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Greetings to Members and Applicants,

There are so many activities going on this time of year. One of those, the Segway trip, has already happened. Thanks to Barbara Leonhardt for leading this fun filled scenic tour. The All Trips Party will be here before you know it on Sat, July 17th at the home of Betty Lawrence—thank you Betty for opening up your home for this important summer meeting/party. Then, once again, thanks to Barbara Leonhardt, we have a boat tour of Chesapeake Bay light houses starting from Annapolis on August 23 via high speed Catamaran. The Finger Lakes Wine tour in late August is a GO also--there may be room for 1-2 more if you're interested.

The combined luncheon with 22 PVS members and 27 Capitol Golden Skiers was a big success as members got to know each other a bit more and agreed to share activities in the future while enjoying popovers galore at Normandie Farms in Potomac. See more on that later in the TOOT.

I hope all you skiers are signed up (or will be soon) for at least one ski trip for next season. They're always fun, and it's a great way to get to know fellow PVS members. The skiing is almost always good, if not great. We are fortunate to have members who are ready, willing, and able to lead our ski trips. So let's support our hard working trip leaders as well.

When you receive the quarterly PVS Roster in August you will notice some highly anticipated changes. The main change will be the ability to display another phone number so that fellow members will be able to communicate with each other more readily.

So long for now—see you at the All Trips Party!
Sincerely,

Sharon

Please note that two ski trip flyers (one more not yet available) and one PVS anniversary flyer are located at end of this document. There will be an e-mail only update of PVS events issued Aug 1. No August TOOT

All Trips Party
Saturday, July 17,
4:00 PM



Betty Lawrence Home
10000 Woodrow Street, Vienna, VA
22181-3138
Please RSVP by Monday, July 12,
lizl@verizon.net or 703-319-1860

Come for dinner and learn all about the many trips PVS is offering for the 2010-2011 season.

Barbecue will be served, but everyone is asked to bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert. A small fee will be charged to cover the cost of the drinks and barbecue. Please contact Betty to let her know what food you would like to bring at lizl@verizon.net

Also, get yourself in shape for some volleyball, horseshoes or just some fun pampering yourself with goodies.

Special Guest -- Small Puppies are invited.
Weather permitting, outdoors.

Parking: Street parking available. (**SAFETY NOTE:** Please have each person get out of the car on the street-side due to deep culverts, no sidewalks, and no shoulders, OR drop off passengers in circular driveway in front of house.)

Directions on page 2

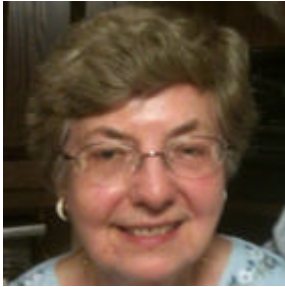
Meeting Announcements and Meeting/Event Reviews

DIRECTIONS: All Trips Party July 17 4:00 pm

Directions via Dulles Toll Road: *Easiest (\$1.75 toll):* Take Dulles Toll Road (Rte. 267) 5.5 miles west from the Beltway to Hunter Mill Rd. exit 14; turn left (south) at the end of the ramp onto Hunter Mill Rd. (Rte. 674). After driving 1/3 of a mile, at the junction of Sunrise Valley Dr., turn left to continue on Hunter Mill Rd. Travel 3.4 miles and turn left onto Vale Rd. (Rte 672). Proceed 1/5 mile and turn left onto Trott Ave. Go one block and turn right onto Woodrow St. Proceed one block to corner of Woodrow St. and Gerken Ave. Betty's house is on the corner.

Directions via I-66: Take I-66 to Nutley St. North Exit and proceed 1.1 miles (crossing Rte. 123-Maple Ave.) until it ends at Malcolm Rd. Turn left onto Malcolm Rd. (Rte 672) and remain on Rte 672 even when Malcolm Rd. changes its name to Vale Rd. After proceeding about one mile on Rte 672, turn right onto Trott Ave., and then take the next right (one block) onto Woodrow St. Proceed one block to corner of Woodrow St. and Gerken Ave. Betty's house is on the corner.

Monthly Meeting Review: June Meeting at the Home of Ruth Powers



The last meeting of this "school year" took place at Ruth's lovely McLean home located on Potomac Falls (bring your own flashlight) Road. Ruth provided an array of dips, cheese and crackers to temper the libations available. Many familiar faces (and figures) were under shadowed (as opposed to over shadowed) by the "new look" of John Smith. John lost what seems to be ton of weight and was the envy of us all.

Vice President Ellie Thayer conducted the business meeting in the absence of our President Sharon Mulholland. Although there were no guests in attendance, PVS Member Leona Mahallati and her husband Sal's presence was recognized because we hadn't seen them for a while. Ray McKinley highlighted scheduled PVS events to keep us busy this summer: Segway Tour; All Trips Party; Annapolis Boat Tour; and Finger Lakes Wine Tour. Carolyn DeVilbiss reported a very successful joint luncheon with Capital Golden Skiers and the possibility of more ventures with them. Rosemary Schwartzbard reviewed the THREE ski trips scheduled for December, January and February. An appeal for more TOOT Editors brought two semi-volunteers as possible "editors in training." Dottie Villers, who was heading south to her new home the morning after the meeting, spoke about the grand anniversary gala in November and promised that she would return for the event.

After the business meeting we socialized with chocolate goodies and coffee.

See you all in September...if not earlier. *Submitted by Mike Strand*

Event Review: JUNE 12, 2010 JOINT PVS-CGS LUNCH

On Saturday, June 12, fifty-plus enthusiastic ski aficionados from Potomac Valley Skiers and Capital Golden Skiers met for lunch at Normandie Farms. It was a special and long-awaited occasion for the two clubs. CGS hosted the event providing name tags, trivia quizzes, prizes, and, most importantly, a welcoming atmosphere. There was much talk of opening activities and ski trips to the opposite club members. Representatives from each club spoke, introduced officers, and provided ski trip information. Members of the two clubs intermingled at the tables and it was great fun sharing ski stories and talking about future trips and activities.

The GCS newsletter is available online at www.capitalgoldenskiers.com. PVS will provide its schedule of events and ski trip information to CGS to attach to its newsletter. The luncheon was a wonderful opening chapter in what PVS hopes will be a long and lasting friendship.

Submitted by June Read Martin and Ellie Thayer



Chesapeake Bay Lighthouses Cruise Mon. Aug. 23, 2010 11:15 AM – 2:15 PM



We're going cruising on the Chesapeake Bay on a high-speed catamaran for a 3 hr. tour

that takes us under the Bay Bridges and on to see the Sandy Point Shoal, Baltimore Harbor and Thomas Point Lighthouses. A "lighthouse keeper" on board will keep us entertained and informed. More info is at: www.watermarkcruises.com/cruisesBayLighthouse.htm. We will board the cruise at 10:45 AM at the Annapolis City Dock. Bring your lunch if you wish; drinks will be available to buy. Call Barbara Leonhardt at 301-963-8111 (home) or 301-996-2338 (cell) or email to: fbleonhardt@starpower.net if you wish to join us. Cost is \$40/person and pre-payment and reservations are required. Total is due by August 14. Parking suggestions along with other trip information will be supplied by trip leader to those enrolled for this event



Room for Two PVS Finger Lakes Extravaganza 2010

Thursday, August 26, 2010 – Sunday, August 29, 2010

The trip is a go! There is still room to accommodate two people, which leaves space on the bus to hold valuable cargo including wine, spirits, cheeses, and other goodies gathered throughout NY's Finger Lakes Wine Country. Any additional interested persons beyond two will be placed on a waiting list. Join hosts and vintners David & Susan Payne.

The total package is \$300 per person. It includes:

- Visits to 8 wineries and distilleries
- Visit to cheese producing dairy farms
- A behind the scenes tour of a vineyard and winery
- Private tour, wine tasting and group dinner at Pleasant Valley Wine Company - Established in 1860, the winery proudly displays the designation U.S. Bonded Winery No. 1 and has eight remarkable stone buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Pleasant Valley is also home to Great Western Champagne.
- Two (2) group dinners (including Pleasant Valley) and Two (2) group lunches
- Chartered bus transportation to wineries/distilleries and meals
- A boat excursion on Seneca Lake aboard the Malabar, a vintage sailing schooner yacht built in 1930
- Participants will have time private time to visit destinations such as the Windmill Farm Co-op and Corning Museum of Glass, hike the Watkins Glen Gorge, shop, fish, etc.
- Drive your own car on the Watkins Glen International Race Track (pay separately)

The two items below are not included in the package. Participants will make their own arrangements for:

- Transportation to and from Watkins Glen
- Lodging. After submitting a deposit, you will be provided with a list of inns/B&Bs located in the Watkins Glen area. Three (3) nights (August 26, 27, 28) lodging is estimated at \$210 - 300 per person (based on double occupancy, including tax and on the B&B or inn selected). B&B list will be provided after deposit is received.

For more info and to get an application, call Susan Payne at 607-727-1190 or e-mail her at vineyard100@frontiernet.net. You can also send a check for \$300 pp payable to: Susan Payne (put PVS FLWC 2010 on the memo line) and mail to: Susan Payne at 5598 Dutch Street, Dundee, NY 14837



A Culinary Experience at Culinaire

Wednesday, October 13, 2010 at High Noon

Let's have a delightful lunch at Culinaire Restaurant, the restaurant at the Art Institute (ai) of Washington's culinary school in Rosslyn. The culinary students, supervised by a chef instructor, cook and serve and the guests dine and enjoy. The light and airy setting is on the 12th floor at 1820 North Fort Myer Drive, Arlington, Virginia, with large picture windows looking outward as well as large picture windows looking into the kitchen. If our party is large enough (25 - 35), then we can reserve the entire restaurant. Otherwise, we will reserve a set number of tables. Expect prices to be around \$15.00 for three courses.

Wednesday, October 13 is the date; noon is the time; and credit card is the only allowable form of payment. The building is across the street from the back exit of the Rosslyn metro. There is metered and garage parking available in Rosslyn also. Contact Ellie Thayer at 703 534-3061 or at ellie.thayer@comcast.net. There will be a sign-up sheet at the All Trips Party on July 17 also. The deadline for signing up is September 15, 2010.

PVS 45th Anniversary

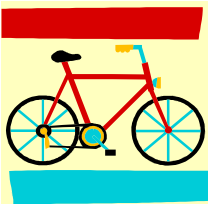
Saturday evening November 6, 2010

Save the date. This special event will be held at the Bolger Center in Potomac, Maryland and involve a Cocktail party, dinner, and special program. A premier event and an occasion where you might be able to see some of your fellow PVSers in their (optional) formal attire. Those wishing to stay overnight at the Bolger Center will be able to do so at a special rate.

[See last two pages of this issue for further information and 45th anniversary flyer.]

[Event not sponsored by PVS, but led by PVS member]

BIKE RIDE TO NATIONAL HARBOR July 30 Friday 9:00 AM



I [PVS member Rosemary Schwartzbard] am leading a bike ride from Roosevelt Island to National Harbor and back (25 miles round trip) for the Arlington County 55+ Bike Group on Friday, July 30, starting at 9 am. A shorter option would be to meet us at Daingerfield Island Marina at 9:45 (12 miles round trip). We will take the path along the river, through Old Town, and over the Wilson Bridge. We will stop for snacks at National Harbor. Even though I am

leading the bike ride, please sign up for the ride by contacting **Jennifer Collins** at Arlington County: at 703-228-4745 or e-mail jcollins@arlingtonva.

Members Corner

By J. David Warthen, Jr.
dwarthen@verizon.net
 301-774-2653



Profile of Bill Hager:

Bill Hager's travels and interesting letters/pictures from all over the world (Hot Line distribution) have prompted a rerun of his profile, which appeared in the Feb '92 TOOT, 18 years ago: "I was born and grew up in Southern California where water skiing was much more popular than the snow variety. I attended Loyola University of Los Angeles, majoring in Political Science to avoid the draft. I joined the army and, after a year in Korean language training, spent the next year and a half in Korea. Before returning to the U.S., I spent an unforgettable month hitchhiking on military aircraft to various areas in the far east.

The experience eventually led me to join the State Department, which sent me to a variety of garden spots around the globe, but mostly in tropical countries where there was not a lot of skiing.

I returned from Paris in 1971, having learned to ski the previous winter at Verbier – that season it made New England boilerplate look like packed powder, and ever since, I've had a fondness for sheet ice! I visited the Washington Ski Show where PVS had a booth, was beguiled by the charms of Gail, Marilyn and Jan, and opted for PVS over SCWDC and the Fagowees. I've skied Mt. Sutton almost as many times as has Jack Peoples, back when we carpooled in family groups and stayed in assorted chalets and Jay Peak was included in the 6-mountain lift ticket package.

Killington was a favorite New England destination in the early days, with long drives and inexpensive family accommodations some distance from the slopes - but those can be the most fun, and we always had great hosts. Colorado was the destination in 1978: Crested Butte and Aspen – I'll never forget flying one early morning from Crested Butte to Aspen in a three passenger plane, with the sun just coming up over the

mountains, and skimming so low over the peaks you could reach out and touch the snow! It was a long, dry spell then, until returning home in 1989 and skiing, in succession, Mt. Sutton, Val d'Isere and Courmayeur, and Steamboat. There are so many memories here of special slopes and incredible runs when everything came together. But perhaps the Vallee Blanche, between Italy and France, highlights the ski experience for me."

Remember When Moments:

On 15 June, the June '75 TOOT (yes, 35 years ago) was distributed for a nostalgic 'read' for June. If you were not signed up for Hot Line e-mails, you did not receive it. Access the June '75 TOOT with appropriate Username and Password at:

http://www.potomacvalleyski.org/toot_index.html

PVS Cookbook 1981:

Featured '**Dessert**' recipe for the month is Alice **Swalm's** Carrot Cake on page 108 at:



<http://www.potomacvalleyski.org/cookbook>

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Roster Changes:

- Richard & Julie **King** (E-mail address change)
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- Ray & Nancy **McKinley** (New address)
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 Arlington, VA 22202-4406
- Dottie **Villers** (New address & phone)
 1007 Bay Head Circle
 Wilmington, NC 28405-4037
 703-217-2986
- Robert **Harmon** (New address & phone)
 3440 S. Jefferson Street, #1076
 Falls Church, VA 22041-3149
 703-842-3170

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- To Proof Reader, Ellie **Thayer**.



The KNEE



THE KNEE

by Ray McKinley
RaysKnee@gmail.com

We are quixotic. Six months ago we were ruing winter. We had two 30+” snow storms and a record snow season for the Washington DC area. We longed for non-icy pavements and warm temperatures. Now, it's summer. Whoopee! Warm became hot; and the dreaded “Bermuda High” has appeared. June had 17 days over 90 deg—compared to 2 days last year, and it made it to 100 deg twice. We've had lots of hot, humid, hazy days followed by hot, humid nights. The good news is that we are now on the slippery slope toward winter. The longest day of the year, summer solstice, was June 21. It can change by a day due to the 400 year leap year cycle and a bit of polar wobbling—called nutation That completes the educational portion of the **Knee**.

Also eagerly awaiting winter are Louanne and Bob Eadie. In December, Bob finishes his year of post-melanoma interferon treatments. Then they will be able to travel. And Louanne is rarin' for a ski trip—or several ski trips. **Kneet**

Skiing rules! Did you see the latest from the census? Neither Fairfax nor Montgomery County is the richest in the nation by per capita (that means counting each persons hats) income. It's Douglas County, outside Denver and it's the gateway to skiing!

Happy An**Knee**versary to Jim Slack and Mary Ward. This marks 18 years since the returned from California to DC—before moving south to Lexington, Virginia three years ago. (Considerably) Earlier, Jim and Mary honeymooned on a Wyckoff ski trip.

The **Knee and Nancy** have mostly completed the process of selling our Arlington home and moving to Crystal City. We've sold, settled and in June moved to our 3 BR condo. Yip**Knee**!!! Now, all we **kneed** to do is to unpack our eight zillion boxes. (If I've told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate!)

The wonders of Verizon FIOS. Dave Lerner has had a devil of a time getting it installed. They were there nine hours, trampled his plantings and had to come back a second time to finish the job. Yucko!

Unfortunately, Dave, the Knee and Nancy have a lengthier tale. So far we have had 3 visits from Verizon covering 15 hours. And the installation isn't complete yet. Indeed, I'm writing this column on my old Underwood manual typewriter!

According to Marvin Hass, Aspen's ski bunnies and powder hounds disappear with the melting snowpack, and the Colorado resort town transforms into a thriving cultural destination. You know about the packed calendar of music and dance festivals. But these days, food comes to the fore. Headlining the so-called summer off-season is the annual Aspen Food & Wine Classic, a gathering of local and international chefs that has solidified Aspen's reputation as the culinary capital of the Rockies.

And later, in September, sprawled behind Aspen Highlands and beneath the purple pyramid of 11,396-foot Mount Lamborn, the Zephyros Farm and Garden hosts an annual organic farm festival. Aspen has embraced the region's wealth of sustainable agriculture. The nightly farmhouse dinner highlights regional, small-farm fare. The **Knee** is ready to eat!

We had a great June meeting at Ruth Powers' beautiful McLean home. Ruth had just seen her first copperhead snake on her property earlier in the day. Not good news.

It was super to see Sal and Lee Mahalatti. They have moved back from the Eastern Shore to be nearer their children. Hope to see lots more of both of you.

You shoulda been there. There was an animated conversation between Joe Jevcak, Sheldon Drews and John Smith about, of all things, North and South Yemen. The **Knee** should have joined in. Look at a map, they shouldn't be North and South Yemen, rather they're East and West Yemen. Sanaa for now.

Marvin Hass is putting this issue of TOOT together. And Veep Ellie Thayer is doing the editing (so if this column isn't very good, blame Ellie!) Ellie is doing the editing from Colorado where she is out climbing one of their 14,000 ft peaks. The idea leaves me breathless!

Even higher: Reg Heitchue and Liz Warren-Boulton are back from trekking in the Himalayas. They got as high as the Everest Base Camp at 21,000 ft. Talk about breathless...

And final **Knee** at the meeting, I was discussing our move with Dick and Rosemary Schwartzbard. The only thing we lost was our plunger. Replied Dick, “Shitty.”

Calendars -- Links

Local Events Calendar		Trips Calendar	
July 17	Sat (4PM)	All Trips Party (Betty L.)	Aug 26-28 Finger Lakes Wine Country (Paynes)
July 27	Tues (7:30)	ExCom (Schwartzbards)	Dec 11-18 Keystone (Dick Comerford)
Aug 23	Mon (11AM)	Chesapeake Bay Cruise	Jan 19-26, 2011 Snowmass (C. DeVilbiss/S.Mulholland/)
Oct 13	Wed (noon)	Lunch Culinaire Restaurant	Feb 17 – 23 2011 Steamboat (C. Jablon)
Nov 6	Sat (eve)	PVS 45 TH Anniversary Gala	

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Useful “Links”

Potomac Valley Skiers	www.potomacvalleyskiers.org
Capital Golden Skiers	www.capitalgoldenskiers.com
BRSCSanctioned Trips	www.skicouncil.com/tripsbydate.htm
DC Ski Online News	www.dcski.com

Keystone Flyer not yet submitted. Below is trip description from June TOOT



Keystone

December 11 - 18, 2010

Wedel Week - A good relaxing way to start the new ski season

At Keystone, Colorado you'll find everything that makes a perfect vacation all in one place. From lodging, dining and activities, Keystone offers great skiing on 3 mountains, along with unique activities like night skiing, KAT snow cat skiing, dog sledding, and dinner sleigh rides.



Accommodations:

River Run Village is the most popular place to stay at Keystone. With great shopping, dining, nightlife, swimming pools and even a Starbucks close by, these units are in a perfect location for those who want to be close to the slopes and in the middle of the action. From River Run, you have a short walk to the River Run Gondola and the Summit Express lift. The accommodations in River Run are all newly designed, mountain-theme suites. The 2 bedroom condominiums have a living room, kitchen and bedrooms that have either a king size bed or twin beds (we can decide configuration later-there is sufficient inventory).

Included in cost:

- Lodging at the River Run Deluxe Condominiums
- Daily Breakfast
- Three Dinners – Wolf Rock Steak House, Summit Seafood Company, and Der Fondue Chessel at Keystone Mountain at the top of North Peak (with Bavarian Dancing)
- Private Après ski in Trip Leader's Room
- Transportation to Keystone via Colorado Mountain Express

NOT included in the cost:

- Ski tickets – Ski 4 Packs (4 days) for Keystone were sold last year for \$139. Ski 4 Packs at Copper Mountain were \$129.
- Airfare – Note: Southwest now flies from Dulles to Denver non-stop

Cost: \$825.

Contact me if interested: Dick Comerford (H) 703-777-9374 (C) 571-426-3098
Send \$220 deposit to me – memo on check should say “Keystone 2011”
307 Lounsbury Ct
Leesburg, VA 20176

dick.comerford@verizon.net





Potomac Valley Skiers

2011 Snowmass Trip

Wednesday, January 19 -
Wednesday, January 26

Trip Details

We will again be staying slope-side at the Snowmass Mountain Chalet (SMC) which is just below the Snowmass Mall. The SMC is a small lodge with 64 rooms, from which you can ski directly to lifts. Check the website at www.mountainchalet.com. The total package is: United Airlines from Dulles to Denver and Denver to Aspen and return plus the land transfer from Aspen airport to SMC and return; 5-day lift ticket (good for all four ski areas in the Aspen complex, free shuttle bus) with option for a sixth ski day; 7 nights lodging (double occupancy); daily breakfast; daily soup lunch; 2 group dinners; luggage handling; après-ski parties including welcome wine & cheese party and an all guest hotel sponsored party; pre-trip and post-trip parties. Trip insurance is available as an option and is highly suggested (see over). Additional nights at Snowmass are an option and air can be altered to accommodate resulting date changes. All alternate air will be quoted on an individual basis. For trail information check www.aspensnowmass.com.

<u>Costs:</u>		<u>Price*</u>
Full Snowmass Package		\$1938
Land only	subtract	\$ 444
Single Supplement	add	\$ 886
Non-skiers	subtract	\$ 232
Add sixth ski day	add	\$ 45/day**

**A \$5 surcharge will be collected in advance for RFID chip system and will be refunded upon return of the pass to the lift ticket window.*

***There is no senior pass being offered this year for short holidays. For members wishing longer stays, we will inquire about special rates.*

Airline Schedule (subject to changes in United schedules):

Jan. 19: United flight #427 at 10:00 AM Dulles to Denver (arrive at 11:59 AM) then flight #6823 at 1:45 PM to Aspen (arrive at 2:31 PM).

Jan. 26: United flight #6070 at 9:40 AM Aspen to Denver (arrive at 10:34 AM) then flight #316 at 12:55 PM (arrive at 6:12 PM).

Check United Airlines website for baggage requirements and fees (www.united.com).

Payment Schedule

\$250 deposit is due with application (fully refundable until August 1st. Second payment of \$750 is due Aug. 15th. Final payment is due October 1. Land only price includes a \$25 surcharge to cover costs.

To sign up: Please send (1) the Application form (reverse side of flier), (2) a Deposit of \$250 and/or your payment due, and (3) the signed Waiver of Liability Agreement to Carolyn DeVilbiss at 4508 Peacock Ave., Alexandria, VA 22304 (put PVS Snowmass 2011 on the memo line).

For more info, call Carolyn DeVilbiss at 703-370-4865: email at Carolyn.maurer@verizon.net.
or Sharon Mulholland at 301-330-2953: email at shank@mris.com.

The Mountain Chalet

The Snowmass Mountain Chalet is an independent lodge, managed on site. Each room has either 2 queen beds or 1 king bed. All rooms have: hair dryer, TV, small refrigerator, etc. The lodge has a nice lounge on the main floor with lots of chairs, game tables, fireplace, and has large windows overlooking the slopes. There is an elevator, exercise room, outdoor pool, hot tub, and laundry facilities. A full breakfast is served family-style each morning. A complimentary soup lunch is served from 12:00-1:30 PM. The lodge has no restaurant for dinner. However, the Snowmass Mall, on the level above, has many restaurants of all price levels; one can walk up some stairs or use the elevator at the end of the mall. Bus service stops are nearby for trips into Aspen town, to other Aspen ski areas, and to Glenwood Springs.

Trip Insurance

Trip insurance is available upon request for all group participants; price will be quoted for those wishing to purchase. The insurance provides coverage for accident, illness, injury, or death to attendee or immediate family member and will refund all eligible expenses associated with PVS Snowmass 2011 in these circumstances alone. Information about other travel insurance vendors and offers may be available upon inquiry.

Cancellation Policy and Fees*

*If it becomes necessary for you to cancel your trip, the trip leaders will try to minimize your losses although some fees are mandated by the airline, hotel and tour operator. All cancellations must be in writing. [We strongly urge you to purchase trip insurance](#) (see above). Name changes and itinerary changes may incur additional fees, especially after ticketing.

***Cancellation fees are as follows:** *Dates and costs are consistent with requirements and penalties imposed by vendors per contracted agreements.* None prior to August 1; Aug. 1 to Nov. 15 \$200; Nov. 16 to Dec. 15 \$500 (+cost of air if already ticketed). Additional charges may apply, depending upon actual costs. After Dec. 16 no refund is likely.

***If you are a "single" participant** requesting space on a PVS-endorsed ski trip, and your roommate cancels, you will be offered the choice of one of the following three options: 1) [Helping the trip leader find a replacement trip participant who will fill the space vacated](#); [or](#) 2) [Staying on the ski trip by paying the "single supplement"](#) [or](#) 3) [Cancelling from the ski trip and paying all currently due penalties.](#)

Name as on your Official ID: _____

Address: _____ **Home phone no.** _____

_____ **Email:-** _____

Please check all appropriate spaces (ages as of trip date):

Total package with standard air _____ **or alternate air** (different city or dates) **or land only** _____

Total price of trip (without insurance or extra nights at SMC--see above rates) \$ _____

Trip insurance (optional): **yes** _____ **no** _____ (If yes, we will notify you with the price as soon as available)

Age _____ (at time of trip; for insurance)

Sixth ski day ?: **yes** _____ **no** _____ **Ski rental ?:** **yes** _____ **no** _____

Roommate (if not listed on this form) _____

Bedding choice (if available): **1king** _____ **or 2 queens** _____

Additional nights at SMC: **yes** _____ **no** _____: if yes, **before** _____ **or after trip** _____

of nights _____ (arrange for additional nights directly with SMC)

Send application (above) with **deposit** and **signed waiver** (next page) to:

Carolyn DeVilbiss, 4508 Peacock Avenue, Alexandria VA 22304.

**RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT
PERTAINING TO THE JANUARY 19-26, 2011 SNOWMASS SKI TRIP (Potomac
Valley Skiers)**

- I acknowledge that there are inherent risks in the sport of skiing and other sports or activities in which I might participate during this trip, and in the process of traveling. There may be bodily injury, illness, accident, death, property loss or damage, and unanticipated additional costs or other economic losses. I fully and willingly accept the responsibility and liability for all such risks, dangers, costs, and losses.
- (2) I agree not to sue or hold responsible the trip leader, Potomac Valley Skiers, Inc. (hereafter PVS), its officers and members of the Executive Committee, or its members for: (1) any accident, personal injury, illness, or death occurring to me or to any other trip participant, arising directly or indirectly from this trip; (2) any loss of deposit of payment, any other property or economic loss, or unanticipated additional costs, delay, or change of itinerary arising out of any action or inaction of any hotel, airline, tour operator, land transportation operator, or other entity or person providing services on this trip; and (3) any trip cancellation, delay, early termination or extension due to acts of God, forces of nature, or other force majeure events or situations. I willingly and with full knowledge assume these risks.
- (3) I understand and agree that the trip leaders, and the tour operators or agents with whom the trip leaders have contracted, have the right to substitute accommodations of similar or better quality, to change transportation arrangements and providers, and to modify other services. In the event of such changes, no refund or credit will be provided if the accommodations, transportation, or services are of comparable or better quality and cover the same approximate time period.
- (4) I agree that I am not entitled to a credit or refund for any included trip service that is not used by me.

I have read and I fully understand this “Release, Assumption of Risk, and Waiver of Liability Agreement,” the final trip flyer, and the trip application, and I agree to all of the specified terms and conditions.

Signature of Participant: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Participant: _____

Signature of Participant: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Participant: _____



Steamboat Springs

February 17 - 23, 2011

The [Potomac Valley Skiers](#) invites you to Steamboat Springs, Colorado, for six nights in premier accommodations and five days on the slopes, from February 17 - 23, 2011. [Steamboat Springs, Ski Town USA](#), has a base elevation of 6,900 feet, ideal for anyone who has difficulty adapting to high altitude (sleeping below 7,500 feet keeps the headaches away). Besides offering 2,965 acres of trails and glades, with a large variety for all levels of downhill skiers, Steamboat has a wealth of other activities. These activities include cross-country skiing, snowshoe tours, snowmobile tours, ice skating, soaking in the natural mineral hot springs, winter fly fishing, the winter driving school center, hot air balloon rides, winter horseback riding, dinner sleigh rides, day spas, and shopping in the town of Steamboat Springs.

ACCOMMODATIONS: The **STEAMBOAT GRAND** is a premier hotel a short 100-yard walk from the high-speed gondola, with complimentary ski storage slope-side. The hotel has an outdoor heated pool, two hot tubs, and a full-service spa and fitness center. In-room amenities include a coffee maker, flat screen TV, DVD, robes, hair dryer, and complimentary wireless internet. Restaurants/cafes in the hotel include: The Cabin Restaurant, which specializes in organic, natural and local fare; Chaps, a Western-theme mountain bar; the Grand Cafe, a coffee shop; and the Bistro Bar.

THE COST IS \$1,798 PER PERSON, based on double occupancy (skiers 65 and older deduct \$45; for a four-day lift ticket (instead of the included five-day lift ticket), deduct \$45; non-skiers, deduct \$311). The package includes:

Lodging at the Steamboat Grand for six nights

Daily breakfast

Welcome pizza dinner the first night

One group dinner

Private après-ski parties

Pre-trip party

Five-day lift ticket

Round trip air from Dulles to Hayden, Colorado

Round trip ground transfer on Alpine Taxi van service from Hayden to Steamboat

AIRLINE SCHEDULE (subject to change):

Feb. 17: Depart Washington/Dulles 10:00 am; Arrive Denver 12:19 pm
Depart Denver 2:49 pm; Arrive Hayden-Steamboat 3:49 pm

Feb. 23: Depart Hayden-Steamboat 1:23 pm; Arrive Denver 2:16 pm
Depart Denver 3:55 pm; Arrive Washington/Dulles 9:10 pm

Cancellation Policy: This trip requires a minimum group of 24. The initial deposit will be returned if a participant cancels before October 1, 2010, or if the trip leaders cancel the trip due to lack of interest. If the minimum group size is not met, the trip may proceed with a small surcharge. After October 1, 2010, varying penalties will apply. After November 12, 2010, the majority of the trip payments are non-refundable. ALL CANCELLATIONS MUST BE IN WRITING.

Trip Insurance: Trip insurance through Encompasse Tours is available to all group participants for an extra fee. Information on trip insurance, including coverage options and pricing, will be provided after July 15, 2010. We strongly recommend purchasing trip insurance.

Single Participants: The single supplement is \$728 per person. There are three options for a single participant whose roommate cancels: (1) help the trip leader find a replacement trip participant who will fill the vacated space; (2) stay on the ski trip by paying the single supplement; or (3) cancel the trip and pay the penalties in effect at the time of the cancellation.

Payment Schedule: A deposit of \$250 is due with the application and is fully refundable before October 1, 2010. A payment of \$750 is due October 1, 2010. Final payment is due November 1, 2010. A fee of \$10 will be charged for late payments.

Please send the attached Application Form and Release, Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability Agreement, together with a **deposit of \$250 per person**, to:

Cara Jablon
4573 Indian Rock Terrace, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20007
202-333-5332
rcjablon@aol.com
Make checks payable to Cara Jablon.



COST SUMMARY

Base Cost \$1,798

Senior skier (65 and older) deduct \$45
Four-day lift ticket deduct \$45
Non-skier deduct \$311
Using own airline arrangements deduct \$399
Single supplement add \$728

\$250 deposit due with application, fully refundable before October 1, 2010
\$750 payment due October 1, 2010
Final payment due November 1, 2010

**PVS STEAMBOAT SPRINGS TRIP, FEBRUARY 17 - 23, 2011
APPLICATION, and RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND
WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT**

(1) I acknowledge that there are inherent risks in the sport of skiing and other sports or activities in which I might participate during this trip, and in the process of traveling. There may be bodily injury, illness, accident, death, property loss or damage, and unanticipated additional costs or other economic losses. I fully and willingly accept the responsibility and liability for all such risks, dangers, costs, and losses.

(2) I agree not to sue or hold responsible the trip leaders, Potomac Valley Skiers, Inc. (hereafter PVS), its officers and members of the Executive Committee, or its members for: (1) any accident, personal injury, illness, or death occurring to me or to any other trip participant, arising directly or indirectly from this trip; (2) any loss of deposit or payment, any other property or economic loss, or unanticipated additional costs, delay, or change of itinerary arising out of any action or inaction of any hotel, airline, tour operator, land transportation operator, or other entity or person providing services on this trip; and (3) any trip cancellation, delay, early termination or extension due to acts of God, forces of nature, or other force majeure events or situations. I willingly and with full knowledge assume these risks.

(3) I understand and agree that the trip leaders, and the tour operators or agents with whom the trip leaders have contracted, have the right to substitute accommodations of similar or better quality, to change transportation arrangements and providers, and to modify other services. In the event of such changes, no refund or credit will be provided if the accommodations, transportation, or services are of comparable or better quality and cover the same approximate time period.

(4) I agree that I am not entitled to a credit or refund for any included trip service that is not used by me.

I have read and I fully understand this "Release, Assumption of Risk, and Waiver of Liability Agreement," the final trip flyer, and the trip application, and I agree to all of the specified terms and conditions.

PVS Steamboat Springs Ski Trip, February 17 - 23, 2011

Printed Name of 1st Participant: _____ [] 65 or older

Signature of 1st Participant: _____ Date _____

Printed Name of 2nd Participant: _____ [] 65 or older

Signature of 2nd Participant: _____ Date _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Roommate (if not listed above) _____

[] Five-day lift ticket [] Four-day lift ticket [] Non-skier [] Not using group airfare

[] Deposit of \$250 per person enclosed

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PVS FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER AND GALA EVENING
Saturday, November 6, 2010

Although it hardly seems possible, another five years have rolled by and it's time to once again celebrate the founding of PVS. For those of you who have joined PVS in the past five years, this is an event not to be missed. In fact, for everyone in PVS this is an event not to be missed. Your invitation with all the details is included in this issue of the TOOT, so please save the date and the invitation. I urge everyone to please RSVP to Betty Lawrence as soon as possible by sending in the form below along with your check.

This year's event will be held at the same place as last time – The Bolger Center in Potomac, MD. Everyone enjoyed the ambience at this conference center, so we are returning once more. The dinner will be preceded by a cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres in the cozy lounge next to the Overland dining room. The full dinner will include salad and dessert as well as your choice of three delicious entrees. The program following the dinner will include a memorable slide show of the past 45 years, music (OK, songs sung by PVSers), door prizes and much more. For those of you who plan to come from out of town, the Bolger Center has relatively inexpensive hotel facilities available on site so you can relax and stay overnight. ***{See Anniversary Flyer next page}***

Please detach and send the form below to:
Betty Lawrence, 10000 Woodrow Street, Vienna, VA 22181-3138.

Name(s) _____

Number in party _____

Choices of entrée:	No.	
_____	_____	Filet Mignon (please indicate rare, medium, or well done)
_____	_____	Stuffed Chicken Breast
_____	_____	Sea Bass

Please enclose a check payable to PVS for \$65 per person.

Check here if you will need to have transportation provided _____



THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS, INC
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU
To Attend the Gala Dinner and Evening
In Celebration of the

FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Of the Founding of
POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS

Saturday, the Sixth of November
Two Thousand Ten
At Six O'Clock PM

BOLGER CENTER
9600 Newbridge Drive
Potomac, MD 20854

Featuring
Camaraderie, Dinner, Entertainment

Reception – 6:00 to 7:00 o'clock with Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar
Dinner and Program – 7:00 – 9:00 o'clock
Choice of Entrée

Center cut filet mignon with rosemary wine demi glace, or
Spinach and baby portabella stuffed breast of chicken with
chardonnay sauce, or

Black sesame crusted pan seared sea bass with a sake lemon sauce

BLACK TIE OPTIONAL

RSVP \$65 Per Person

Early reservations are imperative (please indicate choice of entrée)

Checks payable to PVS

Mail to: Betty Lawrence, 10000 Woodrow St. Vienna, VA 22181

If you need a ride we will be sure someone will pick you up.

For those who would like to continue the celebration, The Bolger Center PUB will be open until 1:00AM. If you would like to stay the night, you can make a room reservation by calling the Bolger Center Hotel at 800-777-7803