ladle was a snarl of rocks, with water flowing in all points of the compass. Lanie did double duty here, guiding his inflatable canoe and returning to pilot the kayak of a weak-hearted paddler. Wolf Creek was Ladle's equal, and more so—with Jim's canoeing prowess providing the classiest ride. Martin inspired a quick drill at puzzle Creek, with a bow/stern bridge pin and (semi-) self rescue. Arriving at Tango Bar Rapid camp, Gary demonstrated the latest in kayak tangoes (music please:) ferry, roll, ferry, roll, glub, glub, glub.

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Magnificent Seven On The Selway

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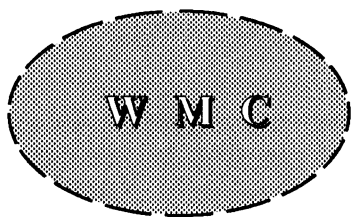
But the highlight was yet to come. Self-support kayakers are generally a dour troop several days out, dreaming incessantly of cold refreshment, particularly of the canned barley water variety. There we were at Tango Bar, commiserating over our parched pipes when, glistening in the upriver sun, came ... dozens of silver bullets floating into our lair. Turns out a poor commercial guide was over confident and neglected to secure his/her ice chest seat. Luckily (?), he survived. The beer didn't. (We returned his fly box and left sneaker.)

Celebrating Saturday night at Middle Fork Cafe in Lowell, we took stock of our gains and losses. Allen's new canoe was declared a fit vessel, and Rich's borrowed "new" kayak was declared WELL broken in by the rocks. All concurred with Rich's testimonial: "Lanie really knows how to throw a river trip!"

Lanie, for his part, offered valedictory grades for each participant. Two "A"'s were awarded: to Tango Bar Gary, for "guts and improvement", and to East-West Martin for "most excitement on a North-South river". For fear of grade inflation, all others settled for a Gentleman's B+.

A remake of this classic adventure is slated for next year: "The Return of the Selway Seven," starring Jim Brown and Allen Gavere (canoeists); Lanie Benson (fleet admiral and ducky skipper); Rich Gregerson, Martin Gregory, Wayne Slagle—

And, Your Obedient Scribe (kayakers).



To the Editors:

I just thought I'd call your attention to the picture accompanying my Maybird Lakes article (page 30, December). The caption was write[sic]—but the picture was wrong. The picture was from my Sugarloaf Peak hike. My apologies for any problem to you or the membership.

Sincerely, your friend,
Randy Long

To Randy and WMC members:

This was the fault of the Editor who puts it all together, not Randy. I apologize to all for the error.

Jean Frances

In response to our request to find couples who have met and fallen in love through a WMC activity, here is our first story!

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO FIND A LOVE IN THE WASATCH MOUNTAINS!

A real New England clam bake brought 30 plus mountain clubbers for a feast that realized all expectations on September 19, 1987. While enjoying the banquet, Charlie Clapp struck-up a conversation with Clari Powers about tennis and invited her out a few weeks later. In an effort to put his best foot forward, he drove Clari and his daughter, Cindee, to Alta, his favorite skiing resort after an unusually large snow storm. To his embarrassment, he got high centered on a snow drift. Fortunately they were rescued by fellow mountain men who had shovel and snow boots. They laugh about this poor start for since then they have spent many memorable hours playing tennis, hiking and skiing together. This November 6th, they surprised relatives and friends by getting married in their home in Salt Lake.

by Clari Powers Clapp

BOOK REVIEW

by Michael Budig

Wasatch Tours —Volume One

Alexis Kelner and David Hanscom published their first edition of Wasatch Tours in 1976. In recent years, ski resort expansion and other development altered much of the terrain described in the original edition, so it was allowed to go out of print.

The new version of Wasatch Tours will be much more ambitious, comprising of three volumes, each of which will be 256 pages. The first volume is now in print and available in local outdoor recreation stores. Volume One is an introduction to backcountry winter recreation in the Wasatch and includes a comprehensive overview of equipment and avalanches and a description of numerous beginning ski tours from Brigham City to Soldier Summit. Volumes Two and Three will include details of intermediate-advanced tours.

Volume One will actually be used as a textbook for some local outdoor recreation classes. In addition to serving as an introduction to cross-country skiing and the Wasatch, some historical context is also provided, which of course includes much of the early history of the WMC. Some discussion is also included of backcountry land management issues and user conflicts with snowmobiles, resorts and helicopter skiers. Volumes Two and Three will include further examination of conservation issues.

Wasatch Tours invites skiers to roam into new and relatively unknown country to the north and the south of the Salt Lake Valley, including terrain near Snowbasin, Emigration Canyon, Provo Canyon, Daniels Summit, The Wasatch Plateau and Soldiers Summit. Clear maps and aerial photographs will make excursions into these new areas a relatively simple task.

Volume One does not include a lot of details on the Central Wasatch, which encompasses Mill Creek and Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons. The book notes that most of this terrain is quite steep and not suitable for beginning skiers anyway. And thus it also avoids duplicating coverage of tours which were aptly detailed in John Veranth's Wasatch Winter Trails. Volume Two will cover intermediate and advanced tours in the central Wasatch and north all the way to the Ogden area while Volume Three will include terrain south of the Central Wasatch.

Volume One provides a great service in directing skiers away from the crowded, overused and familiar territory. Undoubtedly, there will be great anticipation for Volumes Two and Three.

NOTICE!

The *Rambler* cannot accept any ad that is inconsistent with the purposes of the WMC or offends the sensibilities of club members. Send your ad (with a check enclosed if it is not a used sports equipment) before the 13th of the month to Sue deVall, 11730 South 700 West, Draper UT 84020 or call Sue at 572-3294 for information.

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SKY CALENDAR

MOON

Last Quarter	Jan 04	Feb 03	Mar 04
New Moon	Jan 11	Feb 10	Mar 12
First Quarter	Jan 19	Feb 18	Mar 20
Full Moon	Jan 27	Feb 25	Mar 27

MOONRISE

Saturday	Mtn. Standard Time
Jan 01 9:30 pm	Feb 05 3:20 am
Jan 08 4:20 am	Feb 12 8:00 am
Jan 15 9:30 am	Feb 19 11:50 am
Jan 22 1:10 pm	Feb 26 6:10 pm
Jan 29 8:20 pm	Mar 05 2:10 am

NOTE: Moonrise times are for 40 degrees north latitude, 112 degrees west longitude. Add about an hour for each day later than the given date and another hour if you are in the mountains.

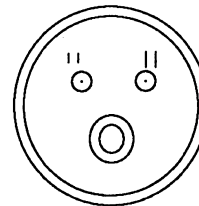
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PLANETS: JUPITER is in the morning sky and SATURN fades toward the sun in the west. Jupiter shares the sky with the waning crescent moon on January 6.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

John and Jan Carpenter
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FOR ALL THOSE BORN BEFORE 1945

(As 1993 becomes another memory and 1994 brings more changes, I thought even those born after 1945 might enjoy this trip down memory lane with us of the older generation. Jean Frances)

WE ARE SURVIVORS! Consider the changes we have witnessed:

We were born before television, before penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, plastic, contact lenses, frisbee and the PILL.

We were before radar, credit cards, splitting of atoms, laser beams, and ballpoint pens; before pantyhose, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes, and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together. How quaint can you be?

In our time, closets were for clothes, not for "coming out of". Bunnies were small rabbits and rabbits were not Volkswagens. Designer jeans were scheming girls names Jean or Jeanne, and having meaningful relations meant getting along well with our cousins.

We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent and Outer Space was the back of the State Street Theatre.

We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual careers, commuter marriages.

We were before day-care centers, group therapy and nursing homes. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt, and guys wearing earrings. For us, time-sharing meant togetherness—not computers or condominiums; a "chip" meant a piece of wood; hardware meant hardware; and software wasn't even a word!

In 1940, "Made in Japan" meant JUNK and the term "making out" referred to how you did on you exam. Pizzas, MacDonalds and instant coffee were unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 cent stores where you bought things for five and ten cents. Ice cream cones sold for a nickel or a dime. For one nickel you could ride a streetcar, make a phone call, buy a Pepsi or enough stamps to mail one letter and two postcards. You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600 but who could afford one? A pity too because gas was 11 cents a gallon.

In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, GRASS was mowed, COKE was a cold drink and POT was something you cooked in. ROCK MUSIC was a Grandma's lullaby and AIDS were helps in the Principal's office.

We were certainly not before the difference between the sexes was discovered but we were surely before the sex changes; we made do with what we had. AND we were the last generation that was so dumb as to think you needed a husband to have a baby!

No wonder we are so confused and there is such a generation gap today! BUT WE SURVIVED! What better reason to celebrate.

Contributed by Clari Powers Clapp and original writer unknown. (Sounds like an Erma Brombeck letter to me).

ATTENTION!!

The Club position for Administrative Assistant is open again.

As the Club has grown, the work has increased. Finding volunteers to handle the volume of paperwork is becoming more difficult. This position allows us to better serve our members while allowing the directors to concentrate on providing continuity, setting policy and developing programs.

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1. Wasatch Mountain Club member only!
 2. Must be experienced, proficient and have excellent skills in computer data entry.
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Rafting	Janet Embry	322-4326
Boating Equipment	Tony Ackerman	966-6041
	Gene Jarvis	944-8619
Boating Instruction	Neal Reiland	942-1938
Volleyball	Ross Martin	364-4006
Adopt-A-Highway	Linda/Mark Feller	562-5428
Commercial Ads	Knick Knickerbocker	364-6521

TRUSTEES

Dale Green	277-6417	Term Exp 94
Alexis Kelner	359-5387	Term Exp 95
Mike Budig	328-4512	Term Exp 96
Karin Caldwell	942-6065	Term Exp 97
O'dell Peterson	355-7216	Emeritus

OFFICE HOURS

Carol Rauba 363-7150
Generally 9 am-2 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERS/REINSTATEMENT FOR PREVIOUS MEMBERS

RAMBLER SUBSCRIPTION FORM

DO NOT USE THIS FORM TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Please read carefully and fill out completely.

APPLICANT(S) NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ DAY PHONE _____ BIRTH DATE _____

I HEREBY APPLY FOR:

____ NEW MEMBERSHIP ____ STUDENT (30 years or younger)

____ REINSTATEMENT ____ COUPLE

I wish to receive the RAMBLER (The WMC Publication) YES ____ NO ____

Subscription price is NOT deductible from the dues.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for one year's dues and application fee (Mar 1, 19__ to Feb 28, 19__).

**** (CHECKS ONLY) Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club****

Remit: \$20.00 for student membership (\$15.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

\$30.00 for single membership (\$25.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

\$40.00 for couple membership (\$35.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

YOU MUST COMPLETE TWO CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERATION

THE ACTIVITY DATES MUST HAVE BEEN WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE APPLICATION

QUALIFYING ACTIVITY	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECOMMENDING LEADER
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1. _____	_____	_____
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2. _____	_____	_____
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I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the WMC. I am 18 years of age or older. I understand that outdoor activities involve risk, and that I am responsible for determining the suitability of my ability and equipment in advance of participating in any WMC activity. I release and discharge the WMC agents and representatives from all claims for property and personal injury sustained as a result of participation in WMC activities.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____

(signature required)

I found out about the WMC from _____

MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO: MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Wasatch Mountain Club

888 South 200 East Suite 207

Salt Lake City, UT 84111-4220

LEAVE BLANK

RECEIPT # _____ DATE RECEIVED _____ AMOUNT RECEIVED _____

(OR CHECK#) _____

BOARD APPROVAL DATE _____

ACTIVITY SURVEY

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEAD...?

All of the Club's activity leaders are volunteers. You can be a leader too — just check off the activities you want to lead, and we'll give you a call. Help your Club and have fun too!

Hiking: ☐ easy day hike, ☐ moderate day hike, ☐ advanced day hike, ☐ car camp,
☐ backpack

Boating: ☐ trip leader, ☐ instruction, ☐ equipment, ☐ sailing

Skiing: ☐ NTD tour, ☐ MOD tour, ☐ MSD tour, ☐ out of town trip

Climbing: ☐ Wasatch climb, ☐ out of town trip, ☐ winter mountaineering

Bicycling: ☐ road bike tour, ☐ mountain bike tour, ☐ camping tour

Other outings: ☐ snowshoe tour, ☐ caving, ☐ other _____

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT...?

The Club also depends on volunteers for all the rest of its work. Some of this work is critical to the day-to-day functioning of the Club; some of it is important to our community; some of it is just fun. You can let us know how you'll help by checking off activities below.

Conservation: ☐ air and water quality issues, ☐ trailhead access, ☐ wilderness, ☐ telephone tree, ☐ trail clearing

Socials: ☐ social host, ☐ party assistance, ☐ lodge host

Rambler: ☐ computer support, ☐ word processing, ☐ mailing, ☐ advertising

Lodge: ☐ general lodge repair, ☐ skilled lodge work

Information: ☐ public relations, ☐ membership help, ☐ recruiting, ☐ instruction

Would you like to participate on an activities committee? Which one?

Is there a special trip or activity you would like to lead?

What phone numbers can we use to reach you?

**AVALANCE HOTLINE
USFS
364-1581**

January 1994

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