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NEW MEETING SCHEDULE. The Board came up with a more logical time for Board and Regular meetings: Regular meeting the Wednesday before the monthly training mission; Board meeting the Wednesday before the Regular meeting. Training missions remain the last weekend of every month except November and December.

WEDNESDAYS ON THE ROCKS went on the rocks. Therefore, since interest is still high, we shall try Mondays, except the third week of March when it is Tuesday. Tentatively, we'll plan on April 8, 15, 22, & 29. With our technical training mission April 27 this should give everyone an opportunity to master technical rescue on rock. By this we don't imply we can't improve and learn new skills--we try to all the time.

BOARD MEETING. 13 March, 1900 at Ricker's. Non-board members welcome too.

REGULAR MEETING. 20 March, 1930 at Highland Outfitters. Final details on Winter Training Mission; film, "This Is Self Arrest;" practice on important knots; quiz; Hey Walt, are you gonna let us run this time?

WINTER TRAINING. 22-24 March. Tenting groups will hike in Friday -- 100% of the unit has already planned this part. Even the inactive members are going. Saturday on the slopes and faces will be an intensive day of individual and team arrest and belay work, then Sunday we climb and work on problems for rescues. Don't plan anything for Sunday evening back in town, we may have a <u>full</u> day on the snow Sunday. Remember how scrambled our gear gets? Be sure every item is marked with your name.

SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE. Walt and Larry met with United Fund 21 February to see if RMRU might become a member. Action by the United Fund Board of Directors will decide. Shortly we shall have all the printed matter necessary for us to launch our big effort. Everyone think of individuals and firms that could be contacted.

FINANCIAL. Already in April our next half-year dues are payable, and several members have not paid the October installment. Why? We remind inactive members that they pay dues as usual until they re-activate.

Unit patches will be ordered when enough members pay for them in advance. Bring your \$\$ to the March meeting for this and other opportunities to invest.

FEBRUARY TRAINING. Our technical rock session on Mt. Rubidoux was exceptionally intensive and successful for the members and candidates who participated. How about that 92° F in the shade?

PHYSICAL FITNESS. We believe that only one or two members are not yet "running for their lives." Those who run testify enthusiastically about the results.

GROUP PICTURE. No definite date yet, but before long we will all show up, probably at UCR, with uniforms and full equipment. Sxx thx itxm bxlow as to whather you are important for this picture.

RESCUE ACTIVITY. What's that? Two consecutive months without a call. But then, every day without a call brings us closer to one -- it could be a "dilly". Stay ready. Everyone thought SNOW, now think RESCUE. This does not mean we hope someone gets lost or hurt in the wilderness. How's that for double talk?

SLIDE SHOW. We have two important showings soon. Larry Pearcy, our new Education Committee Chairman is looking for members to become acquainted with the presentation procedures.

STOLEN FROM THE 'RUCKSACK' - How's this for food for thought???? "Xvxn though this typxwritxr is not an IBM Xlxtric, it works quitx wxll, xxcxpt for onx of thx kxys. Thxrx arx 41 kxys that work, trux. But having just onx kxy not working rxally makxs a difference.

RMRU, to bx xffxctivx, nxxds thx activx participation of xvxry mxmbxr!

The next time you think you are only one person and your help isn't needed, remember this typewriter and remind yourself "I am needed very much."