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Chairman's Corner

I've been chastened.

This sport that we participate in, an avocation for most of us, led to the death of a very good friend this summer. Edward Guleke. Edward is John Bonine's friend too, as you can read elsewhere in this issue.

Those of us who climb do so with the understanding that what we do is potentially fatal. We give a climb, whether on rock, snow, or ice, our fullest attention in order to survive to climb another day. We do our best, we enjoy ourselves, and, I think we sometimes forget how fragile and tenuous our existence is. It doesn't take much to make us very aware - briefly - a loose rock, forgetting for an instant where we are and what we should be doing, not thinking protection through. There are legions of possible errors in human judgment. Then there are the additional hazards - illness and weather. We have a tendency to forget the close calls with time.

Please be aware, as I now am, it's very easy to die while climbing. Remarkably so.

Sallie Greenwood

At Base Camp

Rick Todd has agreed to be the new chairman of the Training Committee and training should be arranged through him - phone 439-0672. A training syllabus has been prepared and printed, and will be used as a hand-out for students as well as a guide for instructors.

John Stannard proposed and the PATC Council approved the establishment of a fund to be used in the maintenance of Seneca Rocks and similar projects. To be managed by a committee within the Mountaineering Section, the fund's resources will come from the sales of John's forthcoming Seneca guide.

The workshop series will continue; possible future topics include ice climbing, mountaineering photography, pulmonary edema, and a repeat of Neil Arsenault's protection systems seminar.

New members - The following applicants were recently elected to membership:

Anne H. Lipp
Mandy Mitchell
Peter A. Tinsley

Tink Peters is in town for about a month and is staying with Nan Moran.