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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This month I am highlighting the PVS ski trip to Park City, Utah on February 6 thru 13, 1996. This trip is being run by Nancy and Ray McKindley, one of the top ski trip leader teams on the East Coast. The Park City ski area is another vast ski resort with a wide variety of slopes covered with the great snow fall that blankets Utah each winter. Besides all this, downtown Park City is a very quaint little city with cute shops and inviting restaurants along the main street. Park City started as silver mining town way back when, and the remains of mining shafts are still there to give it an Early American look. Make sure you go down town right away as you will want to return several times during your stay there. Now if you get tired of the Park City ski area, you can hop a shuttle to the Deer Valley ski resort which is one of premier ski areas in the USA. So I highly recommend this ski trip as you are guaranteed to have great ski trip and a wonderful vacation. There is still room for a couple more on this trip and it is not too late to sign up for it.

Just a reminder about the National Ski Expo & Winter Sports Festival on November 1, 2 & 3, 1996 at Ballston Common Mall in Arlington, VA. This event will provide the opportunity to get the latest scoop about skiing for the '96/'97 winter season.

See you at the next PVS event.



Serge Triaou, President



MONTHLY MEETING - NOVEMBER 19, 1996 - 8. P.M.
Party Room of The Colonnade
2801 New Mexico Ave., N.W., Washington, D. C.
Home of Bette Walker, 202-333-0766

SPECIAL GUEST: Brian Eardley of the Washington Ski Center will tell us about the newest in ski gear.

COMING EVENTS

National Ski Expo & Winter Sports Festival.

PRESENTS **9th Year**

"Super" Sale



SNOWRIDERS
Presenting
The Most Exciting Ski Movie

"Snowriders." Movie shown every two hours.
Tickets: \$5.00 (FREE Ski Liberty/
Roundtrip lift pass with each ticket)
(some restrictions apply)

- Over 100 Exhibitors • demos, clinics, & door prizes
- "Mega" Ski Swap (consignment starts Friday, 3 pm, 3rd floor Ballston Common)

November 1, 2 & 3, 1996
Ballston Common Mall in Arlington, VA
Glebe Road & Wilson Blvd.

Sponsored by The Blue Ridge Ski Council &

USAir

Show hours: Friday 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am - 9:00 pm, Sunday Noon - 6:00 pm

INTERESTED in meeting other PVSers On Friday, November 1, to visit the Ski Expo and have dinner together? Call Jessma Blockwick, 703-356-0717

LINGANORE WINE TOUR/TASTING AND MOUNTAIN GATE BUFFET SUPER NOV. 2nd

A few spaces are still available for this Saturday afternoon fall event. The cost will be approximately \$11.00 per person. Interested people should contact Charles Huggins (301) 424-5725. Those wishing to carpool should plan to meet at 1:30 P.M. at the Shady Grove Bowling Alley. Others with full cars should plan to be at the winery by 2:30 P.M.

Directions from Frederick and Baltimore:
I-70 to exit 62 New Market. MD 75 N (4.5 miles). Right just before the concrete bridge onto Glissans Mill Rd. (3.7 miles to winery on right side of road).

Directions from Washington:
I-270 N to Hyattstown exit Rt. 109. Left on 109. Left on 355 and right on 75 for 13 miles. (4.5 miles N of I-70) turn right just before the concrete bridge onto Glissans Mill Road. (3.7 miles to winery on right side of road).

Road maps will be passed out to our drivers at the Linganore Winery for stops at the Catoctin Orchard Store and the Mountain Gate Restaurant in Thurmont.



HALLOWEEN BIKE RIDE - October 31, 10:30 a.m.

Starting point: W&OD Trail at Rte. 28. Ride will go to and from Leesburg via W&OD Bike Trail. 21 miles round trip over flat terrain.

Directions to starting point: From Beltway, Exit 12, take Dulles toll road (VA Rte 267. Toll is 85 cents each way.) to Rte. 28 (Sully Road). Go right (North) on VA-28 for 3 miles and turn left immediately past bike trail overpass (traffic light with left turn signal) into parking lot. There is no restroom at starting point. Water, beverage vending machines, and Porta-Potty at rest stop 1.75 miles on trail.

Starting point can also be reached without toll but more traffic by using Rte. 7 and turning south on Rte. 28. Call leaders: Marvin Hass (703-751-4737) or Betty Byrne (202-483-4048).

BEER

November 9, 1996, 7:30 p.m.
Home of George Hicho, 7404 Cliffborne Court, Derwood, Md.

TASTING

EXTRAVAGANZA

There are still spaces for this fun event. For reservations, call Sue Walsh, 301-589-7159 or George Hicho, 301-963-1836.

DIRECTIONS: Take 270 N to Exit 9, Route 370 heading toward the Metro. Go about 2 miles to Shady Grove East, then on Shady Grove Road. Go to the end which is about 6th traffic light. Turn left onto Muncaster Mill Road, take first left onto Miller Fall Road. Then left on Cliffborne Lane, and the first right is Cliffborne Court. 7404 is the second house on the left.



DINNER AT THE ARTS CLUB

2017 Eye Street, N.W., Washington
Saturday, November 16, 6:30 p.m.

There are a few places left for this elegant happening, so call Bill Anderson, 301-654-4711. Cost is \$55 per person, which includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a seven-course dinner, and after-dinner cordials and coffee.

Mail checks made out to Bill Anderson at 4711 De Russey Parkway, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

ANNUAL CHILI HIKE, November 23, 1996, is now full, but if you're interested, call Nancy or Ray McKinley, 703-527-7126, to get on the wait list.

You Are Invited to Join PVS for

An Afternoon of Chamber Music

Sunday November 17 at 4 pm at the Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, 6601 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland

The Eclipse Chamber Orchestra

Eclipse is comprised of 22 members from the National Symphony Orchestra, including Elisabeth Adkins the NSO's Assistant Concertmaster. Their Music Director and Conductor is Sylvia Altimena, also a member of the NSO. The Washington Post was effusive in its praise of Eclipse in their Kennedy Center debut, describing the chamber orchestra as "Outright extraordinary...this small but excellent orchestra...communicated strongly and directly with everyone in the auditorium...sheer craftsmanship." Additionally, last season Eclipse became the first chamber orchestra ever to be presented by the prestigious Dunbarton Concert Series.

On November 17, the elegant sound of the Eclipse Chamber Orchestra string section is featured, beginning with a grand Concerto Grosso by Handel. Sumptuous Scandinavian melodies then sail through the air in music of Grieg and Sibelius. Eclipse is joined by NSO colleague and Principal Clarinetist, Loren Kitt for the Washington Premiere of the flowing and gently haunting "Pastoral Variations" of Ben Haim. Dag Wirén adds a bit of whimsy to close the delightful program with the joyful melodies of his "Serenade for Strings." The Music Director discusses each work on the program, and afterwards there is a reception and opportunity to meet the musicians.

Regular price for tickets is \$16. However, the PVS Group Rate is \$12 (\$9 for Seniors). Make your check payable to "Eclipse" and mail to the McKinleys, 2326 N. Upton St., Arlington, VA 22207, not later than November 13. Phone (703) 527-7126 with any questions. Directions to Bradley Hills Church: Beltway (I-495) to the River Road exit (#39) toward Washington. Immediate left onto Burdette Road. Right onto Bradley Blvd. The church is on the left hand side.

!! SKI TRIPS !!

SPECIAL REQUEST: Trip Committee Chair Glade Flake asks PVS members to let him know ski areas you would like considered for the 1997-1998 year. Plans will be getting underway before too long (one proposal is already in) so give him your ideas now.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO. Almost time for this first trip of the ski year, Dec. 5-12, 1996. Call Ned or Jaclyn Flaherty, 301-929-9664, for information.

WISP-----MID-WEEK-----97

January 15-17

Ski Thursday--it is Ski Chalet's Demo Day!

--try out new brands and models of skis and bindings.

Ski Friday--it is still mid-week and a great place to ski with friends.

THE PLAN

Stay Wednesday (15th) and Thursday (16th) nights at WISP Hotel.

Ski Thursday (Demo Day) and Friday.

Trip leaders to provide:

*Apres Ski Wednesday evening and Thursday afternoon.

*Ski Chalet's Thursday lift ticket vouchers for those under 70 years.

Arrange seating availability in hotel restaurant for Thursday dinner (pay individually).

Cost

Room per night (single or double)	\$42.12	tax included
Voucher for Thursday's lift ticket	\$ 2.00	per person
Apres ski supplies	\$ 5.00	per person
Friday's lift ticket, per person-- up to 65 years old	\$32.00	tax included
-- 65-69 years old	\$16.00	tax included
--over 70 years old	\$ FREE	

ARRANGEMENTS

- ** Let us know you want to go and we will try to match you with a roommate when one is requested, and so we can plan for Apre Ski, etc.
- ** Room paid individually. For each room, call Wisp Hotel to reserve the room and pay a deposit of \$42.12 for one night with a credit card or mail them a check--by DEC. 2. Ask for Group Sales and reserve a room held by PVS. **1-800-462-9477**. Pay for additional night upon arrival.
- ** Lift tickets obtained individually at area: picture ID needed for voucher.
- ** Meals paid individually. Bring lunch or breakfast stuff if desired; there is a refrigerator the rooms. There are 3 or 4 choices of eateries in the hotel and other restaurants in and around McHenry
- ** Send a check to us for vouchers and Apre Ski costs.

Make check payable to: **Robert Marx**
 Mail to: 8312 Oakford Dr.
 Springfield, VA 22152

(Memo note: "PVS-WISP Mid-week")
 Phone: 703-451-9158

NOTE: Jan Marx has turned over the Sugarbush trip to Jack Peoples. This will free Jan to concentrate her efforts on our second annual demo days (Jan. 16 & 17) at WISP.



SKI SNOWMASS

And Aspen, Buttermilk, Highlands! A fabulous trip! Jan. 11-18, 1997. The extended sign-up period is ending. Now is the last chance to sign for the 6 open spaces. For information call Dina Taylor, 301-663-6089.

The pre-trip party is scheduled for Nov. 10, at 4 p.m. at Dina's house.

We will be staying in the comfortable STONEBRIDGE INN, in SNOWMASS. It is located half a block from the slopes and a stones throw away from the Village Mall. The amenities include on-site restaurant and lounge, heated outdoor pool, hot tub, ski storage, beverage refrigerators, coffee makers and humidifiers in all rooms, plus daily complimentary deluxe continental breakfast.

The Package includes: R/T AIR DULLES, VA - ASPEN, CO. on UNITED AIRLINE
Land transfers = ASPEN airport - hotel and luggage handling
7 nights lodging D/O 7 deluxe continental breakfast buffets
5/6 Lift tickets Welcome party 3 apres ski parties
2 evening dinner parties Pre-trip party Post-trip dinner party
All taxes and gratuities 1 OPTIONAL DINNER THEATRE-CRYSTAL PALACE
Free shuttle buses 8a-4:30pm Evening buses charge a minimal fee.

All inclusive price only \$1,253; Sr. 65+ \$1,217; Sr. 70+ \$1,070
Land only price \$ 875; Sr. 65+ \$ 839; Sr. 70+ 692



POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS INVITES YOU TO JOIN WITH THE BLUE RIDGE SKI COUNCIL
IN THE MOST ECONOMICAL EASTERN SKI TRIP JANUARY 25- Feb. 1, 1997

This great trip will be at the new and improved Sugarbush North and South in Warren, Vermont. Sugarbush has the following:

Seven new lifts including 4 high speed detachable quads, the most in the east.
Eighteen lifts, 110 trails.
11,000 plus foot high speed quad connects two mountains.
80% snowmaking on the mountain.
Vertical rise 2650'; average snowfall 270 inches.
23% Beginners, 48% Intermediate, 22% Advanced, and 7% Expert.

This trip is primarily designed as a train trip, but the following packages are available:

- \$515 using Amtrack
- \$615 using Amtrack, lodging at Sugarbush Inn
- \$435 using charter bus from Annapolis to Sugarbush
- \$565 flying to Boston & charter bus for the 3.5 hour ride to Sugarbush
- \$27 upgrade to two bedroom/2 bath Snowcreek condos (ski in/ski out)
- \$56 for 5 days of lessons (2 hrs. a day)
- \$385 at sight in condos, no transportation
- \$485 at sight at the Sugarbush Inn, no transportation

The first payment of \$190 is due Nov. 10th, and the final payment is due due Dec. 2nd. Circle the desired packages above, and mail to Jack Peoples (Sugar bush) 12405 Village Square Ter. # 102, Rockville, Md. 20852 - 1946.

HILLARY AND LIBBY, TOO?

No, they're not going to

Ski Utah's Best

but everyone else is!

Here's who's coming with us to ski Utah's Park City and Deer Valley from February 6-13, 1997!

*Lu Beale
 Bette Walker
 Jessma Blockwick
 Betty Lawrence
 Ron Ewing
 Nancy Ewing
 Dina Taylor
 Charlotte Eddy
 John Brunelli
 Polly Brunelli*



*Nat Seeman
 Bob Harmon
 Pat Tengel
 John Smith
 Mary Riley
 Jackie Wilson
 David Abraham
 Rachel Abraham
 Fumiko Marquardt
 Myron Marquardt*



*Jaclyn Flaherty
 Ned Flaherty
 Jack Hadler
 Alice Swalm
 Joe Blum
 Sheldon Drews
 Ellen Burgess
 John Burgess
 Therese Saint Louis
 Dorothy Mills*

All Inclusive Price, Including Transfers, Gratuities, Baggage Handling

Only \$1,297 (10 days \$1,658) Seniors \$1,087 Land Only \$1,008 (pp double)*

Limited space remaining—call Ray and Nancy McKinley at (703) 527-7126 ASAP for more information!

**Final price depends on age and areas skied.*

SKI LAKE TAHOE

BRSC WESTERN WINTER CARNIVAL FEB 22 - March 1, 1997

There's still lots of space on the BRSC trip to beautiful Lake Tahoe. The package includes roundtrip airfare from Washington to Reno, transfer to the resort, 7 nights lodging at the Horizon Casino, 5 of 6 days lift tickets interchangeable at Heavenly, Squaw Valley, Northstar, Alpine Meadows, and Kirkwood, parties and a dinner dance, NASTAR race, and shuttle service to the ski areas.

TOTAL PACKAGE PRICE: \$1110
 LAND PACKAGE ONLY: \$550

For more info or to receive a flyer, contact Shirley Rettig
 (703) 836-0147.

AUGUST 14-25, 1997 JOIN NANCY AND RAY MCKINLEY IN VALLE NEVADO WHEN WE

SKI IN CHILE

IN MID-SEPTEMBER WE WERE SKIING IN VALLE NEVADO AND TOURING IN SANTIAGO, THE VERY EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CHILE. IT WAS OUR BEST SKI VACATION EVER. THE HUGE RESORT, BUILT SOLELY FOR SKIING BY THE FRENCH IN 1991, IS GORGEOUS. DARK WOOD STRUCTURES TOPPED WITH STARKLY POINTED ROOFS, CONTRAST WITH THE VAST SNOWFIELDS AND THE TOWERING ANDES. AND SKIING IS GREAT. VALLE NEVADO OFFERS SOME 26,000 ACRES (40 SQUARE MILES!) OF SKIING AT ALL LEVELS AMONGST THE MAJESTIC ANDES MOUNTAINS. FURTHER, VALLE NEVADO IS NOW LIFT LINKED TO TWO OTHER VALLEYS, RESULTING IN AN OVER 40,000 ACRE SKIERS PLAYGROUND WITH A 4,000 FOOT VERTICAL. THERE IS ALSO MUCH ELSE TO SEE. THUS, WE ARE PLANNING AN 11 DAY TRIP (SHORTER AND LONGER STAYS ARE POSSIBLE), WITH THREE OR FOUR ADDITIONAL DAYS IN BEAUTIFUL SANTIAGO. WE'LL DO A CITY TOUR, VISIT VALPARAISO, AND LUNCH AND TOUR AT VINA DEL MAR, THE PLAYGROUND OF SOUTH AMERICA'S RICH AND FAMOUS. AND WE'RE PLANNING A HALF DAY VISIT TO WINE COUNTRY. ALL TOLD, OUR TRIP SHOULD PROVIDE A SPECTACULAR INTRODUCTION TO A DRAMATIC NEW HEMISPHERE.

DESPITE THIS BEING A 1997 TRIP, THERE ARE ONLY THREE HOTELS AT VALLE NEVADO (AND THUS NO LIFTLINES), SO EARLY RESERVATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL. FINAL PRICES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL JANUARY. WE EXPECT THE 1997 TRIP WILL COST \$2,300 TO \$2,400-WITH A \$70 TO \$100 DISCOUNT FOR SENIORS. THIS INCLUDES FULL BREAKFASTS DAILY, ALL DINNERS AT VALLE NEVADO, SOME IN SANTIAGO AND LIFT TICKETS AND TOURING. IF YOU WANT TO ASSURE A SPOT, PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK FOR \$100 (TOTALLY REFUNDABLE THROUGH FEBRUARY, 1997) PAYABLE TO NANCY MCKINLEY, 2326 N UPTON ST., ARLINGTON, VA 22207.

PAST EVENTS

A BELATED THANK-YOU to Betty Lawrence, the hostess-with-the-mostest-events, for the crab fest in September. An enthusiastic crowd of 50 PVSers gathered early because of the perfect weather, and several--e.g. Marilyn Clark--staked out spots on the floating devices in the swimming pool. The others gathered around the fabulous display of hors d'oeuvres in the dining room. Nonetheless, when it came crab time, all were able to swing their mallets on the succulent critters on lawn, deck, and in the house.

Not a one was left when the mallets stopped their action. Still, with nary a pause, PVSers were able to take on the also-formidable dessert table.

A memorable occasion. Many, many thanks, Betty, for adding another star in your PVS crown!

MONTHLY MEETING: An omitted street name in the directions to Carol Bridger's house didn't do more than slightly slow up the PVS crowd headed for the October meeting. There were expressions of admiration for the beautifully arranged and decorated tray of sandwiches, just one item on the bountiful table.

A business meeting was briefly allowed to interrupt the eating before the latter resumed with Carol's famous cookies. Many kudos to Carol for taking on PVS. Jack Peoples gets a few for opening the wine and sodas!

CACTOCTIN/CUNNINGHAM FALLS HIKE - *Irma Farrell*

On October 5th, the early morning clouds dissipated, giving us a crisp sunny day just perfect for hiking. After some delay, (Rt. 270 is a bug-a-boo) 15 PVSers and 2 guests (Nancy McKinley's daughter, Becca, and her hubby, Steve) headed for Cunningham Falls. Our leader gave us an option- -to lunch or not lunch at the Falls. No! On to the lake via the Cliff Trail.

Rumor had it that this was a hike on "flat" terrain. "Flat" seems to mean anything less than 90 degrees vertical. You could get nosebleeds on the Cliff Trail. We lunched at the lake. The lake was flat.

On the return, the terrain on the Lower Trail had some of us fooled into thinking we were on the Cliff Trail. Bill Anderson and Jim Pulos insisted they recognized a "rock" that was on the Cliff Trail. Must have been the altitude!

For après hike, we adjourned to the bar in the Cozy Restaurant, a known hangout for the press when the Prez is at Camp David. We all agreed it was one of the best hikes we ever had. Our thanks to Lu Beale and Jackie Wilson. Same time, same place, next year ???



A WALK ON THE WET AND WILD SIDE

Bette Walker

As the Weather was uncooperative on October 19, some, 25 PVS and Es strolled through street, field, forest and rut on the 20th under the guidance of the Leonhardts, some with Barbara and some with Fred. As the Redskin fans were glued to the TV there were two different starting times, but Fred's group managed to catch up with the early birds by, as they said, jogging instead of strolling. There was some question as to the truth of that statement as there was not a damp shirt or brow in the group. The truth, it turned, was that they had taken a short cut, but because of the Redskin victory they didn't mind the teasing. "No sweat," they said.

Back at the Leonhardts' handsome and well-appointed home Barb and Fred had arranged tables throughout, in the living room, dining room, reception room, and after a thirst quencher and excellent hors d'oeuvres provided by the strollers, we served ourselves from the groaning buffet to Beef Stroganoff, rice, veggies and salad, followed by desserts, all rich and forbidden but finished gratefully and as usual.

Thank you, Leonhardts, for a great finale to an otherwise damp and dreary weekend.

A DOG'S LIFE by Josie II.....I spent Columbus Day weekend with some PVSers at Betty Lawrence's 7 bedroom, 5 bath chalet at Blue Knob. Wow! What a weekend!

PVSers sure know how to have a good time! And how to eat! Each night they sat around a coffee table before a blazing fire and ate things like Nancy McKinley's and Betty's fettuccini primavera with smoked salmon; Marilyn Clark's Cassoulet Francais and Peggy Burns' Tuna Andalusian. (I had Alpo a la can under the table.)

Besides eating, there were lots of other diversions. There was relaxing in an enormous jacuzzi, church, flea markets, talking, and even sleeping late.

But the best part of this perfect fall weekend was the hiking. Betty led us on lots of nearby trails--one to a monument to two children lost in these same woods in 1856. We didn't get lost, but the McKinleys clambered down a ski slope by mistake and had to climb back up. Not lost. Just confused, I guess.

People kept thinking I was lost, but I was tracking small critters. As Dick Clark said, "So many smells; so little time." But PVSers kept chasing after me. Once Suzanne (who had a neat accent!) caught me. Another time, Serge (top dog of the group) came womping after me through the brush. Was that a merry chase!

I saw Kirk Burns doing this kind of boogie-woogie thing as he climbed backwards up a hill and I didn't see why I shouldn't gambol too--like a gazelle, Liz Triau said. It was that kind of weekend--everybody laid back and having fun.

When we packed the cars to leave, the group sang a little ditty of farewell and thanks to Betty for the good time. They sounded AWFUL but it really was a dog-gone great weekend, and Im' sure glad Betty let me come along. Wow!

TWO HIKES TO ROCKS BLACK AND WHITE by Shirley Rettig

PVS' group of midweek mountaineers hiked on September 25 at Sugarloaf Mt. and on October 16 along the Appalachian Trail north of I-70 near Myersville, MD. The first was led by the Frederick duo of Jackie Wilson and Mary Riley; the second by Jackie alone as Mary was out of town. At Sugarloaf seven of us made the climb to the White Rocks Overlook for a luncheon view of the Potomac and Frederick and were joined late in the hike by Lu and Josie II Beale. On the AT, five hikers made the initial climb followed by a level hike along the ridge of South Mountain to Black Rocks Overlook to eat lunch with a view westward toward Hagerstown. The weather gods smiled and gave us two beautiful hiking experiences. Many thanks to our leaders Jackie and Mary for two great days.



THE KNEE

by

Ray McKinley

You may think that this column just flows from the end of my pen. But it doesn't. Knee puns are clearly not natural. Indeed, kneepuns are Japaknees. However, that's another story. Certainly the most difficult task each month is finding a way to begin the column. By Jove, I think I've got it.

Some distribution news first. Last month's TOOT was the first to use new labels provided by Dick Clark using a computerized label program. Dick tested out the program by doing labels for his sports car club. They all received TOOT, so PVS got our labels--and will henceforth.

Later this month Jan Marx will really be chasing her man. She'll be on a plane 21 hours chasing hubby Bob, for a brief vacation after his business trip to--I love the place--Indoknesia.

Without spending even a night in the hospital, Glade Flake had successful herkneea surgery. The laparoscopic procedure required only three small incisions. And Glade walked out of Sibley the same afternoon. Hernia is a misnomer. It's mostly on males, and is nowhere near the knee! Far better to say Glade had hisgroina surgery. It's not a misternomer.

Broken toes do not warrant surgery--or even setting--these days. Good thing since PVS seems to be having an epidemic. Marilyn Clark broke hers chasing her two new kittens. Ruth Schrider while ice skating. (The sport is ice skating, Ruth not ballet.) And Nancy McKinley broke her toe trying to go through a table. Be careful, ladies, I toed you so.

Just back from a visit to Greece is John Poulos. There, he discovered that the Grecian McDonalds serve beer and wine. John's favorite wine was McRetsina.

Also recently back from Greece are Betty Byrne and Marvin Haas. They spent two weeks biking--and drinking an occasional McBeer.

From the Knee's "Unwanted Awards Department," Josie, Lu Beale's dog has received

two citations--both for vagrancy. Specifically for being unleashed in a national forest. With the new "three strikes and you are out" rules, one more flagrant violation of the law and Josie could be, ahem, impounded.

For the Cook's Corner, I want to send Nancy Garret Gertrude Stein's great recipe for Spanish rice *arroz is arroz is arroz*.

High school reunions are "in" with PVSers. Hostess of our grand October meeting, Carol Bridgers had just returned from Illinois and her 50th class reunion. Bette Walker stayed in D. C. for her 60th. Bette considers herself a native. She was conceived here, born in Philadelphia and moved to D. C. at age 3 weeks. That counts.

Last month many of us went to Betty Lawrence's splendidly remodeled Blue Knob house to observe the fall colors. New member Therese Saint Louis went a bit further. She spent two weeks visiting relatives in Quebec province and enjoying the superb reds of the maples. Right on.

Speaking of the French, at Blue Knob, for dinner Marilyn Clark made *cassoulet*, a French dish. Marilyn thought Suzanne Boisclair was a French dish. Further comment would be sexist.

Our Ski Trip Chairman, Glade Flake, has kneet literature about Sun River, in Oregon. I always thought it was Moon River.

It's not true that I have a large Kneego. I'm just really good.

Our TOOT Editor Jessma Blockwick's favorite ski area is Loveland, Colorado, where the mountains are so close you can touch them. She has a bumper sticker which reads: "I love ditto land." Think about it. OK, don't.

Kirk Burns has a new retirement job. He's become an unpaid courier. But there are perks. By being available with little notice he can fly free. So far Kirk has been to Switzerland and to Italy!

Last month the Knee reported that Jackie and Ned Flaherty had their pre-trip Steamboat Springs party "a bit" early. The reason was quite simple. Termites. Flahertys had leased their house to termites. Eviction took months and will require 25 new support beams. The termites simply woodn't leave. And they were--ahem--boring.

CALENDAR:

- Oct. 31 ... Halloween Bike Ride, p. 3.
- Nov. 1 ... 2 & 3, Ski Expo at Ballston Common Mall, p. 2.
- Nov. 2 ... Lingamore Wine Tour, p. 2
- Nov. 9 ... Beer Tasting Extravaganza, p. 3.
- Nov. 10 ... Pre-Snowmass-Trip Party, Dina Taylor's.
- Nov. 16 ... Arts Club Dinner, p. 3.
- Nov. 17 ... Afternoon of Chamber Music, p. 4.
- Nov. 19 ... Monthly Meeting, p. 1.

- Nov. 23 ... Chili Hike, p. 3. *Ray's out of town*
- Nov. 26 ... ExCom at Bill Anderson's. *modest*
- Dec. 17 ... Christmas Party at the Heitchues'.
- Dec. 19 ... Midweek trip to Ski Liberty.
- Dec. 26 ... ExCom at Clarks'.
- Jan. 16 ... and 17. Ski at WISP.
- Jan. 21 ... Monthly Meeting at Ruth Schrider's.
- Jan. 25 ... Pre-Utah-Ski Party.
- Jan. 28 ... ExCom at Lu Beale's.
- Apr. 26 ... Hillwood Tour.

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