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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Let me thank each of you for voting your confidence in me by allowing me to serve as your president. Because my association with PVS has been a long and very warm one, I hope to pass this feeling on to others, both new and "old" members. I am looking forward to a continuation of all of our PVS good times.

Bob Marx and I want to thank the three outgoing ExCom members, Bob Barry, Dorothy Mason and Charlotte Reith, for their good contributions and attendance the past two years

Next, I welcome our three new Ex Com mebers: Steve Grenleski, Reg Heitchue and Jim Wingrove. With Sheldon Drews, Bob Grasley and Dorothy Mills, they are your club representatives. Please bring new ideas, thoughts, and concerns to them. Our club works best through the efforts of all its members.

Last, but not least, as we enter the season of the year when PVSers do two of the three things we like best- eat and socialize - come to our meetings and events during the spring and summer.

Gail

Gail Pease, President

MONTHLY MEETING AZALIA TIME AT THE BARRYS!!

When: Tuesday May 17th. 7:30 p.m.

Where: Home of Vivian and Bob Barry at 2535 Ogden St. Falls Church, Va. (Tel: 560-3127)

What: The usual heavy (?) business meeting, good ol' times and light(?) eating and drinking highlighted by viewing the Barrys' azalia gardens (that's the reason for the 7:30 post time - so there'll be plenty of time for the viewing.)

Directions: See next page.



DIRECTIONS TO THE BARRYS' HOUSE at 2535 Ogden St. Falls Church, Va.
 From the Capitol Beltway.(I-495) take the exit marked "Rt 7 Falls Church." (Do NOT take the one marked Rt 7, Tysons Corner.) Follow Rt 7 to the 5th stoplight and turn right on Shreve Road. A Roy Rogers and a Long-John Silver restaurant are on opposite sides of the intersect. Follow Shreve Road approximately one mile to Ogden street. Turn right on Ogden (the street sign is on the opposite side of Shreve Rd) and proceed to the Barry home which is the next to the last house on the right hand side.

Alternatively, take Lee Highway (Rt 29/211) from Rosalyn through the center of Falls Church some 2½ miles to Shreve Rd.(Rt 703). Turn right. (A 9-hole golf course is at the intersect.) Follow Shreve Rd. a little more than a mile to Ogden street where turn left and proceed to the Barry house (next to the last on the right hand side.) .

Special Event HIKE IN SHENADOAH NATIONAL PARK

Date: Saturday, May 14th.(Rain date: Sunday, May 15th.)

Leader: Lu Beale. 363-3521

What: A circuit hike(climb) through Cedar Run and Whiteoak Canyons - two of the deepest and steepest ravines of the Park with a total descent and ascent of 4000 feet. The emphasis is on spectacular scenery, waterfalls, cascades, swimming holes, cliffs and wild terrain. The hike goes down Cedar Run Canyon, a little frequented section of the Park, and comes back by way of the more popular Whiteoak Canyon.

It covers 7 miles , is rated strenuous, and offers a most exhilarating adventure to the stout hearted.

Bring: Sturdy shoes, extra socks (there will be some streams to ford) lots of gorp, water and lunch. (And perhaps liquid spirits left on ice in your car for celebration at trail's end.)

Time: 8:00 a.m. Meet at the Cooper School just inside the Beltway at Exit 13, Rte 193, Georgetown Pike. The school is on the right of #193 on Balls Hill Rd. Carpooling will be arranged here.

An early departure is desirable to allow for the 90 mile drive and an unpressured climb. Please be on time!

Reservations: Call Lu Beale (363-3521) by Thursday May 12th so carpooling and trail head parking can be arranged.

Special Event MAY 21st -INTERNATIONAL DINNER AT THE COPE

DIRECTIONS: SOLD OUT. Marilyn Clark(978-9435)Coordinator.
 TIME: 6:30 p.m. COST: Appx. \$14.00

Take the George Washington Parkway past the sailing marina to the first right turn which is marked Slaters Lane, to the parallel service road. At the first signal, make a right turn onto Slaters Lane. Follow Slaters Lane through an angled left past the warehouses and make the first right turn. Go over the railroad bridge and turn left onto Monroe Ave. (The Monroe Ave bridge is Rt. 1). Go through 2 signals and the Cope home is the big, white house on the right before the 3rd signal.



PAST EVENTS

PASSPORTS, PLEASE! by Charlotte Reith

If there was a message at the April Annual Meeting it was "Don't let your passport expire!" We are a travelling bunch in or out of ski season. Bob Wyckoff presented plans for the Austrian trip in January and the Wyckoffs' first non-skiing trip to Greece in September. The Greek isles looked good with Margaret on them as model. Norm; Engleman's African Safari plans were accompanied by a gorgeous slide show.

Alas, the snows of Kilimanjaro don't come with ski trips but the wild game to be encountered was spectacular.

The grand finale to our travelog was a visit to the High Tatras (in Czechoslovakia, dummy) via film courtesy of Mike Rysavy. There was a handful of us who had even been there. The message was "Beware of shaggy dogs in Czechoslovakia."

All of this was presided over by outgoing Vice President Gail Pease and one and the same incoming President Gail Pease. We were unable to witness the passing of the gavel since outgoing President Bob Marx had skipped town.

Three new ExComers, Steve Grenleski, Jim Wingrove and Reg Heitchue, were voted to seats on the board and 13 applicants received full membership status.

The crackling fire to go with the snowflakes encountered en route was provided by the Heitchues along with their lovely home and lots of food and drink to assuage any thirst or hunger pangs of the PVS.

TREKING THE BILLY GOAT TRAIL by June Kelsay

The weather was nice on Saturday morning, April 23. Behind our agile leader, Lu Beale, twelve of us leapt, sauntered, dragged, or crept (according to our ability) north along the Billy Goat Trail from Angler's Inn. We stopped for lunch on a big rock overlooking the Potomac. Our leader got us there just in time for the noonday show. While kayakers battled with the whirling waters beneath, rock climbers demonstrated their skills across the river. They bowed graciously when we applauded their efforts and offered us a turn.

As we trotted back along the canal tow path a few drops of rain began to fall; however, we arrived back at the parking lot without getting wet. Some of us stopped at the Inn for refreshments. Thanks, Lu, for a great day. We look forward to the next hike in May.

The Knee

by
Ray McKinley



Ski season is over and it's time for summer fun. As I write this column on a rainy end of April day I wonder if summer (or even spring) will ever arrive. Maybe I shouldn't talk of Washington weather. Quixotic as it is, it's probably 103 degrees and 98% humidity as you're reading this.

About the only PVSers I can think of who are pleased with all the rain would be Bob and Vivian Barry. They have a well which ran out of water some years back and they were workneed about low ground water levels. It ain't low now, Bob. All this rain should make their azalias gorgeous for our May meeting. It starts at 7:30 so, as they say in England, come early and "see the bloomin' flowers."

The April meeting at the Heitchues was particularly kneesworthy. Here we are at our big annual meeting of the only SKI club in the area. And what do we have but two great sets of slides on "ski" Greece and "ski" the jungles of Africa. While not ski-related (except for the trip leaders, the Wyckoffs and Englemans) both sound like great trips for the fall.

More sinkneester is the presidential coup that occurred. The Knee has it from the highest authority that our new president, Gail Pease, ousted our two-year leader Bob Marx in a bloodless power-driven coup in early April. After banishing Marx to SCWDC, Gail grabbed the reins of office and ran the elections herself. (Actually, she was aided by aide-de-camp Marilyn Clark who took over as chairman of the nominating committee by ousting Don Cope in a similar coup-or was it Don Coup in a similar cope?)

Ankneeway, Gail's running the elections assured her of a unan-kneemous victory... who could vote against someone staring you in the eye(or, in my case, the Knee)?

A final note about the Heitchues: After we all finally figured out, more or less, how to get to their house, they soon will be moving. They are building a new house on Lake Thoreau in Reston. Let's see if we can all get lost going to that one next year.

Jack Hadler retired from government service some years ago. He currently runs the Webb Institute, the preeminent school for naval architects (who try to design better belly buttons). He is also a consultant. In April, his consulting business took him twice to London. He is now in China lecturing. In July he will become academic dean of the Institute. This is retirement?

The Knee was sorry to hear that Jenckes Mason was hit by a car while walking some weeks ago. He suffered a broken nose and also broke one of the small bones in his leg (luckily his knee came out okay). Dot says he is now on the mend. We all wish him a rapid recovery.

There was a nice article and picture of Vivian Barry and her Artisans' Studio at the Fairfax County YMCA in a recent issue of the Gazette.

A tip of the ol' Knee Cap to those of you who told and wrote me very kind comments on my typically witty, brilliant, unassuming column.

Who will ski the latest this year? At the April meeting, Norm Engleman was heading for Vermont the next day. I am sure Paddy and Shirley Frucht skied the most. Between Santa Fe and Aspen, each managed to ski 55 days this season. A few of those late spring days at Aspen were shared with Charlotte Reith and Celinda and Knee McKinley.

Other late skiers, to name only a few, were Hank and Anna Thomas, recently back from a week in Banff, and the Flakes, just back from Vail and Beaver Creek. (They report that Beaver Creek is OK, non-crowded, but much smaller than Vail.)

Earlier this winter, Roy and Malda Elrod were skiing at Deer Valley in Utah. They stopped for lunch and ran into Don and Pat Coup - er - Cope. Small world!

SKI TRIP SCHEDULE



UTAH

Norman Engleman's trip to Ski Utah Powder in 1984 is set for February 11-25, 1984. The group will be staying at the Salt Palace Travelodge in the heart of Salt Lake City with its refurbished heated outdoor pool, sauna, hot tub and redecorated rooms.

There will be a car for each four skiers to enable free choice of the many great ski areas including: Alta, Snowbird, Deer Valley, Park City, Snow Basin, Solitude, Brighton, Park City West, Powder Hill, etc.

Also included will be roundtrip air transportation, transfers, ten days of lift tickets plus parties before, during and after the trip.

The price is still being negotiated but is estimated to be approximately \$950.00.

To reserve your place on the trip, send a check payable to Ski Utah Powder '84 in the amount of \$35.00 to Norman Engleman, 10450 Kentsdale Drive, Potomac, Maryland 20854 (refundable up to 15 days after the final price is announced).

If you have questions, please call Norman at 299-2635.



SWITZERLAND

Gorman Young has obtained sanction from PVS to lead a 2-week ski trip to Switzerland, January 20 - February 4, 1984.

The first week will be at Zermatt (the small village in the shadow of the Matterhorn), a world-renowned summer and winter resort area also known for its great apres ski activities. One can ski over a pass to Cervinia, Italy and return by lifts making a grand tour. Highest skiable mountain: 11,478 ft, vertical drop, 6,178 feet.

The second week will be in Verbier in the French-speaking Valais region outstanding for its vast snowfields and huge snow bowls - some very challenging. One can ski in three valleys on the same lift pass. Also has a very modern and excellent lift system connecting all areas by gondolas, telepheriques and chairs. Offers endless variety. Highest skiable mountain: 9,069' ;vertical drop, 4,569 feet.

All land and air arrangements will be made by Swissair with direct flight from New York to Geneva and return - 14 nights in Europe - 12 days of skiing - 1st class hotels. Prices are not yet firm but will be by mid-May. Expect the package to come in at about \$1500 per person, double occupancy.

Gorman is limiting the number of people to approximately 20 and will accept \$35 reservation fees now. Complete details and prices will appear in the June TOOT or call Gorman at 202-244-2319.



AUSTRIA

Margaret and Bob Wyckoff plan a 2 week ski trip to Austria, January 13-29, 1984. One week will be spent at Montafon Valley 2 1/2 hours by bus from Zurich. (The valley is near the Swiss border - you can ski down to Klosters.) Second week will be at Zell Am See in the Salzburg area. Although details are not completed, the Wyckoffs are now accepting \$35 reservation deposits. Call 589-5532.

GOINGS ON

GOTTA LOTTA GOOD TIMES COMIN' UP - PUT 'EM ON YOUR CALENDAR:

- June 11 - RAFT TRIP ON THE YOUGHIOGHENY.
To be a part of this exciting expedition call Dina Taylor NOW NOW NOW. Tomorrow may be too late. (301-663-6089).
- June 18 - ANNUAL PICNIC & SWIM AT JACQUES HADLER'S CHESAPEAKE BAY COTTAGE. Reservations limited. Call coordinator Gail Pease (620-4573).
- July 16 - FAMOUS STEAK/SWIM AT THE ELRODS. Call Coordinator Ray McKinley (759-4432).
- Aug. 13 - SWIMMING, BOATING, PICNICING at Glade Flake's water front Annapolis home. Call coordinator Charlotte Reith (765-1810).
- Aug. 20 - ANTIQUE CAR & CRABFEAST AT LA PLATA, MD. Call coordinator John Gable (979-3646).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 14 (Rain date May 15) Cedar Run/White Oak Canyon Hike. See page 2.
- May 17 - Monthly Meeting at the Barrys. 7:30 p.m. See page 1.
- May 21 - International Dinner at the Copes. See page 2.
- May 24 - ExCom Meeting at the Grasleys. 7:30 p.m.
- June 11 - Raft trip on the "Yock." See above.
- June 18 - Picnic/Swim at Hadler's Bay cottage. See above.
- June 28 - ExCom at Sheldon Drew's. 7:30 p.m.
- July 16 - Steak/Swim at the Elrods. See above.
- July 19 - ExCom at Gail Pease' home. 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 13 - Boating/Swimming at Glade Flake's home in Annapolis. Details later. See above.
- Aug. 20 - Antique Car & Crabfeast at La Plata, Md. See above. Details later.

BRIEF REPORT ON THE APRIL BLUE RIDGE SKI COUNCIL APRIL MEETING by GEOFF^W Wadey

The Blue Ridge Ski Council, of which we are members, individually and as a club, held its Spring meeting in April. Bob and Marylee Grasley, Geoff^W Wadey, and Bob Wyckoff attended for PVS. A new Vice-President, Bill Levin of the Arlington Hall Ski Club, was elected; the other officers continue in office. BRSC Flight Sanction was voted for three PVS trips --- Austria in January, Utah in February, and the trip to Greece this coming September. The poor snow conditions hampered the Amateur Ski Instruction activities in the East this Winter; there was only one applicant at Roundtop in January. The SKI-O-REE held at Canaan Valley was successful and made a small profit.

PVS will sponsor the Fall BRSC meeting on October 16th, probably at the Indian Spring Country Club.

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- * Three meals daily while on Safari, full American breakfast daily in Nairobi.
- * All transfers.
- * Game drives via mini-buses, especially equipped for safaris with pop-top roofs.

Payment schedule:

1. \$300.00 per person deposit to reserve space. Send to Norman Engelman with application.
2. \$2,094.00 due July 15, 1983.
3. The airfare may be charged to your credit card (\$1,184.00)

A full color brochure is available to anyone interested in the trip.

Potomac Valley Skiers Safari Application
 Print and mail to Norman Engelman, 10450 Kentsdale Drive, Potomac, Md. 20854
 (Phone: 299-2635)

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address _____

Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____ Smoker? _____

I belong to (or will join) the Potomac Valley Ski Club. I acknowledge that the PVSC, their officers, and trip leaders are acting as agents in making these arrangements and assume no responsibility for any injuries, nor in additional expenses that may be caused by weather or other events beyond their control. I have read and I understand the terms and conditions of this trip as expressed in the Safariworld brochure.

Date: _____ Signed: _____

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