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On September 22, 1986, the Unicycling Society of America, Inc. lost a staunch supporter and avid unicyclist. GORDON MITTON succumbed to Amiotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's Disease). Gordon served the Society as Vice-President in 1983 and 1984 and became President in 1985. He was one of the leading forces behind the writing and adoption of the Society's Constitution and By-Laws. He belonged to the Redford Township Unicycle Club, Inc. for ten years. Not only did he ride with the Club, but he worked tirelessly teaching and encouraging riders of all ages.

Gordon will be greatly missed by the Society and the many members who knew and respected him.

1987 NATIONAL UNICYCLE MEET

JULY 24, 25, and 26

BETHEL COLLEGE AND SEMINARY

MINNESOTA

The 1987 National Unicycle Meet will be hosted by the Twin City Unicycle Club of Minnesota. The Director of the Club is U.S.A., Inc. President, LEN SALVERDA.

Bethel College and Seminary (located just north of St. Paul, Minnesota) was selected as the site because of the excellent facilities it offered. The convenient campus provides ready access to all of these facilities.

The Twin City Unicycle Club will be instituting at least one new race in the 1987 N.U.M. "President Salverda" writes, "This new race will be 100 meters in length. To enter you must be a parent of a rider. AND . . . you must have learned how to ride the unicycle since the 1986 N.U.M. This race may prove to be the highlight of the afternoon. So parents, get off your duff and let your kids harass you into finally learning to ride the unicycle after all these years. They you, too, may experience the personal sense of accomplishment this simple one-wheeler can give."

Mark your calendar now - July 24, 25, and 26, 1987 - and plan to attend the 1987 National Unicycle Meet.

Additional information and registration forms will be available in later issues of ON ONE WHEEL.

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THANK YOU!! 1986 Treasurer BARBARA MARQUART for providing the information for this Membership Roster

GET WELL SOON!! 1986 President JAN LAYNE. Jan is recovering from back surgery. But in spite of this, she has spent endless hours compiling the results of the 1986 NUM. These, along with many pictures, will be included in the next issue of ON ONE WHEEL "to be released soon" - Honest!

The abbreviated format of this "Membership Roster" issue prevents the inclusion of the book order form as well as some other regular features. These will return with the next issue.

To save as much time as possible in getting this issue to you, it is being sent First Class. Our \$6.00 membership fee does not provide enough income for this to be done on a regular basis, however.

The Unicycling Society of America, Inc. Aims:

To foster social and athletic interest in and promote the healthy, wholesome sport of unicycling among youth and adults of the country by establishing voluntary standards of performance and sponsoring and overseeing local and national meets.

To disseminate knowledge and information on all phases of the sport to all interested parties throughout the country via a newsletter and information service.

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***If you are anxious to meet another unicyclist and find no one on this list near you, don't give up! ADVERTISE! Contact your local paper and let them know that you are interested in beginning a unicycle club. Pick a time and place and let the paper write an article about you! Or talk to the P.E. teachers at the school. Or offer to teach a class in the church basement. Or . . . After you have given something a try, write U.S.A., Inc. a letter and let the members know how it worked out.

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LETTERS FROM OUR MEMBERS:

Dear Mrs./Miss Layne:

Enclosed find money order for my dues for one more year. I do not know why I have stayed in the organization because I have only received one (1) copy of ON ONE WHEEL, Vol. 13 No 1, 1986 this year and therefore cannot really know what is going on as far as the club is concerned.

If many members are just paying dues so that a given few can hold a unicycle meet once a year, then it is time for some changes as we are promised four (4) newsletters a year and etc. . . .

Joseph W. Stegen, Jr.

Dear Mr. Stegen, (and all U.S.A., Inc. members)

Thank you for writing. You brought up a number of points that other members may also be thinking. Yes, the U.S.A., promises four newsletters for a year's membership. Before the new bylaws were accepted (making a membership run from October through the end of September), if an Editor found it impossible to put out four issues in a calendar year, membership was extended until each member had received four issues. Now an Editor MUST publish four issues in a calendar year. When, two years ago, the newly elected Editor discovered his schedule prevented him from publishing even one issue, volunteers and the already overworked officers struggled to get out as many issues as possible. We are still struggling to get caught up. But, yes, you will receive your four issues. What the Society desperately needs is more help. We are now without a Secretary. That responsibility is now being shouldered by the other officers. Would YOU be willing to serve as the U.S.A., Inc. Secretary? It is a very rewarding job. If you, or anyone else, is willing to do this, the other officers would have fewer outside responsibilities and the newsletters could come out more regularly. If you are interested, please write to the Redford Post Office Box.

No, not one dollar of the Society's funds goes toward putting on a National Unicycle Meet. The Society's aims include sponsoring these meets. But the sponsorship is not financial. If the funds raised from registration fees are not adequate to cover the cost, the local club or group underwrites the cost. A few years ago the Society voted to

loan any group organizing the N.U.M. \$500 to cover whatever costs are incurred before money from registration fees begins coming in. This \$500 is expected to be repaid at the end of the meet so that it is available for the next year's organizers.

Our \$6.00 annual membership fee barely covers the cost of printing and mailing four issues of ON ONE WHEEL. Though costs have increased over the years, our membership fee has not increased since 1979. The "additional family membership" fee was increased from \$.50 to \$1.00 to help pay for the liability insurance the Society now carries. The administrative costs (postage for answering mail, paper supplies, etc.) come from the profit we realize from the sale of books and patches.

The U.S.A., Inc. officers faithfully uphold the aims of the Society. Almost all of them are actively involved in local unicycle clubs. Sometimes this involvement, as well as the demands of family, job, church and community, does not allow adequate time for their U.S.A., Inc. commitment. What the officers need is active support of more of the membership. What can YOU do to help?



The picture is from page one of Vol. 3, No. 3 of the NSLR (July, 1976). It is of Joseph Stegen (left, and Hugh Taylor who originated the Cycling Hujos of Ogden, Utah. Both men took up unicycling when they were 50 years old and went on to organize a group that also did juggling, clowning, acrobatics, baton twirling, ventriloquism, and dancing. Joseph Stegen's hobby, the circus, was the background for many of the group's ideas.

ANTIQUÉ AND CLASSIC BICYCLE MUSEUM OF AMERICA

An article in the DETROIT FREE PRESS (Nov. 14, 1986) submitted by USAm KEN KRAKAT told of a new museum - the only one of its kind in the United States. Located in Ann Arbor, MI, this "walk-up" museum is devoted exclusively to bicycles. While there are the familiar high-wheeled velocipedes of the 1880's, the emphasis is on bicycles from the mid 1900's. Therefore, for many visitors it is a nostalgic experience rather than an education in history.

Are there any museums anywhere in the country, open to the public, that deal only with unicycles or monocycles? The monocycle is of particular interest to ANTHONY J. SLAVINSKI, 821 Gephart Drive #2, Cumberland, MD 21502. He would appreciate hearing from anyone with information on this conveyance. Your ed. mailed to him a copy of the 1987 calendar created by another USAm and former Sec.-Treas. of the U.S.A., Inc., AL HEMMINGER. Al used a picture of a monocycle from 1869 (formerly a part of an exhibit in the Smithsonian Museum) as the headline picture on his calendar.

FUND-RAISING TRIATHLON INCLUDES UNICYCLE RACE

The DETROIT UNILIGHTS UNICYCLE CLUB and the Eastside 4-H Community Center cosponsored the 1st Annual Triathlon for the benefit of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. This event was held on Belle Isle in Detroit. It consisted of a 33-mile course featuring a 3-mile run, a 15-mile bicycle race, and a 15-mile unicycle race. Those entering did not have to participate in all three events

The UNILIGHTS UNICYCLE CLUB was begun in 1983 by USAm JAMES GREEN and is designed for inner-city kids from age 7 to 15 years of age. The Club has entertained at both the Detroit Pistons and the Detroit Spirits home games and has successfully participated in several of the meets they attended since they began 3½ years ago.

JUGGLING SENSATION: 13-YEAR-OLD ANTHONY GATTO

An article in the August 18, 1986, issue of SPORTS ILLUSTRATED told of the juggling genius of young Anthony Gatto who astounded those who attended the 39th annual International Jugglers Association convention the month before. Anthony easily walked home with the overall title after bettering his competition in each event. His "wonder of wonders"? eight clubs (seven is extremely rare!).

REDFORD HOSTS 10th ANNUAL MINI-MEET

On September 13, 1986, the REDFORD TOWNSHIP UNICYCLE CLUB, INC. held its 10th Annual Mini-Meet under the leaden skies that have become characteristic of this event. Over 90 riders from three states lined up to register and receive the meal ticket that entitled each participant to an ample lunch of pizza (contributed by the Westland Center), Coke (offered from the red-and-white Coke wagon), and all the other food that was donated by the Redford parents and other businesses in the community.

The morning events consisted of the races common to most unicycle meets. Again the slow race was held on a 1" x 6" board for greater uniformity

in judging. The one major deviation from the normal was the "silly obstacle course" rather than the one usually expected. This event was begun many years ago by Pontiac when the Club hosted their "Round-Up." This year's obstacle theme was "You're in the Army Now" and consisted of a number of drills typical of a recruit's - only all done on a unicycle.

Throughout the day a great many additional activities went on. As usual U.S.A. Director TOM MILLER arrived with his van filled with unicycles - both usual and unusual - and





generously let riders try anything they wished. He was always available with a helping hand for those who needed it.

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And he was readily available if a unicycle needed a quick repair.

Jugglers were very much in evidence, also. And they juggled everything from



the usual balls and clubs to the plush puppies that USAm BRETT DUNN is shown using here. ----->

After lunch the artistic riding competition began. For some this was an opportunity to once again display a routine that won an award at the NUM or UNICON II. For others it was a chance to try artistic riding competition for the first time.



As is true of all meets, there was much sharing of ideas and riding techniques. Many enjoyed watching the UNILIGHTS jump rope (two on foot turning the rope - one rider jumping in the center). (There will be more on this trick in a future issue.) And many new tricks were learned by watching, talking, and trying.

One innovative idea at this meet was the method the results were transported from the event to the table where the ribbon-writers were recording the results. USAmS TERESA HEMMINGER and SEM ABRAHAMS donned their roller skates and, dodging unicyclists and other obstacles, made

the trips back and forth with record speed.

The smiling young man at the top of this page (a fledgling Wood One Wheeler) mirrors the happiness and enthusiasm of the participants who represented seven different clubs. This happiness was brought about by the cooperation of all parents who eagerly agreed to do whatever was necessary to help the meet run smoothly. Redford would like to thank these special people. A big thanks, too, to riders such as KIM DURYEA, who filled in for parents when necessary.

Though Redford has held this meet for ten years, this is the first time the location has been the WESTLAND CENTER in Westland, MI. The staff there is to be commended for its excellent facilities, warm hospitality, and marvelous cooperation.

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