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### President's Message

Summer is here and our focus moves away from skiing to other activities.

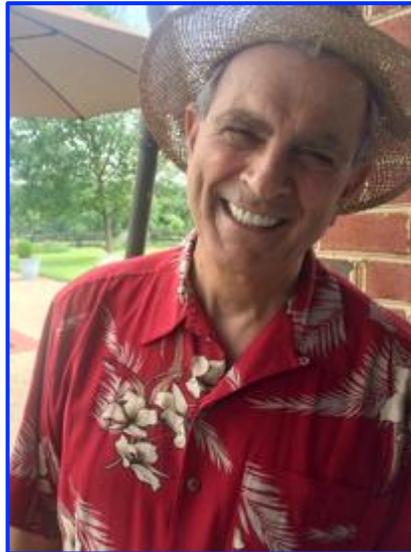
PVS will have SummerFest Sunday, June 9, at 1:00pm at Bob and Cara Jablon's home; the visit to NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, is June 11 at 12:45pm (there is a wait list for registration); and Steak & Swim at the home of Kerry and Marianne Hines, is August 10. Please read details about these events in this and the July TOOT.

Besides all the Smithsonian museums, keep in mind there are many free activities every week in the National Capital area. For example, the US Air Force Band has a summer concert series at various venues

(<https://www.music.af.mil/Bands/The-United-States-Air-Force-Band/Events/>).

The US Navy Band has concerts at the Capitol Steps on Mondays at 8pm and at the Navy Memorial on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm. The US Marine Band has Friday Evening Parades at the Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., 8th SE and I Street, reservations are needed. (<https://www.marineband.marines.mil/Calendar/ModuleID/41016/ItemID/6009/mct1/EventDetails/>).

The Smithsonian's Folklife Festival is June 29 and 30 on the Mall; its theme this year is "The Social Power of Music" (<https://festival.si.edu/>).



And don't forget the July 4<sup>th</sup> concert on the Capitol grounds with fireworks on the Mall. In days past on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, when I worked at the FCC and had a garage space (paid for by me) blocks from the Mall, Mary, our sons and I would drive in 45 minutes before the fireworks, walk to the Mall and sit on a blanket not far from the Washington Monument. From our grassy perch, we'd watch the spectacular fireworks whilst listening to the National Symphony (via huge speakers) play the Overture of 1812 from the Capitol grounds. We were close in enough that we'd be sprinkled with cinders of the bursting fireworks above. And before the crowds clogged the roads, we were able to scoot out of the city quickly owing to the location of the FCC garage. It was always a great family evening.

July 1 is the beginning of the PVS fiscal year. Dave Warthen will be sending a reminder email to all members about the biennial dues for continuing PVS membership. Look for the membership renewal form in a subsequent email and please be responsive so that we can maintain our membership. See Dave's article herein for details.

Be active and exercise this summer to keep in shape for skiing in the coming season. It will arrive sooner than we expect though, for many of us, not soon enough.

Join us at Summer Fest  
Cara & Bob Jablon's Home  
4573 Indian Rock Terrace, NW,  
Washington, DC 20007  
Sunday, June 9, 2019, 1:00 PM

## SUMMER FEST

Sunday, June 9, 1:00 PM

### AT THE HOME OF CARA & BOB JABLON

Come for the Summer Get-together and learn all about the trips PVS is offering for the 2020 season.

PVS will provide hamburgers and hot dogs at SummerFest, our annual summer fun event where we talk about next year's ski trips. We ask that members and guests bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert. When you RSVP to Cara, please let her know what you intend to bring. Like all PVS events, there will be wine, beer, and soft drinks too. Further, the Jablon pool will be inviting all to jump in. So, bring your suit and a towel if you have a yen to cause a splash.

In addition to a great summer get-together, we will be talking about the 2020 ski trips i.e., Snowmass, Park City-Deer Valley, and ??????. There will be charts, there will be flyers, and there will be enthusiasm. On the attendees' part, there should be questions, there should be excitement, and there should be checkbooks in hand.... A final thought - the ski trips are not for skiers only, the trips are as much fun for non-skiers as for skiers.

We ask those who plan to attend to RSVP by the 4th of June. It is important to know approximately how many will attend so that we can assure that we have the appropriate amount and variety of food. If you miss the RSVP deadline, then we still welcome you, but please call or email Cara (see number and email address below) that you are coming.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, June 4, [rcjablon@aol.com](mailto:rcjablon@aol.com) or 202-333-5332.



**Directions** to the home of Cara and Robert Jablon, 4573 Indian Rock Terrace, N.W., Washington, D.C.

**From Northwest D.C.:** Take Nebraska Avenue to the beginning of Foxhall Road. Go south on Foxhall Road one traffic light past the intersection of Foxhall and Reservoir to Q Street. Right on Q Street. Continue on Q Street for 1 block to the stop sign (45<sup>th</sup> St.) and make a right on 45<sup>th</sup>. Go two blocks and make a left (Q Lane). The street will dead-end into Indian Rock Terrace. Make a right and go up the hill. The Jablons' house is the fourth house up the hill on the right (a red brick and frame contemporary house).

**From Potomac/Rockville/Gaithersburg:** Take 270 South to 495 towards Virginia. Exit at Cabin John Parkway and continue south on the parkway until Arizona Avenue (1<sup>st</sup> traffic light after light at Chain Bridge). Make a left on Arizona and a right on MacArthur Boulevard (1<sup>st</sup> light). Continue on MacArthur Boulevard for about 1½ miles past the Safeway on the left. Shortly after passing the Safeway, MacArthur forks to the right and Reservoir Road goes to the left. Continue on MacArthur to Q Street (the next light after the light at the fork). Make a left on Q Street. Go 1 block to the stop sign (45<sup>th</sup> St.), and make a left on 45<sup>th</sup>. Go 2 blocks and make a left (Q Lane). The street will dead-end into Indian Rock Terrace. Make a right and go up the hill. The Jablons' house is the fourth house up the hill on the right (a red brick and frame contemporary house).

**From Virginia (Chain Bridge):** At the end of the Chain Bridge, make a right. Continue to the first light (Arizona Avenue). Make a left on Arizona and follow the directions immediately above from that point on.

**From Virginia (Key Bridge):** Stay in one of the left lanes at the end of the Key Bridge. Make a left at the end of the bridge to M Street (may be called Canal Road at that point). Get in the right lane and continue up the hill to the light at the beginning of Foxhall Road. Continue on Foxhall to the next light (Q Street). Make a left on Q Street. Go one block to the stop sign (45<sup>th</sup> St.) and make a right. Go 2 blocks and make a left (Q Lane). The street will dead-end into Indian Rock Terrace. Make a right and go up the hill. The Jablons' house is the fourth house up the hill on the right (a red brick and frame contemporary house).

*Behind the Scenes at NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center  
Tuesday, June 11, 2019 from 12:45-3:30 pm*

Did you know that many NASA satellites are being built and tested at Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, MD? PVS member [Dorian Janney](#) is the Outreach Coordinator for the Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) mission. She will lead a “*behind the scenes*” tour for PVS focusing on the GPM mission.



We will have a presentation on this mission from a GPM scientist, hear from the GPM Applications Coordinator about how the data are being used to improve life in a variety of ways, visit the satellite Ground Control Room, and learn from the GPM Communications Engineer about how the data from GPM and the supporting satellites in the constellation are collected and stored at GSFC.



We will also visit the “*shake and bake*” (Spacecraft Systems Development and Integration) facility and see the vacuum chambers, high capacity centrifuge, and one of the largest cleanrooms in the world!

We will meet at the GSFC Visitor’s Center in Greenbelt, MD **at 12:45 PM on June 11<sup>th</sup>**. There is plenty of parking there, as well as a nice free museum to explore and a gift shop to visit, if you so desire. Feel free to arrive early if you want time to visit the gift shop and museum. If we have 15 or more people, NASA/GSFC will provide a van to take us on our tour. If not, we will caravan in as few cars as possible to assist in being able to park close to the buildings we will visit. There will be some walking, but there are elevators in all buildings that we will visit.

This is a rare opportunity to be able to come on the GSFC campus and visit these facilities, and even rarer to have scientists and engineers give us their time and energy! So, come on out and find out how and why NASA is measuring global precipitation and be awed by the incredible science and technology being developed right here in the greater Washington metropolitan area.

**As we will be going on the secure campus, there was a cut-off date of April 16<sup>th</sup>**

to sign up for this tour. **However, there is a ‘*waiting list*’ for reservations.** We will need to send in your credentials (name, driver’s license number, etc.) six weeks before the tour to get your on-campus badging. This tour will be open only to U.S. citizens due to security restrictions.

To sign up for this tour, please email Dorian Janney ASAP at [dorian.w.janney@nasa.gov](mailto:dorian.w.janney@nasa.gov). She will reply and let you know what personal information she needs and get you on the list. Feel free to reach out to Dorian at this email address if you have questions!



## Potomac Valley Skiers

**BRSC Snowmass, Colorado Ski Trip 2020**

**Saturday, January 25 – Saturday, February 1, 2020**

### Trip Details

Once again we will be staying at the [Snowmass Mountain Chalet \(SMC\)](#) which offers a convenient ski in, ski out location. Check the web-site at [www.mountainchalet.com](http://www.mountainchalet.com). The **“Land Only”** package includes: transportation to and from Aspen airport (7am -11pm); **5 day Senior lift pass** ([good for all four ski areas in the Aspen complex, free shuttle bus](#)) with option for extra days; **7 nights lodging** (double occupancy); **daily breakfast & soup lunch; luggage handling; a welcome reception; BRSC sponsored après ski events & a dinner**, plus the **NASTAR ski race**. Additional nights at Snowmass are an option **based on availability**. Trip insurance is available through Encompasse Tours and is [highly recommended](#). For trail information check [www.aspensnowmass.com](http://www.aspensnowmass.com).

**The basic package at \$1,820 includes a 5 day Senior lift pass for skiers 65 and over. Skiers under 65 will have to add \$81.00.**

### Costs:

Basic Snowmass Package (65 and older)

Under 65

Single Supplement (1 person **only** in a room)

Extra hotel night (**pending availability**)

Non-skiers

Extra ski days (65 and older)

Under 65

Optional roundtrip air to Denver available

### Price

\$1,820

add \$ 81

add \$1,218

add \$ 328 per room per night

deduct \$ 250

add \$ 82 for a **6-day Senior pass**

add \$ 150 for a **7-day Senior pass**

add \$ 196 for a **6-day Adult pass**

\$ 481 plus shuttle \$121

### Payment Schedule

\$300 deposit is due June 15th.

Second payment of \$750 is due **August 15th**.

Final payment is due **September 15th**.

### Planned Events

PVS Welcome Reception

BRSC Welcome Party

NASTAR Race

BRSC Après Ski Party

BRSC Farewell Dinner & Dance

### **To sign up please send:**

(1) [Application form](#) (in July TOOT) -- one per person or one per couple residing at the same address

(2) [Deposit of \\$300 per person](#) (due now) and/or your **payment due**, and

(3) [Signed Waiver of Liability Agreement](#) (in July TOOT) by each party taking the trip

Checks should be made out to **Kathy Lake** and mailed to 11677 Fox Glen Drive, Oakton VA 22124 (write [PVS Snowmass 2020](#) on the check memo line).

Kathy and Barry Lake are the trip leaders. For more information, feel free to contact us at 703-625-2715 or [kathylakehomes@yahoo.com](mailto:kathylakehomes@yahoo.com)

***PARK CITY – DEER VALLEY, March 7-14, 2020***

**Park City and Deer Valley are premier ski destinations. We invite PVS skiers and their friends to a special PVS Park City – Deer Valley trip.**



**PARK CITY** has varied terrain for all skiers. It has 348 trails, close to half of which are suited for intermediate skiers, 13 bowls and a 3,200 foot vertical drop with advanced and expert terrain. It now incorporates the Canyons ski area. *Park City has skiing opportunities for everybody.*

Known for its upscale amenities, including fine mountain dining and shopping, **DEER VALLEY** claims to be the nation's premier ski resort. It has an uphill lift capacity of 50,470 skiers per hour. Notably, *Deer Valley does not allow snowboards* and limits ticket sales to prevent overcrowding.

**PARK CITY's Main Street is on the National Register of Historic Places, and is home to dozens of fine restaurants, bars, unique shopping experiences and art galleries.**

**TRIP INCLUSIONS:**

- Seven nights' lodging at the Peaks Hotel Park City (two to a room), including lodging taxes and baggage handling. *The Peaks is a full service hotel with pools, a sauna, fitness center and ski storage.*
- Daily breakfasts.
- Welcoming dinner – Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Departing dinner – Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.
- At least 3 Après Ski events.

**SLOPES TRANSPORTATION:** The bus stops 21 steps from the hotel entrance. Busses are every 20 minutes. Also, the Peaks has a private Park City shuttle every hour on the hour, and Deer Valley shuttle every hour on the half hour.

**AIR:** **Because of people's different travel and payment preferences, we do not include air transportation and airport shuttles. Doug Horstman of Encompasse Tours recommends Canyon Transportation between the airport and hotel, which can be booked online.**

**LIFT TICKETS:** Trip participants may want to ski four days at Park City and two at Deer Valley, although they can vary lift ticket purchases to match their preferences. Lift ticket prices vary greatly with skier ages, the number of days for ticket purchases, ski areas, ski pass arrangements and the like. There are price discounts for 20 tickets, which need not necessarily be for the same day or person. Doug will package trip participants' lift tickets for convenience and will get the best available prices. We shall charge separately for ski lift tickets when they are purchased closer to the trip.

**SIGN-UPS:** *Trip participants can sign up now.* The trip should be during a good ski weather week. We shall try to maximize trip cohesion and provide for coordinated group-member skiing, good restaurants and other desired, joint activities. **Prices for included items - \$1,260 per person; initial deposit - \$50 per person.** For answers to questions and additional trip details, please contact us ([rcjablon@aol.com](mailto:rcjablon@aol.com); [robert.jablon@spiegelmed.com](mailto:robert.jablon@spiegelmed.com)).

*BOB & CARA Jablon*

# Members' Corner



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## Welcome Home, Eadies !!!

PVS welcomes Louann & Bob Eadie home on May 23rd



from another whirlwind tour of Europe. Glad that you are safe and sound. Many of us have been following you on Facebook with delight. So glad you had the opportunity to travel again. Thanks Louann for your pics and commentary.

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Another frequent world traveler, Ellie Thayer, just returned from Belgium on May 19. Good to have you home, Ellie, safe and sound. We appreciate your past travelogues.

## June is THE Month:

**Summer Fest** will be upon us next weekend and the Jablons have stepped up again to host. This has been the event of the year where 2020 ski trips will be announced with all the details. It is an exciting time, along with wonderful food, and fellowship.

June will also have a terrific tour of the **NASA/Goddard Space Flight Tour** (with a waiting list of attendees), hosted by PVS member, Dorian Janney (12:45-3:30 PM). So many signed up for this tour that NASA arranged for a tour bus on campus for us. Wow!

May and June are a time of rebirth of many flowers during Spring. It has been a pleasure to witness the blooming of flowering plum, yoshino cherry, redbud, azalea, rhododendron, and the leafing of all kinds of trees here on the 120 acres of the Riderwood campus in Silver Spring, MD. We overlook a beautiful court yard replete with trees, ponds, and flowing water. Geese frequently honk overhead and visit our ponds in the court yard. A myriad display of begonias seems to be everywhere, and the best part is that we don't have to plant them or mulch them. And wonder of wonders, the grass seems to be cut by workers who magically appear every week.

A couple of weeks ago, I returned to fitness training (aerobic and fixed weights) 3x/week and swimming laps 2x/week here on campus. I really missed this exercise when we were downsizing and preparing for the move from Olney. This reminds me of preparing for the ski season

I hope your June will be a delight. It is a great time of the year.



Do you know that on June 21, winter will arrive in the southern hemisphere. This is a reminder to quickly decide on your ski trip(s) for 2020. Winter in the northern hemisphere is only months away.

## May Monthly Meeting May 21, 2019



On a lovely May evening, 21 PVSers meandered through an old Arlington neighborhood in search of the home of newly minted members, Chris and Phil **Robinson**. They found a house that was more than 100 years old. The aroma of good food wafted about the rooms and in the lovely garden as Chris served a Mediterranean delight and Phil manned the bar. There were “warak be ainab” (Lebanese/Greek stuffed grape leaves), olives, tomatoes, artichokes, Greek Kasseri cheese, crackers, and crispy phyllo pockets filled with tasty morsels.



President, Tom Tycz, opened the meeting noting that there was still snow and skiing in Aspen and some places in New England. He then thanked the hosts for their hospitality.



Nancy McKinley gave a rundown of upcoming events. The combined Summerfest/June meeting will be held at the Jablons' home on Sunday, June 9, at 1:00pm. Cara is asking that members let her know what dish they are bringing. Although the NASA tour organized by Dorian Janney for Tuesday, June 11, is full, members may place their names on a waiting list. Kerry

and Marianne Hines will host the almost-annual Steak and Swim on August 10. There will be no monthly meetings in July or August. Nancy inquired about a host for the September meeting, and John Holt volunteered.



Chair of the Ski Trip committee, Rosemary Schwartzbard, asked the leaders of the 2020 ski trips to say a few words about their trips. Both Kathy Lake (Snowmass leader) and Bob Jablon (Park City/Deer Valley leader) asked members to sign up and to urge their friends and acquaintances to join the trips and, not coincidentally, consider joining PVS. Ski trip flyers are published in this TOOT.

Tom thanked the hosts again and adjourned the meeting finding there was no old or new business. Chris and Phil served coffee and especially delightful desserts, including some killer cookies and a decadent chocolate mousse cake. Thank you!

*Submitted by Kal Nossuli*



**Theresa Simone Malambri**  
November 7, 1929 – May 6, 2019



Theresa, a member of Potomac Valley Skiers, passed away on May 6, 2019. Her service was held at Nativity Catholic Church in Burke, Virginia on May 14. Some remembrances are found below by fellow members who also knew Theresa from Capital Golden Skiers:

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Theresa was the treasurer for Capital Golden Skiers. She kept meticulous books. We would meet every year to provide an accounting for the IRS. It was easy because of her work. Theresa was friendly with a ready smile, enjoyed conversation and meeting people. She worked at a funeral home and would sometimes bring leftover flowers to some of our events. She will be greatly missed.

----Don Vierimaa

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Although she did not join ski trips any longer ...she still participated ...by helping to keep the records straight. She contributed to the successful outcome of ski trip participation by auditing bank statements and making sure records were kept correctly.

----Inge Lesjak

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Theresa helped me when I was leading ski trips for Capital Golden Skiers. Then, trip leaders forwarded payment checks and bills to her for balancing (oh, the good old days!). She was a meticulous accountant and was always well-groomed, possibly due to her several years as managing owner of a clothing store in Ohio. Theresa also worked for the National School Transportation Association in Alexandria and was involved in her church and community. She had recently worked at the Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home as a "welcomer" for people coming to pay their last respects. We often joked that she would be the one to bid her last goodbyes to us! Theresa was always pleasant and managed to live life fully before she left it. She contracted an infection on a Saturday, went to the hospital that day and passed away on the following Monday. The funeral home was ready with her obituary. Theresa was a great organizer too!

----*Marianne Soponis*

**PVS Calendar 2019**



- Jun 09 Sun Summerfest, 1:00 PM, Jablons, Washington DC
- Jun 11 Tue NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center Tour, 12:45-3:30 PM, Janney (reservations required), Greenbelt, MD
- Jun 25 Tue ExCom Meeting, 7:00 PM, telephonic
- Aug 10 Sat Steak & Swim, Hines, Delaplane, VA 3:00 PM

**PVS Ski Trips 2020**



January 25-February 1, 2020  
 Aspen/Snowmass, CO (Kathy & Barry Lake)

March 7-14, 2020  
 Park City-Deer Valley, UT (Bob & Cara Jablon)

July 1, 2019 begins the 2019-2021 PVS biennial dues cycle. Each member will receive an electronic renewal statement to pay their dues and continue their membership in PVS.

---JDWarthen

**Useful Ski "Links"**  
[Potomac Valley Skiers](#)  
[BRSC Sanctioned Trips](#)  
[DC Ski Online News](#)  
[Best of Times Ski Club](#)

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