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#### WELCOME TO THE HEATHS

We're really pleased that Atlanta Patron Members Ed and Anne Heath are joining our year-round MOUNTAIN family. Here, you see them all ready for their first winter on THE MOUNTAIN.

As of May 1st, Anne became the Office Manager and on June 1st, Ed assumed the position of Facilities Manager. This position represents a change of title from the old one of Maintenance Manager. Our feeling is that it better represents the actual job description. John Hutchison, who has very ably served as Maintenance Manager since Steve Carter's departure, shallremain as Ed's Assistant.

Ed and Anne's arrivals represent major job changes for them and major commitments to THE MOUNTAIN. Anne has been an Executive Secretary for the Du Pont Company and Ed has been President of CSI Business Systems.

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#### DIRECTORS' CORNER

We're going to make our column short this time, so we'll have more space to tell you about all the exciting programs going on this summer.

It is a myth that there's "no room at the inn" - or MOUNTAIN, in this case. Most weeks still have plenty of space just waiting for you to decide which one you want. This newsletter highlights some of the more available programs, but other spaces are free too, so don't hesitate to ask.

There <u>are</u> also times when you can come for a weekend or a night or two, but we cannot confirm visits that conflict with program weeks until we see how full the program weeks are. We confirm these visits two weeks prior, after we are sure we are not going to fill the space for the week. In the meantime, however, we'll take a tentative reservation and let you know as soon as we can.

What we want to emphasize is that you should call us, even at the last minute, and not assume we're full all summer. "It ain't necessarily so!"

## WOMEN BACKPACKERS ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Nancy Suda and Mo Wheeler love to go backpacking and would enjoy taking other women along. We would like to know who you are and when the best times are for you to go. Write us, won't you?

#### TRIVIA OF THE DAY

What do Simone de Beauvoir, Franz Kafka, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Archibald Mac Leish all have in common? (Answer on page 4)

#### PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS

There is still space in many of our weeks for older adults, and they only cost \$196 for everything! (You can even come if you're not an "older adult".)

We can never understand why the weeks in June are not bursting at the seams. It is the most beautiful time of the whole summer.

#### June 2-8

APPRECIATING YOUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT - Afternoon field trips to several interesting waterfalls and scenic mountain tops.

**HELLO SYMPHONY** - Ever wonder how a symphony concert is put together?

ART AS A REFLECTION OF CULTURE - A cultural comparison of art, including Afro-American, Euro-American, Near-Eastern.

#### June 16-22

APPRECIATING YOUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT - See June 2-8

**PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING** - How to develop an overall plan for financial management.

WAR, PEACE, AND DEFENSE - The logic and arguments behind defense policy.

Or, come in September to enjoy one of our most interesting programs on the Chattooga River.

#### September 2-8 and September 8-14

CHATTOOGA - LEARNING ABOUT THE RIVER - We will learn about the river's history, folklore, geology, wild-flowers, and trees. Field trips will include studying wildflowers along the shore, floating down the river in an inner tube, learning to read the river while canoeing or rafting, and appreciating its dense forests while walking or hiking along its shoreline.

Later in September, the colors start to change and you can enjoy these interesting programs as you welcome fall to the mountains:

#### September 15-21

CAROLINA WHITEWATER - Culminating with a day of whitewater rafting on a river to suit your skill level.

STORIES OF A MODERN SOUTH - Rich in irony, sly humor and vivid imagery.

LIFE'S PURPOSE - Ideas about the purpose of life as presented by various world religions and by contemporary humanism and science.

#### MOUNTAIN SCRAPBOOK

We're going to make a scrapbook just to honor those individuals and groups who have given "above and beyond" to help THE MOUNTAIN. Send ideas for whom you'd like to see included to Mo Wheeler, preferably with photos or other momentos...perhaps a picture of a work weekend or a memory of an experience you had.



#### HOW CAN YOU MISS THIS WEEK?

The week of August 24-30 is an especially good time to visit THE MOUNTAIN -- and the cost is only \$196 for the week! The week features the following interesting workshops:

Plants of the Southern Appalachians - Judy Gordon, PhD.

The United States and The Third World - France. Underhill (a former Ambassador to Malaysia).

Our 20th Century Composers and Their Poets -Laury Christie.

Life's Meanings in Great World Religions - Bob Swain. our Minister of the Week.

Meteorology Without Mathematics - Bob Haywood.

Learn Basic Quilt Making Skills or Improve Those You Already Have - Dixie Haywood.

Just Because You're Over 50 Doesn't Mean You Can't - THE MOUNTAIN Staff will provide the adventures.

#### A PIG AND A POLKA

Or waltz or rock 'n roll - Labor Day Weekend (August 30-September 2) will have it all -- a real old fashioned pig roast on Sunday evening and a professional light and sound dance on Saturday evening thanks to Glen Rowley from Greenville, SC. Glen brought his trailer full of equipment for Spring Fling and the dancing has never been better! Plus, our annual Arts and Crafts Fair, field day, hikes, etc., etc., etc., A great way to bid summer its fond farewell - adieu.

#### ADVENTURES ON THE MOUNTAIN

For some, the drive to the top of THE MOUNTAIN is an adventure! For others, it takes an exciting trip on the Chattooga River. This summer THE Mountain has a wide range of adventures to challenge your individual level of skill, fitness, and definition of "adventure".

For families, there are "Adventures for All Ages", with plenty of space available during the weeks starting July 7th and July 28th. The week of July 7th will feature a morning workshop on the history, geology and folklore of the Chattooga River, with a variety of afternoon hiking and rafting on and along the river.

The week of July 28th has a special emphasis on intergenerational programming with Mike and Terry McGee returning for their 6th successful summer!

For those who want the highest adventure, there is Dare To Explore (August 4-10), a day program with opportunities to challenge yourself in technical rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, and rafting; and adventure hiking with map and compass.

For those over 50 who aren't sure how much adventure is enough, there's "Just Because You're Over 50 Doesn't Mean You Can't" (August 24-30). This week Jures ways of experiencing our natural environment in a safe and enjoyable manner that is geared to each person's abilities.

So, there are adventures for all! Which one will make your '85 summer the one you'll never forget??

#### THE MOUNTAIN GOES INTERNATIONAL

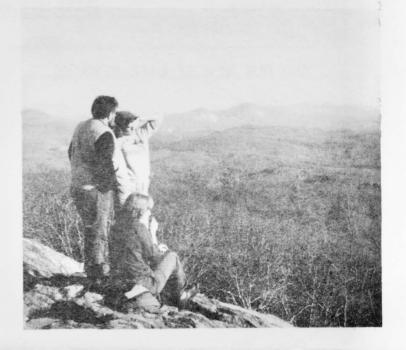
If you visit THE MOUNTAIN on Sunday, June 23, or during the week of August 10-17, you may well hear the distinctive sounds of British accents.

We're delighted that our guest minister on Sunday, June 23, (right after General Assembly) will be Dr. Roy W. Smith, General Secretary of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches in Great Britain. He also is President of the International Association for Religious Freedom.

August 10-17, Roy's Deputy General Secretary, Christine Hayhurst and Eleanor Dixon, Secretary of British Lay Training Subcommittee, will join the er participants at THE MOUNTAIN'S Fourth Annual Leadership School. Welcome!

#### LET YOUR CREATIVITY OUT OF THE BAG

The week of June 30 to July 6 offers a variety of opportunities to express your creative self, including Hand Letterpress Printing, Creative Machine Quilting, Japanese Papermaking, Brass Ensemble and Improving Your Travel Photography. And, you can enjoy the rhododendron at the same time.



#### PLAN AHEAD FOR FALL VISITS

Oktoberfest (October 4-6) - Our Annual Fall Party Weekend complete with German food, drinks, and music. Separate festivities for children.

THE MOUNTAIN'S Annual Meeting (November 1-3) - A great time for annual and life members to get together and learn what has/is/will be happening at THE MOUNTAIN. Hikes, parties, and Life Member rates for all (room at 50% off!)

<u>Thanksgiving</u> (November 27-December 1) - A special time for Life Members only. Invitations will be mailed in September, but mark your calendars now.

#### TO REGISTER

(Except Thanksqiving)

Send your name, address, phone number, first and last meals you plan to have with us, type of accommodations preferred, and \$15 per adult (for weekends) or \$65 per adult (for summer programs) deposit to: THE MOUNTAIN, 841 Highway 106, Highlands, NC 28741. Your deposit is refundable up to 3 weeks prior to arrival. For more details call 704-526-5838.

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## WE'RE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE OUR NEWEST PATRONS . . .

Karl & Barbara Kortemeier - Atlanta, GA
Robert & Anne Hornberger - Atlanta, GA
Bud & Margaret Evans - St. Petersburg, FL
Don & Sue Male - Manchester, TN
Robert & Juanita Polk - Brevard, NC
Bill Spurgin & Bonnie Sheppard - Charlottesville, VA
Oddy Curtiss - Oak Ridge, TN
Anne & Gerald Robison - Dunwoody, GA

#### . . . AND OUR NEWEST LIFE MEMBERS

Steven Dante - Miami, FL
Martha Churchill Markush - Birmingham, AL
Linda Brenner - Norfolk, VA
John & Fay Mann - Atlanta, GA
Marguerite & Dom Streppa - Fairport, NY
Paula Watson - Atlanta, GA
Larry & Helene Camp - Marietta, GA
Lanie Damon & Bruce Kitchell - Atlanta, GA
Marissa Allen - Dunwoody, GA
Lois Berkowitz - Decatur, GA
Bill & Fran Gimby - Roswell, GA
John Karon & Kate Killebrew - Atlanta, GA
Daniel & Sheryl Pruitt - Atlanta, GA

# "HOW TO BE ACTIVE IN YOUR CHURCH OR FELLOWSHIP AND NOT GET BURNED OUT" IN ONE EASY LESSON

It's Easy! Come to THE MOUNTAIN for a week rejuvenation and learning. If you're involved in a teaching, working with teens, or intergenerational worship, consider the Summer Institute in Religious Programming June 23 through June 29.

If you're involved in recreational leadership and have responsibility for everyone having FUN, have some yourself at the "Bag of Tricks" workshop August 4-10.

If you're on the Board, or worse yet, president or committee chairperson, get a shot of encouragement and training in the Leadership School August 10 through 17.

Fight burnout! Sign up now!

#### ANSWER TO TRIVIA OF THE DAY

They're all being presented at this year's Theology Through Biography Program July 21-27. Each day will focus on the life, philosophy and contributions of one of these interesting people.

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