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### CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

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Seasons come and go and so do SPS Management Committees. I'll not list now each one who helped in 1983 but choose instead to thank them individually. The job got done, by some as silent partners, by others in a more active role, dictated primarily by the nature of the task. I do appreciate the help.

I hear that some people declined the invitation to be nominated for election to the next Management Committee. These jobs are not difficult; they do require attending another meeting each month and a few other hours of detail work, but I have found the reward worthwhile.

There continues to be enthusiasm for the purpose of this organization as evidenced by the number of trips offered this last year and the perceived attendance as being relatively high; trip leading makes it all happen.

Let's all enjoy this holiday season and look forward to participating in another good year of climbing in 1984.

Jim Murphy Chairman

ENJOY THE SATISFACTION OF SERVICE IN MOUNTAIN SEARCH AND RESCUE

The Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team has been in operation for over 30 years. We participate in searches and rescues throughout the western United States and Mexico, however our primary area of responsibility is the local San Gabriel mountains. The Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team has had a long association with the Sierra Club, serving as the search and rescue coordinator for the Angeles Chapter. We have about 100 operations a year in addition to trainings and business meetings.

Prospective members are screened on a variety of items. Although each application is handled individually, the primary qualifications for membership include:

1) have some basic mountaineering experience;

2) live within a reasonable distance of Sierra Madre (generally considered to be not more than 20 to 30 minutes driving time);

be at least 21 years old;

4) be able to participate in at least 50% of team searches, rescues, trainings, and meetings (this means being able to contribute 400 hours or more a year to the team)

If accepted, new members will spend one year on a probationary status. During this time, in addition to passing a physical examination and background check by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, they are expected to attain the necessary search and rescue skills and to demonstrate their overall value to the team. At the completion of this probationary period, an extensive field and classroom test is given.

SPS members who meet our qualifications, and are interested in being active members of the Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team, are urged to contact the team by calling Jon Inskeep at (213) 790-5461.

COVER PHOTO: An SPSer is rappelling down the open book route to the U notch on N. Pal. After doing this fine peak is there anything else worth doing? ----stay tuned----.

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\*Owen completed the requirements in 1981 but his name was inadvertently omitted from the list.

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#### GERMAN ALPINE CLUB YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

In 1982, six members of the Munich section of the German Alpine Club visited the USA and were hosted by the Sierra Club's Angeles and Loma Prieta Chapter's climbing sections.

In 1983, it was the Sierra Club's turn to take advantage of the German's hospitality. Unfortunately, only two of us Sierrans responded to the appeal by the Sierra Club Mountaineering Committee to take advantage of the program: Cecile Wilson from Loma Prieta and myself, Jeff Bosson from Angeles.

I arrived in Munich in late July, and was housed in an apartment rented by some student members of the German Alpine Club. A few days later, "Cece" arrived and was similarly lodged nearby.

During the first week, various youthful G.A.C. members took me rock climbing on cliffs bordering the Isar River, and other Bavarian climbing areas. We also climbed the Wilder Kaiser on the Austro-Bavarian border. Following this introduction to European style mountainsering and climbing, we regrouped in Munich with the members that hosted Cace. Shortly thereafter, we left for the Dolomites in Northern Italy, and got snowed off most of our planned climbs. Bad weather in the "Dollies" forced plan-alteration - our two German companions, and we two Americans were given a "culture tour" of northern Italy. In search of better weather, we visited Chamonix but had to abort our attempt to climb Mont Blanc due to storms. We found better weather in southern France where we climbed in the Calangues and at Verdon. Travel was via VW.

The last few days of our month-long trip was spent in an extremely picturesque village situated in southeastern France. Our hosts were a rural French family, friends of one of our German companions who put us up in their home. This portion of the trip was for me the most enjoyable and educational.

Because only two Sierrans showed up for the "exchange", the G.A.C. lost its expected stipend from the Bavarian government, that was to be used to pay our transportation and lodging. In spite of this, we were well taken care of, fed, and plied with fine German beer. We were told not to bring ice-axes or hardware as the G.A.C. would loan us all that. This proved to be a mistake: the loan-gear was in terrible shape. It was embarassing to face the incredulity of the Germans who wondered why only two Sierrans returned their visit — we made up stories that young Sierrans were too broke, or poor to make the trip. Hopefully, this lack of interest on part of Sierrans will change now that we've broken the ice. For me, this particular program is the best thing the Club has ever offered and I'm grateful to the Mountaineering Committee and German Alpine Club for initiating it.

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The hardest thing for a newly wed girl to get use to is getting whistled for instead of whistled at.

Eat a live from for brakfast and nothing worse can happen to you that day.

The origional leaders, Cuno Ranschau and Gene Mauk, were unable to participate. Don Sparks and George Toby led the trip.

The roadhead at Lloyd Meadows in Sequoia National Forest is reached by taking the highway that proceeds north from Lake Isabella toward Kernville and beyond. The NFS map is useful in reaching the roadhead and along on the trip as the trails shown on the Hockett Peak topo map are not too accurate. The bridge crossing of the Little Kern River is actually about 4 to 2 mile south of where it is indicated on the topo map.

Seven participants and the leaders left Lloyd Meadows at about 8:00 AM Saturday. At the bridge over the Little Kern we opted to go cross country, roughly following Deep Creek in a northerly direction. We eventually reached camp in a clearing area east of White Mountain (near word "DEEP" on map) in the lower left corner of the Kern Peak topo. This is where the snow level was at this time this year. On Sunday we hiked a short distance more up the Deep Creek trail, then proceeded up and over to the large saddle at about 9700' (at "N" in National in lower left corner of map). From there the group hiked north, through snow along the ridge to the Coyote Peaks W-E ridge. The actual peak is the east end of this up and down ridge. We all got the peak, returned to the aforementioned saddle and proceeded south, essentially along the broad ridgeline to claim Angora Mtn.. The group descended almost due west down to camp.

Day three we hiked out following Deep Creek to where the trail crosses it, and out by the trail. The crossing at Deep Creek was interesting--about 2½ feet of fast water which we belayed with a 7mm, 85ft rope from an upstream position. Much fun!

The group was very good, all participants making both peaks. The trip was rather more strenuous than the leader had anticipated, especially the climbing day in the snow.

On a sour note, three signups did not show and never bothered to inform the leaders: Bill Forbes, Anni Oken, and U. Heinrich.

Don Sparks

ROCKHOUSE, TAYLOR DOME, SIRETTA

June 18-19, 1983

Cuno Ranschau was unable to join the trip. Don Sparks and Doug Mantle led the trip. The roadhead at Big Meadow was reached by taking the highway that proceeds north from Lake Isabella toward Kernville and beyond. At this time a new bridge was under construction on the road just past Limestone Camp, about 19 mi. north of Kernville. One had to find a rough, rocky dirt road (presumably repayed by now) in the vicinity of the construction mess, drive it a short distance to where pavement resumed, then proceed on to Eig Meadow following the NFS map.

The same trip two weeks previous was prevented from reaching Big Meadow due to snow and fallen trees. We however had no problem. All the snow had disappeared and the debris had been cleared.

The group met and dayhiked Rockhouse (peak 8383) along a trail shown on the NSF map leading easterly to Manter Meadow and beyond. On the return four also climbed Taylor Dome.

We drove to the morth end of Big Meadow and car camped. The leaders attempted to lead the group in rousing song and games. It was like pulling teeth!

We all climbed Siretta Peak Sunday morning. The trail is shown on the NFS map. It goes north from Big Meadow, then splits (in section 20 of topo). Taking the right branch about a mile to the 9200' level, proceed directly west up the peak.

Four signups did not show and never bothered to unform the leaders: Bob Michael, Gerald Dakan, Glen Wolar, Ted Washburne.

SHE: Pouring drink into his galss, "Say when". HE: Right after I finish this drink.

Q: Why did God make man before he made woman? A: He didn't want any advice.

Trojan(13950'), barnard(13990') -- 5/6-8/83; Larry Machleder

The climbing season up George Creek is very short(4/15-5/15) nevertheless only four participants: Larry M, Hirsch Kolp, Lloyd Brown of Modesto, and John Clark a non-climbing backpacker showed up at the appointed time and place.

The directions to the trailhead and route up George Creek from a 1976 John Hellman Echo writeup proved invaluable. It's possible to go astray driving; and make the hiking very difficult in the brushy lower portion of George Creek. However, with the directions in hand, we made it to our camp at 10K' by 5:00PM. We camped 2 nights at the last trees on the tributary to George Creek that leads up to the large basin containing the peaks, via a moderate east-facing chute that's obvious on the topo. There was no open running water and we had to melt or eat snow except at the lower portion of George Creek.

We started for the summits at 6:30 A.M. Saturday in absolutely gorgeous, clear, mild weather. However at the top of the chute the wind picked up tremendously. Larry, Hirsh, and Lloyd climbed both peaks amid the highest winds Larry ever recalls climbing in (Trojan lacks a register). Gusts at the top of Barnard must have approached 60 mph and were enough to knock one over if not braced or holding on. Nevertheless, all were back to camp at 5:00 pm. for a mild short celebration, the winds having gotten down to our camp by evening. Our tents rattled all that night too.

Sunday morning we packed up in the still high winds and were all back to our cars by 11:30 AM.

The Forest Service person at Lone Pine was upset by our admission that we hadn't deemed it necessary to treat our water. She states that most people are unaffected by Giardia, but do become carriers and spread the parasite.

It appears that some one came up to check on us Sunday morning. Climbers are advised not to attempt the peaks after the open season 4/15-5/15. The following guides are provided for those that wish to do the peaks in the future: GEORGE CREEK TRAILHEAD

Miles	Location	
0.0	Stoplight in Lone Pine (Whitney Portal Road)	
10.1	Maintenance Station on west side of Rte 395	
10.8	Gravel Road Turn-Off (Cattle Guard)	
11.4	Open Gate, road curves south to go past Manzamar	
13.4	Right (west) turn towards George Creek	
18.6	Sign: George Creek 1 mile (Onion Valley Rd. junction)	
19.8	Trailhead, limited parking, rough road	

#### GEORGE CREEK TRAIL

- Start on right (north) side of trail (brushy distinct trail)
- Come to a cliff that meets stream, backup 50 feet and cross to left side on a small log jam (toughest crossing).
- Continue on left approximately 1/4 mile (tough going where distinct trail ends).
- Next crossing has a large fir log sloping into the stream from right side just below some small waterfalls.
- 5. Continue on right until sighting a major gully coming down at a 45° angle to the stream, with a sharp little ridge between the two.
- Hike over the ridge (30' gain) and follow indistinct trail(s) 1/8 mile to an easy log crossing to left side of stream. Now terrain is open and left bank trail continues to 8800'.
- Cross to right side and continue to 9800 to 3rd major George Creek tributary (canyon) on left. Go up 200' to last trees and camp.

Six persons met at Glacier Lodge on Saturday morning; Scott Bailey, Jim Farkas, Igor Mamedalin, Norm Rohn (ass't), Chris yager, and M.V. Starting from the Lodge we walked up the South side of the south fork of Big Pine Creek. This way we would avoid a river crossing that may be too difficult due to the high runoff. It turns out that on the south side there is an intimittant trail which starts from the old riverbed just ami past a water tank. You can easily go along the hillside above the brush, and in about a mile you will intercept the main trail after it crosses the creek. We camped on the south end of Finger Lake where there were some snow free level spots. Everything else was covered with snow. Since everyone felt tired and lazy, we just kicked back and enjoyed the sunshine and scenery.

Next morning we left for Middle Pal at 5:30 am, following the east side of Finger Lake and ascending snow slopes to the next lake and on to the glacier. Facing the mountain, we approached it from the left crossed the bergschrund and entered the chute just left of the brown rocks. The first chute is a minor one, it does not go all the way to the top. We immediately crossed into the next (to the right) above the brown rocks. After ascending some distance in this chute, we decided to cross into the next one, and later crossed into the next one and then continued to the summit ridge. We discovered that we should have stayed in the first major chute all the way. Going up the way we did we run into more fourth class rock, which cost us about two hours time. We reached the summit at 1pm. While eating lunch and discussing the traverse to Disappointment, a young man named Alex ran up th mountain and joined us on the peak. He had hiked with the SPS about 10 yrs ago and had done the traverse. He told us that it would take about 5 hrs to complete the traverse, not to mention getting of the peak and back to the camp. By now it was 2pm; adding the 5 hrs plus a few more for the return, it became obvious that it would be a all night ordeal. Therefore we disappointingly abandoned our hopes for a two peak weekend and returned to camp.

The snow conditions were generally good all day except for being mushy in the afternoon. On the mountainthere were a lot of loose rock  $\mathfrak S$  so helmets would be in order.

Maris Valkass

There once was a feisty young terrier Who liked to bite girls in the derriere. He'd yip and he'd yap,
Then leap up and snap.
And the fairier the derriere the merrier.

## WILLIAMSON & KEITH 1983 July 2-4 Roberts/McClure

For many climbers, words cannot convey to them just how tough a trip is going to be. Warnings of a 6500' gain, with packs, in one day do not impress them. Neither does the word 'heroic', nor grim warnings of 'horrendous stream crossings'. They must be shown. Sometimes, the leader also suffers from such a failure of imagination...

Ten eager climbers - the maximum on our permits - showed up at the rendezvous point Saturday morning. The water in Symmes Creek was fairly high: pendulum belays were used for both the 1st and 4th crossings. The more dangerous 2nd and 3rd were bypassed using the way trail on the north side. A funny thing happened on our way to camp on the far side of Shepherd Pass. Only a minority of our party had the stamina to make it, so we camped at the last campsites below S. P., near 11,200′ - a few hundred feet above Pothole Lake. This strategic withdrawal meant that we could not climb both Tyndall and Williamson on Sunday.

The Williamson climb required a grueling 12 hrs of up and down over boulders, deep suncups, loose scree, and some good stuff, too. The weather was very fair and hot. Nine made the peak: Jim Roberts, Doris McClure, Ron Jones, Adrienne Knute, Nathan Wong, Pat McGaughy, David O'Brochta, Marc Spigelman, and Bev Full (from Iowa City). Ron, David, Marc, and Bev were very strong.

Sunday night saw some painful reassessments made, with the result that only three of our party climbed Keith on Monday morning: Jim, David, and Marc. Doris had climbed the S chute entirely on loose rubble in August last year, and so had no interest in climbing it again.

We had met Gisela and Bill Klewin on Saturday morning. They joined us for the climb of Keith. We cramponed up the S chute before the sun got on it, and were on top at 9. Gisela had a minor accident on the descent of the icy, suncupped chute. Fortunately, she had the skill and presence of mind to stop herself, in spite/of the failure of a self arrest. We were all glad that her injuries were confined to knee scrapes. Running down the scree and soft snow lower down was a blast.

On the way out Monday morning, a signed out and unbelayed participant, Randy King, fell off the branch at the first crossing, and was saved from serious injury by Nathan Wong. This accident highlights the importance of having a pendulum belay as a safety backup when crossing swollen streams. The belay may be of only minor assistance in crossing the stream (a branch or ice axe held on the far side is often of more help), but it's wonderful to have if you slip. You may not be able to hold onto the axe or branch.

Lemoore Naval Air Station has temporarily halted search-and-rescue missions in the Sierra Nevada by Navy helicopters, and park

cue missions in the Sierra Nevada by Navy helicopters, and park rangers fear that the halt may be permanent. Base spokesman Dennis McGrath said the rescue flights were stopped for the time being because not enough helicopters are available, but rangers said the whole rescue program may be in question because of the loss of three helicopters on rescue missions during the last decade. The most recent crash occurred July 28, when a Lemoore helicopter went down in the John Muir Wilderness area of Fresno County.

The Convict Canyon stream crossing was our primary concern as 5 climbers set off at 7 a.m. from the Convict Lake parking lot. A questionable-looking but frozen snowbridge just below the Lake Genevieve side-stream took care of the problem on the way in.

Camp was set up at the north end of Mildred Lake. We pondered the sign here indicating that the trail to Convict Lake was closed because of earthquake activity. After enjoying an early lunch, we hiked over to climb Bloody by following the trail then cutting up to the northeast ridge; the scree seemed interminable. One participant elected to wait for the group at Genevieve Lake and missed the panoramic view from the summit. Descending directly to Edith Lake, we then picked up our friend and returned to camp, begrudging the 400 ft. gain between Genevieve and Dorthy Lakes.

Sunday we set off early for Mt. Baldwin by hiking south until we came to a break in the cliffs and a chute that headed northeast. Soon we found a use trail that we followed most of the way to the peak. The old calcite mine encountered on the route was a highlight of the climb. Mt. Baldwin was the first Sierra Peak for one climber who had hiked extensively but not climbed any peaks.

On the return to the cars, the low snowbridge was deemed too risky with the softening snow conditions so we crossed Convict Creek via a higher, more substantial snowbridge. Then we belayed people across the Lake Genevieve side-stream, a churning 15-20 foot-wide stream which was actually a lot of air that decreased the force of the surprisingly warm water.

A sunny successful weekend was topped off by a late lunch at the Copper Kettle in Bishop. Other participants were Larry Machleder, John Clark, and Tom Jenkins.

## ANNUAL FUND APPEAL CANPAIGN PLANNED FOR MARCH 1984

Mary Ferguson, Executive Director, Friends of the Angeles Chapter announced plans today for our Annual Campaign Drive. "1984 will be a critical year for our Angeles Chapter" says Mary, as we celebrate our 74th Birthday in this Presidential election year. Our Chapter computer will be operational and will be enormously helpful to us as we plan our Annual Campaign Drive to raise funds to continue our vital work in our community. Funds raised will keep our Sierra Club in the forefront of the environmentally sensitive politicians to Congress and State legislature.

Essential to our success in this campaign is the cooperation and support of thousands of volunteers who will operate the phone banks and be regional co-ordinators in the campaign.

 We need donated for use at nights and weekends your office with banks of phones. A lawyer's or real estate office is most suitable.
 We need volunteers who will be part of the phone campaign in calling

their fellow Sierrans in their local areas.

- 3. Younteers who will be available during the day to process checks and work the phone banks from our Chapter headquarters.
- 4. Your Angeles Chapter needs your active support to raise sufficient funds to help keep this huge Chapter operating effectively.

No previous experience is necessary. We will provide training and the comeraderie in working with your fellow Sierrans will be rewarding to you. Pick up the phone today and call Mary Ferguson to volunteer your help. Phone 213-387-4289.

## Corcoran July 16 and 17, 1983 Jim Murphy

Due to some frustrating problems concerning a wilderness permit for a Sierra Club group, those on the reservation list comprised a small group. Those additional people wishing to go on the trip were encouraged to get their own permit and the late(8:00 a.m.) meeting time accommodated all of those addtional participants. The Tuttle Creek road end is located by a left turn from the Whitney Portal road on the Hoseshoe Meadow road, then a right turn exactly two miles south on Glacier Road; as you approach a ranch, the road splits in a "y" to the right and you go as far as you can (four wheel drives could go about 1/3 mile further). We proceeded up good trail to the old Hindu cabin which is receiving restoration effort. The trail from there is difficult to find, so we went up then, too high, but eventually came back close to the creek and found the trail which proceeds up the south fork. By mid-afternoon we had made over 4,000' of gain and camped in the lower of two treed campsights. Camp is when you see a small creek cascading over the wall to the norht. Sunday the group went up the wall on the north and travelled northwest to a point just east of the peak where you take a now chute to the crest (take the left chute on your way up). Traverse 150' from the crest to an obvious gully; the gully tops out at the summit where we found a 15 year old register, time 9:30 a.m. A cold wind quickly drove us off the peak and to the warmth of the east side of the crest and lunch at base camp.

We stayed on the trail all the way back to the Hindu hut; the trail has a few short, abrupt, steep spots that make staying on the trail difficult.

My thanks to Dan Mihaljevich for assisting and Dick Akawie for navigation.

MT. STANFORD Aug. 27-28, 1983

Jerry Keating/Elton Fletcher

Given the heavy snow year, the Hilton Creek headwaters provided an ideal setting for a joint SPS/Backpacking trip that attracted nine persons.

After a 2½-hour pack in from Rock Creek Lake, an excellent camp was established at a 10,400' lake on the drainage leading down from Mt. Stanford (12,851'). The peak was climbed on the first afternoon by six participants who encountered a few snow fields but no problems. Stanford Lake still had some ice on it.

The weather was cool and breezy on the day of the climb, as well as the next day as the party sauntered back to the cars

FINGER PK....JULY 22-25, 1983....BILL T. RUSSELL, BOB HICKS, DUANE MCRUER

Seven climbers in three cars met at the east end of Wishon Dam early Friday morning. Referring to the USFS map, we drove south through sections 7 and 18, then north to the trail head, which is in the SW corner of section 8. The road does not go much further, it does not go past Hoffman mountain as incorrectly shown on the forest map. The Rancheria Creek trail is an extention to the west of the trail shown on the forest map in the NE corner of section 17.

We hiked on the trail to Rancheria Creek and then up the creek partly on the trail and partly on snow. From Round Corral Meadow, we went cross country, with very nice walking, to Indian Springs, then to Chuck Pass, again partly on trail and partly on snow, then via nice cross country to the east and northeast to intercept Scepter Creek near the "C" in "Creek" on the Topo. We had lunch and then took off to the east over nice cross country, passed near the top of point 10,751, then over the hill to its east to a camp spot on some sand and rock ledges that were emergent from the deep suncups, at about 10,400. The next day, Saturday, we crossed Crown Creek at the outlet of Crown Basin and then went up east to the lake at 10,320+1, where we decided to make camp. We made up summit packs and hiked over snow through the saddle at 10,880+1 and on to Finger. The suncups were so deep and the walking through them so tedious, that we elected to go straight to the 3rd class SW wall of Finger rather than take the longer way around to the 2nd class SE slope which had even more suncups.

On the way up the rock wall, I stepped up on a slightly outward sloping slab of rock that was resting on more rock. As I straightened my right leg, the rock weighing perhaps 300 lbs., slid on a layer of wet clay and came down on my left foot, mashing the front of my foot, and as it turned out, breaking my first metatarsal. However I was able to hobble on to the summit and back to camp thru the softening and worsening suncups. Because I was somewhat frazzled, I turned leadership over to Hicks with McRuer as vice leader. I urged the group to climb Tunemah the next day while I rested my foot in camp. Hicks and McRuer wanted to be sure to get me out to the road head by Tuesday, but we were unsure as to how fast I could travel, so they decided to start out with me on Sunday. The other four gave the matter hard thought, including the challenge of 12 miles round trip - most of it through those terrible suncups; they decided to come out also. So we all hiked out by our entry route on Sunday and Monday morning, and were in Bakersfield on Monday in time for a birthday dinner for Bob at the Cask and Cleaver. I ended up with a walking cast on Tuesday.

The 5-day trip had been scheduled to do Finger and Tunemah and then Reinstein and Scylla. This would be strenuous even in a normal snow year, but it was impossible for our party with all the snow we encountered. The route we used was direct and quite practical for climbing these four peaks. It does give good practice in cross country nagivation through timber. The weather was splendid and there were no mosquitoes. It was a good trip with good people.

Register: can ok, book new in 1977.

Participants: Lloyd Brown, Mary Bygax, Bob Hicks, Duane McRuer, Bill T. Russell, Norm Rohn, Vieve Weldon

Smorgasbord: The skate board with which Swedish imprt cars come equipped. In the event the driver runs out of fuel he uses it to get smorgas.

Did you know that mrs. Shakespeare was the first Avon lady? Did you know that Cyclops was a private eye?

Did you hear about the guy who was built upside down? Nose that runs and feet that smell.

What this country needs is a dime that will buy a good five cent bagel.

Equator: A dangerous animal. It's the menagerie lion running around the earth.

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