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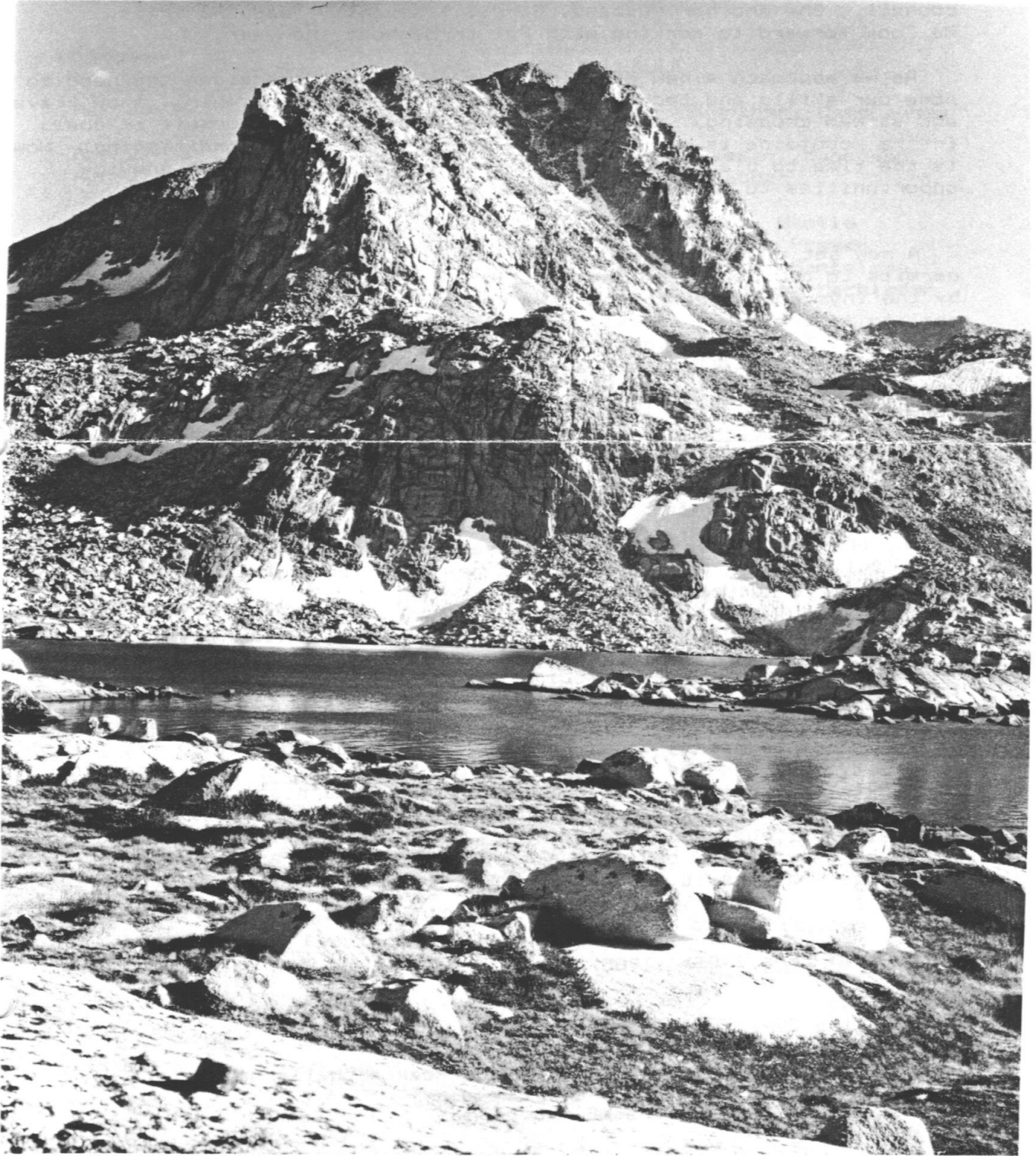
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We wish to extend to Cuno Ranschau special thanks and recognition for his untiring efforts as past editor of this publication and for his many contributions to our organization in leading outings and training exercises. Cuno's many iron-man exploits are legend in the SPS. We sincerely hope he can continue his contributions to our organization.

At this time, we are welcoming a new ECHO editor: Pat Holleman. Pat is no stranger to the SPS. She is a past chairman and served for a year as the SPS representative on the Sierra Club's Angeles Chapter council. She and her husband, Gerry, frequently lead SPS trips. We look forward to working with Pat throughout the year.

As we approach a new climbing year, we should consider the need to hone our skills and techniques at navigation, rock climbing, snow travel, and stream crossing. Safe, efficient, and enjoyable pursuit of goals in the mountains is facilitated by proper skills and conditioning. Now is the time to plan to attend the training exercises which provide opportunities to sharpen nav, rock, and snow skills.

A new set of federal regulations on the issuance of wilderness entry permits to groups and/or organizations is being implemented (particularly by the Inyo Ranger District). We do not expect the changes to impede our ability to provide a variety of well-led trips for our members and guests. We are still trying to get clear definitions but it now appears that the Angeles Chapter will obtain a special use permit. Individual outing permits would be issued under that permit. All of this is subject to Angeles Chapter approval and Forest Service acceptance of our application. When filing wilderness entry permit applications for SPS scheduled trips note that they are trips for the Sierra Peaks Section of the Angeles Chapter of the Sierra Club. Also note that participants pay no fees.

The DWP facilities will not be available for our monthly meetings as of July, 1985. We are seeking a new location which will be equally accessible to our members.

Dave Dykeman
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It is with deep regret that one of our members was overlooked in acknowledging his efforts that have benefitted the SPS. Getting the "Echo" to press, once the "Echo" editor has put it in its final format, has been the responsibility of Chuck Stein. It is due to Chuck's many trips to the printer and back and his out-of-pocket funding (which is later reimbursed) for the printing that all of us receive our copies of the "Echo". This kind of effort and support has helped the SPS become one of the most active and successful outings sections in the Club. Thank you Chuck!

Nancy Gordon, Past SPS Chair

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Morgan 29-1

Starr King 29-1

COVER PHOTO: Remoteness makes Marion Peak a challenge for all SPS'ers. Photo courtesy of John Reed.

SIERRA PEAKS SECTION OFFICERS FOR 1985

Elected Positions: Chairman - Dave Dykeman; Vice-Chairman/Outings - Maris Valkass; Secretary/Membership - Ron Hudson; Treasurer - Vieve Weldon; Alternate Officer/Programs - Mary Sue Miller

Appointed Positions: Council Rep. - Nancy Gordon; Safety Chairman - Bill Bradley; Conservation Chairman - Bill T. Russell; Mountain Records - J. Holshuh; Banquet Chairman - Ruth Armentrout; ECHO Editor - Pat Holleman; ECHO Mailer - Ella Hoselton

1985 SPS SPRING SCHEDULE

Mar 30-31	Sierra snow camp and peak climb	Guenther, Camphausen
Apr 27-28	Bradley	Dykeman, Magnuson
Apr 27-28	Cartago, Sawtooth	McFadden
May 3-5	Gardiner	Danta, Mantle
May 11-12	Perkins, Colosseum	Hudson, Preyer
May 18-19	Lone Pine	Avella, Santelman
May 18-19	Corcoran	McFadden, Machleder
Jun 1-2	Inconsolable	Dykeman, Gordon
Jun 7-9	N. Palisade	Hinkley, Mantle
Jun 8-9	Perkins	Stein, Powell
Jun 8-10	Newcomb, Chamberlin, Pickering	Machleder
Jun 15-16	Taylor Dome, Rockhouse	Harsh, Blauvelt
Jun 15-16	Bradley	Mantle, McRuer
Jun 15-16	Le Conte, Mallory	McFadden, Gordon
Jun 22-23	Goode	Dykeman, Wong
Jul 4-7	Rogers, Electra, Foerster	Dykeman, Toby

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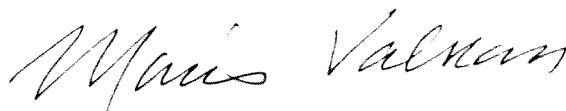
NOTICE!

March 4 is the deadline for submitting trips for the Schedule for 5 July through October 30 time period. It is requested that leaders submit their trip inputs to the undersigned no later than 25 February.

It may be helpful to the newer leaders, and also make us more acquainted with more of our members if the experienced leaders would team up, at least for one trip, with a newer leader. New leaders, don't be shy, and contact the experienced leaders for assisting you on trips.

March 1 is the opening date for submitting requests to the Forest Service for Wilderness Permits. Don't overlook it!

IT IS FEBRUARY 1 FOR YOSEMITE.



Maris Valkass
1728 Van Horne Lane
Redondo Beach, CA 90278

WILDERNESS ADVANCED FIRST AID REFRESHER

HARWOOD LODGE SNOWCREST

17-19 May 1985 (Fri. evening - Sun. afternoon)

This course emphasises first aid problems likely to be encountered in the wilderness. It is conducted under the auspices of the American Red Cross, and an Advanced First Aid certificate renewal will be presented upon the successful completion of the course. The problems associated with long term care and transport of the sick and injured, and the special problems of high altitude, cold, heat, dehydration, and exhaustion are studied. Some practice working on "victims" and a practical field exercise are included in the course. Participants must review their CPR and demonstrate their skill on a Recording Annie mannikin.

The instructors have had experience in mountain rescue, Sierra Club, scouting, expedition work, and other group leadership activities and have personally encountered many of the problems likely to occur. Guest lecturers will present material in which they have special expertise.

Harwood Lodge, owned by the Sierra Club, is located high in the San Gabriel mountains several miles above Baldy Village. It has sleeping facilities for over 50 people, however, many individuals prefer to spread their sleeping bags outside. Registration fees cover lodge fees and dinner Saturday night, breakfasts Saturday and Sunday mornings. BRING LUNCHES FOR TWO DAYS. No alcoholic beverages, radios, or pets allowed in the lodge; battery-operated tape recorders are welcome. The course starts promptly at 8:00 pm Friday night.

Anyone interested may attend this course, however, preferably one should have had a previous first aid course. A current Advanced First Aid card must be shown for recertification. (no CPR certification) Send application and \$30.00 to: Wilderness First Aid c/o Louise French, 1690 N. 2nd Ave., Upland, Ca. 91786 (for further information, telephone 714-985-6067)

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APPLICATION FOR WILDERNESS FIRST AID

Name.Telephone

Address.

First Aid card & expiration date.

First Aid/medical training?

Reason for taking this course?

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Vieve Weldon
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NEW MEMBERS

PAUL SHUBERT
JOHN G. LEONARD
SCOTT SULLIVAN
JACK KNOX
ANDREA HARPOLE
LEWIS AMACK
TOM MOUMBLOW
RICHARD T. CHVAL
BOB WATSON
DAVID HOLLENBERG

NEW EMBLEMS

DON W. HOLMES
RANDY DANTA
EDNA ERSPAMER

APR 13-14 (SAT-SUN) LEADERSHIP TRAINING COMMITTEE: The Leadership Training Seminar will be held in the Griffith Park area. See front of the Angeles Chapter Schedule for requirements. Send a self-addressed stamp envelope(SASE) to Registrar for application and information: Nancy Gordon, 6550 Ellenvue Avenue, Canoga Park, 91307. Applications must be returned prior to April 1.

WILDERNESS PERMIT RESERVATION FEES

Notice from the Federal Register Vol. 40 No. 222, Nov. 15, 1984

Dept. of Agriculture
Forest Service
36CFR part 291
Agency: Forest Service USDA
Action: Proposed Rule

Summary: The Dept. of Agriculture proposes regulations to recover costs associated with administration of user reservation systems on some National Forest System recreation areas. This action is necessary to continue protection of resources and protection of high quality recreation experience.

Address: Comments should be sent to: R. Max Peterson, Chief (2350), Forest Service, USDA, P.O. Box 2417, Washington, D.C. 20013

For further information contact: Thomas P. Lennon, Recreation Management, telephone (202) 447-2311.

Ed. Note: We received several reports on this issue and this was selected as the most up-to-date as the ECHO goes to press.

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WILDERNESS PERMIT APPLICANTS

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A notice of proposed policy on issuing and administering outfitter/guide special use permits was published in the Federal Register in April 1983. The Angeles Chapter was not alerted to this proposal and we are told that the National Sierra Club does not receive the Federal Register nor read the thousands of proposals, notices of decisions, filing of petitions, rulings etc that annually appear in the Register. On February 15, 1984 the Forest Service adopted new policies concerning the issuance and administration of outfitter/guide permits. In the past, special use permits (SUP) were issued if the permitted activities in the National Forest were of a commercial nature. Now, because of the increased amount of legal activity resulting in added exposure of everyone in our society to legal actions and liability suits (examples in a National Forest: proper maintenance of trails so hikers do not get lost or injured; granting a wilderness permit to a GROUP [such as church group, YMCA, scouts] when perhaps the leader has no training or experience in the mountains; inability of the Forest Service to always perform a rescue in such situations; etc), all use of the National Forests will now require a SUP. The Inyo National Forest is the first (and probably not the last) to require this SUP for non-commercial group trips into the National Forest.

Non-commercial organizations which require this SUP include church groups, youth groups, fraternal groups, educational institutions, conservation groups and many others. SUPs will be granted to groups who have liability insurance which names the National Forest as co-insured and to those groups which meet the National Forest's minimum suggested outfitter/guide (leader) qualifications. The Angeles Chapter already meets both these qualifications.

There is a fee involved in getting a SUP which is based on the outfitter's adjusted service-day client charge. Adjustments which are excluded from the fee base include long distance transportation and lodging, the percentage of supervised time spent not in the National Forest etc etc, too complex and unknown to understand completely at this time.

ANYWAY, the Sierra Peaks Section trips that I know anything about in the last 25 years, because we "make no profit, receive no reimbursement or salary, rental for use of animals or equipment, nor support other programs from amounts received from participants..." and many other Groups, Sections and Committee trips into the National Forests will be granted a outfitter/guide special use permit (SUP) where the fee will be waived and there will be NO charge.

At the Angeles Chapter Executive Committee meeting on January 17 Elden Hughes, the Chapter Chairman, announced that the Angeles Chapter has applied for an outfitter/ guide SUP covering all Chapter activities such as all SPS, DPS, HPS trips and activities of many other groups, sections and committees which qualify as exempt from SUP fees. Elden will present this proposal to the Angeles Chapter Council under Chair Art Blauvelt on January 28 and it will be studied by members of the Chapter

Executive Committee before the application is signed.

Those Chapter activities inside the National Forests which perhaps do not fall under the non-fee category are still under study and very likely will be covered by a separate special use permit where there will be a fee involved.

WHAT THIS WILL MEAN TO US IS THIS: There will be nothing additional which leaders or participants will have to do for us to be covered under this Angeles Chapter non-fee "blanket" SUP if it is adapted.

What we should do, and the purpose of this NOTICE, is this: when we apply for our Wilderness Permits in the Inyo National Forest (the Lone Pine, Bishop or Mammoth Lakes offices) and actually it would be safe to follow this recommendation when applying in any National Forest on and after March 1, 1985, where the permit application asks, "Organization/ Group Name" we must state ANGELES CHAPTER, SIERRA CLUB. If we are operating under the SUP in question this identification, together with the appearance of our trip in an official Chapter publication will give us coverage under the non-fee SUP. Even if we qualify for this SUP we will still apply for our Wilderness Permits just as we always have. --Ron Jones

Inyo National Forest Daily Trail Quotas
Approximately Half available by advance reservation
beginning March 1, 1985

Quota Period 6/15-9/15
MAMMOTH RANGER DISTRICT

Trail	Total Quota	Max Group Size
Fish Creek	15	
Shadow Lake	30	
River Trail	35	
High Trail	25	
Minaret Trail	10	
John Muir Trail	10	
Duck Pass	40	

WHITE MTN DISTRICT

McGee	40	25/15 on alt day
Hilton Lake	35	12
Mono Pass	30	10
Tamarack	30	25/15 on alt day
Hilton Lake	20	10
Pine Creek	50	17
Horton Lake	30	25
Piute Pass	40	13
Lamarck	25	10
Bishop Pass	55	18
N.F. Big Pine	45	15
S.F. Big Pine	20	10

WHITNEY DISTRICT- Quota Period 5/1-10/31

Taboose Pass	15	9
Sawmill Pass	15	9
Baxter Pass	15	9
Golden Trout Lakes	25	8-9
Kearsarge	60	20
Shepherd Pass	15	9
Mt Whitney Trail	50	16-17
Meysan Lake	15	9
Tuttle Ck	25	8-9
Cottonwood Pass	40	13-14

SPS BANQUET - December 12, 1984

The 28th annual banquet was held at the Sportsmen's Lodge in Studio City on December 12. Members and guests gathered for a cocktail hour at 6:30 followed by a roast beef dinner at 7:30. The evening was highlighted by a slide show presentation "Tower of Challenge: First Ascent of Celestial Peak in Chinese Tibet" given by Edward Vaill.

With Nancy Gordon, 1984 Chairperson, acting as Master of Ceremonies, the program commenced by Nancy's listing of the progress and achievements of the SPS in 1984.

Nancy turned the podium over to Barbara Reber who reviewed the impact of the new Wilderness Permit policy on the Sierra Club. Members were encouraged to write protest letters to the Inyo National Forestry Department before January 10th when the Forest Service is to hold a meeting on this issue. Ron Jones and Bill T. Russell will attend as representatives of the SPS point of view.

Nancy resumed her listing of 1984 achievements by announcing the completion of the design for a list finisher pin. The proposed pin was available for members' perusal and input.

Nancy recognized Ruth Armentrout for her hard work as Banquet Chairperson, Betty McCosker for table decorations, the 1983 Management Committee, and all past officers and chairpersons.

Nancy introduced Dave Dykeman, new 1985 Chairperson. Dave then introduced the remainder of the 1985 Committee: Maris Valkass (Vice Chairperson), Vieve Weldon (Treasurer), Ron Hudson (Secretary), Mary Sue Miller (Alternate Officer). Dave also introduced the holders of the appointed positions. Dave then presented Nancy with the past chairperson's pin.

Nancy returned to the podium to recognize all 1984 leaders, 1984 emblem winners and list finishers and all past emblem winners and list finishers.

The drawing for the door prizes was led by Mr. Master of Ceremonies, Doug Mantle. Keeping to his inimitable style, Doug managed a poke at the DPS, Ron Jones' love of burros, our investment-minded retiring Treasurer Randy Danta, and one last jab at dessert-free Jim Murphy.

Doug proceeded to distribute the door prizes by conducting the drawing. The generous donors and lucky winners were:

DONOR	ITEM	WINNER
Dolt	Fanny Pack	Mary Sue Miller
Dolt	Fanny Pack	Bill Bradley
Dolt	Fanny Pack	Gisela Kluwin
Dolt	Toad Pack	Doug Mantle
Dolt	Toad Pack	Sue Hanna
Dolt	Day Pack	Roy Magnuson
Dolt	Cargo Pack	Chuck Stein
Dolt	Cargo Pack	Les Stockton
Dolt	Cargo Pack	George Toby
A-16 Tarzana	Bomber Hat	Anna Lisa Kingsley
R.J. Secor	<u>Mexican Volcanoes</u>	Randy Danta
R.J. Secor	<u>Alaskan Expeditions</u>	Hiroko Igiki
Mountain High Ltd.	Fluorescent Pocket Lantern	Ron Young

Mountain High Ltd.	Rock Climbing Shoes	Joan Hack
Sports Chalet	Easy Walker Boots	Mike Manchester
Mountain Shop	\$10 Gift Certificate	Karen Leonard
(Northridge)		
Mountain High Ltd.	Grand Prize-Climbing Rope	Norman Gordon
(Ski & Campy)		

The 1984 banquet was an enjoyable experience of the moment, invoked pleasurable memories of the past and created expectation of great climbing in the future (maybe a trip to the Sierra-like area of Celestial Peak in Tibetan China?). Our thanks and appreciation go to Ruth Armentrout, 1984 Banquet Chairperson and to all those who helped in making it a great success.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mary Sue Miller
 SPS Secretary, 1984

ECHOS FROM THE PAST
 Ron Jones
 Five Years Ago in the SPS

The new Management Committee for 1980 was made up of Gene Mauk, Ch; Bill Bradley, VCh; Harold McFadden, Sect; Pat Holleman, Treas; & Dale VanDalsem, Alt Off; Cuno Ranschau served as Echo editor. Pete White gave the program to 136 members and guests and showed films of the 1976 Everest Expedition. Trips for the period included Dave Vandervoet & the Hollemans leading a January ice axe practise, Chuck Stein & Bill Bradley a February practice and Fred Camphausen & I leading leading a snow climb of Crag Pk.

Ten Years Ago

The newly elected Committee for 1975 included Doug Mantle, Ch; George Toby, VCh; Tom Cardina, Sect; Duane McRuer, Treas; Bill Russell, Alt Off; & Paul Lipsohn, editor. Dick Sykes gave the program, slides on climbing in the Tetons & Wind Rivers, to 120 attendees. Dennis Lantz & Uncle Tom Rosezweig led a January rock climb in JTree. New members included Cliff Cameron & Deanna Holleman.

Twenty Years Ago

New SPS officers for 1965 were Arkel Erb, Ch; Gordon MacLeod, VCh; Andy Smatko, Sect; Ellen Siegal (Ossofsky), Treas & Echo editor; Sy Ossofsky, Alt Off. Sid Davis donated a mimeograph machine for the Section to print the ECHO. Jerry Keating, Roy Michel & John Peckham climbed the Mexican volcanos. Erwin Sheaffer and Don Rapopolee earned emblems #97 & 98. New members included Marlin Clark, Bob Felgar, Hal Browder & Charles Gahr. Bids were solicited by the Forest Service to develop the Alpine Bowl in Mineral King as a ski resort.

Twenty Five Years Ago

The newly elected 1960 Management Committee consisted of Jerry Keating, Ch; Frank Sanborn, VCh; Bill Sanders, Sect; George Shinno, Treas; Lothar Kolbig, Alt Off & Andy Smatko, Echo editor. The SPS passed a bylaws amendment requiring a mail ballot for peak additions and bylaws amendments rather than a 2/3 vote of those members present at the business meeting. Also an Echo subscription was required of all members. Barbara Lilley went skiing at Mammoth with Bud Bingham on 2/6/60 & transported him back to L. A. with a broken right leg. The next weekend she went skiing at Mammoth with Sy Ossofsky & transported him back to L. A. also with a broken right leg. --RON

THE ECHO EDITOR NEEDS YOUR 1984 TRIP WRITE-UPS NOW IN ORDER TO KEEP
PUBLISHING THROUGHOUT THE SPRING!!!

STARR KING

OCTOBER 1984

MARIS VALKASS

The group met at 6:30 Saturday morning at the Glacier Point parking lot. After eating breakfast and waiting for the arrival of daylight, we drove to the Mono Meadows trailhead where we met two more of our group, a total of 11.

We hit the trail at 7:30. The weather was warm and sunny. We had an enjoyable hike to Illilouette creek, down hill, then up to 7600' level near Starr King where we camped. The water was scarce, the main stream shown on the topo was dry, but we found a smaller gully with a trickle of water $\frac{1}{2}$ mile away.

After lunch and setting up camp, we headed for the peak. We approached from the south and went around it to the east, starting to climb to the saddle between the middle and the south peak. From the saddle we went over the middle peak and down to the saddle leading to the summit.

We used two 165' ropes on both pitches so that two persons at a time could climb using Gibbs ascenders. It worked very well and all got to the top quickly. On way down we used two 165' rappels ;in camp by 5:00.

This is an exceptionally nice climb culminating with a magnificent, different view of Yosemite.

Don Weiss served his famous guacamoli, and others contributed other fine goodies so that we almost did not have to fix dinner.

Susan Hanna and Jay insisted on taking a bath in the dry creek, so they almost missed the happy hour.

Another strange activity done by a recent BMTC grad. on one of her first SPS trips, was keeping rocks in her tent. They must know something. Joy! where they warm and cuddly?

Sunday morning we got up lisurely and started to hike back at 9, reaching the cars by noon.

We were happy to have some newer people with us: Jim Edmondson, Joy Fagert, and Dick Smith. All were good climbers and good companions. I will take you on any of my trips.

Most of us met for lunch at Monterey Ice Cream Co. in Fresno off of Shaw exit on Hwy 41. Our ice cream expert Vic Henney and Sue Wyman recmmended it highly. They serve sandwiches also.

My thanks to Bruce Knudtson for assisting me. Thanks to him, our losses did not exceed the allowable limits. Thanks also to all who came and made the trip a success: Jim Edmondson , Jim Farkas, Joy Fagert, Susan Hanna, Vic Henney, Jay Holshuh, Bruce Knudtson, Dick Smith, Don Weiss, Sue Wyman.

Maris Valkass

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