



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

VOLUNTEERS! PVS members are aware that every person holding a job in the club is a volunteer. We volunteered to provide the people needed to operate a booth at the recent Octoberfest. I'm most happy to say we had MORE people to do the job than we needed! But they were also used elsewhere in the scheme of things and the evening was "a breeze". I counted seventeen (17) PVS members in attendance; and most had a job to do! That was great! NOW, we need a volunteer for the job of PVS secretary. Marilyn Long, a most enthusiastic volunteer, has departed Washington and returned to Seattle, Washington. Also, we need a volunteer to be the focal point, head counter and trip leader for the March 1 Ski-O-Ree weekend at Canaan Valley, West Virginia this coming spring. We DO need your help; so let me hear from you. As has been said before, Many Thanks to ALL who help now in the club operation and we look forward to greater success and happy events in PVS activities.

Max
MAX E. BINNELL

NOVEMBER MEETING - A Wine Tasting Fest!

When: November 19, 1974 at 8 P.M. (come early)
Where: Mariner Towers (Basement Party Room)
 Jack Lilly, resident host. At 501
 Staters Lane, Alexandria - just a short
 mile south of National Airport.
Event: Wine Tasting with three white wines and
 three red wines plus french bread and
 assorted cheeses. Cost: \$3.50 per
 person, members and guests only.
Reservations Required: Call Jack (H: 836-2148,
 O: 426-2847) or Don Cope (H: 836-5436,
 O: 960-4600, Ext 227).
Directions: Driving south - take right inside
 road after passing Sailing Marina ent-
 rance. Go one block and turn left at
 first traffic light. NO TURNS allowed
 from main road. Driving north - (on
 Washington Street in Alexandria), go
 past traffic light at Hot Shoppe and
 take right inside road. Turn right at
 second traffic light to Marina Towers.

COMING EVENTS

Nov 19 - PVS meeting. See adjacent notice.
 Nov 21 - EXCOM meeting. Set for Thursday
 night, Nov 21 because the regular
 meeting night of Tuesday, Nov 26
 falls during Thanksgiving week.
 Place: Dick & Julie King's house;
 5817 Kingswood Road, Bethesda;
 time: 8 P.M.
 Dec 10 - PVS Christmas Season meeting. Set
 ahead one week to avoid conflict
 with Christmas holiday vacations.
 Place: At Penny Weiderhold's.
 7214 Delfield St, Chevy Chase, Md.
 Those who attended remember well
 Penny's Outstanding Glee Wine. Don't
 miss this meeting.

Fee of \$3.50 established to cover costs of
 this popular and always successful
 event.

Entertainment: If all goes according to
 schedule, we will have a film on
 skiing in India! Come and see and

EXCOM REPORT

The monthly EXCOM meeting was held at the regular time, one week following the PVS monthly general meeting. Hosts were Don and Pat Cope and attending were EXCOM members Peggy Burns, Bob Gell, Art Topping and Geoff Waley; also President Max Bunnell and TOOT editors Dick and Julie King. Absent due to conflicting schedules were EXCOM members Ralph "Andy" Anderson and Dick Clark. Hostess Pat provided snacks and drinks to the assembled guests. Items covered during the meeting were:

1. The next meeting would be the annual Wine Tasting meeting at Jack Lilly's apartment house party room. Bob Gell will attempt to arrange an unusual skiing film: *Skiing in India*. If successful, Bob will have the film and a representative of the India Travel Bureau, Mr. Singh there to narrate and answer questions.

2. President Bunnell reaffirmed his decision to continue having the club pay for the refreshments at some of the monthly meetings - as was done at the October meeting. These occasions will be unannounced as in the past and will continue as long as the club treasury will support the decision.

3. A decision was made to sponsor a PVS weekend trip to Blue Knob. The trip leader is Don Cope. The A Frame house on the Momo slope has been reserved and twenty (20) more Blue Knob all day passes have been purchased at a 25% saving. The date is the weekend of January 25th, 1975 and there is limited space available. Interested skiers get their reservation in early with Don Cope.

4. In conjunction with the preceding paragraph, TOOT will contain a listing of upcoming ski trips thruout the winter so that members can plan ahead to join other PVSers at local areas. All we need is SNOW!

5. Car pooling for local day or weekend trips was discussed. Members are encouraged to do this; and the channel is via the PVS Activities Answering Service. Anyone looking for rider companions or, conversely, looking for a ride with other PVS members is encouraged to record their desire by calling Brooke and Mary Ann at their home number: 362-4724. This can be effective for last minute (or day) decisions to go where there may be some local snow/skiing. EXCOM wishes to encourage PVS skiing trips.

OCTOBER MEETING REPORT

On a warm and rainy summerlike evening, one of the nicest PVS meetings of the year was held at the Bob and Gail Gell residence. Some twenty members braved the rain to travel to the outskirts of suburbia and enjoy the warmth of the Gell hospitality. An extra warm spirit prevailed due to the rainy weather outside and the pleasant conversations which took place inside. And the refreshments, which President/Treasurer Max Bunnell announced were "on the club", were outstanding. The Coup de Grace by hostess Gail was her chocolate fondue with bits of fresh fruit for the dipping by the lucky guests. An empty dish was the favorable commentary made by the visitors to this thoughtful hostess for this unique delicacy. PVS member Bob Grasley showed films of skiing in Poland and Czechoslovakia in anticipation of his upcoming trip to Poland. The PVS banner hung proudly on display and a fine time was had by all. Max took a hand vote to see if the general membership supported efforts to obtain a club lodge and the result was a virtual complete lack of interest. Thus, any club effort in that direction is now deferred to some distant future time.

IMPORTANT NOTICE # 1

MEMBERSHIP A new mailing list is now completed and is being forwarded to club members this month. The list contains our several "applicant" members and reflects the loss of some old members. We look forward to future association with our new members (which uniquely include the recent past President of Blue Ridge Ski Council, the current President of the Blue Ridge Ski Council and a current Director to Eastern Ski Association) and hope they will find a long and enduring relationship with PVS. Additional membership cards are mailed with this mailing of TOOT to those members who have most recently renewed or joined in PVS. Some

interesting comments were received by our Membership Chair-lady on recent renewals.

From David Kumpe: From January 1975 on, we will be in Zurich, Switzerland for about 1½ years. We would like to maintain our PVS membership during that time. When we know our address in Zurich, we will let you know. Signed: DAK.

From LeRoy Hebbard: Hi Penny; relocating to Charleston, S.C. for approximately 2 years as C.O. of USS Hurley AS-31, FBM Submarine Tender. Son Johathan is at University of New Hampshire as a freshman this year. Skied in Spain last year, a place called Granada! Fantastic, (3000 vertical, top at 10,900), 40 miles from Malaga.

Our Membership Chair-lady also states in plaintiff tones: Don't be surprised by some of the birthdates you (the members) may see on your Eastern Ski Association cards. I tried to call everyone, but some PVSers just do not stay at home. So I made up birthdates. I literally picked numbers out of the air! Hopefully, they weren't such that anyone is too old! (NOTE to ESA: Don't worry, you were forewarned by our Chair-lady; and besides, we're not pushing any 18 year old competitors as being 17 years old!)

IMPORTANT NOTICE # 2

The local ski area formerly known as Charrita has a new name. It is now "Ski Liberty". Officials of Ski Roundtop who recently purchased the area and the motel there reported they have spent \$500,000 on renovating snow making equipment and expect to be in operation by December 15th. The motel has been renamed "The Carroll Valley Inn", named after the new name of the area which is now the Borough of Carroll Valley. All we need now is cold weather! And good snow makers! Let's hope for lots of local skiing.

IMPORTANT NOTICE # 3

OCTOBERFEST - A FORMULA FOR SUCCESS. Outstanding pre-planning followed by lots of volunteers to carry out the tasks at hand. This year's Octoberfest was undoubtedly the best ever held. By good organizing, the managers insured that those who purchased food got food; those that did not got what they bought - all the beer one could drink and lots of conviviality and happy times. The som-pah-pah band was in top form; the scheu-platta dancers excellent and the audience full of enthusiasm. The PVS dinner table was the focal point to join any and all of the seventeen PVSers who attended and the PVS Wheel of Fortune booth brought in lots of "money" for the worthy cause, the US Ski Team. A great time was had by all - thanks to good organization and the many helping hands which made the affair a real success.

PVS Trips Schedule

To keep you all informed and interested in skiing with fellow PVSers, TOOT will publish a PVS Trip Schedule. Although also included in the Coming Events column, the PVS Trip Schedule will contain more individual details and we hope members will take hold and sign up early in order to make the trips a success and enjoy partaking of your favorite outdoor sport by joining the trips.

December 6-8 A bus trip to Killington, Vt. Sanctioned by the Blue Ridge Ski Council, this trip is being run by a SCHIX member, Gene King. The lucky travellers will stay at the Cortina Inn and the rates are: \$62.00 (6 to a room), \$64.00 (4 to a room), \$68.00 (3 to a room, and \$72.00 (2 to a room). Call Gene King at 379-8362.

January 25-26 A trip to Blue Knob, stay at Doug Hart's A-frame house on the slopes of Momo trail. Don Cope is the trip leader; the A-frame is reserved; and the club has ordered cut rate all day lift tickets for sale to those who go on this trip. Call Don at 836-5436.

March 1-2 Ski-O-Ree. At Canaan Valley. No trip leader yet; but the club has reserved bed space in Blackwater Lodge - first come first serve! Sign up early, this will be a fun weekend even without snow!

And now, TOOT TIDBITS,

by Ginny Larson

We hear that the PVSers who attended the Octoberfest really whooped it up and had a great time. Also, that the PVS booth was one of the really fun things at the fest. There was always a crowd around the booth until it shut down. Dick and Julie King, following the outstanding example set by President Max Bunnell, called the spinning wheel game like old pros from Las Vegas. Jack Lilly was PVS's BIGGEST gambler - he tried to win everything and ended up with paper money! Aina Hertelis won an all day free pass to Ski Round Top; Peggy Anderson and Julie King won flight bags; Max Bunnell tried his darndest to win a door prize with his many Denver tags, but the number caller kept calling those Salt Lake City and Milwaukee numbers instead. Sorry, Max, you had the wrong tags for that night! The Octoberfest of 1974 revealed one of PVS's best held secrets: Ron Fett's "terrific dance style". And one of Ralph "Andy" Anderson's partners critiqued his style as: He may come straight down on a ski slope, but he sure could turn and turn on the dance floor! Former PVS member Nancy Monticelli joined the PVS group at their table and is looking forward to seeing more PVSers at the Wine Tasting meeting. We understand that Aina Hertelis waited until the band had left before boarding her pumpkin chariot for the happy trip home.

Tony Soler is on a three week boat trip. He and two friends left October 20th to go to Miami and sail a new boat back to the Chesapeake Bay. Their route will be via the Inland Waterway. Rosemary was invited to go along, but had other obligations which kept her by the homefire.

Oleg Jerschowsky is back from his three and one-half month stay in Moscow, USSR. He was involved with setting up trade exhibitions while there. He is scheduled to go back again in March. Oleg said that he finds much that is fascinating there, but it gets very lonesome on such long trips.

Bob and Gail Gell are busier than usual these days redecorating their home which they have turned from a rental into a purchased property! We wish them well and certainly enjoyed visiting in their warm and friendly home during the October PVS meeting.

Peggy Lacey made a sudden decision and took off on a tremendously exciting three week trip to join her sister. Itinerary: Australia, New Zealand and Tahiti! We sure look forward to a trip report and slides of this one, Peggy. As PVSers will note from the new PVS address list, Peggy and Carol Parmenter are again "Roomies" at the same hangout with the return of Carol from her year's educational sabbatical in Boston, Mass.

Karen Cope is recovering well from her close call with St. Bernard, Heidi. Karen bumped Heidi while Heidi was asleep and Heidi snapped quickly with no genuine intent to harm but caught Karen on the cheek causing a scar to develop. Karen is well along the road to recovery now and understands the need to be a little more cautious with her friendly but big canine friends.

And last but not least, a wedding announcement! Former PVS and EXCOM member Pete Lang has tied the knot! He and Marlene Gierlich were married September 21, 1974 and now reside at: 650 Gladstone Street, Apt #6, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401. Congratulations Pete and Marlene for taking that big and we hope, ever happy step.

Editor's Note: Due to the length of TOOT this month, we are not able to publish a wonderful trip report by Aase Berling of her recent trip to points west including Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand and Korea among other exotic places. We hope to publish it next month.

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