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PRESIDENT'S SITZMARK

Two recurring questions are put to ExCom every year or so:
1. Why do we have to pay to come to meetings? and 2. Who pays for all that food anyway?

The answers in a nutshell (or two):

The club reimburses the hosts of PVS meetings up to \$150 for each occasion. This includes the \$2 per person entry fee. For example, if hosts spend \$140 and the entrance fees amount to \$80, the hosts will be reimbursed \$60 plus the \$80 taken at the door.

The club also reimburses ExCom hosts up to \$100 for incurred expenses.

In olden days, before we had worked up such appetites, PVS hosts provided cheese & crackers, wine and beer, the costs of which were paid out of the Treasury. This simple fare grew to often sumptuous buffets and the club could no longer support the expense. The Board then ruled that a \$2 entry fee be imposed. So far this arrangement has been sufficient to reimburse our hosts.

Financially, that is. For their time and labor there is no reimbursement. We can only say "Thank you. We are deeply grateful."

Lu Beale, President

FIRST Monthly meeting - September 15, 1998, 7:30 p.m.
FALL Home of Kathy & Don Dillon
FROLIC 8302 Goshen View Drive
Gaithersburg, MD 20882
Tel: 301-330-5371

DIRECTIONS: NORTH ON I-270. TAKE I-370 EXIT, STAY TO RIGHT. PROCEED TO SHADY GROVE ROAD EAST EXIT. PROCEED STRAIGHT ON SHADY GROVE ROAD THROUGH SEVERAL LIGHTS AND THEN, AT MUNCASTER MILL INTERSECTION, CONTINUE STRAIGHT AHEAD THROUGH LIGHT ON AIRPARK ROAD (SHADY GROVE ROAD CHANGES TO AIRPARK WITHOUT A TURN). PROCEED ON AIRPARK TO NEXT LIGHT AND TURN RIGHT IN RIGHT HAND TURN LANE ON ROUTE 124 (ALSO CALLED WOODFIELD ROAD). PROCEED STRAIGHT THROUGH 2 LIGHTS AND AT 3RD LIGHT TURN LEFT ON BRINK ROAD. TAKE NEXT RIGHT ON GOSHEN HUNT LANE AND IMMEDIATE RIGHT ON GOSHEN VIEW DRIVE TO CUL DE SAC. OUR DRIVEWAY IS STRAIGHT AHEAD IN THE CUL DE SAC AT 8302 GOSHEN VIEW DRIVE (NAME AND NUMBER ON MAILBOX), WITH A DOWN HILL PORTION SHARED WITH A NEIGHBOR. WE ARE HOUSE ON RIGHT, VICTORIAN WITH PORCH.

FOR THOSE WHO KNOW GEORGIA AVE TO ROUTE 108 IN OLNEY, TAKE LEFT ON 108 AND PROCEED THROUGH LAYTONSVILLE TO BRINK ROAD, TURN LEFT ON BRINK TO NEXT LIGHT AT ROUTE 124, PROCEED STRAIGHT THROUGH LIGHT TO RIGHT ON GOSHEN HUNT LANE AND FOLLOW AS ABOVE.

PLEASE PARK ON CUL DE SAC OR THE STREETS AND IT WILL BE A SHORT WALK USING THE DRIVEWAY AS WALKWAY.



COMING EVENTS

ANNUAL CRAB FEAST - SEPTEMBER 5, 1998

At Betty Lawrence's home, 525 Haven Lane, Great Falls, VA

Come after 2 if you would like to swim--dinner will be about 5 p.m.

Betty will be taking reservations. Call her at 703-759-0471 to say whether you want to bring an appetizer, salad or dessert (Betty will get back to you if any change needs to be made) and whether you will be having crabs or bringing your own entree to cook.



Directions: Take Beltway Exit 13 onto Route 193 (Georgetown Pike) toward Great Falls. Drive 6.3 miles to Great Falls and turn right on Walker Road. Go 1.1 miles and take a left on Squires Trail. At the end of the road, turn left onto Haven Lane and proceed to 525 on the left..



MIDWEEK BIKE 'N LUNCH

Capital Crescent & Rock Creek BikePaths Circle Route

Thursday, September 24 at 10:30 am; Lunch at 12:30 pm

Starting Point: Candy Cane City (Beach Drive just south of East-West Highway) **Route:** 18 mile round trip ride on Rock Creek and Capital Crescent BikePaths with lunch stop in Georgetown (Washington Harbour Deli). This will utilize the new Capital Crescent Trail tunnel under Wisconsin Avenue. Return route via Rock Creek park will involve a hill and a couple of miles on Beach Drive.



Non-cyclists welcome to join us for the Luncheon portion of this activity at 12:30 pm (approximately)

Leader: Marvin Hass (703) 751-4737

FALL STROLL/BIKE THROUGH THE KENTLANDS FOLLOWED BY DINNER AT THE LEONHARDTS (301-963-8111)

Saturday, October 17 3:00 pm.

Walk or bike around the lakes and new developments in Kentlands and then dinner at the Leonhardts, Gaithersburg, MD. If it rains, then dinner only. Limited to 28. Nothing to bring. Cost: \$5-7; cancel by Thur. Oct. 15. Event is full but waiting list is short. Call Barbara to confirm or to sign up.

Can you bear the suspense? A creditable number of songs have been entered for the PVS song contest. We'll hear anon via Madame President what our future marching tune will be.

Oktoberfest

- When:** SATURDAY, September 26th, 1997 at 3:00 p.m. Rain or Shine
- What:** 20th annual PVS Oktoberfest featuring beer, sausages, sauerkraut, pretzels, potato salad, & pflaumen kuchen. Oompah music, too, for dancing of feet, clapping of hands, and cavorting of spirit.
- Call:** Coordinator Aina Thomas at 301-309-8933 by Monday the 21st of September to reserve your place (limited to 60), to choose low-fat or high-test wurst, and to sign up for bringing a potato salad, kuchen, or other Bavarian delectable. No-shows will be responsible for their share of the cost.
- Cost:** Approximately \$10.00 per person.
- Bring:** Your own eating utensils and plate. Your favorite beer mug is, of course, always welcome.
- Optional:** Lederhosen and Dirndl. Even Pferdekleidung.
- Where:** Mary Ward & Jim Slack's Termineigh Horse Farm & Nosh Bar, 4580 Sudley Road, Catharpin, Va.
- Directions:** Take I-66 west from the Beltway. Exit at 47B (Manassas Battlefield) onto Route 234 North (Sudley road). Go 5 miles to downtown Catharpin (check out the new Alvey's Community Store). At the guard rail 0.5 miles later, turn left onto the (now paved at the beginning) gravel driveway. (If you get to Old Field Drive on the left, you just went by our driveway. If all else fails, call 754-8814 from the payphone at Alvey's and we'll come get you.) We are the brick house at the end of the driveway.



BLOB'S PARK - OCTOBER 3

Have a second Oktoberfest at Blob's Park in Maryland., Polkas and more beginning at 9 p.m. Those wanting to eat there can arrange to meet earlier. Suzanne Boisclair is making arrangements. For info, call her at 703-532-0511 (or sboiscl@crosslink net). Send her a check for the admission price of \$6.00. Food and drink are extra..



TOUR OF GENERAL MOTORS FACTORY IN BALTIMORE AND LUNCH AT HARBOR PLACE

TUESDAY, OCT. 6

This event is limited to 25. We will tour the plant starting at 9 a.m. Good walking shoes are required as this is a 2 mile walk. No cameras or tape recorders are allowed. We will follow the start (first piece) of a vehicle to when it comes off the assembly line. A list of participants will be available at our September monthly meeting for forming car pools. Following the GM tour, we will travel to Harbor Place and have lunch at Phillips. Those not wishing to make the plant tour are welcome for lunch and can enjoy the afternoon sights at Harbor Place. To get your name on the list, call Sara or Charles Huggins (301) 424-5725.

Directions to the plant: Take I-95 north toward Baltimore. Bear right onto I-895 (east) Harbor Tunnel Thwy and proceed 10.9 miles, and then turn right onto Holobird Ave. Proceed 0.7 mile and turn right onto Broening Hwy 0.3 mile to GM Factory at 2122.



DINNER AT THE ARTS CLUB
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1998
2017 EYE STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C.



COME CELEBRATE THE EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS. WHAT BETTER PLACE TO CELEBRATE A FOUNDING PARTY THAN AT THE HOME OF ONE OF AMERICA'S FOUNDING FATHERS.

THE FESTIVITIES BEGIN PROMPTLY AT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING WITH COCKTAILS IN THE ELEGANT DRAWING ROOMS OF THE JAMES MONROE HOUSE, FOLLOWED BY DINNER, PREPARED BY MASTER CHEF, BRENNAN HURLEY

AFTER DINNER CORDIALS AND BRANDY WILL BE SERVED IN THE DRAWING ROOMS UNTIL ELEVEN P.M.

The cost for this optional Black Tie event is \$60.00 per person and is limited to 50 people.

Please mail your check payable to Bill Anderson on or before MONDAY, OCTOBER 26.

PAST
EVENT

OLNEY THEATER AND DINNER

On August 9, PVSers gathered at the Olney Theater to see Noel Coward's "Present Laughter". Such witty repartee! If only we could all come up with such snappy retorts instead of thinking of them 24 hours later!

After the show, we moved to the nearby Bella Notte restaurant, all armed with our 10% discount coupons, spotted by sharp-eyed Bob Marx in the playbill. There we enjoyed an excellent Italian dinner while exchanging stories about recent travels, such as Jeannette Albersheim's to Wales, the Triaus' to Italy, and Shirley Rettig's to Ireland.

Thanks, Jeannette for arranging this event for the second year, and maybe we can do it again next year.

Shirley Rettig

Dear PVS Friends: Thank you all more than I can say for all your cards, letters, and support upon the death of my husband Bruce on July 18, 1998.

He was riding his new ATV in the woods near our house at Trout Lake (near Telluride, CO). He was having a wonderful time outdoors in the place he loved best. I think PVSers can identify with that more than most people.

Gratefully,

Penny Hanshaw

SCHEDULED TRIPS FOR THE 1999-2000 SEASONS

<u>DATES</u>	<u>LOCATIONS</u>	<u>TRIP LEADERS</u>
Dec. 9 to 16, 1998	Steamboat, CO.	Ned & Jaclyn Flaherty
Jan. 9 to 16, 1999	Telluride, CO.	Don & Kathy Dillon
Jan. 30 to Feb. 6, 1999	Sun Valley, ID.	Dina Taylor & Nat Seeman
Feb. 19 to Mar. 2, 1999	Cortina, Italy	John Smith & Pat Tengel
Feb. 27 to Mar. 6, 1999 BRSC Trip	Mt. Tremblant, Canada	John Matthews
Mar. 27 to Apr. 3, 1999	Vail, CO	Ray & Nancy McKinley
Dec. 26, 99 to Jan. 2, 2000 BRSC Trip	Steamboat, CO.	Betty Lawrence & Betty Byrne
Jan. 29 to Feb. 5, 2000 BRSC Trip	Park City, UT.	Trip Leader not designated at present time
Feb 26 to Mar 4, 2000 BRSC Trip	Loon, NH or Killington, VT	Exact location not decided by BRSC

If a member is interested in a particular trip, please indicate to the Trip Leader at this time to put your name on the list and make the deposit requested by the Trip Leader. Remember the trips fill-up quickly and there is a limit to the number of people on each trip.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, December 9 - 16, 1998. Full but call the Flahertys to ask about the wait list. 80-Day-Countdown Party for those going will be on Sunday, September 20, at 3 p.m. on the easy Green at the Flahertys'. Regrets please to 301-929-9664.

TELLURIDE JAN 9-16, 1999!!

SPACES STILL AVAILABLE

FULL PACKAGE INCLUDES: Round-Trip Jet Air, Transfers, Deluxe Lodge Accommodations in Mountain Village, Welcome Party, 5 of 6-Day Lift Ticket, Mountain Tour, One Dinner in Olde-Town Telluride, Several Apres-Skis, Pre- and Post-Trip Parties, Free Gondola to Town 15 Hours Daily

<i>FULL PKG., PER PERSON, DOUBLE (PP,D)</i>	<i>\$1195</i>
70 or Older, Full Pkg. (PP,D)	1070
Land Only, No Air or Transfers (PP,D)	815
Land Only, No Air or trans- fers, 70 or Older (PP,D)	690
Single Supplement (Added to Above)	515

Due NOW: \$600 PER PERSON; Final due Nov. 1

**To Sign Up, Call Kathy or Don Dillon
301 330 5371**

You will find Telluride a great place to ski, seventy-five percent blues and greens, split-grooming and well-groomed.. Snow is soft, deep and plentiful to 25 feet of pure Rocky Mountain powder each year. Runs, with long, rolling cruisers, are plentiful and nary a lift line in sight. With deluxe lodge accommodations at new, multimillion-dollar, Mountain Village, you will also be near the well-preserved old, wild-west town of Telluride. It's never too cold in Telluride and you will find it the most beautiful place you'll ever ski.



SKI SUN VALLEY, IDAHO

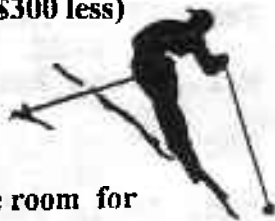
January 30 thru February 6, 1999

Coordinated by Dina Taylor (301-663-6089) & Nat Seeman (713-461-0859)

Amid the splendor of Idaho's majestic mountains, this **VALUE-PACKED** ski package offers great skiing on **UNCROWDED** slopes with state-of-the-art lifts. The motto is "**ROUGHING IT IN LUXURY**" in glamorous guest facilities with alpine charm and amenities to numerous to list. All of us will be lodging in the famous **SUN VALLEY LODGE**, frequented by many Hollywood celebrities. All this for the individualized, unbelievably low price of (Land only - \$300 less)

Room w. 2 double beds, double occupancy - per person only \$1,270

Room w. 1 Queen bed, double occupancy - per person only \$1,194



A nice group of enthusiastic skiers has already signed up, and we have room for a few more. Come and join us. For more information call coordinators. To sign up, send a deposit to Dina Taylor, 8403 Stonehouse Road, Frederick, MD 21702. It is imperative to make a decision soon as trip planning considerations confine us to certain time frames. We have space for you now! Let us hear from you. Your friendly tripleaders Dina and Nat.

M O N T T R E M B L A N T

Potomac Valley Skiers are part of the Blue Ridge Ski Council's "Winterfest 1999"

February 21 to 26 (five day) or February 20 to 27 (seven day option)

John and Ramona Matthews are your coordinators; phone: 301-589-7612

Ski Magazine rates Tremblant as the #1 ski resort in Eastern North America (1997 & 1998). Snow Country Magazine (1997) rates Tremblant as the #1 Value in Eastern North America. These low mountains (3,000 feet) present no altitude adjustment problem yet have great verticals (2131 feet).

Lodging in the Plaza Condominiums is located at the foot of the mountain in the heart of the Village. Deluxe condo units include two bedrooms for two persons each, two bathrooms and full kitchens. The studio units accommodate two at a small price increment. Convenient walk-to-the-slopes for all lodging. You have a choice of a five or seven-day package. Included with both are:

- Pre-trip party.
- Round-trip from Dulles to Montreal via Toronto.
- Round trip charter bus Montreal to Tremblant.
- 7 nights lodging (5 optional).
- 6 days lift tickets (4 optional).
- BRSC welcome party.
- Group race - inter club challenge.
- BRSC farewell dinner/dance: DJ music.
- Optional sight-seeing trip to Quebec City.
- Post-trip party.

	Accommodation	Five nights	Seven nights
Costs of	Two bedroom/two bath condo (four persons)	\$596	\$720
Packages:	Studio unit w/kitchen alcove (two persons)	\$675	\$800

Land only - deduct \$200; Cost adjustment for seniors, single supplement and non-skiers to be determined.

Payment Schedule: A deposit of \$50 is payable with your application. A second payment of \$50 is due by November 5. A third payment of \$75 is due on December 5 and the final payment falls due on January 5, 1999. Trip agreement, emergency information form and travel schedules to be provided.

March 27 to April 3, 1999 join Nancy and Ray McKinley and



SKI VAIL



Experience the thrill of skiing the largest, highest rated ski area in the US--and doing it with your PVS friends. The Vail mega-resort was built from scratch to encompass the best ski terrain in Colorado. Vail's skiing and unrivaled natural beauty make it a place to go back to again and again. Vail is massive with 4,644 skiable acres and the largest network of high-speed quads in North America. At the top, VAIL is 7 miles wide!! And March and April are Vail's snowiest months, so we are guaranteed great powder skiing! Vail has added practice parks for slow to moderately paced skiing so you can relax and enjoy. Special signs are posted at the top of each recently-groomed slope to eliminate guess work. Snow conditions and grooming information are always available on our in-room cable TV. Vail is truly for everyone! Join us and ski Vail! And we fly from close-in Reagan National Airport to Eagle Vail on a great schedule on United Airlines.

♥♥♥♥ We'll stay slopeside at the newly appointed, Lift House. Each spacious unit has a fireplace, queen size bed, queen size sleep sofa, full kitchen, and private balcony. Prices are per person and based on only two people per unit. Single supplement is \$550. And best of all our units are a measured "39 feet 3 and 7/8 inches" from the new high-speed, leather upholstered, heated Lionshead Gondola. The Lift House has two restaurants, a Jacuzzi, bank, two ski shops and is in the heart of Lionshead Village. VAIL. You'll love it!

♥♥♥♥ All the goodies you expect on a McKinley-run trip: 5 of 6 day lift passes good at Vail, Beaver Creek, Arrowhead, Keystone & Breckenridge--almost 11,000 acres!! Airfare, transfers baggage handling and gratuities. We've included three special multi course group dinners at prime Vail dining establishments, *apres ski* every night, and gala pre and post trip parties.

Incredible VAIL Value: 8 Days, 7 Nights Only \$1,348. \$1,188 70+
Land Only package: \$1,009. \$849 70+

A truly great deal. Hurry, only 13 spaces are left. For more information call Nancy or Ray at (703) 527-7126. To sign up fill out the form in our lavender flyer in last month's TOOT (or call us) and send it with your check for \$200 (pay to Ray McKinley) to McKinleys, 2326 North Upton St., Arlington, VA 22207-4045. You'll absolutely ♥ VAIL.

PAST EVENTS

Outing at the Flakes

August 8 was a wonderfully clear and comfortable day for the annual PVS outing at the Flakes hospitable Annapolis home. Thirty-four PVSers had a super time! Many of us sailed the Chesapeake on one of the sailboats in the Flakes' fleet and a number of others cruised the Bay on the sailboat of Pat Tengel and John Smith. At the end of the day, Pat and John sailed into the sunset enroute to their docking on the other side of Annapolis (there wasn't a dry eye in the house).

When not sailing, the group spent its time in lively conversation on the Flakes dock and patio while simultaneously stuffing our mouths with a variety of munchies and consuming goodly amounts of soft drinks, wine and beer. We missed the Flakes' former next door neighbor who in past years provided us with live music for singing and dancing.

After barbecuing our respective dinners, digging in to a spectacular array of salads, and drinking more wine and beer, we wished our cherished President a Happy Birthday and shared with her her 84th birthday cake.

We all left the Flakes with the unspoken but common hope that they will have us back next year! Much thanks to Joan and Glade for a memorable day!!!

Bob McNeill

SOME RECIPES FROM THE SPRING DINNER;

Blanquette of Veal with Water Chestnuts

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| 1 cup butter | 2 1/4 cups beef broth |
| 4 1/2 pounds boneless veal, cut into 1 in cubes | 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg |
| 2 1/2 onions, minced | 1 1/2 bay leaves |
| 2 cloves garlic, minced | 4 5-oz cans water chestnuts, drained sliced |
| 1/2 tps pepper | 7/8 cup heavy cream |
| 2 tps salt | 1/2 cup cognac |
| 3 dashes cayenne pepper | 1/4 cup chopped parsley |
| 2 1/2 lbs fresh mushrooms, quartered | |

Melt 1/2 cup of butter in heavy skillet and brown the veal in batches on all sides, adding the onion and garlic with the last batch to brown along with the veal. Add pepper, salt and cayenne.. Place meat and onions in a 4-quart casserole. Melt the remaining butter in the same skillet and saute the mushrooms quickly. Add mushrooms to meat. Deglaze the pan with a little broth and add to the casserole with remaining broth. Add nutmeg, bay leaves and water chestnuts. Cover and bake at 375 degrees for 1 1/2 hours or until meat is tender., Stir in cream and bake an additional 15 minutes uncovered. Stir in cognac and reheat. Sprinkle with parsley before serving..

✓ CORNED BEEF PATÉ

"A tasty change from the usual paté"

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| 2 tsp. instant minced onion | Soften onion in water for 5 |
| 2/3 cup water | minutes. Flake corned beef with |
| 12 oz. can corned beef | fork, add braunschweiger, |
| 8 oz. braunschweiger | mayonnaise, vinegar, dry |
| 1/2 cup mayonnaise | mustard and onion. Blend at |
| 1 tbsp. vinegar | medium speed in food processor, |
| 1/2 tsp. dry mustard | 1/2 cup at a time. Turn into a 3 1/2 |
| parsley for garnish | cup mold and chill. Turn out on |
| | plate; decorate with parsley and |
| | serve with crackers or party rye bread. Can be mixed by hand. |

Preparation: 5 min. Easy Yield: 3 cups
 Can do ahead

SPINACH CHEESE SQUARES

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| 4 tbsp. butter | Preheat oven to 350°. In a |
| 3 eggs | 9x13x2" pan, melt the butter in |
| 1 cup flour | the oven; remove. In bowl, beat |
| 1 cup milk | the eggs, add flour, milk, salt and |
| 1 tsp. salt | baking powder; mix well. Add |
| 1 tsp. baking powder | cheese and spinach and blend. |
| 1 lb. sharp Cheddar cheese, | Pour into buttered pan and bake |
| grated | at 350° for 35 minutes. Remove |
| 2 pkgs. chopped spinach, thawed | and cool 10 minutes to set. Cut |
| & drained | into bite-size squares. |

Can freeze by placing squares on cookie sheet; freeze solid. Place in plastic bags and store. To serve: heat 12 minutes at 325°.

Preparation: 15 min. Easy Yield: 32 squares
 Baking: 35 min. Can do ahead Can freeze



THE KNEE

by

Ray McKinley

The world is literally in turmoil. Reporters being fired for "creating" sources

and stories and politics in sexual disarray. Let me clear the air. The Knee has NEVER created an untrue story. The source of all of my seemingly absurd stories is the President. No, not cocky Bill, I mean Lu Beale. Lu hates to see her name in print (that's why it's in script at the bottom of her message), so I rarely use it. But she is always the source. I never make anything up. Trust me!

I also have NEVER had sex, according to the definition agreed to in the Paula Jones trial, with Monica Lewinski. I can also say, unequivocally, that the President also did not. I am, of course, referring to President Beale

We've made it through the summer blahs. The end of summer is upon us. Leaves are already turning, and many are sad. But not PVSer's. Happy Knee Ski Year! It's just startin' for us. And I, for one, am raring to go.

A very special tip of the ol' Knee cap to Kathy Quinden and Bill Hager. Last month they got married at Lake Tahoe in Kneevada. They sent out a great announcement showing a cowboy and cowgirl sitting arm in arm on a fence looking at the mountains. Bill and Kathy were never fence sitters; they're skiers. Ankneeway, congrats.

Here's a resurrected Knee word to the wise. Better to toss your salad than your cookies.

Myron and Fumiko Marquardt are recently back from Alaska. Whilst there they dangled their toes in the Arctic Ocean. Myron's assessment: "It was darned (a euphemism) cold."

Bob and Marty McNeill are just back from a short trip to Long Island. According to Bob, while there they stayed in a house of ill repute. I don't make these things up (often). The Knee merely, and always humbly, reports them.

El nino, el schmino. Despite many dire predictions of warmth, this last season two resorts let you ski some two-thirds of the year! The season at Whistler, in British Columbia, ran 245

days. Not far behind was California's Mammoth Mountain with a 234 day season. Five other resorts had over 200 day seasons. Lagging a bit was Ski Liberty. Their season stretched to a full nine days. All right, I lied. It wasn't a "full" nine days--that includes the two "slush days."

In Europe they stir their tea with little teaknee spoons. (Aren't you better knowing that?)

A bit of ski area news: Consider Utah and Vermont. How would you think their number of ski areas compare? I bet you are wrong. Vermont has over 5 times as many ski areas as Utah--67 versus 13! (The Knee has skied 9 of Utah's 13; can anyone beat that?) Utah also loses in skier days--last season 3 million versus Vermont's 4 million. Ahead of both are Colorado with 11 million skier days and, surprisingly, California with 7 million.

John Brunelli believes that New Orleans is much more formal than Washington, D.C. In recent months he has been to three white tie events. So that's his "formal" position. White on.

Stein Erickson, the Director of Skiing at Deer Valley, was formally knighted by the King and Queen of Norway. Thus, Deer Valley will now be forced into having "knight skiing." Boo! Don't blame me; blame Stein.

Now that he travels to smaller cities on business, Don Cope has decided what he doesn't like about traveling. Everything.

For their 40th wedding ankneeverserknee, Ron and Nancy Ewing had dinner and an evening at the Inn at Little Washington. On their arrival their children had a bottle of chilled *Dom Perignon* brought to their room. Yummy.

Did you know that almost 50 PVSers now have E-mail? Perhaps we will have an E-TOOT.

Several gorgeous PVS grandmothers are just back from a beach week at my favorite beach--Bethaknee. Because the weather was bleak, they spent one day at Atlantic City, gamboling. I mean gambling. All were winners. I won't give names since most are not old enough to be grandmothers.

The Knee received unsolicited medicine recently. Jack Peoples sent me a sample of a new acne medicine called acknee. (It's true.) That's why this particular column is unblemished.



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