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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

The ski season is almost here. Our trip to Vail has stopped taking reservations. The trip to Sutton is now wait listed. The trips to Wengen in December, France in January, and Whistler/Blackcomb in February are still accepting reservations.

However, these trips, too, will close out when the trip leaders can no longer hold lodging accommodations. Make your plans now to ski with PVS this year.

Call Bob Grasley (565-9650) for information on Wengen, the Wyckoffs (589-5532) for France, Dina Taylor(275-7861) for Whistler.

Sheldon Drews, President



NOVEMBER MEETING - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18. 8:00 P.M.

LAST CHANCE (ALMOST) PRE-SEASON GET-TOGETHER
TO DISCUSS SKI PLANS AND TELL SKI WHOPPERS.

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PLUS DEMONSTRATIONS BY THE SKI CENTER'S
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WHERE: HOME OF ADELE WAGGAMAN, 5209 CAMMACK DR.
BETHESDA, MD.



DIRECTIONS: From Seltway, take River Road exit #39 for Washington. Go 4.1 miles to Western Avenue. Turn right on Western and go .7 miles to Westmoreland Circle. Turn right (west) on Massachusetts Avenue and go .4 mile to left on Newport Ave. Proceed 1 block to deadend and right on Cammack Drive. 5209 is third house on right.

COMING EVENTS

PVS ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER

When: Saturday, November 15th. 7:00 P.M.
There is still space available for this gourmet dinner in the party room at Skyline House East, Bailey's Crossroads, which has been secured for us by the Felkers. A gorgeous location!

Call Coordinator Marilyn Clark (978-9435) for your share of the goodies.

DIRECTIONS TO SKYLINE HOUSE EAST: From I-395 (Shirley Highway) take Rte 7 Exit West to left on George Mason Drive. Take 2nd left from there into Skyline House parking area and get a parking permit at the desk there. (they tow without a permit) or park without a permit on George Mason Drive or in the Skyline Shopping Mall parking lot,

In the Skyline House East Building ask at the desk for the Felker Party (not PVS) and take elevator to Penthouse floor party room.

GREAT FALLS HIKE WITH CHILI AT THE MCKINLEYS

When: Saturday, November 22 d. 1:30 P.M.

Rain or shine. If you don't relish hiking in the rain come for supper anyway - fivish. - in which case, call Ray for directions to his new house in Arlington.

What: We will meet at the Visitor Center at Great Falls, Va. for a 6 mile circuit hike after which we will caravan to Ray and Lin's house for an early supper of chili and Mexican style snacks. Please bring salad or dessert.

Reservations: Limited to 25. Space still available. Cost: \$4 per.

DIRECTIONS TO GREAT FALLS: From the beltway, take Exit 13 for Great Falls via # 193 (Georgetown Pike). Go west 4 miles to Old Dominion Drive (with blinker light and sign for Great Falls Park). Turn right, drive through main gate and park in lot near Visitor Center. We will meet at the center.

SPECIAL WINE TASTING AT THE COPEs

When: Saturday, December 20th. 8:00 P.M.

It's not too early to put this one on your calendar and call Pat or Don Cope for reservations (836-5436). It's the third annual special tasting of fine wines, chosen by Don, and accompanied by appropriate food, chosen by Pat.

Limited to 20 lucky ones so call soon. \$20 each.

PAST EVENT

PVS AND THE SEA WATCH - A FORMULA FOR FUN by Dick King

The annual summer-ending trip to Ocean City, Maryland proved to be an unquestionable success when the anticipated "not so good" weather turned out to be sunny and beautiful. This was particularly true on Saturday.

Ten faithful PVSers, led by lovely Dina Taylor, arrived Friday evening to launch the last beach weekend of the year. Charlie and Dina arrived first, followed in quick succession by the Wyckoffs, the Leonhardts, Charlie Gordon and Dick and Julie King. Last arrival was Shirley Rettig to round out the PVS ten. Friday night was "eat on your own" but Saturday night was special: Lobsters by the Leonhardts! In spite of having three "beefeaters" among us, seven hardy souls experienced hearty Maine lobsters ordered and prepared by Fred and Barbara. Supplementing their fine entree of "Lobster a la Leonhardt" was a garden fresh salad from Charlie Taylor's yellow tomato garden and, for dessert, a Charlie Taylor canteloupe dish and a Julie King fruit cocktail cake. PVS maintained its unblemished record of great food and eating - whether or not it's skiing season.

Daytime activities included beach walking, beach sunning, hot and heavy tennis competition (there were no losers! - everyone was a winner including Bob Wyckoff who got in a full practice session on his forehand thanks to patient ball retrievers Charlie Gordon, Barb Leonhardt and Julie King). The swimming was GREAT; the water temperature was in the upper sixties. And the fishing was good?? Charlie Gordon coached his team to two catches: one (a silver blue) of nearly six inches, the other (a black sea bass) of nearly four inches. The tide was running out - and so did our patience when lobster time got close.

Julie King was seen pacing the beach with her wonderful treasure hunting tool: a White's 5000D Metal Detector. She even found one treasure for her intense effort: a 1986 penny. That among the many bottle caps, pull tabs and one old battery buried 12 inches deep! Keep trying, Julie. You never know when you will turn up a silver ring among the pull tabs!

Sunday dawned cloudy but dry and included more activities. Some went to church. Some went biking on the boardwalk. Others enjoyed the luxury of sleeping in. We also did more tennis, beach lazing and swimming (the surf was good). Fred Leonhardt is determined to defeat ALL the wonderful crashing waves that come endlessly in. We don't think he will ever end his challenge, either.

The entire summer-ending weekend was a Fine Feast and a Fun Filled time. Our congratulations to our trip leader for finding the deluxe accommodations at the elegant Sea Watch condominium where every balcony has a view of the beach. On one occasion, we stood on our 17th floor balcony and looked an airplane pilot right in the eye as he flew by with his trailing advertisement. It was then that we knew how high we were! We needed no other high to score this a Ten Plus PVS weekend - thanks to Dina and all the others who made it a great event.

POSTSCRIPT: Charlie Gordon stayed over for an extra night on the Ocean City weekend in order to go fishing on a party boat. He reports catching 22 keepable fish consisting of blues, croakers and trout!

PAST EVENTS

(Continued)

OKTOBERFEST by Lu Beale

Fifty eight PVS celebrants met on October 4th at the Wyckoffs' home for the annual autumn beer festival - Tyrolean style. The aroma of simmering goodies greeted the guests along with Margaret and Bob who somehow managed to warmly welcome each arrival while at the same time rushing from bubbling pots in the basement to bubbling pots in the kitchen to ebbing beer kegs on the porch.

This year, the beer was less important than the food. Last year, two quarter barrels of suds were consumed; this year, less than a barrel and a half. (Are we older? Wiser?)

Ah, but the food! Margaret had hardly said "Come and get it!" and the assembled guests rushed to queue up for the sausages (120 dockwursts and knockwursts), sauerkraut, potato salad and German bread. There was ample room downstairs, on the patio, porch, and in dining room and living rooms for all to sit and feast to the accompaniment of compah music from Bob's tape collection.

Full, but not yet sated, the party-goers lined up again to sample six delicious pflaumen made by the hostess and five guest cooks. All were the same recipe but each was as different as the individual cook. All were consumed as the skiers continued to snack, sip and socialize until long after the sun had set.

Margaret, Bob - Vielen dank für den Abend, es war herrlich. Your wurst days are our best.

NEW WATERING HOLE

On October 21st about 60 PVSers found their way to the Bethesda home of Eugenia and Phil Ufholz, first-time hosts of a club meeting. What the guests found was a perfect party setting and super perfect hosts who far from being whelmed by the onslaught, said "You gotta come back next year when our downstairs recreation room is finished!" Keep the invitation open, Eugenia, 'cause we'd sure like to come back.

Guests spread through six downstairs rooms including an enormous kitchen which could - and sometimes did - hold half the festive visitors. The dining table held assorted goodies as did the tables in all the rooms but the most popular room was the softly lighted library where the watering hole was located. The wine, be it noted, was not "jug" but fine vintage selected by Eugenia's brother-in-law, a wine merchant. (A skier, too. Hope he joins the club!)

After a brief business meeting, Bob Marx brought out the projector to present a double feature showing Mogul Skiing in Killington, preceded by a Warren Miller trailer for his soon to appear "Beyond the Edge."

More socializing followed until it was time to say goodbye and thanks to our Eugenia and Phil for a truly nice evening.

FAST EVENTS (Continued)

FAREWELL TO SUMMER

It wasn't the best foliage but 32 PVSers agreed it was among the best of the Mason foliage hikes. It was October 18 and the annual celebration of fall, the day we say goodbye to summer with one final outdoor fling before the snows come.

The hike, planned by the Masons, was divided into "short" (8 miles) and "long" (10 miles). Seventeen elected the long and, led by Frank Shelburne, raced 4 miles before making the 2 mile round trip ascent of 3,000' The Peak. Their goal reached, the sturdy ones headed back to the trailhead where Jenckes waited with reviving beer. Ray McKinley led the pack out. Shahrads Miller, Susannah Swaby, Dot Mills, and Karen Felker, the distaff long climbers, arrived, limping somewhat, but euphoric over mission accomplished. Larry Pease and Dick Comerford came to the expedition late and ended late. "He's very hard to get moving in the mornings," said Gail.

Meanwhile, the 14 short hikers (8 miles is short?), led by Lu Beale, had a fine non-stressful day and, except for a lady who squatted in a patch of poison ivy, no casualties.

After the trek, all repaired to the Masons' cottage to be greeted by Dot bearing trays of cheeses, crudities, home-made salmon mousse and Cronin Snacks. It was too chilly for al fresco dining so the revelers moved indoors for the beef stew main course followed by 6 desserts (all Mason creations!). Assisting in the serving was Nancy Garrett straying somewhat from her Scarsdale Diet. All pitched in for the clean up with Don Swaby doing a superb job as chief pan scrubber.

It was a grand occasion but sad, too, because it was the last PVS hurrah at the Masons' Shenadoah cottage which was sold this month. Whatever replacement we find, one thing is certain: the annual fall fling will continue and the Masons will always be a part of it. In the meantime, all PVSers lucky enough to have enjoyed their special brand of hospitality through the years, salute them for all the good times. Thanks for all the happy memories.

!!!SHOP PVS!!!

In an all out effort to help you with your Christmas shopping this year, the Board of Potomac Valley Skiers recently voted unanimously to offer members these astounding bargains at greatly reduced prices.

PVS Polo Shirts
1 for \$6.00
2 for \$10.00
small and medium sizes.
Call Irene Farrell 963-2075.

PVS Cookbooks
1 for \$4.00
2 for \$7.00

Give 'em to your grandmother. Give 'em to your neighbors. Give 'em to the mailman. Just give 'em.

Call Bette Walker 554-4766





The Knee

by

RAY MCKINLEY

A new ski season is upon us. Killington has now been open almost a month - one of their earliest openings. There is a lot of news of ski areas and skiers. Let's start with the skiers.

Charlotte Eddy's daughter, whom many PVSers have met on Wyckoff trips, is getting married in Munich in April. I wonder if the Bavarian groom will wear ledenhosen mitt kneesocks.

The Elrods hope to have enough of their new house ready so they can move in December 1st - a month later than planned. Malda was over heard complaining about "damn slow contractors."

"OKTOBERFEST IS WUNDERBAR" was encribed on Larry Pease's T-shirt (Can't he afford full dress shirts?) And, once again, the Wyckoffs' Oktoberfest was "wunderbar."

Veep Jan Marx was quaffing from a souvikneer from Wintergreen - a Mason jar. Dot Mason was not drinking out of a marx jar. You marx my word.

Irene Farrell was busy discussing grass skiing. Yes, grass skiing, not smoking.

June Kelsay and Carol Parmenter were discussing skiing in the days before PVS. Before PVS, the Knee was merely a gleam in my mother's eye. (I called her momknee.)

Speaking of the Knee, I trust you all will go to the Warner Theater this month to see "The Knee Plays." (Of course I do.)

Some of us have new jobs. Pres Sheldon Drews is now at Riverside Research. And Dina Taylor is now a civil servant in Washington (except on Mondays mornings when Dina says it is very hard to be civil).

A year ago PVS celebrated our 25th annkneeverary with a gala bash. Always behind us, SCWDC just had their bash (albeit their 50th) at the University Club. It was for ex-presidents and officers only.

Keynote speaker was PVSer John Newdorp (acting, I assume, as a substitute Knee..or sub knee..or ankle).

Also representing PVS were Eloise Newdorp, the Wyckoffs, the Masons, Bill Anderson, Gorman Young and Jamie Miller. PVS could have had a meeting of its own.

Dick and Julie King were great company on Dina Taylor's Ocean City weekend. On page 3 Dick describes Julie's non-success at treasure hunting.

Some things I won't even comment on. Like the fact that Margaret Wyckoff tried to persuade Adele Waggaman to put a flower garden in her bosom.

Marilyn Clark's broken ankle is now healed.

All of us had a wonderful time at the Masons' fall hike and dinner. However, it was with a bit of sadness since Dot has sold the house and this was our last dinner there.

John Newdorp was among the hikers and noted that he was also part of the first group of hikers ever to dine at the A-frame just after Dot completed it. Dot had the house built (before her marriage to Jenckes) and financed it through the Bank of Berryville. She was the first female ever to get a loan from the bank.

Now to ski area news:

The \$30 lift ticket is now here - at Deer Valley, Vail, Sugarbush and Stratton. Deer Valley goes to \$35 during holiday season. Should we mutiknee?

Work is underway on the first major new ski area in a decade. It's called Lake Catamount. It is near Steamboat and will have a 3,000' vertical.

Snowbasin (Utah) will, in another year, be almost an hour closer to Salt Lake City. A new 5 mile long cutoff road through Parleys Canyon has been graded and will be surfaced next summer.

Quad, detachable chairs which can move 4 times as many people per hour as a standard double are all the rage, especially in competition-rich Colorado. Aspen, Breckenridge, Snowmass and Vail have more than one.

Should be enuff to take care of PVSers for a while.

!! SKI TRIPS !!

WISP February 6- 8, 1987. Friday and Saturday nights.

We're staying at the Red Run Inn about 6 miles from Wisp via well maintained roads. This is a new accomodation for us. It will sleep about 14 and has separate bedrooms - each with a bath!!! There is a large common area with lots of sitting roon and an open kitchen.

Price includes a continental breakfast which we will supplement with real food.

Gail and Larry Pease have invited us to their condo for our usual fantastic Saturday night feed - it's within walking distance.

We estimate that food and lodging will be \$50. A \$25 deposit is required to reserve a bed. Make checks payable to Janet Marx.

For more information call Jan or Bob Marx: 451-9158.

WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB , Canada - February 27 - Mar 8, 1987

Orginal trip reservations have been filled. Additional spaces may be available subject to filling a condo.

For information, call trip leader Dina Taylor
Local office number: 275-7861. Home: 301-663-6089.

SKI-O-REE WINTER CARNIVAL Canaan Valley, W. Va. Feburary 7-8.

Call BRSC Ski-O-Ree Carnival Chairman Chris Thurber for information: 703-451-1336

CALENDAR

- Nov. 15 ... Harvest Dinner. See page 2.
- Nov. 18 ... November Meeting at Adele Waggaman's home. See page 1.
- Nov. 22 ... Great Falls Hike & Chili with the McKinleys. See p. 2.
- Nov. 25 ... ExCom at Lu Beale's home. 7:30 P.M.
- Dec. 13 ... Special Wine Tasting at the Copes. See page 2.
- Dec. 16 ... December Meeting: Gluhwein at the Heitchues. 8:00 P.M.

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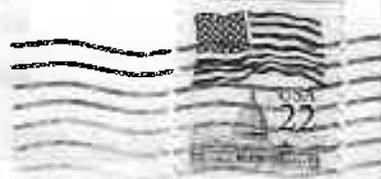
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First Term:

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Marilyn said she has been verbally reminding people to bring plates & silver

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