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President's Message

Hello Fellow PVSers,

It was great to see so many of you at the monthly meeting (or, more aptly, the monthly 'party') at the Holt residence in September to start off the new year of PVS events. We get our energy from mingling with one another and sharing stories of travel and skiing. And, our club members certainly travel - whether for skiing or for other adventures. Just ask any of us where we've been lately and where we're headed next. You're sure to hear about somewhere exciting. Certainly not the least of those adventures are the ski trips that a number of us are planning with PVS this coming winter season.

In the meantime, back here in the DC area, we'll be going to parties (er...meetings) and we're looking for your input about those monthly gatherings. Over the coming days you'll see an email from Dave Warthen, Membership Chair and all around PVS communication guru. He's sending out a survey prepared and approved by the Executive Committee to every PVS member asking for opinions on the timing of our monthly meetings/parties. Some folks have expressed an interest in having more meetings on weekend days rather than Tuesday evenings, and we want to be sure that we're getting the full input from all club members. So, when you get Dave's survey, please respond and let me know your druthers.

See you soon!

--Nancy

October General Meeting
Tuesday, October 21, 2013, 7:30 PM
At the home of Barbara & Fred Leonhardt
606 Firehouse Lane
Gaithersburg, MD 29878
fbleonhardt@starpower.net
301-963-8111
--Directions, next page--

Come and join fellow PVSers at this monthly gathering in the Kentlands area. We will be anticipating the upcoming ski season, and enjoying the Leonhardts' hospitality.

Directions to the Leonhardts' home:



- Take Interstate 270 North to exit 6B (West to Darnestown).
- Follow Route 28 West, making no turns for 5.2 miles (measured from the bottom of the I-270 ramp).
- At the signal, turn right onto Tscheffely Square Rd (the main Kentlands entrance).
- At the 3rd stop sign, right onto Leekes Lot Way, an immediate right onto Firehouse Lane (7th house on the right).
- Carpooling is advised.

Coming Event:

When: Sunday, October 5th at 2pm. Rain or shine!

Hosted by: Louann & Bob Eadie: 2054 Eakins Court, Reston, VA 20191, [703-860-0318](tel:703-860-0318)

We provide: German sausage, homemade sauerkraut, beer-beer-beer, wine, soft drinks, paper products, and utensils. If you desire, bring your own mug!!!

You bring: An appetizer, salad/side, or dessert. We will try to balance it out so we don't have too much of a good thing!!!



Please e-mail Louann at Louann50@mac.com with the following information: how many in your party AND what dish you are bringing!

- Surnames A-H bring an appetizer;
- J-R bring a salad/side; and
- S-Z bring a dessert.
- A \$5.00 fee per person will be collected at the door.**

RSVP: By September 28th so we can plan for the food items and drinks!

Directions from the Beltway: Take the Dulles Toll Road (Route 267) west to the Wiehle Avenue exit. Turn left onto Wiehle Avenue. Wiehle Avenue ends in a tee at Sunrise Valley Drive. Turn right onto Sunrise Valley. Go 0.4 miles to left onto Soapstone. Take the second left onto Purple Beech (first left is Durand Drive). Take your first right onto Eakins Court. 2054 is straight ahead in the cul-de-sac. There is a green mailbox by the driveway. NOTE: parking is limited on Eakins Court so consider parking on Purple Beech. (Another option is taking the new Silver Line metro to the Wiehle Avenue stop and either taking a taxi or walking the two miles to our house.)

Coming Event:

**HIKE AROUND CLOPPER LAKE
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2014**

Join us for a leisurely four-mile hike around Clopper Lake at Seneca Creek State Park, Gaithersburg, MD, on Thursday, October 9, starting at 10.00 am. The walk will be followed by a lunch at the Fontina Grille in Rockville. If you cannot make the hike, then please join us for the lunch so everyone can catch up on each other's summer activities. We will meet at the Fontina Grille at 12.45 pm.



Directions to the hike:

From the Beltway, exit onto 270 N and then take exit 10 toward MD-117 W, which becomes Clopper Road. The entrance to Seneca Creek State Park is to your left. Pass the gatehouse (unattended), turn right at the T intersection, and go left at the sign for the playground (with restrooms) and the boathouse. There is ample parking at the playground parking lot. Following the easy hike over rolling terrain with scenic vistas of the lake, we will head for lunch at 12:45 pm at the Fontina Grille in the King Farm Village Center.



Directions to the Fontina Grille from Clopper Lake:

From Seneca Creek State Park head back to 270 S and take the Shady Grove exit and stay right. After 0.3 mile, turn right on Gaither Road; go 0.5 mile and turn left on King Farm Blvd. After 0.1 mi, see Fontina Grille on the left at Pleasant Drive, and park on the street. 801 Pleasant Drive, Rockville, MD 20850. Telephone: 301-947-5400



The restaurant offers a nice lunch buffet or an a la carte choice. Let me know how many are coming and the restaurant will have a table ready for us.

RSVP: Shirley Rettig
703-836-0147

NATIONAL HARBOR - FERRIS WHEEL RIDE AND HIKE

Friday, October 24



The new **Capital Ferris Wheel** at National Harbor is a sight to behold. It is built at the end of a pier on the edge of the water. There are 42 enclosed, climate-controlled cabins making it a very comfortable ride. As you soar 180 feet above the Potomac River waterfront, you will marvel at the incomparable views. Sights visible include the White House and Capitol, the National Mall, Arlington Cemetery, City of Alexandria, Prince George's County, the Wilson Bridge and the lush parklands throughout the DC-Maryland-Virginia region. In addition, you see National Harbor from on high. See more at: <http://nationalharbor.com/capitalwheel/>

Join us for this exciting urban hike to National Harbor from Alexandria. We will park our cars at Jones Point under the Wilson Bridge and leave from there at 10:30am, so come a little earlier to have time to park. From there, we will proceed to the entrance of the bridge. There is a 12-foot wide pedestrian/bike path on the north span of the Wilson Bridge. The path is wider than the typical bike path and there are three rest areas equipped with telescopes where you can

stop and enjoy fantastic views of Washington and Alexandria. It is approximately 2.5 miles from the entrance of the path on S. Washington St. in Alexandria to National Harbor (add another 0.2 mile from parking lot). We will stop and look at the views from the bridge. Once at National Harbor, we will see the statue "The Awakening" at its new home and then proceed to the Capital Ferris Wheel. After riding on the Ferris Wheel, we will go to lunch at one of the many places at National Harbor. Then we will hike back to our cars at Jones Point – another 2.5+ miles.



10:30am at Jones Point

11:30am at the Ferris Wheel

Cost: Ferris Wheel is \$15 Adult: \$13.50 Senior 65+

Jones Point Park is directly under the Wilson Bridge on the southern end of Old Town Alexandria, VA

If you are coming from the north (from D.C.)

Take Washington Street through Old Town

Turn left on Green St.

Turn right on S. Royal St.

At the end of the road, turn left on Jones Point Road

The destination is on your left; park in designated parking spaces.

If you are coming from the south on Washington St.

Turn right on Green St. and follow above directions.

If you are coming on the Beltway, inner or outer loop,

Exit to Alexandria/Rt. 1 north

Take the first right turn to Jefferson St.

Turn right on S. Royal St.

At the end of the road turn left on Jones Point Road

The destination is on your left.

Best way to get there is to plug Jones Point Park into your GPS and it should lead you there.

If you prefer to drive to National Harbor and just do the Capital Wheel and lunch, then that will work, too. We should be at the Wheel around 11:30. Each person will buy his or her own ticket for the Capital Wheel ride. You can do this online or when we arrive. Have a credit card. No cash is accepted. A lunch place will be determined when we know how many people are going.

Contact me if you want to sign up or have any questions.

Rosemary Schwartzbard,
rosemaryschw@gmail.com

SKI TALK October 2014

As we approach the ski season, it is time to think about your gear, your technique and the shape you are in. Take inventory of what you have. Do you want to upgrade anything? See below for some hints. Do your skis need to be tuned? Do it early before the shops get too busy. Are you satisfied with your skiing? If not, you might consider taking a lesson this year. Are you fit and in shape? Continue to work on that.



There is always new gear coming on the market. Be sure to go to our November meeting at the Washington Ski Center to hear the store manager, Brian Eardley, discuss the latest in gear. The latest issue of SKI Magazine rates the best new skis and boots, and notes that fat skis (82-100cm) are still popular for 'All Mountain Skiing.'

Here are some tips for **"How to Buy Women's Skis."**

Communicate Your Terrain Preference: Women typically want only one pair of skis; so, it is really important to let the salesperson know what type of terrain you want to ski.

Specialty Ski Shop: Avoid large all-activity sports stores. Go to a ski

shop where the staff is well trained and knows their products.

Go Narrower: Men tend to tell the salesperson what their significant others want – and it is usually similar to what the men own. Speak up for yourself. Women are shorter and smaller, and we usually don't ski with our feet as far apart as men. Wider skis do not edge as well for women as men.

Don't Overthink It: Remember all the skis now are really good. If you have demoed a ski and like it, don't let someone tell you to try something else. Follow your gut.

Buy Longer: Shorter skis create less stability and less confidence. Because women are more likely to understate their level of ability, they are often sold skis that are too short!



One new piece of gear I have been reading about is the Italian made **Osbe Helmet**, which has a built-in visor that replaces goggles. According to Billy Kidd, this is the way to

improve comfort and peripheral vision. According to my research, the visor does offer excellent vision. It has a rose lens and because the side-to-side lens span is so wide, it has superior peripheral vision compared to regular goggles. However, the visor does not fit snugly on your face, and your face and eyes are not totally protected; on a cold, windy day, the cold air coming under the visor is not comfortable. You can customize the fit of the visor to your face with additional

foam padding from OSBE. However, it sounds like this is a bit awkward to do. I have not tried this new system; so, if anyone has, please let me know what you think.

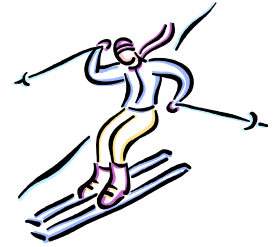
I recently came across a great deal – a season pass for **kayaking!** **Boating in DC** has boathouses in Georgetown (under Key Bridge), National Harbor, and near the Ball Park. They are offering a season pass for \$99 if you are 65+. This pass is good for the rest of this season and next season. I have my pass and have already used it. I will go out a few more times before winter sets in. The boating season runs from April through October. Check out the website: boatingindc.com. If anyone wants to join me on the river, let me know.

rosemaryschw@gmail.com

Ski Trip:

PVS Ski Trip to Snowmass, Colorado ---- January 14-21, 2015

We are happy to report that our trip is filled for our stay at the Snowmass Mountain Chalet. If you are interested in joining our trip, please check with Marianne Soponis: (Marianne.soponis@gmail.com) or 202-363-5250; cell: 301-332-3039 for possibilities. Thank you!



NOTE: Final payment for current trip participants is September 15, 2014.

We will again be staying slope-side at the Snowmass Mountain Chalet (SMC), just below the Snowmass Mall. Do check the website at <http://www.mountainchalet.com>.

The total package includes:

- 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 breakfasts; daily soup lunch;
- luggage handling; a welcome party, an “all guest” hotel-sponsored party, a pizza party and a farewell group dinner to celebrate our trip.

Travel Guard trip insurance is available through our tour company at <http://www.Encompasse.com>, and is highly recommended.

For additional nights at Snowmass, please make requests through the trip leader.

Air flights can be altered to accommodate resulting date changes and will be quoted on an individual basis.

<u>Costs:</u>		<u>Price</u>
Full Snowmass Package		\$2075
Land only	subtract	\$ 515
Single Supplement	add	\$ 935
Non-skiers	subtract	\$ 272
Sixth ski day*	add	\$ 79

Airline Schedule (most likely subject to changes in United schedules):

Jan. 14: United flight #403 at 8:25 AM Dulles to Denver (arrive at 10:32 AM); then flight #6320 at 11:20 AM to Aspen (arrive at 11:56 AM).

Jan. 21: United flight #6320 at 12:31 PM Aspen to Denver (arrive at 1:16 PM) then flight #452 at 1:47 PM to Dulles (arrive at 7:07 PM).

For baggage requirements and fees, check the United Airlines website (www.united.com)

If you need to pay your final payment in September: Please send your check made out to Marianne Soponis, 3513 Quebec St. NW, Washington, DC 20016 (“PVS Snowmass 2015” on the check memo line).

See you on the trip!

Ski Trip:

PVS/BRSC SKIING AND SIGHTSEEING ADVENTURE *MT. BACHELOR AND BEND, OREGON* JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 7, 2015

Mt. Bachelor is the largest ski area in central Oregon, with terrain for all levels. The mountain is an extinct volcano, and you can ski with full lift service 360 degrees off the top for 3,365 vertical feet to the base, often through light, dry powder! It has the highest skiable elevation of any resort in Oregon or Washington and is far enough inland for drier snow conditions. The resort gets an average of 462 inches of snow a year on 88 runs, served by 10 lifts. (Mt. Bachelor is adding over 400 acres of ski terrain that is scheduled for opening in 2015). In addition, the resort has more than a dozen cross-country trails, 35 miles of which are groomed. The mountain grooms 40 of the 88 runs. Volunteer Mountain Hosts will ski with you all or part of the day, at your request.



The mountain is a 30-minute bus ride from Bend where you will be staying in the newly upgraded Double Tree Hotel. There is an indoor pool and hot tub. You can walk to the historic downtown district of Bend with lots of shops and restaurants. Buses will pick you up at the hotel and take you directly to the mountain where you will store your skis. No long walks are involved. Non-skiers will have options to go to Crater Lake, the town of Three Sisters, wine tasting, dog sledding, snowshoeing and more. Included in this package are:

- 7 Nights Lodging at Double Tree Hotel
- Round Trip Air into Redmond (20 minutes from hotel)
- Transfers to and from Hotel
- 5 of 6 Day Lift Ticket (discounted rates for seniors)
- Personalized tours of the mountain by Mt. Bachelor Ski Ambassadors
- Daily Hot Breakfast
- BRSC Super Bowl Welcome Party with Dinner
- BRSC Night at the High Desert Museum with Dinner
- BRSC Hawaiian themed entertainment and Dinner
- Two PVS Apres Ski parties
- Bus Trips Directly to/from the Mountain



The cost will be approximately \$1825.00 per person. We have limited seats on the flight to Redmond. The first 16 people will get those flights. **To reserve a space send a deposit of \$300 to: Cara Jablon, 4573 Indian Rock Terrace, Washington, D. C. 20007.**

Cara can be contacted at 202-333-5332 or rcjablon@aol.com. Additional information will be provided shortly on the dates for the remaining payments, trip insurance, and the cancellation policy.

Potomac Valley Skiers present

BRSC Eurofest in Hintertux/Zillertal, Austria

7 days, March 6 – 14, 2015

*\$2,460 pp**

Including pre-trip to Bled, Slovenia

11 days, March 2 – 14, 2015

*\$2,935 pp**

Including post-trip to Vienna, Austria

10 days, March 6 – 17, 2015

*\$2,900 pp**

Including Bled and Vienna

14 days, March 2 – 17, 2015

*\$3,375 pp**

Trip Leader:

Inge Lesjak

8123 Kingsview Ct.

Springfield, VA

703-869-7248 c

ingelesjak@aol.com

Price Includes: airfare/shuttles & lodging at 4-star hotels

with daily breakfast buffet and 4-course dinner

thermal pool, sauna, spa

Internet access

ski guide/free shuttle bus to lifts

and BRSC parties & some sightseeing

Zillertal: A paradise for winter hikers & cross-country skiers.

Badhotel Kirchler: Family run hotel with daily breakfast buffet, afternoon snack and dinner; charming rooms, thermal pool, sauna, local cuisine, friendly service. Welcome party & two après ski parties Tyrolean style, plus fee-based sightseeing tours.

UPDATE! As of 25 August, 22 PVSers and friends are participating and there is room for more... Especially for 1 single female and 1 single male roommate. 16 PVSers plus 11 members from other BRSC ski clubs are joining the pre-trip to Bled, Slovenia and 13 PVSers are ending the Eurofest in Vienna. **Looking forward to skiing with you, Inge**

Payment Schedule

1 July \$200

10 Sep \$500

10 Oct \$800

10 Nov \$500

10 Dec Final

You must be a current member of any club belonging to the Blue Ridge Ski Council or become one to participate.

*Price subject to change due to airline surcharges, exchange rates, fuel charges or other unforeseen factors. Airline baggage fees are not included and are the responsibility of the trip participants at check-in to and from Munich or Vienna.

Ask for Pre- and Post-trip itineraries!

Members' Corner



By J. David Warthen, Jr.
dwarthen@verizon.net

Welcome to New Members:

A hearty welcome goes to **Ben & Janet Hanson III**, our newest Applicant Couple sponsored by M. Wyckoff. We hope that you enjoy our ski club, and we look forward to socializing and skiing with you this season.

PVS Website:

Be sure to visit our PVS website <pvsikers.org>, which is regularly updated after each monthly TOOT publication. The site is a historical presentation of PVS. Dave Lerner is our web master, and Mary Ward is our backup web master. Certain sections of the website are available to PVS members only via Username = MEMBER, Member, or member & Password = TOOT.

The **'Ski Trips'** button reveals the 2015 ski trip flyers, along with 'Further Details' links, and pictures of the trip leaders. There is also a link to BRSC ski trips. (Also, see the link to BOT ski trips on the Calendar page of each TOOT.)

Under the **'Calendar'** button, there is a concise up-to-date listing of events for the year.

The **'Past Events'** button is configured for guests to view our events throughout the year, as a PR outreach for potential PVS members.

Under the **'Newsletter'** button, there is an archive of the last 49 years of TOOTs. There is also an 'Index-TOOT Links' of the following:

1. Profiles of PVS Members, PVS Anniversaries & Other Special Events, and Obituaries
2. PVS Ski Trip Write Ups for the last 14 years
3. PVS Events Write Ups for the last 4 years

Under the **'Club Docs'** button, there are links to PVS Bylaws, PVS ExCom & Presidents, Charter Members, PVS Cookbook, and ExCom Minutes for the past 10 years.

Make use of your PVS website, particularly as a resource to potential PVS members.

Interested in **Carpooling** to PVS meetings or events? Contact dwarthen@verizon.net for list of members, whom you can contact in your ZIP Code or town.

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Roster Changes: (notify-dwarthen@verizon.net)

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-James **Gunning** (new Applicant Individual)

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Ringwood, NJ 07456-2129
973-869-4152 h (Sponsor – Peter Russell)
gunning57@optonline.net

Our Get-Away to Florida & California:

On Wednesday 27 August, we took off for a get-away on the Gulf in Florida. It was a strange time to go to Florida in the middle of hurricane season, but for beach lovers, not unheard of. We were blessed with lots of sun and Gulf water at 88°. Southwest got us to the Tampa Airport and relatives chauffeured us to our Gulf-front Hilton Hotel. Since our stay covered the Labor

Day Weekend, the hotel chefs went all out to please the clientele with all kinds of cookouts, buffets, and goodies each day. The frozen margaritas and daiquiris were excellent too; in fact, they were the best we have ever had. Each day, our rented blue umbrella and chaises awaited us on the beach with Kevin adjusting the umbrella as the shade migrated across the beach during the day. We were so spoiled! After watching the sunsets, we were serenaded by wonderful outdoor music, including Caribbean steel drums. On Tuesday 2 September, Southwest ushered us home and we landed just in time to avoid a horrendous thunderstorm.



On Friday 19 September, we took off again for an adventure in Sacramento, CA. Marsha's 50th High School Reunion proved to be a fun time. Then, we went to Long Beach to visit family and take in the sights, including beautiful Balboa Island. It is always refreshing to get away.



--J. D. Warthen

Past Event:

A Few Reminiscences From A Summer Outing...

The PVS Golf Tournament, an annual **Fourth of July** noncompetitive event held at Inge and Sam's retreat at the Massanutten Resort, was a fun activity for four golfers. The course is reasonably challenging for dedicated amateurs, and the day was sunny with gentle breezes and slopes in all directions. Inge arranged special pricing, and led the charge on the fairways. Her other attendees, Dietrich Roesler, Gisela Storm, and John Storm, responded with numerous strokes on the nine holes played. The major event was climaxed with lunch in the Club House, which had live television coverage of the Germany/Netherlands soccer game. Sam joined the players - and there were four native Germans cheering on the German team. Perhaps, next year, other PVS golfers of similar caliber may join in the opportunity to have a fun day, right in the Shenandoah Valley.



(A little tongue in cheek reporting.) --**John Storm**

Past Event:

PVS SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETING

The Potomac Valley Skiers club meeting was held at the gorgeous home of John and Barbara Holt on **September 16, 2014**. We had 22 members and two guests attend. After a lovely happy hour with great hors d'oeuvres and liquid refreshments provided by the Holts and club members, Nancy McKinley chaired the meeting. Nancy introduced the new member applicant, Tom Tycz, and an additional guest John Everett. Nancy also asked for input about meeting schedules. A complete review of activities and ski trips coming was presented, and they are described in detail in the TOOT. Many of the trips are filling up - especially Snowmass and the BRSC Eurofest in Austria...so get your planning gland into gear and commit soon!! Also, right around the corner is the Oktoberfest (German spelling), the Clopper Lake hike, and the Wilson Bridge hike...we need participants. Reminders -
November 18 meeting @ the Washington Ski Center
December 16 meeting *Holiday* party @ Hotalings

Since a picture is worth a thousand words here are highlights:



--**John Hotaling**

Past Event:

September Wine Tasting

At four o'clock on September 27, 2014, 13 of us gathered at the home of Marianne Soponis and Clare Soponis. Marianne had arranged for an intriguing guest, Michael Alsup, to present a short course on value wines from Trader Joe's. Michael, former Trappist monk, former defense contractor, and now self-taught wine guru, told us about and had us taste six wines, but taught us much more about wine in general. We tasted Cremant de Bourgogne, Brut Reserve (refreshing), Veramonte Sauvignon Blanc (bright and citrusy), Revelation Chardonnay (smooooth, but not too oakey), Cline Zinfandel (big and bold), Tertre du Moulin, Saint Emillion Grand Cru (I liked it a lot!), and Chevalier Sauternes (not your mother's sauternes). We enjoyed every swirl and swallow along with 1,000 Day Gouda and a creamy Brie. What did we learn? Every wine has natural sulfites, but avoid wines that are labeled "sulfites added," Trader Joe's has the finest selection of value wines in the area, watch the films "Bottleshock" and "Somm," and check out Karen McNeil's *The Wine Bible*.

Thank you Marianne and Clare for organizing and hosting this refreshing, citrusy, bright, bold, oakey, and enjoyable event. Thank you Nancy McKinley for providing the sweet finish to the afternoon. We all enjoyed it very much.

--Submitted by Ellie Thayer



Marianne & Michael



Nancy, Ray, Therese, Clara (guest)



Carolyn & Tricia Duncan (Ellie's daughter)



Louann & Marianne

THE KNEE is in Scotland and will return next month--if he doesn't get Kilt"

PVS Calendar 2014:

- Oct 05 Sun Oktoberfest, 2:00 PM, Eadies, Reston, VA
- Oct 09 Thu Hike/Walk (3.7 miles), 10:00 AM, S. Rettig, Clopper Lake, Seneca Creek State Park, MD
- Oct 21 Tue Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Leonhardts, Gaithersburg, MD
- Oct 24 Fri Hike/National Harbor-Capital Ferris Wheel, MD, 10:30 AM, R. Schwartzbard, Jones Point, Alexandria, VA
- Oct 28 Tue ExCom Meeting, 7:30 PM, Teleconference
- Nov 03 Mon 2014 Washington DC Ski & Snowboard Expo & BRSC Raffles, 6:30-9:30 PM, Marriott – Tysons Corner, VA <http://www.skicouncil.com/Paul-Weber_2014_Wash-DC-Expo-Flyer.pdf>
- Nov 18 Tue Monthly Meeting, Washington Ski Center, 7:30 PM, Washington, DC
- Nov/Dec Tue ExCom Meeting, 7:30 PM, TBA
- Dec 16 Tue Monthly Meeting-Holiday Party, 7:30 PM, Hotalings, Arlington, VA



PVS Ski Trips 2015:



- January 14-21, 2015: PVS Snowmass, CO (Marianne Soponis)
- January 31-February 7, 2015: PVS/BRSC Mt. Bachelor and Bend, OR (Cara & Bob Jablon)
- March 6-14, 2015: PVS/BRSC Eurofest to Hintertux/Zillertal, Austria (Inge Lesjak)

Useful Ski "Links"

- Potomac Valley Skiers.....potomacvalleyski.org
- PVS Website login: Username = Member, member, or MEMBER; Password = TOOT
- BRSC Sanctioned Trips.....skicouncil.com/tripsbydate.htm
- DC Ski Online News.....dcski.com
- Best of Times Ski Club.....bestoftimeskiclub.org
- BOT Ski Trips:
http://bestoftimeskiclub.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=5186&module_id=32832

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PVS' 50th Anniversary is Coming Up in 2015!

Want to be involved in planning for the big event?
 Suggestions are welcomed for a venue, which will accommodate up to 200 partygoers.
 Contact Nancy McKinley, 703-595-8375 or nancymckin@gmail.com.