

MARCH NEWSLETTER

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!! We Have a Winner !!



1st Prize in the Photo Contest goes (interestingly) to a black & white image produced by one of our newest members, Scott Albert. It was the only B&W picture submitted, soooo...

Hmmm... ?

2nd Prize was secured by past Board Member, and current Colorado bon vivant, Justin Rich (but not for the photo he thought most worthy). The winning photo was actually submitted by Justin simply to illustrate where his feet are in the other photo he took; standing astride the top of *Ancient Art*.



3rd Prize is going to be given to **two** images. One is by our current Vice President, and the man in charge of Membership,

Greg Kane (BTW, Greg says your renewal is OVER DUE!!), the other 3rd place photo is by Richard Stack.



Greg's picture from Iceland:

Upcoming Programs

Monthly Board Meeting - April 9th

The Program for our April Meeting is a screening of
Reel Rock 12

To see trailer: [CLICK HERE](#)

In addition, we'll have a

SPECIAL RAFFLE

for the following prizes:

- **2 Gift Certificates** redeemable for a pair of Evolv Climbing Shoes!! Winners choose model & size!!
- **3 Pairs** (6 tickets) of Friday* passes to the ***Banff World Tour*** at the Patio Theatre, April 13
- **3 Pairs** (6 tickets) of Sat.* passes to the ***Banff World Tour*** at the Patio Theatre, April 14

*Note: It's a different screening each night!!!

Paul Fish from Mountain Gear, one of the generous donors to our Annual Dinner's Silent Auction, is asking for us to help support the ***Banff Film Festival***. Seth has some tickets to give away at Monday's Monthly Meeting, but any club member can get a discounted ticket with the code:

'*Brooklyn*' [CLICK HERE](#)

BOARD MEETINGS are held the **2nd Monday** of the month.

6:30 PM Board Meeting
(All members are welcome to attend)

8:00 PM Social hour/ Program

Skrine Chops - Forest Park

[CLICK HERE](#)

Photo Contest Winners (cont.)



Of this photo, Richard says: "After getting stormed off of Mount Robson, I took some time free styling on a "lookout" tower as we descended. Mount Robson is behind me, and I'm looking on to Resplendent Mountain."

Congratulations to all of this year's winners, and a **big round of applause** for all those who took the time to prepare a submission and were brave enough to share their outdoor adventures with the rest of us. Not all of us are still/yet able to go on difficult alpine expeditions, but I think we all dream large regardless. Votes cast this year demonstrate that as a club we recognize that many times our greatest joys come from just getting out there into wild spaces, and attempting to reach higher.

1st Prize: Ticket to 2019 Annual Dinner

2nd Prize: CMC Stainless Steel Tumbler

3rd Prize: CMC Guide Cap

You may have heard,

A young climber died at Devils Lake State Park last week. Details are still being gathered and an investigation is under way, but what I have gathered so far is that 22 year old, Savannah Buik (apparently a somewhat experienced climber), wearing a helmet, took a lead fall on rope and died - likely from head trauma - after “two cams popped”. CPR was performed immediately after the injury. I also learned that she was a former soccer player who withdrew from the sport - after suffering three concussions.

Savannah was well known and loved in the Chicago gym climbing community and by a number of members of the CMC.

More information may become available online if you do a search for her name.

**Hug those you love whenever you get the chance,
and don't take anything for granted!**



!! Time to Renew !!

2018 Membership Renewal Forms

are now available:

[CLICK HERE](#)

Note that convenient multi-year renewals are now possible!

Indoor Outings

Remember that in 2018 we will have indoor outings at **BOTH**:

- ◆ Vertical Endeavors in Glendale Hts
- ◆ First Ascent, Avondale.

April 8 & 22
May 6 & 20

NOTE: *Chris Gregory* is the [Outings Chair](#). He can answer any questions you might have about CMC outings.

To contact Chris: **[CLICK HERE](#)**

Bob Ruzich says: "The Red River Gorge Beckons! Looking to go down to The Red possibly as early as the 15th and spend the week if the weather looks good. Retirement has it's benefits. Wondering if any other CMCers would be so inclined.

If you are interested in coming down earlier email me."

bobruzich@att.net

The following people have submitted **New Membership Applications**

- **Heather Teale**
- **Robert Jakubek**

They were given a "First Reading" during the Annual Dinner. Second Reading will be April 9th.

"**Second Reading**" was given for:

- **Scott Albert**

He is now officially a member of the Chicago Mountaineering Club. Please welcome him!!

To apply for membership:

[CLICK HERE](#)

Passing This Email Along

Hi,

I am reaching out because I would like to discuss a job opening we have at our Tree Care Company. We are looking for an Arborist Trainee, and we do all our own climbing, no bucket trucks! I am hoping that we can touch base with you to discuss this opportunity for your members.

*Thanks for your time,
Laurie Estes
Office Manager
Arborsmith, Ltd.*

laurie@thearborsmiths.com

2018 Outdoor Outing Schedule

Winter Outing ** Date to be determined**

Apr 20-22 Red River Gorge, Kentucky (sport/trad)*
 May 5/6 Mississippi Palisades, IL and Devils Lake, WI
 May 19/20 Devils Lake, WI
 May 24-28 Shawangunk, New York (trad)*
 (Memorial Day is May 28)
 Jun 2/3 Devils Lake, WI

June 16-24 2018 RMNP Cabin Outing

Jun 16/17 Devils Lake, WI
 Jun 30/July 1 Devils Lake, WI
 Jul 21/22 Devils Lake, WI
 Aug 4/5 Devils Lake, WI
 Aug 18/19 **Old Timers/New Climbers Picnic**; Devils Lake, WI
 Sep 1/2 Devils Lake, WI
 Sep 15/16 Devils Lake, WI
 Sep 29/30 Devils Lake, WI
 Oct 13/14 Devils Lake, WI
 Oct 26/28 Jackson Falls, IL (sport)* and Devils Lake, WI
 Nov 9/11 Horseshoe Canyon Ranch, Arkansas (Sport)*

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Contact Chris at:

2018 RMNP Cabin Outing

(See Jan or Feb Newsletter for more details)

James Considine

Update on date of Outing:

Kevin et al,

Here is the latest on the trip date;

Last date I gave was: June 23 – July 1, but D. Kenealy told me that he gave the cabin to Goby's son for that week.

So, I am changing the date to: **June 16-24**

I am still waiting to here from Michelle on the cabin reconstruction.

I think we can use the above date with July 7-15 as a back up.

Jim

2018 Board Members

President – Matt Haraburda
Vice President – Gregg Kane
Secretary - Kevin Field
Treasurer – Marie Nelson
Sergeant at Arms – Dave Kenealy
Outings Chair – Chris Gregory
Publications Chair – Sue Gregory
Programs Chair – Seth Horowitz
Director – George Naxera
Director – Jamie Norris
Director – Bill Dietrich

Appointed positions:

Librarian - Pieter Fockens
Safety Chair - Jacek Witkos
Grounds Chair - Bill Dietrich
Conservation - Doug Hemken
Technology - Marcus Daubaras
Expeditions Chairs:
 - Al Graber
 - Kevin Roemer

Calling 4 Submissions

The **Chicago Mountaineer** is your ticket to fame and ...

PLEASE submit your climbing and mountaineering exploits for publication. Don't think of it as bragging. They don't have to be long or elaborate, or about superhuman feats executed in exotic places. You don't have to be a super great writer. Often it's just the effort that counts. Think campfire stories - folks like to hear what others have been up to. It sparks inspiration! Pictures are always great. All accepted articles are then incorporated into the American Alpine Journal for that year, according to our Librarian, Pieter Fockens.

Please send material to **Sue Gregory**, the **Publications Chair**, through the Contact page on our website:

chicagomountaineeringclub.org

Annual Dinner Pictures

by our hired photographer

are available for viewing and download

[CLICK HERE](#)

Thursday, March 8, **First Ascent Avondale** hosted the **World Tour of the *No Man's Land Film Festival***. CMC board members Seth Horowitz and Kevin Field attended this overflow event. The films were all extremely inspirational and very well done. When you're at First Ascent, please ask them to bring the next years' World Tour as well!

The announcement for the event stated:

"To celebrate International Women's Day, Patagonia Chicago and First Ascent Avondale are hosting the No Man's Land Film Festival on March 8th at First Ascent Avondale! All proceeds will benefit Girls in the Game, a non-profit working to help girls find their voice, discover their strength and lead with confidence through fun and active sports, health, and leadership programs."

I believe I heard they raised over \$1,800 for **Girls in the Game**. The short films shown are listed below:

Within Reach 11:53 min.

63% of women said they could not think of an outdoor female role model. 6 in 10 women say that men's interests in outdoor activities are taken more seriously than women's. Things are finally starting to change as women are demanding space in the outdoors and society at large.

Above The Fray 6:25

Professional climber Beth Rodden talks about climbing, vulnerability and motherhood.

Young Guns 27:00

Meet the new faces of climbing: 14-year-old Ashima Shiraishi and 15-year-old Kai Lightner are the leaders of a new generation poised to take the sport to the next level. Ashima, a New York City native, has already become the youngest person and the first female to climb the benchmark elite grades of 5.15a and v15. Kai, one of the few African American climbers rising to the top of the sport, became a national climbing champion as a high school sophomore. Now these two prodigies and friends travel to the rugged coast of Norway, where a legendary cave is filled with the most difficult climbs on earth. Pushed outside their comfort zone, Kai and Ashima learn some hard but important lessons that will carry them to even greater heights.

Brujas 6:48

A look at NYC's female skate culture and the girls who are taking a stand to shift social norms in their city. "Brujas" is an urban, free-form, creative and autonomous organization that seeks to build radical political coalition through youth culture. The group of minority female skaters express community through skateboarding, art and political organizing.

Break On Through 25:54

In high-end modern rock climbing, 5.15 is the top of the difficulty scale, a grade achieved by only a few men and never by a woman. Margo Hayes, a little known 19-year-old from Boulder, Colorado, is determined to change that. To be closer to the world's hardest routes, she has moved to Europe, where she trains and climbs with the goal of succeeding on two of the most iconic 5.15s in France and Spain. But pushing her body and mind to the absolute limit, she risks injury and failure in her quest to be the first.

Catch It 9:56

This award-winning film profiles surfer Léa Brassy, who grew up in northern France. By the time she was 17, she moved to southern France for the warm water surf. Accustomed to a life on the road, her nomadic lifestyle takes a pause at the Unstad break in the Lofoten Islands in Northern Norway. Trading in her bikini for a thick wetsuit, she connects with the surrounding mountains, Arctic surf, and simple living. Whether it's paddling hard for a wave, or chasing after a passion - Léa reminds us that if the timing is right, we have to Catch It.

Why Not Now? 2:51

At the age of 49, blind and afraid of water, Vivian Stancil dove in to save her life.