

I O C A NEWS⁷

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WHERE ARE ALL OF THOSE INFORMATION FORMS?
IOGAH IS GETTING ANGRY!!



First of all, the good news: aren't you surprised to see an IOCA News again so soon? Well, so am I. But here's the real good news. . . IOCA now has a new region: IOCA-West. IOCA-West covers Colorado, Utah, and New Mexico, and plans to expand further in the near future. (oops--left out Wyoming.) IOCA-West seems to be pretty active. . . at least they have a regional square dance every thursday at 7 p.m. and have had representation from seven clubs.

IOCA-West Officers
Regional Co-ordinator Alan Brooks; Natural Resources Ecology Resources Lab; CSU; Ft. Collins, CO 80523
Conference Chairman Mitchell Frey
Square Dance Chairwoman Debbie Michela
Foreign Correspondent(?) Jennifer Allison

Now, on to other business. . . last Conference, the Conservation Committee (non-committee?) decided to put forth in the News a statement on IOCA policy in regards to population limitation, in order to get comments. Unfortunately someone trophyized the notebook I used to write it down. It went something like this: 'In view of the fact that activities of the IOCA are adversely affected by expansion of urban areas and increasing use of and pressure on wild and natural areas, the IOCA supports efforts designed to stabilize population! Comments? And still on the same subject, how about an IOCA policy towards the outdoors in general? Please ask around for suggestions and send them in, so I can publish them next month.'

In other developments, the IOCA Bulletin will be coming out soon. Also I hear that there is a new edition of Dick and Beth Best's 'IOCA SONGFEST' out. Has anyone seen one, or know where they are available if this isn't

just a wild rumor. Two (at least) IOCA regions now have newsletters. (BROCA and IOCA-West) I'm sure that the editors of both would be happy to send out extra copies to anyone that is interested. Speaking of such things, what are all the rest of you regions doing? I'll tell you what. . . if anyone out there wants a list of phone numbers, names, addresses etc. for your area, just drop me a line and I'll send you what I can. But for me to be useful to you (not entirely impossible) in this and other ways, I need help. Please help satisfy my insane craving for receiving things in the mail. And since I'm busy yelling for help, there are several (at least) vacant IOCA offices. Most important right now is the post of publicity folder chairman. Any takers? --NOTICE: SINCE THIS PARAGRAPH IS ALREADY HOPELESSLY-- --DISORGANIZED, I HEREBY ABANDON OFFICIALLY ALL ATTEMPTS-- --AT TRYING TO KEEP IT IN ANY KIND OF COHERENT ORDER-- COLLEGE WEEK: Olin Hale says that the turnout this year was very poor. It seems that part of the problem was that the information was too little and too late. But I don't think that the fault was Olin's at all. He was given an impossible situation to work with. Although this is counter to tradition, I think that the College Week site and sponsor should be chosen well before the Conference. So please start sending in the bids, so they can be published and voted on before Conference. Hopefully this will mean an advance College Week Newsletter available at Conference, with a supplemental one during the summer for those that put their addresses on a mail list or write in. Speaking of trips, those two BROCA trips were really fantastic. But if you want to hear about them, write Eric Hardee and subscribe to the BROCA NOOS.

This paragraph is too long, so.....

Conference is going to be earlier this year, to avoid conflicting with exams. It will be held at a place called Thorn Spring Park, near Franklin, W. Va. and will be hosted by UVA and Madison Outing Clubs. The date is tentatively set for the second weekend in April. Thorn Spring has an IDEAL location. Within 1 minute (walking!) are: caving, rock climbing, hiking, and whitewater canoeing. And within 1 hour's drive are: Seneca and Champe, and Nelson Rocks; Hellhole and Schoolhouse caves; Spruce Knob, Dolly Sods, Otter Creek, and North Fork Mountain (all outstanding hiking areas); Smokehole Gorge and the upper Potomac. (P.S.- the menu will be posted in advance).

IOCA Mysteries:

What is that thing crossed with the axe on the IOCA emblem? (Jan Schuster insists that it's a stick with a twist of banana bread- he even sent me the recipe) Where did OOGAH come from? What does 'caa-ooo-wah' mean? Where is my hat?

IOCAalendar

OCTOBER

- 18-20 FALL SENECA WEEKEND: Eric Hardee (804) 295-2050
And the caller for the Sat. night square dance will be none other than Blake Bacon. Check at the Gendarme (the climbing shop at Mouth of Seneca) for notices. There will probably be some trips inconjunction with the West Va. Highlands Conservancy Weekend Review.
- 19 BALCONY FALLS, JAMES RIVER: UVAOC CANOEING, intermediate level.
- 20 FALLS OF RICHMOND: UVACC Canoeing, advanced level
- 25-27 WILSON SQUARE DANCE WEEKEND: Chambersburg, Pa.
Call Judy Natkie at (717) 2639935. also RPI/Skidmore.
- 26-27 CAVING NEAR BLOOMINGTON, IND: U. Chicago. Call Steve Jordan at (?) 955-3290

NOVEMBER

- 1-3 BROCA BEACH TRIP: to Ocracoke Island near Cape Hatteras. Leader is Olin Hale, (919)7810692.
- 8-10 UDOC WEEKEND
- 22-24 NC STATE and ~~BRXXSKXMMWREKXWKKKKM~~. UCONN WEEKEND.
Thanksgiving FALL IOCAving. Leader is Olin Hale again.

IOCA TRADITIONS

- NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS (you can get highs naturally on IOCA trips)
- NO PAIRING OFF TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE GROUP (it's a lot easier to get just two together than an entire group; so enjoy the group while you're with it.)
- NO FIREARMS

COGAH
SQUARE DANCING
SONGFESTS

NO HOMICIDE IN THE PROCESS OF TROPHYIZING
Enforcement is by peer pressure--usually a lake or river. Actually, there is little enforcement . . . usually people somehow decide the traditions make sense and follow them . . . a phenomenon I have absolutely no explanation for.

IOCA EXEC-SEC's ENEMIES LIST

- 1) Judy Natkie, WOC for finding out that I'm ticklish on the bus back from Conference . . . several times.
- 2) Whoever took my hat.
- 3) Molly Koenig, RMWC OC for an unwanted, unwarranted baptism in Lake Tiorati at Conference .
(to be continued next month)

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-KC



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