



Chicago Mountaineering Club

The next CMC General Meeting will be Monday, February 14th, 2005 at 8:00 PM at the Goose Island Brewery, 1800 N Clybourn Ave., Chicago IL 312.915.0071. There will be a CMC Board Meeting at 6:30 immediately preceding the General Meeting.

General Meetings are open to the public and held on the second Monday of each month, September through May. Everyone is welcome.

General Meeting Schedule

February 14, 8:00 PM: Please join us for a riveting presentation by Ron Rolnicki on climbs in the Wilson Group (Mount Wilson 14246ft, El Diente Peak 14159ft, and Wilson Peak 14017ft) in the San Juan Mountains of Southwestern Colorado. This is based on a trip Ron, Jack Gorby, Bob Batterman, and Alex Andrews took to the area in June 2004. For a preview, see Alex's trip report later in this bulletin.

March 14, 8:00 PM: George Naxera will give a presentation on his ascent of Mt Whitney, the highest peak in the contiguous United States, by the Mountaineer's Route in May 2004. George is a new member-to-be of the Club with a passion for alpine climbing and photography. This promises to be an enjoyable presentation. Wait, you say, this was supposed to be in January's meeting? George had a work emergency and had to postpone, but he promises it will be worth the wait. (We watched the Erik Weihenmayer / Everest documentary at the January General Meeting.)

April 2: CMC Annual Dinner.

May 9, 8:00 PM: Olle Swartling will treat us once again to a presentation from his vast slide archives of 50 years in mountain climbing. The rumor has been confirmed. We'll see pictures from his expeditions to the Cordillera Blanca in Peru from the 1970s. Anyone who caught Olle's presentation last spring, or has seen his photography in the past, knows this is not to be missed. This is part of the history of one of our club's most active climbers. Come and see what it's all about.

If you have ideas for future presentations or would like to give one of your own, please contact Dave Ireland at cmcprograms@cmcwebsite.org.

February Follies

Time to break out the file and sharpen those ice tools. Thanks to Chris Young for putting this together and sending in the following:

"February Follies is back. This is the 12th year we have gone out to play in the snow and you are invited. We are traveling to the East shore of Lake Superior for a bit of ice climbing. Sean Parent with Superior Ice has offered to point us in the right direction for a new area of ice (100+ routes) in the Batchawana Bay area of Canada (30 miles north of the Sault St. Marie).

Logistics:

Thursday, Feb 17th: Leave Chicago @ 6PMish.

Friday, Feb 18th: Arrive in Batchawana early morning. Get the layout of the area and go climb some ice. For those who wish to take a lesson on ice climbing techniques, Sean is available. Group dinner? TBD.

Saturday, Feb 19th: Feast and go Climb, Climb, Climb, Climb. Back to the town. Slide show by Sean either Saturday or Sunday.

Sunday, Feb 20th: Ditto from Saturday. Pack up at end of day and get back on the road or sleep? TBD.

Monday Feb 21st: Presidents Day. Complete travel back to Chicago.

We rented a 15 passenger LIMO (okay it's not a limo, but a Ford passenger van) where we are going to yank some of the seats out. We will lay our gear down, flatten out some foam mats and sleep while the Pilot and Co-Pilot drive North. The cost for the van is about \$100 per day plus fuel & insurance (or about 20-30/person) – the more who come the less the cost.

We have reservations for some rooms (est. \$20-25/night/person). Those who wish to camp can do so. Dinner is a team event and will be determined by the team. I would plan \$5-8 for breakfasts, lunch on the trail, dinners back in town, followed by a lively discussion about the days play. We even have an offer by Sean Parent for a slide show - Cool huh?

February Follies, con.

So you are welcome to come. If you don't have cold weather gear for sleeping in the snow - Motel IT. If you don't have plastic boots, beg, borrow, or rent. No ice tools? We will have a bunch available unless you are inclined to lead.

For more info please call Jamie Norris or Chris Young. On Belay!"

Sounds like fun. Incidentally Batchawana Bay is just a few miles from Stokely Creek, a wonderful Nordic ski center and lodge in the Algoma Highlands and a personal favorite of mine. Hate to miss the trip, but your Editor will be at the Shrine Mountain Inn on Vail Pass over President's Day weekend, searching for powder.

Memories of Mount Moran

Mount Moran is a peak of 12,605 feet in the Teton Mountains of northwestern Wyoming. Its massive size dominates the northern half of that range. One of the great legacies of the CMC is to have an aesthetic and popular route on Moran, and one of the finest campsites in the Tetons, named after our Club. (Thanks to the charter members who pioneered the route with Paul Petzoldt.) Thanks very much to Earl Clark, one of those members, for sending in the following:

"A short time ago I offered to write a story about the first ascent of Mount Moran in the Tetons via what is now called "The CMC Route". I suddenly realized that the climb was made 64 years ago! At age 85, going back 64 years is nothing short of a miracle!

There are some memories, however, that do remain. Three of us, Joe Hawkes, Harold Plumley and me, all Charter Members of the CMC, went to the Grand Teton National Park in June, 1941, to set up a high mountain ski camp and to ski the Teton backcountry. We chose the "Alaska Basin" westward along the Skyline Trail. The story of that adventure was published several years ago in an issue of the CMC booklet.

When that marvelous experience ended we sought out Paul Petzoldt who had the climbing guide concession in the Park. We told Paul that we wanted to make a climb with him but wanted "a special adventure" if he could create one for us. He told us that there was a possible route up the east face of Mount Moran that had never been climbed and asked us if we would like to attempt to find it. We enthusiastically accepted! He told us that we had to be prepared for considerable exposure on the face.

The afternoon before the climb, June 24, 1941, we backpacked to a spot to camp on the west side of Leigh Lake. I will always remember Paul studying the face with binoculars for well over an hour and then

selecting our approach and the part of the face we would attempt.

We moved upward very early in the morning of June 25th. I must admit as we got closer to the face we all were stunned at what we saw ahead of us! When we reached a shoulder pinnacle now called "Drizzlepuss", the full exposure of that face was revealed. It was hard to see any route that would provide the necessary hand and foot holds that we would need.



(Mt. Moran. Photo by Andy Cook. www.rockymtnrefl.com)

When we dropped off of "Drizzlepuss" we were surprised and delighted to find that such holds existed and that we were able to move comfortable upward. The rest, of course, is history – the "first ascent" of a new route! Another thing I will never forget were the unbelievable rappels down that face to return to the bottom! In all of my climbing through the years these were the longest and most exposed!

The climb was so spectacular that over the years it has become the most popular route on Moran – and it was given the name "The CMC Route" in honor of that first ascent! I should add, sadly, that I am the only one of the four of us still alive as Paul, Joe and Harold have all gone to that great mountain in the sky."

-Earl Clark

There have been a few other members who have climbed the CMC Route on Mt. Moran . . .

Jack Gorby along Susan and Jack Fletcher and Bob Batterman made an attempt in the late 90s. They got a late start from the CMC campsite, though [sound familiar?], had to return to the camp for a forgotten third rope, and realized at the top of Drizzlepuss they would not have time to make the ascent that day. With their canoe rentals (for the approach) expiring and being on the final day of their camping permit, they weren't able to make a second attempt. As it was, they still reportedly had an epic battle with mosquitoes and darkness on Leigh Lake as they paddled out.

The intrepid Jim Pearre completed the route a few years back after several attempts. He sent in the following notes:

"The CMC Route is a very beautiful route with stunning views. Mount Moran with its distinctive Skillet Glacier and vast, blunt summit is one of the most beautiful of the Teton Range peaks, especially when viewed from Jackson Hole valley and the east. Members of the Chicago Mountaineering Club are fortunate to have such a route named after our organization. Richard Rossiter's Teton guidebook titled "Teton Classics" features a lovely color photo of the CMC Route on its cover (Teton Classics, Chockstone Press, Inc., 1991 plus later editions).

My first trip up the east flanks of Mount Moran to climb the CMC route ended in mutiny. My wife and another CMC member, who shall remain unnamed, packed 3,000 vertical feet up to the very scenic camp site, called the CMC Camp, about 1,000 feet below the start of the climb, and bedded down for the night. I rose at first light to brew up and head up for the climb, but my partner refused to get out of his sleeping bag. He wouldn't budge despite my cajoling. I turned to my wife, who never intended to do the climb to begin with, and tried to coax her out to be my second. No luck.

So I hiked up to Drizzlepuss, the deep notch where the technical climbing begins, and spent most of the morning watching other parties climbing the CMC Route. If nothing else, it was a good preview of the route-finding involved (which really is not complicated).

Most parties setting out to climb the CMC Route approach the east flanks of Mount Moran by renting a canoe, transporting it to String Lake, paddling the length of String Lake, and then portaging the canoe and their gear about 150 yards to Leigh Lake, where they paddle around Leigh Lake to the drainage below the CMC face, stashing their canoe in the underbrush for the return trip. One year after getting stormed off Moran in an aborted attempt on the CMC Route my two partners and I were paddling back around Leigh Lake when the wind began to whip up waves. That, we all agreed, was the crux of the climb. It's one of the only climbs I know in North America where the approach involves paddling a canoe."

-Jim Pearre

Undoubtedly there are others, but Dave Harrison is the only other current member I could find who has climbed on the route. Thanks Dave for sending in the following:

"In the 1980s Jim Severance, I and others did an ascent with intent to backpack over the summit, drop into Moran Canyon (where the trail to Indian Paintbrush Divide passes above to the south), and return to the trail around Leigh Lake, the standard hike to the steep approach.

At the top of Drizzlepuss - the actual beginning of the ascent - one of the girls lost her backpack containing all her worldly possessions, money, id, etc. (she was in the process of relocating to Boulder, CO) over the top and we watched in disbelief as it cascaded onto the glacier some 6-700 feet below - end of our plans to traverse...

We summited without incident...

BUT THEN Jim and I chivalrously volunteered to fetch the backpack. The descent was so treacherous that we needed to belay each other all the way. Above us climbers, unaware of us, sent showers of rock audibly whizzing over our heads. After reaching the pack, we continued to dodge the assault while we belayed each other to the base of Drizzlepuss where we expected to find the belay rope still hanging from the top of the 60' wall. It was gone! and at the base of it we found a fifty-sixty pound stash of gear that the others had left behind for us to ferry up the 5.7 wall.

We cursed, we shouted for the others. The wind was stiff and strong. Only silence ensued. The wall loomed above, unprotectable, encouraging barn-dooring, and sort of was challenging us to our deaths. And apparently no one stayed behind to wait for or look out for us. The only thing to do was to dump the gear in our packs and head up very slowly. Jim and I tensely worked our way up to the top lip of Drizzlepuss. We were torquing ourselves to maintain balance on the slanting edges. At the top, in disbelief we found the rest of the gang chatting away totally unaware of our plight. I guess you might say we were victimized by the mutually distracting socializing that CMCers are so notorious for.

Jim, usually very calm and reserved, and I let loose a volley of expletives heard up and down the walls of Mt. Moran. Yeah, we saved the day, but nearly lost our lives for a stupid pack.

Looking back at the event, I suspect no one really understood the severity of the situation that led Jim and me to explode at the top of Drizzlepuss.

On another adventure several years later, I led a friend up the same approach where agoraphobia overtook him. In a disappointing situation, all I could do was get him into a tent stay overnight, then head down the next day."

-Dave Harrison

Memories of Mount Moran, con.

Though still a big adventure, even 64 years after that first ascent, many of you reading this are capable of climbing the CMC Route on Mount Moran. Given the legacy for our Club, you might want this route high on your wish list if it isn't already. It is on mine.

Next month, members on the Stettner Ledges route of Longs Peak. Please send/email any reports, anecdotes, or information you have concerning this route.

2005 CMC Western Outing

The Bugaboos – Southern British Columbia

The location and dates are now set. Time to request those vacation days. We will hike in on Sunday, July 17th, and hike out on Friday, July 22nd. "We envy anyone making their first visit to the Bugaboos. No group of peaks springs to the eye with more authority, more surprise, and more sense of great things to happen," say the authors of Bugaboo Rock: a climber's guide.

Stephanie will have more detailed information for the next newsletter. The plan is to have several prep weekends at Devil's Lake later this spring and early summer to cover basics of lead climbing and seconding; multi-pitch rope management; belaying from ledges; self-rescue; as well as exposure to simulated glacier travel and crevasse rescue. She'll have a detailed list of things that need to be practiced before the trip. The Bugaboos, or any mountains for that matter, are probably not the place to first experience lead climbing or following on multi-pitch routes. However, the area does present many options from the alpine rock routes it's famous for to rugged hikes. There should be something for everyone. The more you prepare the more you can do. That is, of course, if the notoriously fickle weather cooperates. (Be forewarned, the weather is often wretched.)



(Climber on Bugaboo Spire, by Michael Stanton. Check out his wonderful photos and Bugs experience at: <http://www.mountainwerks.org/cma/2003/bugaboos.htm>)

The climbing options are vast. One popular mountaineering route is the Northwest Ridge of Eastpoint Spire. This is a 3rd Class, Grade II, scramble that should be manageable for any fit CMCer with some preparation. Another moderate option is the South Ridge of Brenta Spire. This is a 4th Class Grade II route with mostly 3rd Class scrambling. From the Bugaboo Rock guidebook: "A first visit to the Bugaboos can often be an intimidating experience to many crag climbers, but a route like Brenta's South Ridge is a good warm-up for the long and committing routes on some of the other spires."



(Climber on Pigeon Spire, by M. Stanton.)

A step up the difficulty ladder but still well within reach of most members is the West Ridge on Pigeon Spire, 5.4, Grade II, which is considered one of the showplace climbs of the Bugaboos. Here is a brief route description from Climbing Magazine (August 1, 2002): Beginning at the Pigeon/Howser Col, fourth-class along the ridgeline to the false southwest summit, then scramble down and back up to a second false summit. Down-climb via several possibilities to some ledges on the northwest side of ridge. Traverse along these ledges to the east for about a rope-length then follow the line of least resistance and surmount a final technical section (5.4) to the summit. A fantastic introduction to alpine rock climbing.

Yet another option is the Kain Route 5.6, Grade IV, on Bugaboo Spire. Primarily a long scramble with a few short sections of 5.6 climbing. Bugaboo Spire has two summits, north and south, with the north being slightly taller. Most parties finish an ascent of the Kain Route on the south summit, rather than continuing along the exposed ridge to the north summit. (From Climbing, August 1, 2002.) There are of course many, many, more routes of nearly all difficulty levels.

For more information, see:

Bugaboo Rock: A Climbers Guide by Randall Jackson and Joe Benson; and A Climbers Guide to the Interior Ranges of British Columbia by W.L. Putnam

Want to talk about this? Call or e-mail CMC Expedition Chair Stephanie Hoffman, (608) 824-9669, cmcexpedition@cmcwebsite.org.

Topo maps: National (CDN) Topographic Series Maps, Scale, 1:50,000, sheets 82K/15 (Bugaboo Creek) and 82K/10 (Howser Creek). These will cover the entire park except the western limits.

2005 Annual Dinner

Our 2005 CMC/AAC Annual Dinner will be held on April 2nd. Everyone knows this is coming and plans to attend, right? Don't miss the chance to get together with your fellow club members during the off season. It's astonishing how many can't be recognized without their customary Devil's Lake climbing uniforms. I mistakenly thought Bill Dietrich was Hideo Watanabe at last year's dinner. Honestly.

The dinner will be held at:
Chicago Yacht Club
Belmont Station
300 West Belmont Avenue
Chicago Illinois 60657
Phone: 773-477-7575

Gerry Roach, author of Colorado's Fourteeners, will be our keynote speaker. His presentation will be Northern Heights. As the only person to have climbed North America's 13 highest peaks, Gerry is uniquely qualified to present this in depth look at North America's great peaks. If you would like more information on Gerry, his presentation or his many books, check out his website at <http://www.climb.mountains.com>.

We'll have the dinner reservation information in the next newsletter. Members are hard at work getting this organized and soliciting donations for the raffle. We could use your help though. For more information on the annual dinner or to lend a hand please contact Dave Ireland at cmcprograms@cmcwebsite.org.

2005 Outings Schedule

It won't be long now, it's just around the corner....

Following are the dates and locations for the 2005 outings:

April 23-24: Palisades State Park
Savanna, Illinois
(Experienced climbers)
May 7-8: Devil's Lake State Park
Baraboo, WI
May 21-22: Devil's Lake
June 11-12: Devil's Lake
June 25-26: Devil's Lake
July 17-22: Western Outing – Bugaboos, B.C.
Aug13-14: Devil's Lake - Old Timers/New Climbers
Aug 27-28: Devil's Lake
Sept 10-11: Devil's Lake
Sept 24-25: Devil's Lake
Oct 8-9: Devil's Lake

Oct 22-23: Devil's Lake
Nov 5-6: Shawnee National Forest
Jackson Falls/Draper's Bluff
(Experience climbers)

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact our Outings Chair Jamie Norris at cmcoutings@cmcwebsite. Apologies to those of you who do not use email or have on-line access. If you would like additional information, you can contact me by mail (address on the label), and I will forward it on.

The World According to Alex

TRIP REPORT
From Alex Andrews

Hello to all. Some people may want to know what I've been up to. I now live in the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains, at 9108 feet. I'm near Bailey Colorado, next to the Mount Evans Wilderness Area. Living here is like being on vacation. I look out my windows at the mountains and valleys. The mountains are snow capped 8 months of the year. I can see 200ft to 300ft cliffs from home. I've climbed a 5.4 on one of them.

In May, Ron Rolnicki and Kathy Koch came out for a visit. We went for a hike near my home into the Mount Evans Wilderness. We followed the trail along a small creek, enjoying the beautiful scenery. The next day we went to Eldorado Canyon. We climbed the classic 4 pitch route, Calypso, a 5.7. We followed that with a single pitch of 5.4 on the Whale's Tail.

Ron and Kathy went on to climb Grays Peak, a 14,270ft mountain not far from Denver. This was Kathy's first fourteener. From there, they headed home.

A week later Jack Gorby came out and we climbed Mount Bierstadt, a 14,060ft peak near Georgetown. This was my first fourteener. We did the classic class 3 from Guanella Pass. It looked like we were going to get dumped on, but only a few drops of rain fell. We had some great views with the storm clouds. From the summit we could see sheets of rain off in the distance. The next day we decided to climb Mount Evans, 14264ft. We chose the North Face route. It was a steep snow climb. The hardest part was moving on to the rocks because it was a bit icy. About 20 ft from the summit ridge I saw a mountain goat looking down at me. We followed the ridge to summit, and luckily we shared the summit with a few mountain goats before the tourist arrived. After this Jack went off to climb more fourteeners with Steve Bing, a club member from Santa Fe, New Mexico.

About 3 weeks later I drove down to the San Juan's to meet up with Ron, Jack and Jack's friend, Bob Batterman. We met at the Telluride airport, at 9078ft, the highest airport in the US. We had a nice dinner in Telluride. The town was packed. We arrived during the blue grass festival.

The World According to Alex, con.

The next day we went to climb Mount Sneffels 14,150ft near Ouray, CO. First we had breakfast at greasy spoon and then we head off to the trailhead. We headed up a 4 wheel drive road that had a couple of scary spots. It was just wide enough for one vehicle in places. A cliff was blasted away to build the road and a large overhang covered the road at one section. At that same section there was a steep drop-off on the left to a creek below. We followed the road until were stop by snow. After hiking to the valley, we were looking at a couple routes, one was a ridge and the other was a snow gully. We watched as someone down climbed the gully. I wanted to do the gully but the others thought it would be too long of a wait for the climbers to finish their descent. So rest of the group went off to do the ridge, and I did the gully. It was easier than it looked. There were lots of sun cups in the snow. I got to ridge first and waited for the rest of the group. We had to be careful because there was a lot of loose rock. We followed the ridge to the summit.

Ron and Bob on the summit of Sneffels:



By this time I was not feeling well. I think it was the food from the greasy spoon. So I was moving very slow. Along the way I had to stop and pray to porcelain gods and leave an offering. I finally made it back to the trail, along with more praying. Ron carried my pack, as I was not in good shape. Jack stayed with me telling stories. I don't know what were worse, Jack's stories or being sick, just kidding Jack, I finally made back to the car. I was feeling better by now and we went to town for dinner. The next day was a rest day and we used it to pack our gear for the hike into the Wilson Group. We planned to climb Mount Wilson, Wilson Peak and El Diente. At the trailhead, it was the first time I encountered mosquitoes in Colorado. They were bad, just like at Devils Lake. We followed a mining road to the trail, where there was lots of snow. It was late June, and in some places it was waist deep. We finally got to the pass and it started to hail / snow. We were planning to climb Wilson peak, before heading down the valley to setup camp. We tried to wait out the storm, but it did not let up, so we headed

down to the valley to setup camp. We camped below Mount Wilson. The next day we climbed a steep snow field (the snow was firm we needed ice crampons) to reach the summit. The following day we did El Diente. It was a little harder of a climb and route finding was trickier. The snow was softer in some spots and the summit ridge was easy rock, with some exposed sections to the summit. We headed back to camp to pack up and move camp to just below the pass by Mount Wilson. So we could do it the next morning. A couple days earlier we meet a group that climbed it and they said we did not need a rope. The climb traversed up below the ridge to gain the ridge, the climbing so far was easy, but then we encountered a place we had to down climb. It was mostly rock with some snow and it looked intimidating because of some loose rock. This is where we wished we had a rope. I was elected to check it out. I carefully made my way across the steep gully and back up the other side. It was easy by rock climbing standards, but I was scared shitless because there was loose rock, snow and ice. This was very exposed. After I reached the summit ridge again, the rest of are group decided not to follow. Because I was close to the summit, about 200ft. away and on easy class 4 rock, I decided to continue on to the summit. As I reached the summit it started hailing and there was electricity in the air. That was all I needed now, the rock that had been dry was now wet, now I'm very scared!!! I carefully made my way back across the gully to the rest of the group. We headed back to down to our heavy packs and then back to the car where the mosquitoes were worst then when started.

Announcements

Long time member Charlie Brasher and wife Betty Lavis have retired from work at the US Environmental Protection Agency in Chicago and have moved to Vancouver, Washington. It was time to move closer to mountains and pursue the things they enjoy more than working: climbing, backpacking, skiing and travel. All our friends from the CMC are welcome to come out and climb with us anytime! Charles Brasher, 7709 NE 57th Circle, Vancouver, Washington 98662, phone (360) 604 - 1179, email brashercharl@aol.com

Congratulations to Susan and Jack Fletcher on their new son Sergio! After a long journey, Sergio was brought home to Wales, WI, from Guatemala on January 7th. Sergio was born on August 19th, 2004, and reportedly already has strong toes and a vice like grip. He should do well on the Devil's Lake crimpers and small edges in the future. Sergio is sure to be a regular new addition at the campground, and we all look forward to meeting him.

Photos Needed. Thanks to our fearless new leader Matt Mead and the lovely Donna Martino, the CMC website will experience some changes soon. We'll have details next month, but for now we need your best climbing and mountaineering related photos to

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display on the site on a rotating basis. Please share your favorite images with the CMC world, from Alpine summits to spring blooms at Devil's Lake. You can submit your images in electronic form to Donna Martino via the web at donna.martino@uscellular.com, or send a disk to 646 N. Damen Ave, #2, Chicago, IL 60622. If you have questions or need help, you can reach her by phone at 773.407.3432. I know many of you have photographs and slides that are NOT in electronic form, and many of these are exactly what we are looking for. This would be the perfect time to learn how to convert them. We'd love archival and historic photos in addition to more recent pictures.

VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER: Please be sure to renew your membership and pay your campground fees. Our Devil's Lake CMC campground is the best bargain known to Midwest climbers. You know you want to spend more time there this year. Won't you make our VP and Membership Chair Mike Burian happy and send in your dues today?

Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour will be Wednesday, April 20th at Park West in Chicago. Tickets are on sale now for \$12 at the Patagonia store at 1800 Clybourn Ave in Chicago. Patagonia has been a generous regular supporter of our CMC/AAC Annual Dinner.

Guiding discount. Sean Easton, owner and head guide of the Rockies Ice Specialists, is offering members a 15% discount for any bookings with them. They offer ice climbing trips in the Canadian Rockies from November to April and are certified with the Association of Canadian Mountain Guides, hold permits for the National Parks, and are insured. For more information on the company please visit www.rockies-ice.com.

2005 Mountaineer Notice

From Dave Harrison:
"The Chicago Mountaineer, your CMC's journal of club activities and passings, is requesting your submissions for publication.

The following are the usual desperately needed items: Journals of recent and past trips, climbs, mountain scents; Musings on the history of the club; Obituaries of club members who have died during the past year; Book and guide reviews; B/W photographs; Poetry. We ask that entries are in good public taste, that they model the traditional delightful English [or French] rhetorical prose style of mountaineering reports. Entries are subject to proofing for the usual grammar and punctuation errors. They can be submitted to the Publications Chairman, David Harrison at dharrison@wi.rr.com via e-mail with MS Word file

attachment or by Compact Disc in MS Word format or by mail in typed format to David Harrison, 9140 W. Elm Ct. Unit B, Franklin WI 53132, ph 414-425-2469. Manuscripts should be no longer than 1000 words. The editor and CMC Board reserve the right to reject any submission not meeting the CMC's standards. Publication of the Journal is planned for spring of 2005."

In Sympathy

Joan Mundstock wrote in to inform us that her husband **Robert (Bob) Mundstock** died on November 25th, 2004. He was 83 years old. Bob was active as Programs Chair in the Club in the 1980s and early 90s.

A memorial service will be held for Bob on Saturday, February 19th, 2005 at 3PM at Calvary Community Church, 1000 S. Springinsguth Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60193

Please feel free to contact Joan at 709 Cambridge drive, Schaumburg, IL 60193. H. 847-895-2864. C. 847-903-8154. E-mail jdmundstock@yahoo.com.

Olga Kleis recently informed us that her husband **William D. Kleis** died on April 19th of last year, 2004. William was a long time CMC member and lived in Boulder, Colorado.

Winter Indoor Outings

Don't let sloth be your friend this winter. Come out and join us for indoor climbing. Outings are held every other Sunday during the winter months. In addition to our normal outing destination - Vertical Endeavors, 28141 Diehl Rd, Warrenville - we will also have a few outings at the Elk Grove Village climbing gym this winter - 1000 Wellington Ave., Elk Grove Village. The Vertical Endeavors admission cost is \$10 for CMC members, \$15 for non-members. The Elk Grove Village gym is FREE (yes, you read right) to CMC members and guests; courtesy of T.J. Pierce and his wife Jackie. Remember to bring your membership card to both locations.

The times for the Elk Grove outings are listed below. There are no set times for the Vertical Endeavors outings. Some say the afternoon is less crowded, but there should be at least one group meeting around 10:30 in the morning.

Following are the dates and locations:

February 6th: Elk Grove Climbing Gym
3:30pm to 10pm

February 20th: Vertical Endeavors, Warrenville

March 6th: Vertical Endeavors, Warrenville

March 20th: Elk Grove Climbing Gym
9:30am to 3:15pm

April 3rd: Vertical Endeavors, Warrenville

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NEWSLETTER: Please submit your comments, announcements, outings or personal climbing reports, items of interest, ephemera, or questions to the Editor: Robert White at 1845 N. Orleans Street, Apt. 2R, Chicago, IL 60614 or e-mail: cmcsecretary@cmcwebsite.org. Also, please contact me if your newsletter was damaged in the mail and you would like a fresh copy sent.

Editor's Choice

"The man who climbs only in good weather, starting from huts and never bivouacking, appreciates the splendour of the mountains but not their mystery, the dark of their night, the depth of their sky above. I know enthusiastic lads who flee the city at week-ends... On the Sunday they climb, but beforehand, on the Saturday evening, they bivouac. Theirs is the taste for nature and the universe. On the other hand, some mountaineers are proud of having done all their climbs without bivouac. How much they have missed! And the same applies to those who only enjoy rock-climbing, or only the ice climbs, only the ridges or the faces. We should refuse none of the thousand and one joys that the mountains offer us at every turn. We should brush nothing aside, set no restrictions. We should experience hunger and thirst, be able to go fast, but also know how to go slowly and to contemplate. Variety is the spice of life."

"Here in Paris [or Chicago] I dream of high hills."

-Gaston Rébuffat, in the introduction to *Starlight and Storm*, 1953.

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