

Oslo, April 1989

Dear friends,

I am sending you a printout of the first tele-communication within SCI. Some people talk about it, others simply do it: by using a modem, an alternative mailbox system and modern satellite communication, ID Norway and SCI-USAwest are able to send out messages superfast and rather cheap.

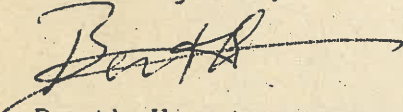
What one needs is the following:

- a computer
- a telephone
- a modem
- access to the national package switching network (to be obtained via the PTT) - fees vary strongly per country
- access to a mailbox system such as GREENNET (GEONET) in Europe (set up by the Green Party in the FRG, office and central computer based in London). Subscription 10 pound per month, costs of access time 8 pence/minute (first hour every month free).

The use is relatively simple, and I would not be surprised if SCI would be exchanging volunteers in this way within the next two-three years. Of course, we have to take the various pros and cons in account, in particular costs and the need for equal opportunities for participating and non-participating branches in the initial phase.

You'll here more about this!

Best regards,



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Command: send geo2:gn /igc:sciusawest
Please enter text:

dear friends,

this is Berth from id-norway. did you receive e-mail messages from other sci branches already or is this the first sci telecommunication? id does not have computer but for urgent messages you can use GEO2:HURIDOCS for Berth

regards

Berth

ps confirm receipt of this message - thanks

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Message posted.
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Command: r 17

Message no.: 17
Message from: GN
Subject: CDP:SCIUSAWEST
Sent on: 01-04-89, 07:31:06
Receivers: HURIDOCS
Text:

Subject: First SCI telecommunication
Sent: Fri Mar 31 21:31 PST 1989
Dear Berth,
As far as I know, this is the first. Wil should soon have another contact in Switzerland. A former volunteer there is going to join GeoNet. Thanks for contacting us. Dave Axtell, SCI/USA(West)

Command: r 35

Message no.: 35
Message from: GN
Subject: CDP:SCIUSAWEST
Sent on: 05-04-89, 08:30:43
Receivers: HURIDOCS
Text:

Subject: Revised workcamp schedule
Sent: Wed Apr 5 00:01 PST 1989

To: GEO2:HURIDOCS / for Berth, ID Norway
From: IGC:SCIUSAWEST / D. Axtell

Dear Berth,

Can you distribute the following to the Scandinavian SCI branches for us? It needs to get out before they finish their listings.

TO SCI Branches in Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Finland:

In order to accede to a special request from Orville Lookinghorse, the Keeper of the Pipe, we have changed the dates for the following camp to early June. The entry should now read:

SCI-USA-W 1.8 CHEYENNE RIVER PROJECT JUN 5-JUN 23 EAGLE BUTTE,
SOUTH DAKOTA 14 VOLS.

The Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation is located in north-western South Dakota. The reservation is isolated and has a high rate of unemployment. The project will assist an elder of the Sioux people to prepare for a Sun Dance ceremony. We may also assist some elders with simple home repair projects with which they need physical assistance. A plains-grasslands environment, hot during the day, cold at night. Living conditions will be rough as this is an area of extreme poverty. When possible, we will attend local cultural activities.

The volunteers will help Mr. Lookinghorse, a medicine person, prepare the grounds for the first Sun Dance of the year. The volunteers will probably participate in the ceremony as well.

We have also added the following camp to our schedule. It was announced at the Paris meeting, but no text listing was distributed.

SCI-USA-W 1.10 BLACK MESA (BIG MOUNTAIN) JULY 17-AUG 4
FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA 14 VOLS.

Volunteers have been asked to help elders of the Teec ya toh community with projects such as repairing a dirt road, repairing houses and hogans, farming, care of livestock and building a greenhouse. The people of this community are resisting forced relocation from the Big Mountain area. Some authorities have interpreted the Relocation Act as prohibiting any repair or construction work by the Navaho people in the area. Even though we have been invited by the community, volunteers should be aware that they may be ordered out of the area by these authorities. If so, the camp will end at that time. Any continued presence in the area will be the personal responsibility of the volunteer. In the event of a premature ending, SCI will attempt to accomodate displaced volunteers in other camps. The climate is hot, dry and windy. Volunteers will need to bring a strong tent and camping equipment.

Please make these changes in your workcamp listing.

Thanks, Dave Axtell (SCI/USA)

End of message. Please acknowledge receipt.

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