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COMING EVENTS

- May 10 -- LITTLE STONEY MAN, Virginia
- May 17 -- GREAT FALLS, VIRGINIA
- May 24 -- THURMONT, Maryland
- MAY 30, 31 -- SENECA, West Virginia. Call Bob Adams at Cherry 8-4523.
- June 7 -- CARDEROCK, Maryland
- June 14 -- BULL RUN MOUNTAINS, Virginia
- June 21 -- CUPIDS BOWER, Maryland
- June 28 -- SUGAR LOAF, Maryland
- July 4, 5 -- THE HERMITAGE, Pennsylvania. If you want to go on this trip, please call Bob Adams before June 28.

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ROCK CLIMBING MEETING TUESDAY MAY 26

On Tuesday, at 8 p.m. at the P.A.T.C. Club House, (1916 Sunderland Place, D.C.) Andy Kauffman will show slides and talk about the American Himalayan expedition that scaled the world's second-highest unclimbed mountain, Gasherbrum I, or Hidden Peak. Andy, along with Pete Schoening were chosen to reach the 26,470 foot summit, the eleventh highest mountain in the world.

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The Nicholson Cave was the subject of last month's meeting held at the home of Wade and Louise Marshall. It's certainly nice to have so many cavers at our meetings as well as at our Carderock Oscar Sessions.

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Poison Ivy, Anyone? Do you know which weeds to touch? Farmers Bulletin No. 1972 entitled Poison-Ivy, Poison-Oak, and Poison-Sumac; Identification Precautions and Eradication gives complete information. It's available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25 D.C. - Price 15 cents.

UPS AND DOWNS

April 5, CARDEROCK, Maryland

Bob Adams & Family	Don Hubbard	Morton Somer
Ennis Blake	Betty Johnson	Harold Swift
Ralph Britton	Sam Miller	Alan Talbert
Jack Doolan	Bob Mole	Mary Vincent
Barbara & Karl Edler	Pete Peterson	Bruce Wald
Gregory Goncharov	Phil Sidel	Frank Watt
Jake Haun	The Worrells	Arnold Wexler

Once a year the Wanderbird Hiking Club has its anniversary celebration at Carderock, and this was it! There were at least 100 people, and with Oscar working and everyone everywhere, things were in a fine state of confusion. Many of us just gave up and climbed all day. But as no one was hit by Oscar (and this was a miracle) you might consider the day a success.

April 12

Bob Adams & Family	Jake Haun	Betty Johnson	Alan Talbert
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RAINED OUT! However from the editor's point of view, the day was unusually fine, as everyone went to the clubhouse and helped with Up Rope. Thanks again.

April 18, BUZZARDS ROCK, Waterlick, Virginia

The Adams Family	Jake Haun	Alan Talbert
Cecil Cullander	Don Hubbard	Carmen Torrey
Jack Doolan	Betty Johnson	Pete Peterson
Joseph Handlon	Phil Sidel	The Worrells

Arriving at our parking spot at the Fish Hatchery at about 10:15 some 18 rock climbers made the long steep ascent to the rock. Once there Don Hubbard produced a watermelon from his pack and completely distracted all climbers. Lunch came before any serious climbing. After lunch Johnny Adams ably seconded Jake on the flatiron "Vulture Lead" described by Talbert and Wettling in the February Up Rope. The protection of an expansion bolt enabled a more direct route than previously used, for piton cracks are almost non existant. The remainder of the group worked outon the "Carrion Climb" and developed numerous variations.* Rain brought an early end to climbing action here and the group returned to Washington.

J.H.

April 26, ROCKS, Baltimore

The Adams Family	Betty Johnson	Phil Sidel
Laura Bingham	Art Lembeck	Mort Somer
Bob Briton	Bob Mole	The Sven Nissen-Meyer
Jack Doolan	Carol Mayer	Family
M. Ellen Fitzpatrick	Judy Robens	Chuck Wettling
Jake Haun	Ted Schad	The Worrells
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* Carmen has gone back to her old "walking" shoes and her "variation" was a pleasure to watch as she walked her way up this climb. Ed.

It's always interesting to visit new rocks, and having so many new people out as well made this trip lots of fun. Everyone climbed - and the only sitting around was done by the baby sitters who took turns with the Worrells youngest. Jake and Chuck (remember him?) tried one climb without hands but they finally gave in and cheated, while Art and Bob M. found a couple of beginners, a lead climb, and spent the day teaching. Then there were three (Jack, Jake, and Johnny) who went in swimming. Ah well! If you swim in the Potomac I guess you'll swim anywhere. It was a fine day, and thanks Ed for bringing us to this spot and to both the Worrells for the fine supper at their new home.

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John Christian will be married to Connie Costagon from New Jersey, June 6 here in Washington. In September John will be leaving the Washington area on an Army fellowship to study design at the Pratt Institute. We'll miss him.

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Blondie tells us that Moira and John Armstrong are in Wengen, Switzerland on a Skiing Vacation. However, as Moira's son Andrew is only 2 months old and too young for the ski school, she must spend her time baby sitting.

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Herb and Jan Conn are in town again. It's always nice to see them and we hope that next time they can stay longer.

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Anyone interested in a trip to the San Juan Needles, August 10-21 should contact Bob Adams at Cherry 8-4523

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We heard from Clara Daniel in Seattle. She's taking a class in Ice and Snow climbing and says she finds the snow much softer than rock. Her new address is 6015 E. 64th Street, Seattle, Washington, so if you're out that way look her up.

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The first order of the M.I.T. Outing Club booklet, Fundamentals of Rock Climbing was sold out and we are sorry if there was any delay in your getting a copy. However, we are now ready to go again so send in your dollar to Up Rope or see the Editor or Business Manager for your copy.

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