

Past Tents

Mental meandering by SOLAR historian..... vol. 9

Each month we will dig into our archives and ponder on the past and present minutia of our club.....

I hope in the future to also be a bit of a document of record and comment on current event and perhaps give a historical context.

Welcome to my mad mad world of run on sentences and mental meandering

So you've never heard of the Steering Committee

You may or may not have known that our club has a Steering Committee. When you attend the monthly SOLAR meeting at St. Paul's, most of the folks talking and taking us through the first half are committee members, they help organize, guide and have input on content as well as a many other club aspects. The meeting place, the dates and days have all fallen into the purview of the current or past elected members.

I have found as club historian a trove of meeting minutes from this process, in the next section of this commentary I will include some changes and advancements highlighted in them, but additionally we have helped get members more active, helping advise on organizing trips, settling concerns, as well as changing process like communicating with membership and other outside enthusiast in the outside world. Social Media, Records, Economy, Treasurer, Guidance.... all play into the health of our Club. Look at our recent party in December, new members and old came and had a good time but it was pretty seamless that the steering committee and sub-committees got it organized, rolling and to completion, yep talking about clean up but also posting so we can share the experience. That is what the Steering committee is all about, sharing the experience.

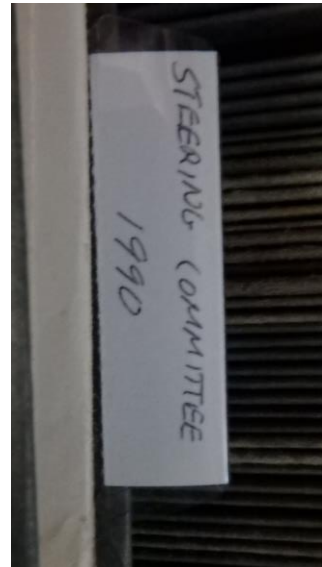
SC elections are coming up. I have heard former and present SC members use the phrase "give back" to why they got a bit more involved, they have benefited from being in SOLAR, perhaps you have too. There are many positions that help SOLAR survive and thrive, as always you are welcome at any Steering Committee meeting (most every second from last Tuesday of the month).....contact any SC member to find out what the position if one is of interest to you. As you see from this 1990 era list the NEW SC, positions are still nearly the same.

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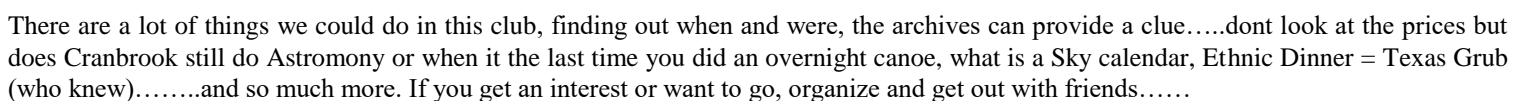
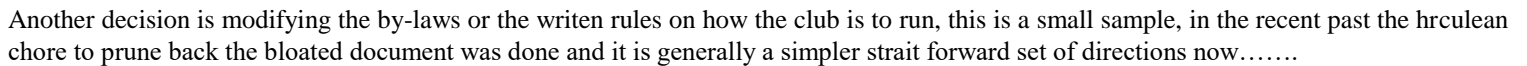
Old business: The new steering committee as follows:

President	Joan Hettinger
Vicepresident	Cathy Dolland
Secretary	Pam Maxey
Treasurer	Tim Stangl
Membership	DaveeBombard
Activites	Joan Govan
By-laws	Bill Stanley
Solar Ray	Jan Piet
Programs	Joe Paronish
Public Realtions	Jim Williams
Eduction	Matteo DiTomasso, Jess Harding
Equipment	Randy Brown
Historian	Hal Joerin

New Business: Mike Mannebach to look into making new SOLAR flags with the
the Steering Commi



You may surmise by reading the archives alcohol and SOLAR folks are familiar with each other, little did you know in our past we found a need for prohibition.....who knew, I am pretty sure things got out of hand, just one of the many decisions that might ruin your chances of running again for club President.....notice also they decided not to charge for the Christmas party as well.....



SECRETARY: TIM STANGL'S MINUTES WERE CHEWED UP AND PAH MAXEY GAVE HIM A NEW COPY. LARRY MOTIONS TO ACCEPT JAN MINUTES. SECOND-JONI GOVAN. MINUTES PASSED.

TREASURER: BRENDA SUBMITTED REPORT FOR 1/30 - 2/27. LARRY HARTIN MOTIONS TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. SECOND-JONI GOVAN. MOTION PASSED.

ACTIVITIES: JOAN HETTINGER SUBMITTED A COPY OF THE NEW TRIP FORM.

12-13 NIGHT: SAT MARCH 24

GM UNDERSEA OLYMPICS: MARCH 25

WALLY BALL MOVED TO APRIL 11

GRAND LEDGE FREE CLIMB: SAT APRIL 7

ETHNIC DINNER NIGHT SUGGESTIONS FOR APRIL NEEDED

HYPERBARIC CHAMBER DIVE: SAT APRIL 21

ROCK CLIMBING PRACTICAL AT GRAND LEDGE: APRIL 28

INDEPENDENCE OAKS TREE PLANTING BY MARY DUNN: APRIL 28

WHITE WATER RAFTING: MEMORIAL WEEKEND

JUNE RATTLESNAKE-DUE TO PARK SCHEDULING CONFLICT MUST STAY AT KELSO PROVENCIAL PARK

SNOKEY MOUNTAIN BACKPACKING TRIP: MAY 17-MAY 22

IN THE FUTURE: OVERNIGHT HORSEBACK TRIP, OVERNIGHT CANOE TRIP BY SUE CARLSON

EDUCATION: ROCK-CLIMBING CLASS: WED APRIL 18, 25, AND MAY 2

PRACTICAL 1-GRAND LEDGE-APRIL 28

PRACTICAL 2-RATTLESNAKE MAY 5 & 6

CLASSES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE

St. Ives Church on Lahser between 12 & 13 mile roads
Al Fylak (H852-7514)

*#21 Saturday..HYPERBARIC CHAMBER DIVE conducted by The Great Lakes Institute of Hyperbaric & Diving Medicine \$35.00
Dive over 100ft in a controlled chamber-Nondivers welcomed
Meet at Shields at 7:00am to carpool out to Kalamazoo
Joan Hettinger (H377-2377)

25 Wednesday..ROCK CLIMBING CLASS #2 6:30pm
St. Ives Church on Lahser between 12 & 13 mile roads
Al Fylak (H852-7514)

26 Thursday..ETHNIC DINNER-Texan Grub 7:00pm
Cattle Annie's, 2440 Orchard Lake, Sylvan Lake
Joan Hettinger (H377-2377)

*28 Saturday..INDEPENDENCE OAKS TREE PLANTING 9:00am Rain or Shine
Come on out and help Mother Nature
Attending meeting for map and details
Mary Dunn (H758-7926)

28 Saturday..GRAND LEDGE ROCK CLIMBING PRACTICAL # 1
Al Fylak (H852-7514)

MAY 1990-----

1 Tuesday...GENERAL MEMBERSHIP S.O.L.A.R. MEETING Colony Hall 7:30pm

Weekend Camping at the Kalamazoo Campground
Sunday Brunch provided by the S.O.L.A.R. chefs at 10:00am
Rafting Sunday 1:00pm followed by a 9-Que chicken dinner
Joan Hettinger (H377-2377)

JUNE 1990-----

5 Tuesday...GENERAL MEMBERSHIP S.O.L.A.R. MEETING Colony Hall 7:30pm
21780 Evergreen Rd between 8 & 9 Mile Roads

8,9 Weekend...KELSO PROVINCIAL PARK, MILTON ONTARIO
Rock Climbing/Wind Surfing/Camping
Camping \$4.00 per person/Car \$6.00 for the weekend
Joan Hettinger (H377-2377)

13 Wednesday..BIKE CLASS
Dave Bombard (H557-0116)

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JULY 1990-----

3 Tuesday...GENERAL MEMBERSHIP S.O.L.A.R. MEETING Colony Hall 7:30pm
21780 Evergreen Rd between 8 & 9 Mile Roads

6,7 Weekend...RATTLESNAKE POINT CONSERVATION AREA, MILTON ONTARIO
Rock Climbing/Wind Surfing/Camping
Camping \$4.00 per person/Car \$6.00 for the weekend
Joan Hettinger (H377-2377)

*21 Saturday..DUAL GLIDER SAIL PLANE conducted by Ben's Soaring
Experience the High at 2,500- 19,000 feet in Ionia, MI
Meet us for breakfast at 7:00am at Big Boys to
Carpool out at 8:00am. Pack a picnic lunch!
Joan Hettinger (H377-2377)

INCOME		EX
ACTIVITIES:		
Steering Comm. Mtg (Bev., Food)	40.00	
Wallyball	1810.00	1
Boyne Valley	222.00	
Cranbrook Astronomy		91
Wilderness State Park-Cabin	2720.00	
White Water Rafting	330.00	
Overnite Canoe	30.00	
Sagatuck Bike	170.00	
Tubing	125.00	
Horseback Riding	140.00	
Bald Mountain-Cabin	20.00	
Whirlyball	225.00	
Team Challenge		
TOTAL	5832.00	
EQUIPMENT/INVENTORY:		
Video camera & case		
First Aid Kit		
TOTAL		
OPERATIONS:		
Sky calendar		
Bulk mailing permit		
Colony Hall rental-Year		
Bank service charges		
Post Office box-Year		
Printing (Calendar/Labels/Mbrshp)		
Insurance		
State of Michigan filing fee		
State of Michigan (back-fees)		
S.O.L.A.R. Ray printing		
S.O.L.A.R. Ray postage		
S.O.L.A.R. Ray supplies		
Engraving (Bike, Silverspoon)		
Calendar Printing-Year		
TOTAL		
MEMBERSHIP:		
Yearly/Lifetime membership	2730.00	
TOTAL	2730.00	
CLASSES:		
Survival (film-Lost Hunter)	230.00	
Windsurfing	402.60	
Rock Climbing	1135.00	
Biking	330.00	
Cooking -checks only	40.00	
Backpacking	382.00	
TOTAL	2519.60	
PROMOTIONS:		
Sweatshirts (Supply available)	820.00	
Raffle	120.00	
Ski Party-Silver Creek Challenge		
End-of-Summer Picnic		
Christmas Party (DJ, Pizza)		
Christmas Party (Beverages)		

If you have ever wondered what the SOLAR Historian does

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For the last nine months I have written monthly articles to grow interest in the history and activity of our club. I believe that especially in the transition time from newsletter edited paper issues to club integrated digital blog format that we needed a bridging document of record and inspiration. I tried to make those articles just that, but the historian position has great leeway to be molded to personal styles and goals with minimal requirements. Please consider helping the club by becoming the SOLAR Historian. You will have access and possession of our physical archives as well as being able to participate with the Steering Committee which has enabled, with membership, over forty year of outdoor adventure. I find being on the Steering Committee to be a social and enhancing club experience. This position has inspired me to a greater view of just what this club does and has inspired me to delve into our past and plan for the future. I hope that you will consider and put your name up to become our next great SOLAR Historian.

All Steering Committee positions are open for election, if you feel like you could socialize, contribute and help out the club a bit more, please do.