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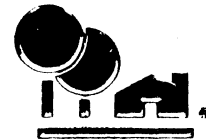
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WMC Purpose

(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; and to foster awareness of our natural areas including their plants, animal and bird life.

Cover Photo: Carma Pobanz and Jeff Shryer snowshoeing to Scotts Pass



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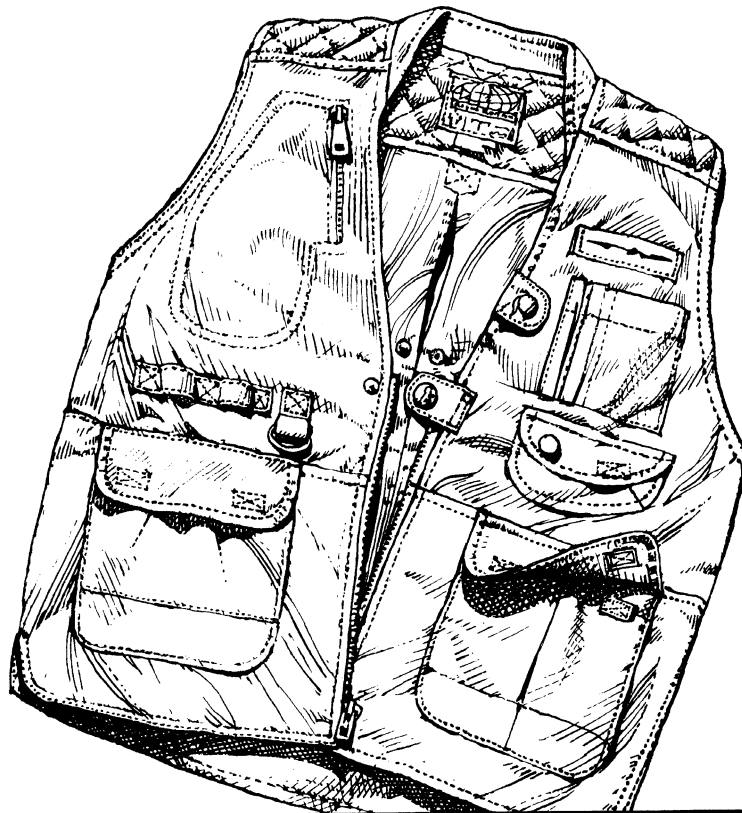
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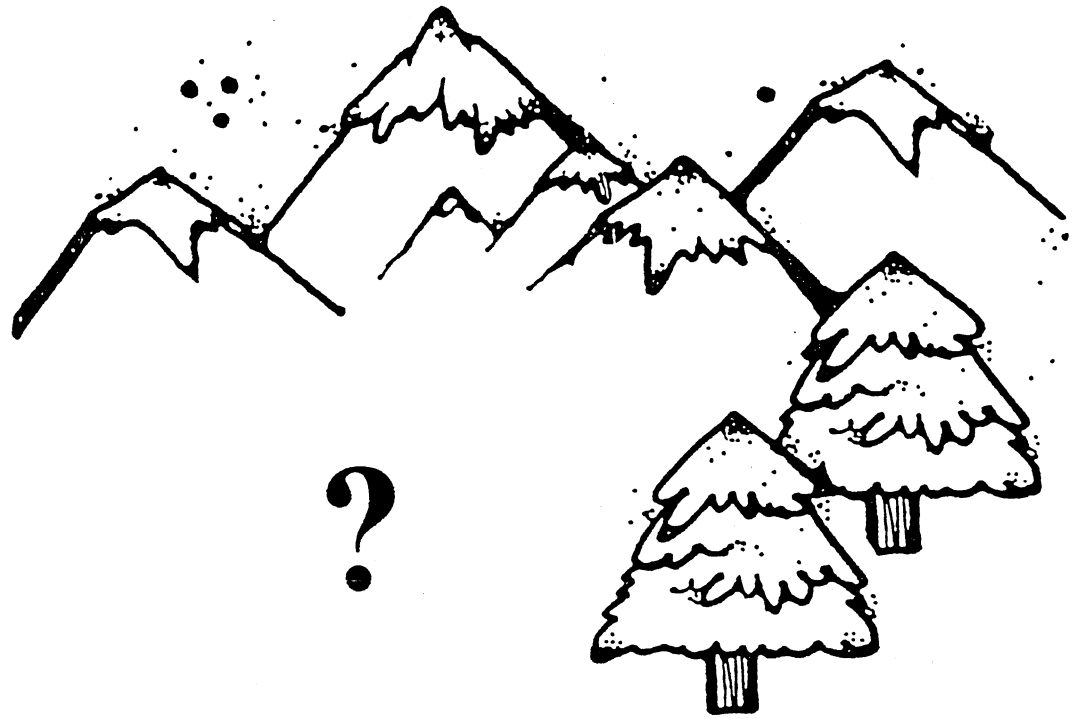
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WHERE'S OUR LODGE?

It's buried 10 feet down! This year's record-breaking snow still covers our historic lodge. Some club members have helped to clear portions of the roof but some areas still need work.

Members and prospective members are needed to help remove snow from the roof and entrances. Join us for a snowthrowers hike to the lodge on Saturday, March 22. Meet to carpool at 8:30 am at the Big Cottonwood parking lot. Lunch will be available for all helpers but please remember to bring water. For information call Julie Jones at 278-4753.

Special thanks go to Bill Hughes, lodge director, and his scout troop for shoveling snow off the roof on February 8th. Thanks for all your help!

**Snow Throwers Hike to the Lodge
Saturday March 22**

Can you help Julie find the lodge?

BULLETIN BOARD

WMC LODGE

AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL USE

The WMC Lodge can be rented on a full or half day basis. Full day rate is \$225. Contact Julie Jones (1-801-278-4753) for information.

TENNIS NETWORK

We are a group of WMC members that play tennis regularly. Our levels range from 2.5 - 4.0. If you are interested in playing , please contact Jeri at 561-3777.

International Folk Dancing every Monday evening at the University of Utah in the East Ballroom of the Student Union. Teaching from 7:30 to 8:15 PM. No partner needed.

ATTENTION BOATERS!

PREPARE TO LAUNCH!

WASATCH MOUNTAIN 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.

*** Participation in any WMC activity can be dangerous. It is **your** responsibility to evaluate your own preparedness and ability to safely participate in any activity.

*** On ski tours requiring avalanche transceivers, be advised that this season, only beacons compatible with the new international frequency standard (457 kHz) will be accepted on WMC ski tours.

+++ Ski Tour Ratings: EL=Entry level NTD=Not too difficult MOD=Moderate MSD=Most difficult.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

MAR 1 SAT

SKI TOUR NORWAY FLATS IN THE UINTA'S

(MOD) with Clarence Cardwell (487-14356). Meet at the K-Mart parking lot on Parley's way at 9:00 a.m. to car pool. Clarence (a.k.a. C.T.) says that skins are recommended for this tour.

MAR 1 SAT

SKI TOUR TO MAYBIRD GULCH (MSD) with Larry

Larkin (486-9060). Meet at the Butler Elementary School parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. There is a very long stretch of nicely spaced powder runs on this tour followed by a not so nice stretch of steep trees and gullies. Is the effort worth it? Of course it is!

MAR 1 SAT

SNOWSHOE: TOUR ORGANIZERS CHOICE (MOD)

Ken Jameson (466-5812) has been participating often this season on snowshoe tours and has agreed to organize today's tour. Meet Ken at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

MAR 1 SAT

SNOWSHOE: TOUR ORGANIZERS CHOICE (NTD)

Tom Willis (485-0370) will be waiting at Butler Elementary at 9:30am for you easy snowshoers.

MAR 2 SUN

SKI TOUR (NTD+) to Catherine's Pass from Alta with

Dave Vance (328-9364). Meet at the Butler Elementary School parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. See what the downhillers are missing, as they are hobbled to their chair lifts.

MAR 2 SUN

SKI TOUR TO (POSSIBLY) THE FRANCIS AREA

OF THE UINTA'S (NTD) with Jerry Hatch (583-8047).

Meet Jerry at the K-Mart parking lot on Parley's way at 9:00 a.m. You may want to use skins on this one. Give Jerry a call to find out.

MAR 2 SUN

SKI TOUR/BUS RIDE/BREAKFAST (MOD+) with

Edgar Webster (583-0703). Meet at the park and ride lot at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon by 7:45 a.m. (Note the early start!). The bus is scheduled to leave at 7:51 and 8:05 a.m. This is Edgar's big adventure! A bus ride up to the Silverfork lodge for breakfast, cross the street and hike up Mule Hollow to Bear Trap Fork and then ski down to Desolation Lake. If there is enough interest the group can ski Powder park, then ski out to the Spruces campground to flag a bus. Call Edgar to register. Edgar can't guarantee you powder, but he will offer a selection of pancakes, eggs and bacon!

MAR 2 SUN

SNOWSHOE: LAKE BLANCHE (MOD+) Gayle

Stockslager (485-5639) selects the destinations that take some effort to achieve. Snowshoeing to Lake Blanche up Big Cottonwood Canyon will give your heart and lungs a workout and bring joy to your soul. Join Gayle at Butler Elementary at 9:00am.

MAR 2 SUN

SNOWSHOE: DAYS FORK (NTD) Join Ray Duda

(272-4601) at Butler Elementary at 9:00am for today's easy snowshoe tour up Days Fork.

MAR 4 TUE

SKI TOUR (MOD+) The Tuesday morning Breakfast

club with Edgar Webster (583-0703) The 'MOD+' means that you will be going fast and hard so that Edgar can get back to work at noon. "Early to bed, Early to rise, break some trail, burn your thighs"

Avalanche transceivers, skins and shovels are required.

MAR 5 WED

BOARD MEETING: This is a transitional board meeting, so both old and new directors should be at this board meeting. The meeting will be at the WMC office at 7:00pm, and is also open to all WMC members. Address is 1390 S. 1100 E.

MAR 5 WED

CLIMBING - WASATCH FRONT CLIMBING GYM - BEGINNERS WELCOME. Join Kristen Keefe any time after 7:00 pm for an evening of indoor climbing at 427 West 9160 South. Cost is \$7.99 per visit, or monthly memberships are available. Rental gear is available. If you would like to learn how to climb or need more information, call Kristen (484-8729). Since this is a professionally monitored environment, helmets are not required.

MARCH 7 FRI

****** ROAD AND MOUNTAIN BIKE *******

PLANNING MEETING & POTLUCK SOCIAL MSD+ Come meet fellow road and mountain bikers and help plan the summer cycling agenda. Meet at 7:00 pm at Liz Cordova's house. Bring a snack and beverage for the gathering. Let's map out the riding season, so bring your ride suggestions and sign up to organize rides. Call Liz Cordova at 943-1871 for directions.

MAR 7 FRI

BOATING PERMIT PARTY., 7pm. Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 S. Foothill Dr., basement. Bring your permits and snacks, ideas and stories. Let's plan the season together. As soon as you get your permits (ie probably before the meeting) please call Vera (292-8332) and leave a detailed message so she can start compiling the information and have it ready for the permit party.

SOCIAL: FRIDAY, MARCH 7

SING-A-LONG (NTD!!!) - Join Frank Bernard (533-9219) at 7 p.m. for our "LAST SESSION OF THE SEASON" of folk and joke singing (including washboards, pots, and horns). Bring your voice and/or musical instrument and join in the hilarity at Frank's (417 N. Center Street in Capitol Hill/about 130 West 400 North), and we'll entertain ourselves in this 100% audience participation event. Bring your own beverage and snacks - an enthusiastic attitude is the only other requirement!

MARCH 8 SAT

ROAD BIKE: DRAPER / HERRIMAN LOOP (NTD+, 30 mi.) Join Susan Snyder on a 30 mile ride. Meet at the Draper City park 10:00 am. 12500 South and 1300 East. Bring a snack or money for a snack/cafe stop. Call Friday night before the ride at 968-8494 for info. & check the weather if the ride is a go. Helmets required. Co-listed with BBTC.

MAR 8 SAT

SKI TOUR TO RED PINE LAKE IN THE WASATCH MOUNTAINS (MOD) with Larene Miller (278-8758) . Meet at the Butler Elementary School parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. Follow Larene to see this winter wonderland!

MAR 8 SAT

SKI TOUR ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD) with Dallas Chopping (294-0061). Meet at the Butler Elementary School parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. This is one fellow who will not leave anything to chance, particularly when it concerns skiing. How many folks do you see skiing with a bicycle helmet? With that kind of chutzpah, you'd better believe he's gonna find some great snow!

MAR 8 SAT

SNOWSHOE: GREENS BASIN (NTD) Zig Sondelski (292-8332) wants some company today while he snowshoes leisurely into Greens Basin. Join Zig at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

MAR 8 SAT

SNOWSHOE: BEARTRAP FORK/DESOLATION LAKE OVERLOOK (MOD) Did you miss the January 11th snowshoeing tour to this overlook? Guess what, Larry Nilssen (296-1716) is doing a repeat performance! There could be lots of new snow so Larry might need your help in knocking it down. If you missed the last tour or if you have never been to the overlook don't miss this tour to spectacular views. Meet Larry at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

SOCIAL: SATURDAY, MARCH 8

LIFE'S A BEACH PARTY & POTLUCK - Take a winter break!!! Robynn Sisam & Kathy Hart are inviting all you Annettes, Frankies and Gidgets to come listen to the sounds of the Beach Boys and other rock 'n' roll groovin' tunes. Join us at the 10th East Senior Center (237 South 10th East) at 6:30 p.m. for a potluck and our own WMC'S Dave Miller will provide us with tunes of the '60's. Wear your best Hawaiian beach togs and flip-flops, bring your beach

balls and beach babes. Cost: \$5.00/member and \$7.00/non-members. Bring potluck to share with 6 - 8 of your WMC members.

MARCH 9 SUN

ROAD BIKE: TOOELE VALLEY RIDE (NTD+, 31 mi.) Doug Murray will organize a group on a loop ride of 31 miles. Meet at 10:00 am at the Stansbury Observatory. Call Doug at 968-8494 for info, meeting location and to check on the ride depending on the weather. Helmets are required.

MAR 9 SUN

SKI TOUR TO THE UINTA'S ABOVE BEAVER CREEK (MOD) with Steve Townsend (463-9465). Meet at the K-mart on Parley's way at 11:00 for a leisurely day with a good workout. Steve is searching for virgin snow, therefore bring your rigid boots, double camber, waxless skis (or skins) and metal edges are always helpful. Call for more information. Meet Jerry at the K-Mart parking lot on Parley's Way.

MAR 9 SUN

SKI TOUR (MOD) TO POWDER PARK with Cassie Badowsky (278-5153). Meet at the Butler Elementary School parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

MAR 9 SUN

SKI TOUR (MSD) TO MT. TIMPANOGAS with George Westbrook (942-6071). George plans to go up American Fork Canyon to the Timponeke trail. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required and head lamps are recommended. Please call George to register and to find out the meeting place.

MAR 9 SUN

SNOWSHOE: TOUR ORGANIZERS CHOICE (NTD) Is Tom Willis (485-0370) still waiting at Butler Elementary for more easy snowshoers? Guess he is. Find him at 9:30am.

MAR 9 SUN

SNOWSHOE: ALMOST ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN THE UINTAS AGAIN! (MOD) Cheryl Soshnik (1-649-9008) knows it's going to start turning Irish green soon and promises to pick a really cool spot for today's tour in the Uinta's. Cheryl already did one Uinta's tour on Dec. 28th and everyone enjoyed the workout. Salt Lake valley snowshoers meet at Parley's Way Kmart at 9:00am, then join up with Cheryl and other Summit area snowshoers at the Kimball Junction Kmart at 9:30am.

MAR 10 MON

CLIMBING - ROCKREATION CLIMBING GYM - BEGINNERS WELCOME. Join Herb Hayashi any time after 5:30 pm for an evening of indoor climbing at 2074 East 3900 South. Discounted cost for WMC members is \$7.00 per visit, or monthly memberships are available. Equipment rental is free to WMC members. If you would like to learn how to climb or need more information, call Herb (278-2620). This particular evening is geared towards families and younger participants are welcome. Since this is a professionally monitored environment, helmets are not required.

MAR 11 TUE

SKI TOUR (MOD+) The Tuesday morning Breakfast club with Edgar Webster (583-0703) The 'MOD+' means that you will be going fast and hard so that Edgar can get back to work at noon. "Early to bed, Early to rise, break some trail, burn your thighs" Avalanche transceivers, skins and shovels are required.

SOCIAL: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

MOVIE NIGHT - Catherine Cummings (363-2343) will host movie night at 6:00 p.m. at the Pier 49 San Francisco Sourdough Pizza Co. followed by a movie. Co-listed with the Sierra Singles.

MARCH 15 SAT

ROAD RIDE: ST.PATRICK'S DAY RIDE and POTLUCK (NTD+) Lucy Ormond will organize a group ride to enjoy the St. Patty day parade and casual ride about downtown. SLC. After the ride enjoy a potluck gathering. Meet at her house at 8:30 am. Call Lucy at 266-0619 for info and directions. Co-listed with the BBTC.

MAR 15 SAT

SKI TOUR (NTD) TO BEAVER CREEK in the Uinta's with Jane Webster (583-0703). Jane is organizing all of the families (Kids and dogs are welcome) on a leisurely shuffle in the snow. Snow angels are expected of each and every participant. There are several different trailheads on this trail, so a car shuttle may be desired to vary the trip length depending on the groups wishes. Bring sleds for those too little to ski!

MAR 15 SAT

SKI TOUR (MOD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE. The place of choice this time depends on Mr. Tom Walsh (969-5842). Where he goes nobody knows, not even Tom! But not to worry, this man knows where to find the good powder, or if conditions warrant, he'll find some delectable corn. Meet him at the Butler

Elementary School Parking lot at 8:30 am. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

MAR 15 SAT

SKI TOUR (MOD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE. Hank Winauer (277-1997). Meet at the Butler Elementary School Parking lot at 9:00 am. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

MAR 15 SAT

SKI TOUR (MSD) FROM CO-OP CREEK IN THE UINTA'S OVER TO SMITH AND MOREHOUSE RESERVOIR. Bob Janzen (969-2825). 17 miles, 2200 vertical feet of climbing. You don't need avalanche transceivers or shovels, and if you're good at waxing, you won't need skins. Please call Bob to register for the very early start and help with the long car shuttle. Bring a head lamp!

MAR 15 SAT

SNOWSHOE: AMERICAN FORK CANYON-THE BIG LOOP (MOD+) Weather permitting, Russ Pack (572-5653) would like to try a longer snowshoe loop than his earlier tours in American Fork Canyon. The loop would start from Tibble Fork and end in Mill Fork similar to other tours but takes in more of the Great Western Trail. This would be an exploratory tour of about 8mi and 1500ft+ elevation gain. Meet Russ at the Southtown Mall (10600So and I-15) parking lot north of TGIFriday's and the Village Inn Restaurant at 9:00am.

MAR 15 SAT

SNOWSHOE: TOUR ORGANIZERS CHOICE (NTD) The Snowshoe Committee is still inquiring about a tour organizer for today's easy tour. Please call one of the Committee Members if you are available. Tour would meet at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

MARCH 16 SUN

ROAD BIKE: SALT LAKE CITY TO FARMINGTON (NTD+, 34 mi.) Rick Kirkland will guide a ride out and back to Farmington for about 34 miles on Sunday morning. Meet Rick at the State Agriculture Building at 10:00am, 350 North 1700 West (Redwood Rd) in SLC. Call Rick at 486-0909 to check on the ride and weather conditions. Helmets are required.

MAR 16 SUN

SKI TOUR (MOD) LITTLE SOUTH FORK TO WILLOW HOLLOW with Mike Berry (583-4721) and Dave Nardinger (595-6744). Meet at the Parley's K-mart parking lot at 8:30 am. Mike and Dave will co-organize a classic backcountry tour. Light touring skis

(waxable or waxless) are recommended. Heavy telemark gear is not recommended. The tour will go south west up Little South Fork then cross over and return via Willow Hollow.

MAR 16 SAT

SKI TOUR (MSD) TO THE BROADS FORKS TWINS with George Westbrook (942-6071). Please call George to register, as this tour requires an early start. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

MAR 16 SUN

SNOWSHOE: SOUTH WILLOW LAKE-STANSBURY MTS (MOD/MOD+) Did you miss Cathy Hunn's (1-882-6529) earlier snowy tour this season (January 25th) in the Stansburys? Nineteen snowshoers didn't. Cathy is going to make another assault on that trail to South Willow Lake today, so you better join her to see what it's really like. Wasatch front snowshoers meet at Home Depot at 328W 2100So (SW area of parking lot) at 9:00am to form car pools since the trailhead parking is limited and 4X4 vehicles are a must. We'll meet Cathy at the Maverick Station just outside of Stansbury Park at 9:30am. The (MOD/MOD+) rating was chosen to let snowshoers know that everyone may not make it to the lake and if you wait for the others to return, or if you start down before the lead group returns, you won't get lost.

MAR 16 SUN

SNOWSHOE: TOUR ORGANIZERS CHOICE (NTD) The Snowshoe Committee needs a tour organizer for today. Same reason as March 15th. Tour would meet at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

SOCIAL: SUNDAY, MARCH 16

ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK - Sur and begorrah! Come help Alan Brennan celebrate the third Annual **St. Patrick's Day Potluck**. The festivities will commence at 5:00 p.m. Place: Polo Club Clubhouse (3660 S. Highland Drive. Look for the Polo Club sign just south of the China City Restaurant. Turn West into the Polo Club, bear left at the first opportunity. Clubhouse is the next right, located just beyond the pool). Cover charge \$2/members, \$4/non-members. If you have any questions, call Alan Brennan (776-9206).

MAR 19 WED

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MARCH 21 to-23 FRI thru-SUN

MOUNTAIN BIKE: MOAB TRIP OVER NIGHT(NTD / MOD) Liz Cordova has room in the trailers near downtown. Enjoy the Redrock by day and the hottub in the evening. Call Liz at 943-1871 for info. Space is very limited.

MAR 22 SAT

SKI TOUR (MOD) MOONLIGHT SKI

EXTRAVAGANZA with Mr. Tom Walsh (969-5842). Call to register. If you folks are worried about what kind of trouble Tom can get you into, don't sweat. Unlike other folks, Tom does not turn into a wild, hairy animal at the time of the full moon, in fact he actually loses all of his body hair, talks softly and becomes a meek, mild mannered productive member of society. He still likes to ski however, so give him a call. If the skies are cloudy, Tom will organize a day tour. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

MAR 22 SAT

SNOWTHROWER'S HIKE TO THE LODGE: This last snow throwing party was a huge success. Many thanks to all who helped out. Unfortunately, it was snowing **AGAIN** as we left, so we still need help. Meet at 8:30am at the parking lot at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Lunch provided for those who help. Do you suppose that we might make it to the back of the lodge this time? The more people who participate, the lighter the load--And the more fun we have.

MAR 22 SAT

SKI TOUR (MOD+ / MSD-) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE with George Frazier (359-6967). Please call to register. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. George will think of something a little more off of the beaten track than normal!

MAR 22 SAT

SNOWSHOE: GOURMET SNOWSHOE TOUR-WILLOW LAKE (NTD/FUN) It's getting near the end of another winter sports season, so get your gourmet dish ready 'cause the day of bow ties and optional tails is today at Willow Lake. Holly Golightly Over The Snow Smith (272-5358) and Mark Wolfman Jones (486-5354) are organizing another of their annual bashes. Menu: Bring your favorite food and beverage

to share at the destination. Attire: casual or formal (some kind of outrageous bow tie and tail), but snowshoes recommended. Other info: China, crystal and silverware provided; all seating with a view. Perhaps Holly can persuade the Crepe Crew to again stir up their delicious delicacies and we can also have another surprise appearance from a disguised Harvey Wallbanger. Meet the sponsors at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

MAR 22 TO 23 SAT THRU SUN

BACKPACK MT HILLERS HENRY MTS Scott Patterson (963-2263) will organize this weekend backpack in the spectacular Henry Mts. Call Scott for more info.

MAR 23 SUN

SKI TOUR (NTD+) TO CATHERINE'S PASS with Tom Silberstorf (255-2784) Meet at the Butler Elementary School Parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. This is a classic WMC tour. It's a nice semi-gentle grade all the way up, hence the same way all the way down. Beginning telemarkers; this is a great tour to test your skills on!

MAR 23 SUN

SKI TOUR (MOD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE with Phil Fikken (583-8499). Please call to register. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. Join Phil on his hunt for the elusive perfect snowflake!

MAR 23 SUN

SKI TOUR (MOD+) MT. WOLVERINE with Chris Atkin (645-9665). Please call to register and find out the meeting place. A great peak to visit and ski and rather than work his way all the way up, Chris plans to buy a one lift pass from Brighton, so bring some cash. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

MAR 23 SUN

SKI TOUR (MSD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE with Dave Smith (572-0346). Please call to register for an early start. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. Dave says, "I'd rather get an early start and use the head lamps in the morning".

MAR 23 SUN

SNOWSHOE: MINERAL FORK (MOD) Knick Knickerbocher (272-2485) wants to go prospecting today. But, you won't need your pick and black powder because he's only after the white powder. Join Knick at Butler Elementary at 9:30am.

MAR 23 SUN

SNOWSHOE: LAKE BLANCHE (MOD+) Lake Blanche twice this month! Are the snowshoe tour organizers trying to get the WMC members in shape? Join Larry Nilssen (296-1716) today if you missed Gayle's earlier tour this month to Lake Blanche. This is a huff and puff snowshoe tour to get you in shape or help you stay in shape. Meet Larry at Butler Elementary at 9:30am to start your workout.

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MARCH 26 WED

SOCIAL: CULTURAL ELITE MOVIE NIGHT - Meet Sue Zubik (583-4552) at 6:00 p.m. for dinner at the Park Ivy (878 South 900 East) before watching a movie. Co-listed with the Sierra Singles.

MAR 27 THURS

CANOE PARTY. 7 pm. Janis Huber's house, 2922 S. Zenith Circle. Potluck dinner, get-together and learning session. We'll be looking at paddling videos, learning about equipment, sharing information about good rivers for canoes. Don't miss this one! Call Canoe Coordinator, Eileen Gidley, for more info. 255-4336.

MAR 29 SAT

SKI TOUR (MOD) TO TOM'S HILL with Jim Piani (272-3921). Meet at the county parking lot #2 at 9:00 am. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. The old bear is finally coming out of hibernation to ski his favorite spot!

MAR 29 SAT

VERY ANNUAL KINGS PEAK SKI TOUR (MSD DUE TO LENGTH) Larry Swanson has promised to return to Utah after a year in Hungary, just to make sure that the fine old tradition of his one day spring skiing marathon to Utah's highest peak lives on! The trip is rated MSD only due to it's length (17.5 miles ONE WAY and 5000 feet elevation gain). The plan is to drive 2.5 hours from SLC on Friday night to camp out at the end of the road to the Henry's Fork Campground. We'll get up at 4:30 am, begin skiing at 5:00 am, and hopefully return to the cars 12-14 hours later, just as darkness descends in the Uinta's. Since the trip returns the same way it ascends, Skiers may opt to turn back at Henry's Fork Basin or at Gunsight Pass, both scenic and worthwhile destinations. For this very long day, bring plenty of lunch, water, sunscreen, and a head lamp. Standard weight touring gear is best. Heavy backcountry gear or racing skis are usually the wrong choice for the conditions. Skins are often helpful, but not mandatory as the track is generally not steep and the final traverse and ascent are made on foot. Beacons and shovels are not required. Registration in advance is not mandatory, but we try hard to ski in and out on the same track for safety so get instructions at the trailhead or stay with the group until high in the basin. Call Larry Swanson at 278-3269 for more information and ride share location.

MAR 29 SAT

SNOWSHOE: SPANISH FORK CANYON-ART GALLERY (MOD+) Have your senses been whetted enough to want to know more about a snowshoe to an art gallery? We did it last year, and got photo's of the art surrounded by the participants. A snowshoe tour at this time of year and at the low starting elevation of Mill Fork makes this a call Russ (572-5653) first. Meeting place and time would be Southtown Mall at 9:00am.

MAR 29 TO 30 SAT THRU SUN

CONSERVATION CARCAMP Join the Utah Wilderness Coalition on the Easter Road Hunt We will be checking out bogus road claims and documenting their condition. Contact Brad Yates at 521-4185 for more info.

MARCH 29 SAT

SOCIAL: DINNER/DANCE - Meet Joan Hunsaker at 7:00 p.m. at the Canyon Inn (3700 East 7000 South) for dinner and dancing. There is a \$3.00 cover charge -- casual dress. Be there early to get a seat and socialize. If you have any questions, call Joan (484-1503). Co-listed with the Sierra Singles.

MARCH 30 SUN**ROAD BIKE: WEST VALLEY CITY TO SALTAIR**

(NTD+, 26 mi.) Lillian Schumann has volunteered to organize a ride from the West Valley City Park (4566 West 3500 South) to Saltair on the Great Salt Lake. Meet Lilly at 10:00 am for a 26 mile ride out and back. Bring a snack or money for a cafe stop after the ride. Call Ms. Lilly at 263-3971 for info and to check the weather before the ride. Helmets are required.

MAR 30 SUN

SKI TOUR (MOD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE with Pete Mimmack (377-2330). Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 9:00 am. This guy likes it all; powder, corn, sand. He'll find something fun for you turning pleasure.

APRIL 1 TUES**MOUNTAIN BIKE: SHORELINE TRAIL (MOD, 6-10**

mi.) Depending on the weather a 6:00pm ride is planned for the Shoreline Trail near Red Butte Gardens. Meet at the entrance to Red Butte Gardens off Warkara Way & Foothill Boulevard. Call Tim Boschert at 298-1814 h or 299-5710 w. For details.

APR 1 TUE**SKI TOUR (MOD+) A GATHERING OF FOOLS!**

The Tuesday morning Breakfast club with Edgar Webster (583-0703) The 'MOD+' means that you will be going fast and hard so that Edgar can get back to work at noon. "Early to bed, Early to rise, break some trail, burn your thighs" Avalanche transceivers, skins and shovels are required.

APRIL 5 SAT**MOUNTAIN BIKE: STANSBURY ISLAND (MOD+ ,**

12 mi.) Biker extraordinaire Alex Obbard 355-5949 will organize this ride to the west desert trail of Stansbury Island. The trail begins with a steep hike-a-bike section followed by a rolling ridge ride. Call Alex to register for the ride and learn where to meet, when and to form carpools.

APR 5 SAT**BOATING EQUIPMENT WORK PARTY. 9 am.**

Storage Shed, 4317 S. 300 W. #8 (I-15, 45th S. Exit, East Frontage Road, Next to Zim's Crafts Store). Wear your grubbies, be ready help us get our gear in top shape for the season. This is a great way for beginners to learn about the "hardware." of boating. Questions? Call Bob & Marilyn 273-0396.

APR 5 SAT**SKI TOUR (MOD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE** with

David Orza (463-2862) Call to register and avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. David has a very fast telemark turn. Come see just how fast his feet are as he hunts up some great snow.

APR 5 SAT**SKI TOUR (MSD) TO THE TOP OF BEN LOMOND**

PEAK with Brian Barkey (801-394-6047). Just outside of North Ogden is peak which rises to a bit over 9500 feet. This is a not a particularly tough tour, but some portions of it have exposure and it does require a long day of exertion. If the snow conditions are good, the ski down can be fun. Call Brian to find out the meeting place and time. Avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required.

APRIL 5 AND 6 SAT TO SUN**UINTA WINTER CAMPOUT, SNOWSHOE/SKI.**

(MOD) This will be a moderate trip designed to help participants learn skills and feel more comfortable with winter camping. Contact Vince DeSimone (801) 649-6805 for info and to register. Limit 8.

APR 5 TO 6 SAT THRU SUN**BACKPACK-SNOWCLIMB MT TIMPANOGOS VIA SOUTH RIDGE**

Scott Patterson will organize another of his short but extreme weekend adventures. Iceaxe, crampons, and avalanche beacon required. Contact Scott at 963-2263 to sign up.

APR 5 TO 6 SAT THRU SUN**CONSERVATION CAR CAMP WEST DESERT**

Conservation Director Brad Yates will organize a trip to either the northern House Range or the Fish Springs Range to document Bogus RS.2477 road claims and perhaps climb a mountain also. For more info contact Brad at 521-4185.

APRIL 6 SUN * DAYLIGHT SAVINGS *******ROAD BIKE: CAPITOL TO LITTLE MOUNTAIN**

(MOD, 30 mi.) Chris Winters wants to organize an out and back ride from the Capitol, across 11th Ave, U of U and to the top of Emigration Canyon. Those who wish not to endure the climb up Emigration may sit it out at Crompton's and save a seat for those that do. Meet at the N.W. corner of the Capitol at 9:00 am. CHECK YOUR CLOCK! Call Chris if the weather looks bad and for more info at 364-6612.

APR 6 SUN**SKI TOUR (MOD) ORGANIZER'S CHOICE** with

Karen Perkins (272-2225) Call to register and

avalanche transceivers, shovels and skins are required. If Karen finally gets her gaiters back, she'll show you how it's done!

APR 6 SUN

SNOWSHOE/DOWNHILL SKI: (NTD/MOD/FUN) We hope to be able to repeat last year's enjoyable (30+ participants) combination of snowshoeing up Silver Fork by some of the group and downhill skiing at Solitude by the rest of the group with a combined tailgate group lunch. Meet at Butler Elementary at 8:30am.

APRIL 8 TUES

MOUNTAIN BIKE: ENSIGN PEAK RADIO TOWERS (MOD, 8 mi.) Meet at the N. E. Corner of the Capitol Building at 6:00 pm. for an evening work out ride on the access road up to the radio towers. It is about an eight mile round trip with an elevation gain of 1,000 feet. Probably the best affordable view anywhere along the Wasatch Front. Call Tim Boschert 298-1814 h or 299-5710 w if the weather is questionable.

APR 8 TUE

SKI TOUR (MOD+) THE LAST SCHEDULED SKI TOUR THIS SEASON! The Tuesday morning Breakfast club with Edgar Webster (583-0703) The 'MOD+' means that you will be going fast and hard so that Edgar can get back to work at noon. "Early to bed, Early to rise, break some trail, burn your thighs" Avalanche transceivers, skins and shovels are required.

APRIL 12 TO 13 SAT THRU SUN

MOUNTAIN BIKE/ ROAD BIKE: ANTELOPE IS (NTD/MOD+) The annual Buffalo Bicycle event on Antelope Island should be this weekend. Check the April Rambler for more details. John Smith of BBTC is trying to negotiate a ride around the Island for mountain bikes on Sat. Other NTD and MOD rides maybe available. Sun. may be a road ride out to and on the Island.

APRIL 16 WED

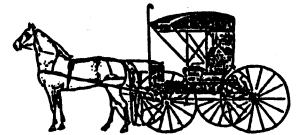
MOUNTAIN BIKE: BEGINNER CLINIC/ RIDE (EL / NTD, 3+ mi.) Tim Boschert (298-1814) will organize an introductory how-to mountain bike ride on the Shoreline Trail. Tim will discuss bike and rider preparation and handling skills. Meet at the Red Butte Gardens entrance on Warkara Way off Foothill Blvd. Be ready to go at 6:00pm.

APR 30 TO MAY 8 WED THRU TUES

BOAT CAMP LAKE POWELL Sue Chalmers (954) 792-4098 will organize this trip to Lake Powell for boat camping and day hiking if interested contact Sue for more info.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

ENTERTAINMENT

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS FOR APRIL & MAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

DOGPATCH DAYS SQUARE DANCE AND

POTLUCK - Last year's Sadie Hawkins' party was so successful, that this year we're having a Sid Hawkins party. Bart will do the callin' for the square dance.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19: CELEBRATE SPRING WITH WMC DAY AT LIBERTY PARK - ROLLER-BLADING, VOLLEYBALL, BIKING, PICNICKING, & FUN!!!

CINCO DE MAYO EVENT

OCTOBER 3 TO 18, 1997

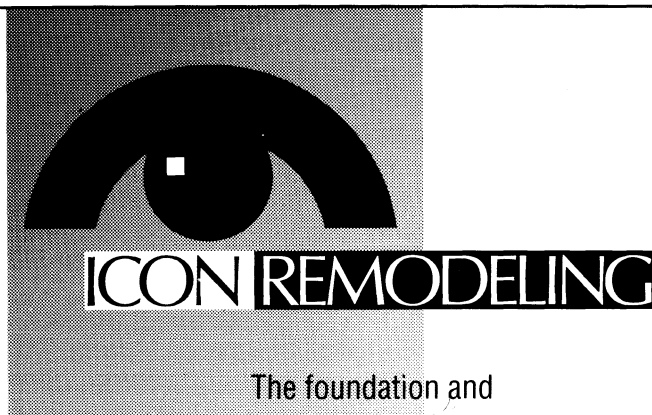
TAHITI SAILING: The trip is re-scheduled for October to the South Pacific paradise of **TAHITI**. We will have three boats for 10 days, and will be stopping at many exotic, out of the way island anchorages. Cost will be about \$2500, and includes air and ground transport, 3 nights hotel, food onboard, boat expenses, etc. Trips are run at cost. No experience needed. Contact Vince DeSimone (801) 649-6805 to discuss.

APRIL 18 TO MAY 3, 1997

VENEZUELA EXPLORATORY ADVENTURE: We will be hiking in the Andes Mountains between small towns accessible only by foot and plan to stay in small "posadas" with local people. The city of Merida will be the base for our visits when not trekking. A teleferique cable tram will whisk us into the Andes from which we will do day and over night hikes. If there is sufficient interest, we will also visit the jungles of the Orinoco River Delta. This is the site of Angel Falls (the world's highest), locale of Venezuela's three largest National Parks, and home of the Warao and Yanomami Indian tribes. WMC members Ken and Jen McCarthy will have completed their 500 mile self support kayak trip here in March. An organizational meeting will be held the week of March 9th. Call Vince DeSimone (801) 649-6805 for details.

MAY 3 AND 4 SAT TO SUN

CLIMB AND DINE IN ST. GEORGE: Leave Friday after work for Snow Canyon. Climb in Snow Canyon Saturday (trad and sport routes from 5.6 on up). Dine in St. George Saturday evening. Climb at Black Rock/Chuckwalla wall Sunday until early afternoon. Camp site has showers. I've reserved 2 sites. Need to make reservations early if going. Contact Herb Hayashi (801) 278-2620.



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WANTED: ANY PHOTOS, GRAPHICS, or other ideas suitable for the cover page of future rambles. Please put any submissions in the blue box outside the office door complete with captions or appropriate explanations before the 15th of each month. It's now time for Spring and Summer photos. Get those spectacular shots out and send them in!

FOR SALE: Barely used Asnes Extrem tele skis, 205 cm, with lever cables and skins (50-55 mm) \$100.00 or offer. Call Chris (466-1905).

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DIRECTORS MESSAGES

CONSERVATION DIRECTORS

Susan Sweigert & Brad Yates

Elections will be past by the time you read this, and I (Susan) am happy to welcome Brad Yates as Co-Conservation Director with me. Brad's energy and enthusiasm have been so valuable to the Utah Wilderness Coalition and the Mountain Club over the past several years. He has organized many phone banks (a truly thankless chore), and done lots of fieldwork on different projects including RS 2477.

Spring is coming, and the UWC still has a lot of "roads" to document in Utah wildlands. But the ground covered so far is amazing - approaching 50% of the claims made by Utah counties under the antiquated statute known as RS 2477. And of perhaps 100 claims investigated thus far, we believe that one (1) - yes folks, you read that right - may be a legitimately claimed RS 2477 right-or-way.

Since March 1995 when Will McCarvill initiated the project (focussing then on the San Rafael Swell), over 150 volunteers have been involved in one way or another. Volunteers prepare maps for fieldwork, do fieldwork outings (usually of weekend length) and collate the returned photos and information. Gail Hoskisson of the UWC, who has served as the primary contact for volunteers, has received requests for fieldwork packets from out-of-state and even from Europe. Some of these volunteers live in other states, and even a few Europeans have contacted Gail by mail or Internet to request fieldwork packets for their vacations here. Many volunteers come back and back for new field projects. And this is real grass-roots, all the above has been accomplished with NO paid staff.

Two special events connected with the RS 2477 "roadkill" project are scheduled for this spring. First, there will be an "Easter Egg Road Hunt" - see if you can find the so-called road. For the week prior to Easter weekend, the normal Wednesday night 7-9 PM drop-in time for volunteers seeking packets and information will be expanded. Volunteer coordinators will be available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings (March 25th, 26th, and 27th) that week, from 7-9 PM in the back room at the SUWA office. Then, there will be a celebratory campout at Kodachrome Basin State Park, the weekend of April 18th-19th. This campout is for all those who have participated in the RS 2477 or other UWC fieldwork projects, at any time in the past.

In addition, Brad is seeking people to organize field-truthing trips for the Club this spring. To organize such a trip, the main requirement is good map skills.

So, put these dates on your calendar. The Mountain Club has a proud history of activism in Utah environmental issues. We'd like to see you out there this spring.

SKI COORDINATOR BRIAN BARKEY

Another great season of skiing is coming to an end. We've had a near record level of snowfall, which equates to some great times in the backcountry. All of those great ski tours and activities organized by the WMC could not have been done without the help of this years ski committee. Each of these people have done a wonderful and invaluable job of helping me get the monthly tours into the Rambler. Next time you see them, give 'em a hug and kiss. They deserve it!

Sue Berg
Jane Gunther
Phil Fikken
Jim Piani
Tom Silberstorf
Tom Walsh
Edgar Webster

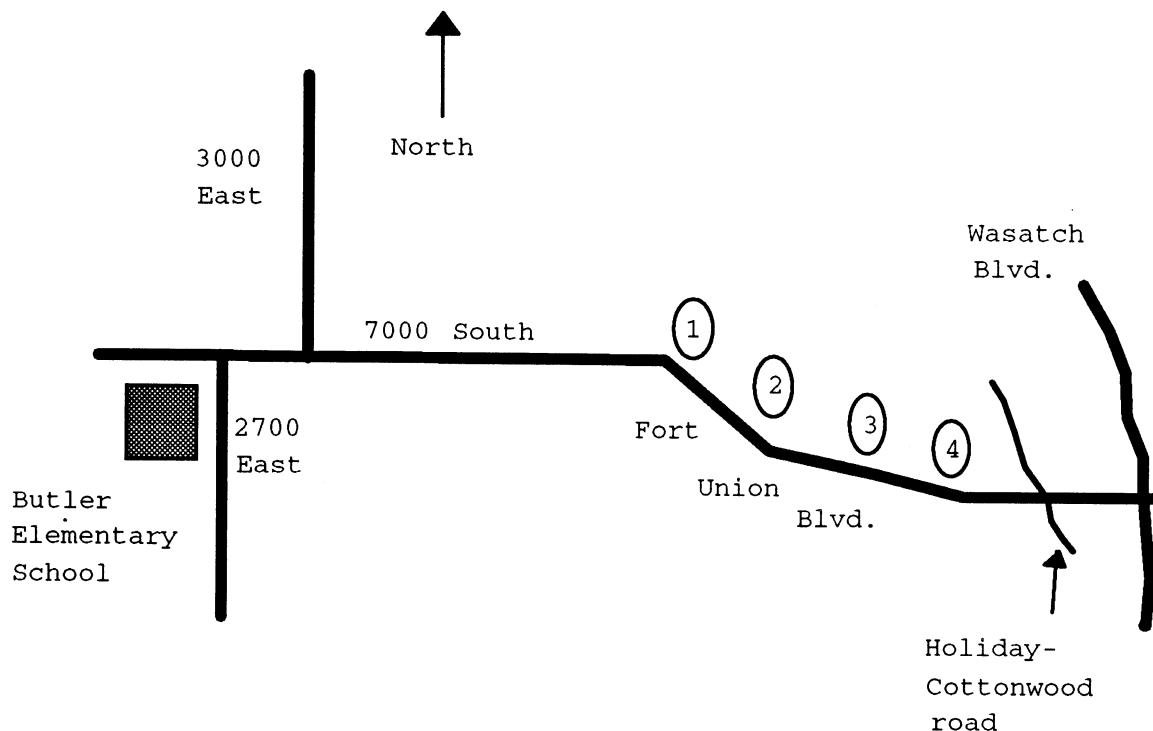
Finally I have to thank all of the tour and activity organizers for volunteering your time, energy and (sometimes!) blood. Without you, we would not be the organization that we are. Thank you!

In particular, the ski committee and I have singled out this years "leader of the season", Mr. George Westbrook. If you look in any of the Ramblers, George organizes a trip almost every weekend, and it's always a death defying, go-for-broke ascent and descent of over 5000 feet. Actually, on the few Westbrook tours I have done, I have found that George does not organize 'death' tours. They are actually paced quite mellow and always as safe as possible. Just be prepared to wake up very early! George gets an official WMC coffee mug for his efforts. Thanks George!

Finally, I must inform everyone that this is my last season as your skiing coordinator. It's been an honor and a privilege to serve you. Thank you.

Brian Barkey

PS. After the springtime sunshine sends most folks to the red rock canyons down south, I can often be found hiking the abandoned ski resorts searching out that last turn. Give me a call if you'd like to come along!



CAR POOL PARKING LOTS FOR SKIING AND SNOW-SHOEING

Butler Elementary School

Access the parking lot from 2700 East just south of 7000 South. (Fort Union Blvd.)

We do not have a guarantee that cars won't be towed from here in the event of snow.

Fort Union County Parking lots

The numbers are for the WMC. Don't expect to see any numbered signs, these are basically wide pullouts on the north side of Fort Union Blvd. County time restrictions are to be followed, NO PARKING FROM 10 PM TO 8 AM.

Lot #1

3220 East Fort Union Blvd. (7000 South)

This lot will hold an estimated 5 cars.

Lot #2

3360 East Fort Union Blvd. (7090 South)

This lot will hold an estimated 10-15 cars.

Lot #3

3420 East Fort Union Blvd. (7140 South)

This lot will hold an estimated 7 cars.

Lot #4

3600 East Fort Union Blvd. (7225 South)

This lot will hold an estimated 10-15 cars.

BOATING DIRECTOR Vera Sondelski

The boaters are assembling as the snow accumulates. We see water, lots of it. Join us as we get ready for the season. Find out what the boating coordinators are planning, learn what to do when you're up a creek without a paddle, meet the other river rats and let's party!

Your fine crew of volunteers for this year are:

Vera Sondelski - Boating Director	292-8332
Randy Klein - Advisor	943-5755
Janis Huber - Advisor & Hostess.....	486-2345
Janet Embry - Instructional Coordinator	322-4326
Bob Grant & Marilyn Smith - Boating Equipment Coordinators.....	273-0369
Allan Gavere - WMC River Issues Coordinator.....	486-1476
Eileen Gidley - Canoe Coordinator.....	255-4336
Vince Desimone- Sailing Coordinator	649-6805
Gene Jarvis - Rafting Coordinator.....	944-8619
Vacancy - any volunteers? - Kayak Coordinator	

Mark your calendars (see details in Rambler events).

March 7. **Permit Party.** 7pm. Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 S. Foothill Dr., basement.


Note: As soon as you get your permits (ie probably before the meeting) please call Vera (292-8332) and leave a detailed message so she can start compiling the information and have it ready for the permit party.

March 27. **Canoe Party.** 7 pm. Janis Huber's house, 2922 S. Zenith Circle.

April 5. **Boating Equipment Work Party.** 9 am. Storage Shed, 4317 S. 300 W. #8

April 26, 27. **Boating Safety Weekend.**

May 3, 4. **Beginning Boating Trip.** Gray Canyon on the Green River. Mark your calendars now.



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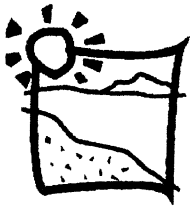
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CONTACT: JOEL PETERSON

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Stansbury Island

Greg Hill, Outdoor Recreation Planner for the Bureau of Land Management will talk about recreation on Stansbury Island on Tuesday, February 25th. It is an issue that affects sightseers, bird watchers, bikers, and hikers. Mr. Hill will also discuss the access issues for the Island. Friends of Great Salt Lake will be hosting this presentation at 7 pm. on Tuesday, February 25th at the Sugarhouse Garden Center.

Stansbury Island is the second largest island on the Lake. Over one-half of the island is managed by the BLM. It is a relatively rugged and primitive area with multiple users — cattlemen, hunters, recreators, sand and gravel operators, and brine shrimpers. In short, Stansbury Island has numerous issues and competing interests. The island's Resource Management Plan developed by Tooele County will be updated beginning in 1998.

Join Friends of Great Salt Lake and Mr. Hill at the Sugarhouse Garden Center. The Center is at the northeast corner of Sugarhouse Park, 1650 East and 2100 South. For more information, call Friends of Great Salt Lake at (801) 485-2394.

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March-1997

SUMMIT PEAK WINTER CAMPOUT AND SHOWSHOE TOUR

VINCE DESIMONE

A blue bird day greeted the lucky 13 who set out to Summit Peak. Participants were Leslie Woods, Frank Bernard, Linda and Russ Pack, Knick Knickerbocker, Norm Pobanz, Cassie Badowsky, Tom Willis, Gretchen Siegler, Jeff Shrger, Holly Smith, prospective members Margie Maruki and JoAnne Melfi, and organizer Vince DeSimone.

The group followed the ridge between Toll Canyon and Parleys Canyon, moving through intimate groves of shading pine and fir, with occasional openings that provided exciting vistas. It took an hour to get to the place where Leslie, Frank, and Vince planned to camp out in a snow cave overnight. Packs were left here while we went on up to the peak, 1600 feet above our starting point. A leisurely lunch found us enjoying each other and the views. Knick spotted a moose grazing down in Toll Canyon. Seems like Knick spots a moose 4 or 5 times a year on WMC outings.

Russ set the pace with occasional stops to regroup. This was one of the few trips Leslie was not among the trail breakers, since she was carrying a heavy pack containing all the things needed to survive overnight.



Frank Bernard, Leslie Woods, and Vince DeSimone enjoying "happy hour" in the snow

Following lunch, we went back down the ridge, gathering dead wood for the overnights to use. Thanks gang! We then went over to another peak looking down on Toll Canyon where it joins Parleys.

Margie and JoAnne wondered if the huge branches they were carrying were part of WMC

initiation. About mid afternoon, the group started down, while the overnights set up camp. Les and Frank built a snow cave while Vince cut the fire wood. Work was done by 4pm and a "snow couch" was built to lounge upon while enjoying happy hour of wine, cheese, crackers and apple slices. Entertainment was provided in the form of a spectacular sunset, causing the sky to glow red embers once the orb fell below the peaks.

After dinner, we sat around the warm fire talking. It fell to 5 degrees during the night, but all went well.

Winter camping is a wonderful way to experience the outdoors we love---if you are prepared. April 5 and 6 I will be organizing an overnight snowshoe/ski tour to the Uintas. This will be a MOD trip designed to help those with little experience learn how to survive and enjoy winter. Contact Vince (801) 649-6805 to register. Limit 8.

BUNCHGRASS YURT

A PHOTO TRIP TALK BY CHERYL SOSHNIK



WHERE DID THE YURT GO? IT'S BURIED (LIKE OUR LODGE) UNDER THE DEEP SNOWS OF JANUARY. BUNCHGRASS YURT, NEAR LOGAN, UT. FROM LEFT: VICKI MILLS, GAIL STOCK SLAGER, KYLE WILLIAMS, BEE LUFKIN AND PETER HANSEN.

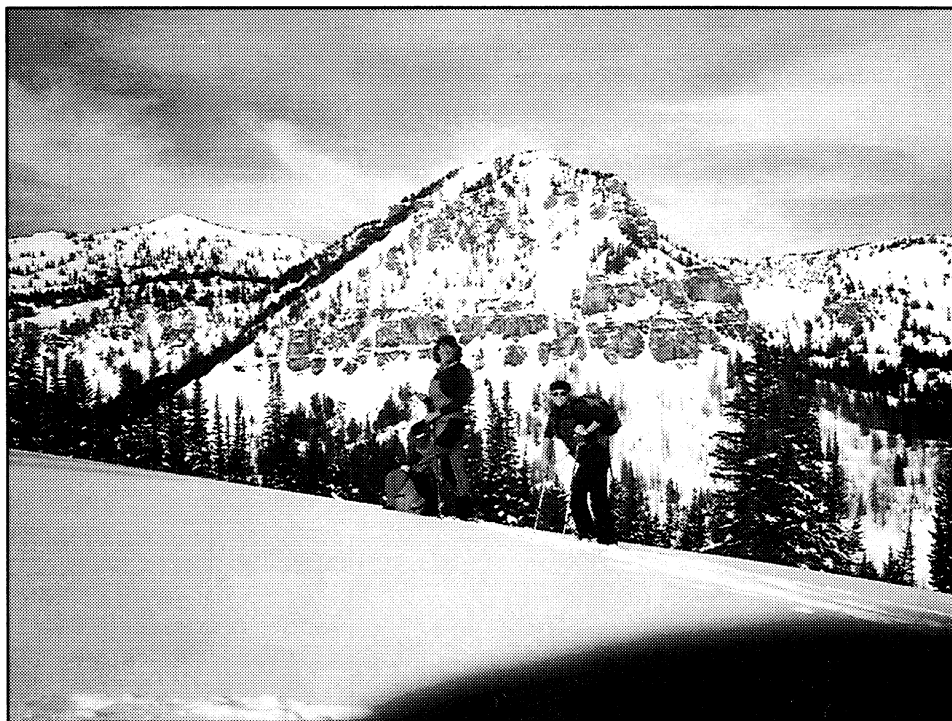


NO SLEEPING IN A SNOWBANK FOR GAIL! THE YURTS HAVE BUNK BEDS WITH MATTRESSES FOR COMFORTABLE NIGHTS

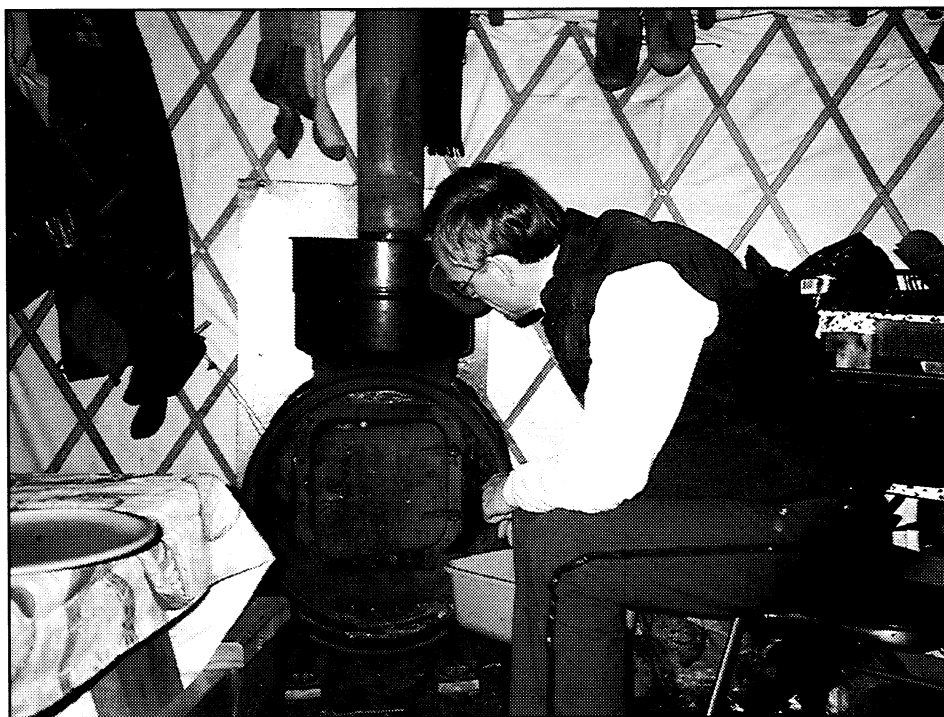
NO NEED TO CARRY IN WATER--JUST MELT THE SNOW, LIKE VICKI MILLS IN THIS PHOTO.



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INSIDE THE YURT AS
PETER HANSEN CAN
TELL YOU AS HE WARMS
HIS FINGERS AND TOES
AFTER A FINE DAY OF
POWDER SKIING**



Hey, fellow WMC'ers, lets see some of your photos! Every trip I'm on, there are other cameras out. Where are your shots? These shots highlight the benefits of winter camping without the 16 hours of shivering in your mummy bag in the endless frozen night, just waiting for daybreak. If you haven't tried yurt camping before, give it a try! It's fun, inexpensive, comfortable, and highly recommended.

LET'S A BEACH PARTY

Wear your best Hawaiian shirt and Rock n Roll those winter blues away.

Saturday, March 8

237 S., 10th E. Senior Center

6:30 pm - Potluck

8:00 pm - Dancing

See March 8 listing in Rambler for more details.

*"IN YOUR MIND'S EYE HOLD THE PERFECT COMPLEXION OF
THE DESERT'S FACE,
THE SMELL OF SAGEBRUSH AND THE SILENCE.
THEN IMAGINE ALL OF IT RAVAGED, SCARRED BY THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS
AND SAVAGERY OF COUNTY BULLDOZERS...
DISQUALIFYING IT AS WILDERNESS."*

Bogus road claims pose one of the gravest threats to Utah public lands. This is a call to citizens for wilderness: Join us in Utah's deserts this spring for three weekends of road claim documentation and boundary checks, including the "Roadkill Rendezvous," a celebration of active citizenry and wild spaces. **DO NOT FORGET YOUR CAMERA!!!!**

JOIN US FOR THE EASTER ROAD HUNT

Date: March 29th & 30th

Area of Concentration: West Desert

- Directions:**
- Pick up packets at SUWA, 1471 South 1100 East, anytime between 7 and 9pm on March 25, 26, or 27th.
 - Be prepared to turn in your packets at the **ROADKILL RENDEZVOUS**.
 - *Follow directions, be precise, be creativewin a prize!*

ROADKILL RENDEZVOUS!!

Date: April 19th & 20th

Area of Concentration: Kaiparowits Plateau

- Friday:**
- Pick up packets and find a campsite at Kodachrome Basin State Park.
 - Follow Route 12 to Cannonville. Take Cottonwood Road to Kodachrome State Park.
 - We will be camped at the Arch group site. Take the first right off the main dirt road.
- Saturday:**
- Go to the Kaiparowits Plateau and other local areas to check boundaries and road claims.
 - Return by 9:00pm for fun, frolicking, and a late night pot luck feast.
- Sunday:**
- Enjoy brunch and a volunteer tribute prepared by staff from the Utah Wilderness Coalition member groups, for you, *because it is National Volunteer Week!*
 - Before you leave, do not forget to pick up NEW packets to be turned in after Memorial Day Weekend.

Please RSVP to Liz McCoy, 801-486-2872, liz.mccoy@sierraclub.org or Tom Price, 202-546-2215, tom@suwa.org. **THANKS!!!!**

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Date: May 24-26

Area of Concentration: Will be announced

Help the Roadkill team complete their field work by ground-truthing one more bogus claim. Ensure that the UWC has sufficient information to stop bad RS 2477 Reform and continue in its efforts to preserve 5.7 million acres of BLM lands as true wilderness! Complete the packet you acquired at the ROADKILL RENDEZVOUS this weekend and turn it into SUWA by June 2nd, OR ELSE!!! **THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION!!**

For more information please contact Liz McCoy, 801-486-2872, liz.mccoy@sierraclub.org or Tom Price, 202-546-2215, tom@suwa.org

Please Complete Both Sides

Wasatch Mountain Club
New Member/Reinstatement of Previous Members Application
Do Not Use this Form for Regular Annual Membership Renewal

Please read carefully and fill out completely.

Name(s) _____
(First) (Last)

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Check phone number ☐ Residence: _____ Other ☐ Do not print my name/phone in membership list.
to print in Rambler membership list: ☐ Work: _____ Options: ☐ Do not list my name in lists given to Board
e-mail: _____ approved conservation/wilderness organizations.

I am applying for:

Check one:

☐ New Membership
(Please complete activity section.)
☐ Reinstatement

☐ Single Birth date(s) _____
☐ Couple _____
☐ Student (30 years or younger)

Remit: \$35.00 for single membership (\$30.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)
\$50.00 for couple membership (\$45.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)

Enclosed is \$ _____ for one year's dues and application fee. Checks/money orders only. Make checks payable to **Wasatch Mountain Club**. Do you wish to receive the Rambler (the Club publication)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Subscription price is NOT deductible from the dues.)

Activity Section

You must complete two Club activities (other than socials) to be considered for membership. The activity dates must have been within one year of the application.

<u>Qualifying Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Signature of Recommending Leader</u>
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____

I found out about the WMC from _____

Mail application and check to: Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
1390 South 1100 East, Suite 103
Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

Leave Blank—For Office Use Only

Receipt/Check # _____ Amount Received\$ _____ Date Received _____ By _____

Board approval date _____

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)

Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgment of Risk, and Release from Liability

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in any WMC activity is voluntary. No one is forcing me to participate.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I am aware that WMC activities involve risks, and could result in injury, illness, death, and damage or loss of property. These dangers include but are not limited to: the hazards of traveling in remote areas without medical services or care, the forces of nature, the inherent dangers involved in participation in sports, wilderness travel, and social activities, and the negligent actions of other persons or agencies. I understand that all activities should be considered "exploratory", with the possibility of unexpected conditions and route variations. The WMC is not, nor does it provide, a professional guiding service. In order to partake in the enjoyment and excitement of WMC activities, I am willing to accept the risk and uncertainty involved as being an integral part of the activity. I acknowledge this risk, and assume full responsibility for any and all risks of injury, illness, death, or damage and loss to my property.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here: _____

PREPARATION: I understand that it is my responsibility to evaluate the difficulty of any activity I participate in, and decide whether I am prepared by having the experience, skill, knowledge, equipment, and the physical and emotional stamina to safely participate.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, and personal or legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against, the Wasatch Mountain Club, its leaders, directors, agents or representatives for any injury, illness, death, or damage and loss to property resulting from my participation in any WMC activity even if they negligently caused the injury or damage.

LEGAL FEES: Should it become necessary for WMC, or someone on their behalf, to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to pay WMC reasonable costs and fees thereby expended, or for which liability is incurred.

INSURANCE: I certify that I have sufficient insurance to cover any bodily injury or property damage that I may incur while participating in any WMC activity. If I have no such insurance, I certify that I am capable of paying for all such expenses and liabilities.

My signature below indicates that I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand that it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. I am at least 18 years old.

Signature _____ Print name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date _____

WITNESS: I certify that _____ has alleged to me that he/she has read and understands this document.

Witness signature _____ Print name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ 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
 ☐ backback
- 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:** ☐ word processing ☐ mailing ☐ advertising ☐ computer support
- 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?



WASATCH FRONT FORUM

GREAT SALT LAKE - Brine Shrimp's Economic & Ecological Niche Plus Discussion of Lake Ecology & Development

Evening Panel Discussion, Slide Show & Refreshments

Sponsored by Friends of Great Salt Lake

Tuesday Evening, March 11, 1997 - 7:00 p.m.

First Unitarian Church-Meeting Hall, 569 South 1300 East, Salt Lake City

Harvesters of Great Salt Lake brine shrimp eggs, who sell their catch primarily to commercial prawn farmers in Southeast Asia, reportedly contribute more than \$25 million annually to Utah's economy. Their catch is microscopic and yet the booming business of scooping up tons of teeny shrimp eggs is not without controversy. Anticipating industry growth and reduced access to the lake, some harvesters plan to develop and build a new harbor near Black Rock, just southwest of the Saltair Resort. Brine shrimp fill a huge niche in the lake's food web for a large number of species, particularly migratory birds that gorge themselves on shrimp, brine flies and other macroinvertebrates. Because concern persists about over-harvesting of the brine shrimp population, and in turn, resulting damage to the lake's ecology, a three-year moratorium relating to the issuance of new permits is in place, while on-going research attempts to determine what is a sustainable harvest level. This past November, the Division of Wildlife Resources closed the '96-'97 harvest season (October 1 through January 31) over two months early, so the harvest would not exceed the previous year's record of 14,749,000 million pounds. The average harvest in previous years has been around 10 million pounds.

While preservation efforts along Great Salt Lake's eastern shoreline persist, creeping development proceeds. Important wetland and shoreline habitat surrounding Farmington Bay is now in the hands of conservation groups -The Nature Conservancy - 2,000 acres, and National Audubon Society - 1,400 acres. Other property is owned by duck clubs and the State Division of Wildlife Resources. These areas provide critical habitat for many bird species, such as white pelicans, black-necked stilts, American avocets, snowy plovers, Wilson's phalaropes, white-faced ibises, northern shovelers, sandpipers, dowitchers, grebes, and teals. However, numerous threats to these protected, as well as other unprotected wetland areas exist. In 1996, the State Legislature commissioned a study relating to the building of an access road to the south end of Antelope Island, which would cross the National Audubon Society's Gillmor Wildlife Sanctuary. Just east of these preserves, plans for new communities and a western transportation corridor - skirting the edge of the Great Salt Lake - pick up speed.

Please join in this program that begins with an introduction by **Friends of Great Salt Lake**, c/o **Howard Gross** 486-4565 and **Joel Peterson** 485-2394. A slide show will then be presented by **Ella Sorensen** and a panel discussion follow, which will be moderated by **Jim Woolf**, Environmental Reporter for the *Salt Lake Tribune*. Panelists include:

- * **Clay Perschon**, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources' Great Salt Lake Project
- * **Don Leonard**, Utah Artemia Association, a trade group representing harvesters
- * **Wayne Wurtsbaugh**, Dept. Of Fisheries and Wildlife, Utah State University
- * **Ella Sorensen**, Author and Reserve Manager, Gillmor Wildlife Sanctuary, National Audubon Society

The Wasatch Front Forum, now in its fifth year, features the 96-97 meetings on the second Tuesday of the month, during the six-month period, Oct. - March. The WFF was created to provide a forum for Utahns to learn more about the natural history of the Wasatch Front and the legal, political and social issues facing public land managers and local governments. It's supported in part by the Citizens' Committee to Save Our Canyons, The Utah Chapter of the Sierra Club, Friends of The Uintas!, Wasatch Mountain Club, Utah River's Council, and Friends of Great Salt Lake. If you wish to comment on or participate in future forums or have your name placed on a mailing list, please write to P.O. Box 58671, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0671 or contact Stephen W. Lewis 272-2598 or Joyce Maughan 359-5900.

THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

Membership applicants must participate in at least two Club outdoor or service activities. Yearly dues are \$30 single, \$45 couple, \$5 application and reinstatement fee.

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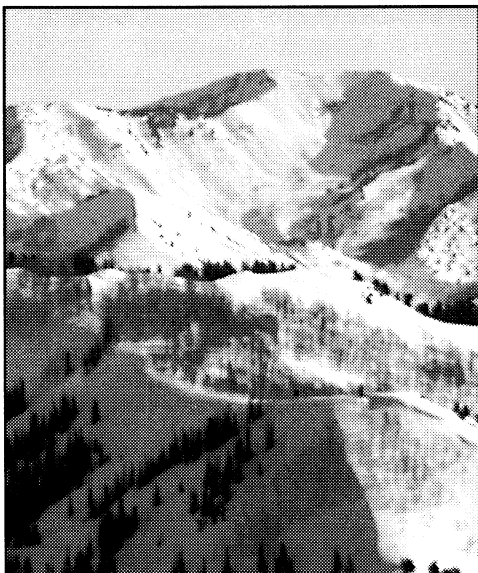
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(under entertainment directors)		
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Full Page	\$95.00	7" x 9"
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