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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The purpose of this message is to get some of your money! But, I'll try to be gentle about it. Our Club has just completed its most successful year ever. We've had more Events, more trips, greater participation and, of course, more verbose Presidential messages! We hope that the coming year will be even better (but not necessarily more verbose). And we're making plans to assure that it is. We've got some great new Events planned as well as some outstanding ski trips — including a one week trip to New England. This is certainly going to be the year to be in PVS — I'll bet you will even want to invite your skiing friends to join. Let me tell you the reason for my enthusiasm. For openers, we will continue to run two summer Events each month as we did so successfully last year. We start off with a new Event: a Bicycle trip on July 8th. We'll be biking through some beautiful country on the Eastern Shore and maybe have a chance to do some antiquing and some eating. Call the trip leader NOW to sign up. Later in July, we will have our annual fantastic Swim and Steak at the Elrods. Last year, this Event drew some seventy people — and was the best attended Event in the history of the Club. Need I say more?? Call the D.C. Coordinator to reserve YOUR steak. In August we have our third annual picnic party at Kirk and Peggy Burns. Later that month, we again go canoeing (and possibly camping) with the Deightons. In September, we will hike in the Shenandoah with the Masons. We have our first regular fall meeting (with the possibility of some pool swimming) at the Wingroves that month. In October, we repeat our annual wine tasting meeting with wines personally selected by our resident expert, Don Cope. Our regular fall and winter Events will follow!

MOST CERTAINLY, we haven't forgotten skiing! Once again, we're going to Europe. As far as I know, we will again be the only Club running TWO European trips. We'll be skiing in Austria with the Wychoffs and in Italy with the Grasleys. Both trips offer the potential of two weeks plus of good European skiing. We're planning a Mt. Sutton, Canada trip again and, for the first time in years, a week long bus trip to New England. Mr. Shyness, Norm Engleman, will run our New England bus trip (to Killington). He already has more than fifteen skiers signed up! We also are planning some local area weekend trips.

BUT, every silver lining has a dark cloud (or something like that!). So now for the bad news. To take part in all of these great Events, you have to JOIN PVS! Or, rejoin! July is the start of our membership year, and we need your commitment to make all these fine Events happen. Membership dues are increased slightly to include membership in the United States Ski Association and in the Eastern Division of USSA. Your actual daily cost per individual is \$0.047952 per single membership (\$0.0821918 per family membership). That's a good deal! For less than a nickel a day, you can be a member of what I will modestly say is the greatest ski Club ever — the POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS.

The time to join is NOW! Because a lot of you like to keep your TOOTs, we are enclosing your membership renewal forms with, but not attached to, this issue of TOOT. Please put it with your "Bills to be Paid" file. And please send in your renewal as soon as possible. It will make it a lot easier for YOU and US (that means all of us!). I hope to see you all at our July Events.

Ray McKinley
President, PVS

EXCOM REPORT

EXCOM held its monthly meeting June 20th with Ray and Malle McKinley as our genial hosts. It was a lovely garden meeting on a warm summer like evening. Appropriate and tasty snacks and beverages were served. Attending were: Ray McKinley as President and host, Marilyn Clark as Vice President, Secretary Alice Swalm, EXCOM members Julie King, Bob Marx, Gail Gell, Geoff' Wadey and Mary Ward; TOOT Editor Dick King, Trip Leaders Bob Grasley and Bob Wychoff; also P V S members Malle McKinley and Jim Slack. The following business matters were discussed at this meeting:

1. Summer Events were discussed. See separate notices for these: July 8, bike trip; August 12, Picnic-Gala at Burns; August 19th a canoe trip with the Deightons; September 23rd, hike the Shenandoah with the Masons.

2. Winter ski trips were discussed:

- A. Weekend carpool trip to Wisp, Jan 13-14 Trip Leader is Gail Gell
- B. Mt. Sutton, Canada trip, Feb 25 - March 3; We need a trip leader for this one; ANY VOLUNTEERS? We Need You!
- C. Bus trip to Killington, Vermont, Trip Leader is Norm Engleman. March 11-16th. Lifts, food and lodging (and transportation) all for less than \$200.00! Fifteen already signed up!
- D. Weekend carpool trip to Canaan Valley; no dates set, need a trip leader (a private lodge would be desirable). ANY VOLUNTEERS?
- E. Bob Wychoff provided his fact sheet for his European trip (enclosed with this TOOT).
- F. Bob Grasley asked for, and received, P V S sponsorship of a trip to two Italian resorts.

3. The October P V S meeting will be a wine and cheese meeting run by Don Cope. It will be held at the home of Norm Engleman. Details and directions in a future TOOT.

4. The July EXCOM meeting will be held at Gail Gell's residence. The date has been moved up one week to July 18th. Contact Gail or any Club officer for directions.

5. Bob Grasley, coordinator from P V S for the Blue Ridge 3rd Annual Tennis Tournament gave a report on that Event scheduled for June 24th. All is in order and extra hands will be welcome. Fact sheets have been sent out to interested BRSC members.

6. Trip Leader Bob Grasley submitted his request for sponsorship of a European trip to Italy (Cervinia and Courmayeur). These two areas about Zermatt and Chamonix respectively.

Bob plans a double-barrelled trip; one of ten days (Feb 10-19, estimated cost \$750.00), and one of 17 days (Feb 10-27, estimated cost is \$1000.00). After appropriate discussion, EXCOM voted in favor of sponsoring this trip.

7. EXCOM continues to be interested in new ideas and new activities. We are a Club of adventuresome people and we like to do new and different things and activities. Thus, if you have an idea that will give us a start, LET US KNOW. WE'RE WILLING TO TRY IT!

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

IMPORTANT NOTICE #1 An address change: Betty W. Bayhille has moved. Her new location is: 3701 S. George Mason Drive, #2318-N Falls Church, Virginia 22041

IMPORTANT NOTICE #2 Another address change: OPFS, Sorry. Not available. Will publish it in next month's TOOT!

IMPORTANT NOTICE #3 EXCOM and TOOT wish to express their sincere thanks to Jack Hadler for opening up his cottage again to P V S. The visit to this shoreline resort cottage is always pleasant and this year was no exception (we even missed the rain showers).

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JUNE EVENT REPORT

A Picnic At Jack Hadler's Cottage. Another good time! About 40 clear-eyed rambunctious P V Sers arrived after the morning storm of rainshowers and found the cottage and the Bay in fine shape. Also, Jack Hadler and his trusty catamaran. The more vigorous members went sailing with Jack and tested the water for swimming. Also, frisbee on the lawn and long walks along the beach were the order of the day. The highlight was, of course, the cookout. Led by chief Chef Jim Pinkham, who won the plaudets of the collected members, all there enjoyed hamburgers and hotdogs and outstanding salads and desserts provided by various and sundry visitors. All in all, it was a most enjoyable day in spite of early worries by coordinator Gail Gell who was not quite sure the rains would ever go away in time for the picnic to take place. P V S kept the faith, and the rains were split asunder!

JULY EVENTS

July 8th - A Bicycle Trip - An Eastern Shore Special, by Mike Rysavy

Where: On the Eastern Shore at St. Michaels, Maryland. Cross the Bay Bridge. Follow Route 50 east to Easton. Just before Easton, make a right turn on Route 322. Then take a right to Route 33 and follow it to St. Michaels. Mike says: We will bike from St. Michaels to Bellevue and take the ferry to Oxford (35cents one way) which is a lovely little town. We will have lunch here (bring your own lunch and water). We will then take the ferry back to Bellevue and bike back to St. Michaels.

Starting Time: 11:00 A.M.

Starting Place: Parking Lot of the Nautical Museum in St. Michaels (Mike suggests allowing some 2½ hours driving time from D.C. because of Bridge traffic).

Length of bike trip: 16-20 miles round trip.

Coordinator: Mike Rysavy. Call Mike at 656-3380 for further details. Mike says he will be leaving at 6:30 A.M. on July 8th.

Points of Interest: Beautiful beaches, sailing and fishing areas, the Nautical Museum in St. Michaels, outstanding seafood eateries, oldest operating ferry in the U.S.O.F.A.

Description: The Eastern Shore is a very attractive area, full of quaint little towns and sailing villages. It is an excellent area for biking, NO HILLS! And the shoulders of most roads are paved making good bikeways.

We wish You ALL GOOD BIKING and Bon Voyage!



Have
You

Read the RED BOOK

lately??

The Elrod's Steak and Swim

What: A steak cookout and swimming pool swim, at Roy and Malda Elrod's in Triangle, Virginia. Bring your swim suits; your plates and utensils, your towels, and your appetites.

When: From 2:00 P.M. 'til dark on Saturday, July 15th. (Rain date: July 16th).

How Much: A nominal charge will be charged to cover cost of food and drinks. This will be figured and pro-rated at the picnic and will not be too high (last year's charge was in the vicinity of \$4.00 per person).

How To Get There: Take Route 95 south toward Richmond. Take the Dumfries/Manassas exit from Route I-95. Go left on Route 234, south on old Route #1, to Virginia Route 1107 at the Triangle Plaza sign, follow 1107 to a T type dead end, bear right on Cabin Road to the third left which is RIVERVIEW DRIVE. Proceed to 3213 Riverview Drive AND YOU ARE THERE. Come early and enjoy a full day outdoors with your P V S friends (and guests; this is a good Event for meeting and making new friends for yourselves and for P V S).

Reservations Required: The D.C. Coordinator for this Event is Julie King (530-4966). While Julie is away July 1-12, you may call Malle McKinley (790-8812) for reservations. Some people will be asked to bring salads; others will bring desserts. It will be the usual outstanding Event it has always been in the past! Sign up early!

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Dot Mason provides the following information about the September hike:

Sept. 23. Scenic hike on the Appalachian Trail in the northern part of the Shenandoah National Park. Ups and downs but not difficult. Crisscrossing Skyline Drive, you can hike as little as 4½ miles, as much as 9, depending on your speed. Everyone off the Trail by 4:00 for beer. Pot luck dinner at the Mason's mountain place north of Front Royal. Meet at the Cooper School, Rte. 193 in Va. just off ^{EXIT 13} Beltway at 9:00 a.m. to arrange carpooling. Sturdy shoes recommended but not mandatory. Bring lunch and canteen. Rain date Sept. 24. Jenckes and Dot Mason, 652-4313.

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A TOOT TIDBIT For those interested in Mt. Sutton, Canada: from Kirk Burns. A fifth chairlift is being installed on Mt. Sutton this summer. The location is beyond the present Chair # 4 (farthest from the Burns' chalet). Length: As a minimum, from Exil (above the top of Chair #4) down to the creek road at the bottom of the valley (well below the bottom of Chair #4). It is reported that a sixth chairlift will be installed NEXT year! This one will probably be near Chairlift #1 which is very near the Burns chalet. That's called progress. And, at one of our favorite ski areas, too. It has been a good mountain in the past; and it will be better in the future! See you all there!

The Summer Gala at Kirk and Peggy Burns.

August 12th (Rain date: August 13th)

This notice is included in the July TOOT since it takes place early in August and the August TOOT would probably not arrive at members' homes in time. So, here it is:

A SUMMER GALA at 6503 Waterway Drive, Falls Church, Virginia. The Burns have a full day of activities (and non-activities) ready for you: swim, dive, sunbathe, float on a tube (bring your own), sail, row, paddle, slide on the water slide, hike upstream, play horseshoes, badminton, eat lunch if you come early enough, sleep, eat again at the picnic supper and then dance (or be a people watcher) until the wee hours. Come anytime after 11:30 A.M. and don't plan to do a thing that might break the party up before midnight. Bring lunch (if early), food for dinner, bathing suit, towel, daytime clothes, informal evening garb and sun (we hope) protection. There will be two charcoal grills available, picnic tables and chairs. If you have a grill, picnic table or chair handy, please bring them along. The rain date will be effective only if the C & P forecast on Saturday morning calls for a much higher chance of rain on Saturday than Sunday. We did have some rain on the last two Galas but things turned out beautifully — a little more time is simply spent inside! We hope to see you all there!

#1

DIRECTIONS

If coming from Washington, use Arlington Blvd. (Route 50). As you leave Arlington County and approach Seven Corners, look for ~~the~~ Montgomery Ward on your right. Turn left at the next light onto Patrick Henry Drive (Greenwood Restaurant on the left). Continued below...

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Beltway

If using the Beltway, exit at #8 (Route 50) and take the ^{service road to 8E} (towards Washington) ^{and turn right at the 4th light onto Patrick Henry Drive (this light is the first light after driving under all the overpasses at Seven Corners).} As soon as you are past the overpasses, exit onto the service road in order to make the right turn at the light. You can't turn right from the main road (route 50). Continued below...

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Continue straight on Patrick Henry Drive through the first light (crossing Route 7, Leesburg Pike) and follow Patrick Henry Drive to the end ("T"). Turn right onto Beachway Drive and go one block to the end ("T"). Turn left onto Potterton Drive. Cross a small bridge and bear left onto Waterway Drive (avoid right turn onto Stoney Brae). Follow Waterway Drive 5 long blocks to 6503 (left side of street). Street signs give you the block numbers. The house across the street from 6503 has colonial pillars and sits on a small hill. There is a row of Virginia cedars across the front of 6503; the number is painted on a rock at the top of the driveway. *Please use the driveway to unload; but park outside; drive out again and park along Waterway Drive or turn right and then left and park on Old Farm Road.*

An alternate route is Columbia Pike, which can be reached from Route 236 (Annandale) or I-95 (near the Pentagon). From Columbia Pike turn right (from the Pentagon) or left (from Annandale) onto Sleepy Hollow Road. Follow Sleepy Hollow down a long hill and across a small bridge. Turn ^{right} ~~left~~ onto Dearborn and follow it to the fork, ^{and bear} ~~turn~~ right ~~onto~~ Waterway Drive. 6503 is the 7th house on the right counting from the beginning of the fork.

Kirk L. Burns, 6503 Waterway Drive, Falls Church, Virginia 22044
Telephone: 256-4443

RECIPES - from the Ninth International Dinner

We regret to report that no further recipes have been received for publication in TOOT.

COMING EVENTS

- July 8 - Eastern Shore Bike Trip. See separate notice.
- July 15 - Elrod's Steak and Swim. See separate notice.
- July 18 - EXCOM meeting, at Gail Gell's home.
- Aug 12 - A Summer Gala at the Burns. See separate notice.
- Aug 19 - A canoe trip with the Deightons. Details in the August TOOT. Sign up NOW since canoe reservations are required. Call Gerry Deighton at 424-5707.
- Aug 22 - Monthly EXCOM meeting. Site to be selected.
- Sept 19 - First P V S meeting of the new winter season. At the Wingroves. Details will follow.
- Sept 23 - Hike with the Masons. See separate notice.
- Sept 26 - Monthly EXCOM meeting.
- Oct 17 - Wine and Cheese Meeting. At Norm Engleman's home. Details follow.

SKI TRIPS

- 13-14 Jan - Carpool to Wisp. Trip Leader is Gail Gell.
- 1-18 Feb - To Austria, with the Wyckoffs. See flyer in this issue of TOOT.
- 10-27 Feb - To Italy with Bob Grasley. More details to follow (see EXCOM Report in this issue of TOOT).
- 25 Feb-3 Mar - Mt. Sutton, Canada.
- 11-16 Mar - Bus trip to Killington, Vermont. Trip Leader is Norm Engleman.
- ?? - Weekend carpool trip to Canaan Valley. Trip Leader is ???

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