

Kotzebue may get hostel

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Linda Shelton, a state Division of Parks employee working with the state youth hostel program, was in Kotzebue early this month to size up the potential for a hostel there.

The nearest hostel to Kotzebue at present is in Nome, where thrifty travellers can spread their sleeping bags and have access to a bathroom, shower, and a kitchen for as little as \$2.50 per night.

Under the youth hostel plan, hostel guests help the upkeep and cleaning of the facility in order to hold down costs.

Shelton said her contacts in Kotzebue had generally been re-

ceptive to the idea.

She emphasized that youth hostels are for the travellers of all ages and that they are open to residents of the region as well as to visitors from outside.
