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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Thank You"

Thank you to the many PVSers who share with the club their lovely homes, pools and vacation properties. Thank you too, to all those who attend the various events and are such good guests that we're invited back year after year to these delightful places. These special activities add a great deal to the friendly atmosphere of "The Club for Skiers".

Marilyn J. Clark

Marilyn J. Clark, President

AUGUST EVENT

"Summer Fun and Games at the Wingrove's"

Date: August 18, Saturday. Rain date will be August 19, Sunday

Time: 11:00 a.m. or later, till dark.

Place: The Potomac home of Barbara and Jim Wingrove, 9211 Overlea Drive, Potomac, Maryland, 20850. Please call Barbara, 762-4887, to let her know if you'll be coming.

Bring: Your own picnic, eating utensils, etc., the kids, bathing suits, new games, new members and \$1.00 per person to cover the cost of beer, wine and soft drinks for all. (Please, no glass containers.) The Wingrove's swimming pool, nearby tennis courts, volleyball and badmitten nets will all be available. Come and Enjoy!

How To Get There: Go north on Route 270 to the Rockville exit, Route 28. Exit on Route 28 West toward Darnestown. Go 1.4 miles to Glen Mill Road. Turn left on Glen Mill and go .8 of a mile to left on Viers Drive at the end of the fence durrrounding Lakewood CC. (Sign points left to Robert Frost JHS). Go .5 of a mile on Viers to Scott, bear right on Scott, go .3 of a mile to Overlea, turn right to the first driveway on left, the Wingrove's. You're There!

SEPTEMBER EVENT

"Cheese and Wine Tasting Party"

When: September 21st, Friday Evening at 8:00 p.m.

Where: At the home of Mary and Norm Engleman, 10450 Kentsdale Drive, Potomac, Md. Pat and Don Cope are choosing interesting wine and cheeses for this popular event. There will be a nominal fee of \$5.00 per person. Please call coordinator Alice Swalm at 979-6756 before September 10 for reservations. There is no limit on the number of people who may attend but Don and Pat need to know how much wine and cheese to purchase.

Look for more information and directions in September TOOT.

JULY EVENT REPORT

The last annual Steak and Swim at Roy and Malda Elrod's home in Triangle, Virginia was, as usual, the best ever. (One highlight of the day was a tour of the prospective location of the next annual Steak and Swim (and the next?)). The company, the food (how does one club have so many good cooks?), the pool, the beer and wine were all present and enjoyed. Only the sun was coy, in keeping with his 1979 tradition of rain almost every weekend, making it necessary to hold the event on the alternate rain date. We missed those who had to drop out because of the change. To Roy and Malda, once again, thank you. The steaks were superb and the day most memorable.

By Mary Ward

PVS tee shirts are still available! Enhance your summer fun and look great too --- call Ray McKinley, 790-8812 to order your size. Each tee shirt with this beautiful design, done by our own Hank Thomas.



EXCOM REPORT

By Alice Swalm

THE KNEE

The July 24th Excom meeting was held at the home of Margaret and Bob Wyckoff. Attending were: Marilyn Clark, Mary Ward, Jim Slack, Bing Poon, Judy Mealey, Bob Marx, Keith Lyon, Barbara Wingrove, Margaret Wyckoff and Alice Swalm. Items discussed were:

1. The continuing discussion regarding publicity for PVS. Excom has concluded that no further publicity is necessary at this time.
2. Marilyn Clark submitted a report from ESA president regarding the associations proposed activities for the coming year. She also submitted a letter/report from Dot Mason on her views of the ESA Convention.
3. There will be a meeting sponsored by ~~SMDC~~ on August 2 which Marilyn will attend regarding a skiing information pool. A report will follow.
4. There was discussion regarding the need to have a PVS owned typewriter for the TOOT editor to use. Margaret Wyckoff will report at the next meeting regarding prices of new and used machines. A motion was made to get a typewriter if needed and the price not to exceed \$300.
5. Jacques Hadler will lead a hike on the Virginia side of the Potomac in October. The date is not yet set.
6. Excom decided that because of declining participation in the annual PVS Dinner Dance that this year there will be a Octoberfest Dance. The October date and the place will be announced at a later date.
7. The annual ski clinic and binding check will be held at the regular meeting in November.
8. The August Excom meeting will be held at Alice Swalm's home, 2218 S. Randolph St., Arlington, Va. at 7:30.
9. The September Excom meeting will be held at Barbara Wingrove's home, 8:00 p.m.



It's August and the muggys are with us. What a pleasure to think of pleasant, cool days on skis, shussing through the deep powder. The other night the Knee was having some difficulty in getting to sleep. In an attempt to relax I decided to imagine myself coming down a long, steep slope covered with six inches or so of virgin powder. I was feeling more relaxed already. At the top of the hill I started down, knees bent into the hill. Dip, unweight, turn, dip, unweight, turn, it was beautiful. I was really getting into the motion. Then I crossed my damned ski tips and fell down. Even in my dreams I can't ski powder. The Knee's knees couldn't hack it.

Now, since I know you've been waiting, here is the Knees Question from the Archives. When was the first official PVS meeting, and how many members and guests attended? (Answer below).

The Knee will mourn the passing of TOOT Editor Judy Mealey when she leaves us later this year. Seems that hubby Mike has just accepted a new job in southern Pennsylvania, and Judy insists on joining him. You made The Knee what it is today, Judy. Sorry, I didn't mean to insult you.

Knee News Flash: Well, The Knee's old friend and vice president B.M. really did it this time -- the TOOT, that is. The Knee has learned that after B.M. unexpectedly spent over a full week at home, Mrs. B.M., also known as Jan, took the little B.M.'s and left -- for their annual summer trip to Minnesota. And there was poor B.M., left to take care of the July TOOT-- printing, collating, stapling, folding, addressing, stamping, etc.--all by himself (just as his family has done for a year) having had no previous experience at the job since volunteering to do it over nine months ago. Now was it really that tough B.M., that you had to schedule all that time away from home just to get out of doing it?

Knee Special Notice: Will the TOOT reader(s) who found B.M.'s shirt and right shoelace stapled in their July TOOT please return them to B.M.--he may get caught at home again and will need his "work" clothes to do the next issue.

Knee News Flash #2: He's done it again. As this issue of TOOT was being typed, B.M. left the area in panic. On Friday night, August 3, he left all of the stuff for putting TOOT together at the McKinleys and ran out the door with the memorable quote "I'm going to Minnesota, in my Toyota, because of TOOT I've done my quota".

Thus, this issue of TOOT, which you are now reading, was put together by an ad hoc group consisting of Judy Mealey, Malle and Ray McKinley, Larry Pease and Gail Gall. If they fouled up, you're probably not reading this now.

Special to Lu Beale, since you couldn't become The Knee, I understand that you have taken another but less demanding post with this publication. Welcome aboard. I kneed you.

At the Elrods Steak and Swim PVSers were happy to reacquaint ourselves with the Cooks from several of our European trips, and the Gays who we met at last years Steak and Swim. We hope to see you all more frequently. Geoff Wadey was noticeable by the extensive use of the pool. Maybe he really is all wet.

Ex-presidents Geoff and Ray McKinley, both of whom are noted for their verbosity, were missing from the July Excom meeting, so everyone expected a short, quiet meeting. Well, hostess Margaret Wyckoff had run out of both beer and wine and the meeting was still going. One subject took most of the time but even The Knee won't divulge what that subject is. Particularly talkative was ex-president Keith Lyon (seem everyone in the club is an ex-president, doesn't it?). Some people were accusing Keith of "filming at the mouth". Seems he has films scheduled through March -- 1985! The Knee believes Keith was trying to, er. . lionize himself. That means he was trying to turn himself into a lion. Or perhaps turn himself into a dish of fancy fried potatoes!

The answer to our question: The first PVS meeting was on December 15, 1965. There were 16 members and 21 guests in attendance.

A Report From Europe - East and West

By Bob and Mary Lee Grasley

During early July we visited Zurich, Budapest, Geneva and last, but not least, CHAMONIX. The purpose of this report is to bring you up to date on the European scene.

CHAMONIX is outstanding (even in summer). There was skiing on the Col du Geant and near L'Index (La Flégère). The Mont Blanc area was completely snow covered and served as a beautiful backdrop for the town. The glaciers are much more spectacular in Summer than in Winter. There are giant blocks of blue ice with streams gushing out the lower end of the glaciers. CHAMONIX was explored from one end to the other with an eye to hotels, restaurants, delicatessens and transportation facilities and we settled on an excellent hotel (Mapotel Alpina) for our February/March 1980 trip.

Budapest was beautiful and exciting (night clubs go full bore till 4 a.m.). It is extremely interesting from an architectural point of view. The Budapest Hilton is not to be missed. It is built on the ruins of an ancient structure and the Hungarians have combined parts of the old with the modern in the most innovative manner imaginable. The Liberation Monument on the Buda hills is very striking. On the reverse side of the monument are the names of soldiers who died in the liberation struggle. (all Russians!).

It is wise to move through Switzerland rapidly because hotel prices are out of sight. Aside from this, excellent meals can be found at reasonable prices and the beer, fondue and pear brandy remain excellent. The St. Pierre Cathedral in Geneva is well worth visiting (it is being reconstructed) and the National Museum in Zurich also.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP
IN PVS!
... send in the last page
of your July TOOT today.

Ski The Utah Powder!

Norm Engelman reports that this 10-day trip February 21 - March 3, 1980 is already half full! Don't miss out on some of the best skiing the West has to offer. Contact Norm at 299-2635 and watch for additional application forms in next months TOOT.

Ski Mt. Sutton, 1980

This popular family ski trip to Canada needs a trip leader! Please call Marilyn Clark at 978-9435 to volunteer your services.

TOOT Tidbit

Bing Poon advises all skiers who will be needing to buy new ski gloves or mittens this year to buy them now or as early as possible because the price of leather is soaring upwards!

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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- Sept. 25 - Excom Monthly Meeting at Barbara Wingrove's home, 9211 Overlea Drive, Potomac, Md. 762-4887. Please Note - 8:00 p.m. start.
- Oct. ? - Potomac River Hike with Jacques Hadler, this year on the Virginia side. Date and details will be in September TOOT.
- Oct. ? - OCToberfest and Dance. Date, location and details will be in the September issue of TOOT. Margaret Wyckoff, 589-5532, coordinator.
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- Jan. 12 - Wisn Weekend Ski Trip, Gail Gell, 620-4573, coordinator.
- Jan. 25 -
- Feb. 9 - Ski The French Alps with Margaret and Bob Wyckoff at La Plagne and Val Thorens. See attached brochure.
- Feb. 21 -
- March 3 - Ski The Utah Powder, Salt Lake City, Alta, Park City with Norm Engleman, coordinator. See item above.
- Feb. 23 -
- March 8 - Ski Cervinia / Zermatt and Chamonix with Marylee and Bob Grasley. See enclosed announcement.

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The deadline for the September issue of TOOT will be September 1. Please submit any information by telephone or by mail by that time to Lu Beale, 4040 51st St. N. W., Washington, D.C. 20016, telephone 363-3521.

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