



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

PVSers over the years have enjoyed good participation in PVS summer events; the picnics, raft trips, etc; which we now call Events rather than meetings. I would like to see the attendance at the regular monthly meetings include all of the same people. One of the club's important functions is its monthly meetings; and our Program Chairman, Don Cope, is engaged in setting up meeting locations for this fall and winter. For the September meeting, in a variance to meeting in a member's home, we have the use of a restaurant room for our meeting. The room is being made available to us as a direct result of our promised patronage for dinner (we promised a minimum of twenty diners) as well as for a cash bar. We expect members will over-subscribe this minimum. In addition, I fully appreciate members who offer their homes for meetings. Such members are doing one of the nicest favors possible for the benefit of the club; and each member can appreciate that to the fullest by attending. Members that do offer their homes are to be given a big vote of THANKS from all of us.

Max
MAX E. BUNNELL

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The first meeting of this fall! This one at the LAMPLIGHTER BEEFHOUSE Restaurant, 3501 North Fairfax Drive in Arlington, Virginia (just beyond Clarendon in the Virginia Square shopping center). Come out for dinner; then enjoy the meeting. President Max will be there early presiding over events and may even pass out Havana cigars to early arrivals.

COMING EVENTS

- Aug 27 - EXCOM meeting. 8:00 P.M. at Penny Wiederhold's home. 7214 Delfield Street, Chevy Chase. Members welcome at all EXCOM meetings.
- Sept 17 - PVS meeting. See separate notice.
- Oct 15 - PVS meeting. Dick and Marilyn Clark's home. 8953 Falling Creek Court, Annandale, Virginia. Directions in September TOOT.
- Nov 19 - PVS meeting. Location to be arranged by Program's Chairman.

SPECIAL NOTE: Sept 22 - Blue Ridge Ski Council meeting. PVS is the hostclub for this one. Details unavailable to TOOT. Max and Art Topping will have more on this.

EXCOM REPORT

The monthly EXCOM meeting was held July 30th at Geoff and Jean Wadey's home. We'd been there before, so we found it without trouble this time! (Is it the fourth or fifth light on River road??). Attending were President and Treasurer Max Bunnell, EXCOM members Ralph Anderson, Peggy Burns, Dick Clark, Art Topping and Geoff Wadey (who is also V.P.); Secretary Marilyn Long, Membership Chairman Penny Wiederhold, and TOOT Editors Dick and Julie King. EXCOM member Bob Gell was not able to attend due to a conflicting schedule. Jean Wadey took care of the crew with ample and good snacks and V.P. Geoff served the beer and cokes. Several items of interest were covered:

1. Marilyn Long read the minutes of the last EXCOM meeting. They were approved as read. NOTE: Emphasis was placed on the need for nametags at meetings, particularly in the fall with new applicants joining us. Thus, old and new members are encouraged to put on a stick-on name tag when attending our future meetings - this for the benefit of new (and not so new) members.

2. Membership Chairman's (she really is a Chair-Lady) report. There are 35 fully paid renewals; applicants and absentee members are included therein. The absentee members are the Bob Marx family, the Kieth Lyon Family and Russ Kinaman. The three applicant members are Dale and Virginia Choukalos and Elaine Sullivan. Our one Junior member has grown to full fledged size these days and as soon as we can, Dad Geoff for Bryan's full membership fee, we will have our youngest adult member!

3. Further discussion ensued about the possibility of PVS buying a ski lodge. The committee of two, Kirk Burns and Bob Gell, certainly will welcome leads and suggestions from members. We're looking for a real bargain opportunity at a nearby local area, perhaps a few miles out so we can afford it on our three figure budget! Let Kirk or Bob know if you have any ideas.

4. A new telephone tree is needed. Penny agreed to put it together, and Marilyn agreed to type it. And sure 'nuff, here it is, in this issue of TOOT!

5. Blue Ridge Ski Council fall meeting scheduled for September 22nd is being sponsored by PVS! Let's all get behind this activity and help make it a success. Max will discuss this at the September meeting.

6. A possible sailing Event is being considered for a weekend day in late August or September. Call Kirk Burns if interested. Also, Ralph Anderson, who has been backpacking all summer is ready to lead a group this fall if enuff interest is raised. Call Ralph.

7. PVS stationery with the club emblem emblazoned thereon was approved by President and Treasurer Max (who can argue with a President who also controls the purse-strings??).

IMPORTANT NOTICE # 1

MEMBERSHIP

We are now in our new year. Renewals are due. You will be dropped from club rolls by November 1 if you have not renewed by then. We also plan an updated membership roster to be published early in November so get your dues and current address in so you can be included on the roster. Membership cards enclosed for those who have just renewed.

IMPORTANT NOTICE # 2

We have some informational changes from Membership Chairman (Lady) Penny Wiederhold. She is determined TOOT will advise the readers that her correct home telephone number is 657-8863! And so TOOT has done! Now everybody, call her!

A new applicant: Elaine Sullivan Home phone: 762-8769
750 Azalea Drive Office " : 692-2169
Rockville, Md. 20850

An address and phone change:
Ray and Malle McKinley
2405 Carey Lane
Vienna, Virginia 22180

Home phone: 893-3698 (no change)
Office " : 351-6961 (Ray)
351-5622 (Malle)

SWIM AND STEAK at Roy and Maldas'

A RESOUNDING SUCCESS! As usual. And this year, we were blessed with some fine weather. Following a gray and threatening A.M., the afternoon came up sunny and warm, a perfect day for a swim in the Elrod's "ole swimmin' hole". And those steaks were GREAT! With Roy's deft cooking and the salads provided by some of the ladies present, some thirty-five or so PVSers had a wonderful afternoon of sun, swimming and steak eatin'. Our sincerest especial thanks to our host and hostess for this wonderful annual EVENT. And congratulations certainly go to Roy and Malle McKinley for coordinating this Event. We understand Malle made that extra special effort to call as many members as possible to remind them that the Event was soon upcoming and it was time for reservations to be in. Thanks, Malle. It is this kind of effort that keeps PVS going. Guests at this Event were John and Sonje M (friends of the Elrods) and Bill Anderson (friend of Mike Rysavy and others).

SWIM AND PICNIC at Glade and Joan Flake's.

This new Event came up early in August due to a conflict Glade had with a later date in August. Some fifteen PVS members turned out on what was undoubtedly one of the most beautiful days of the summer! The Flake home, in its beautiful sylvan surrounding, made a fine setting for this enjoyable day. The back yard pool with its adjacent badminton court was a busy place with some fifteen adults and (at least it seemed this way) some equal number of youngsters diving, dipping and basketballing around to make the afternoon a lively paced occasion. All had a good time and we certainly thank our congenial host and hostess for a most relaxing and enjoyable Event.

Are PVSers Outdoorsmen and women?? This letter received by TOOT from Peggy Lacey should eliminate any doubts about that, if in fact there were any doubts!

DATELINE: MOAB, UTAH July 74. A Raft Trip On The Colorado River by Peggy Lacey

As a member of the fun and adventure seeking club (PVS, of course), I would like to recommend a raft trip on the Colorado River. Previous experiences on the Youghiogheny and Shenandoah Rivers prepare one for great expectations from an outdoor wonderment trip; but not for the spectacular beauties of Canyonland National Park or for the luxurious and complete camping experience provided by the highly capable and congenial outfitters called the Western River Expeditions, Inc.

The trip began at Moab, Utah where I joined a Smithsonian sponsored group. Two neoprene (military surplus type rubber bridge pontoons) boats were well loaded with gear for 32 people for 4 days in the wilderness - plus the 32 people who arranged themselves quite comfortably about on all the gear. The age range of the group was from 9 years to over 70! Wrap-around life jackets were worn at all times while on the River. During refreshing swim periods, the jackets kept one buoyant and allowed one to bob merrily along with the current. The Canyon walls were ever changing; carved-like formations and picturesque names such as Dead Horse Canyon, Elephant Canyon, The Dolls House; all kept one's imagination busy. Often, deer would be seen at the River's edge and wild goats would scamper above on the cliffs. Sometimes, all of one's concentration was needed in order to hang on while the raft pitched thru roller coaster rapids. The coolness of the night inspired appreciation for a warm sleeping bag. The unforgettable sight of the heavens full of stars kept one awake until the moon rose and then its brilliance illuminated the Canyon walls, transforming them into translucent curtains. Camping in luxury is having ice cream sundaes served after a hot day on the River. By PVS gourmet standards, the meals would rate very high. The whole trip receives "6 Smiles" for exciting adventure, highly experienced Outfitters, and compatibility of the diverse group.

Editor's comment: 'Nuff said; how about that for adventure! Peggy says she recommends the trip for any PVSer; and she is sure the Smithsonian will run it next year.

Odds and Ends; and TOOT TIDBITS

by 'Ginny Larson

Penny Wiederhold and spouse off to Bermuda for a week; the Copes on vacation in upstate New England; the Wingroves overheard talking at the Flake's SWIM AND PICNIC Event about being at Timberline Lodge, Mt. Hood, Oregon in June and the Lodge was still "half buried in snow!"; the Wingroves have also been to their northeast home in West Rupert, Vermont for some good fresh air (this is obvious after seeing how healthy and fast growing young Robyn is!)

Peggy Anderson says she can't keep up with Ralph; he has been hiking and backpacking all summer. Maybe he is keeping in extra good shape so he can insure that he gets his son to the altar this October! That's the spirit, Ralph; keep up that good outdoor life.

Ron Broadhurst did the Youghiogheny raft trip in August, going along with the Goddard Space Center Ski Club group. The Broadhursts were in Hawaii in January and Ron skied the west last winter; thus, no summer vacation. Mrs. B. is going back to work again soon.

Long distance member Carol Permenter has completed her advance schooling and should be back amongst us this month, bringing along a coveted Masters degree. Three cheers and congrats, Carol. It will be good to have you back, even if we have to take you "smarter than ever!"

Thelma Belloli travelled to her home state of Massachusetts and returned with her 17 year old niece who is visiting for a few weeks. She is in for a busy time keeping the teenage relative programmed during the visit! But Thelma can do it, we're sure.

Brooke and Mary Armat have spent some time at the beach this month. Not much other news to report from our Activities Answering Service coordinator.

The Elrods are building a new house! Roy reports that the next SWIM AND STEAK will be at the new home and new pool. We look forward to that adventure. Incidentally, the Elrod's celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary this year! TOOT does not know the date, but our CONGRATULATIONS to these young spirited people for that excellent longevity!

Ginny reports about herself: During my ten day stay in Vermont (Peacham, not White River Junction), we travelled to the Darion Inn in East Burke and tried to explore the ski area at Burke Mountain but could not see too much. The report is the slopes are challenging and it is only crowded "a couple times during the year". The past season was poor (as was true of most of New England). With the lush green everywhere, it was difficult to visualize the area in its winter coat. Vermont has been getting more rain than usual, and farmers were having to hustle to harvest between rainfalls. I had a swim most everyday in a lovely lake in between rainfalls, and watched the cows go home each night from my house window. I slept some ten hour nights, attended country auctions, got involved in obtaining a patchwork quilt (maybe!), and ate fresh strawberries to my heart's content. There is, then, something to be said for summer, TOO!

Editor's Note: Your editor's have a change of address effective this month. We go into a home in Bethesda at the end of August. Address is: 5817 Kingswood Road, Bethesda, Md 20014. Telephone is: 530-4966.

SEE YOU ALL AT THE LAMPLIGHTER RESTAURANT for the September meeting!

CLUB OFFICERS

- President - Max E. Bunnell
- Vice President - Walter "Geoff" Wadey
- Treasurer - Max E. Bunnell
- Secretary - *Marilyn Long*
- EXCOM Members - Ralph Anderson
Peggy Burns
Dick Clark
Bob Gell
Art Topping
Walter "Geoff" Wadey
- Program's Chairman - Don Cope
- Membership Chairman - Penny Weiderhold
- Answering Service - Brooke Armat
- TOOT Editors - Dick & Julie King
- Eastern Ski Ass'n rep - Dick King
- Pennsylvania Ski Ass'n rep - Art Topping
- Blue Ridge Ski Ass'n rep - Bob Wyckoff

Don't forget your PVS

Activities Answering Service:

Call EM 2-4724. Brooke and Mary Armat will have the latest events for you.

Mail form below with check to:
Penny Wiederhold
7214 Delfield St.
Chevy Chase, Md. 20015.

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Member's Application Form
Potomac Valley Skiers

NAME (please print) _____
LAST FIRST MI

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ OFFICE PHONE _____

Enclosed is payment for _____ membership(s) in PVS. Membership costs, which include Eastern Ski Association membership and automatic subscription to The Skier, are as follows:

Individual	\$10.00 _____	Junior	\$3.00 _____
Spouse	8.00 _____	Absentee	5.00 _____

Members of SCWDC:- YES _____ NO _____

_____ Date

_____ Signature