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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 1987 PVS ELECTIONS CONSISTS OF CHAIRMAN LU BEALE AND MEMBERS KEN EVANS IRENE FARRELL, DON SWABY, PHIL UPHOLZ AND MARGARET WYCKOFF.

THE COMMITTEE'S NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT AND THREE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN FEBRUARY. SINCE ALL NOMINEES MUST AGREE BEFOREHAND TO SERVE IF ELECTED THIS IS AN EXCELLENT TIME TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE THE CLUB. ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE WILL BE GLAD TO TAKE YOUR NAME OR YOUR SUGGESTED CANDIDATE.

Sheldon Drews, President



JANUARY MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20TH. 8:00P.M.

Don't miss this first get-together of 1987. There will be lots of ski talk .. refreshments .. and a special ski movie entitled APOCALYPSE SNOW.

New hostess Sally Finan is graciously offering her home in Vienna, Virginia for this meeting.

Sally lives at 2434 Rockbridge St. in Vienna.

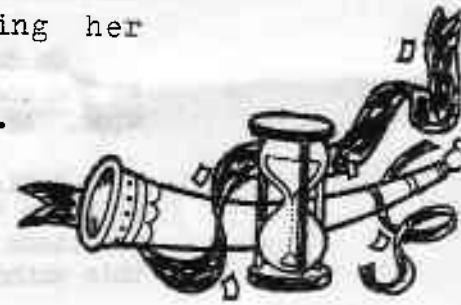
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Drive and immediately left on Rockbridge St. to 5th house on left.
(Tel: 573-6158)



what & when

- Jan. 20 ... January Meeting at Sally Finan's. 8:00 P.M.
- Jan. 27 ... ExCom at Marilyn Clark's. 7:30 P.M.
- Feb. 17 ... February Meeting at Paul Yessler's. 8:00 P.M.
- Feb. 24 ... ExCom at the Wyckoffs. 7:30 P.M.
- Mar. 17 ... March Meeting at the Leonhardts. 8:00 P.M.

Special Event :

April 5, 1987 - PVS Theatre Party to see Montgomery Players in "The Butler Did It" produced by Sara Huggins. Call Vince Macaluso (265-4903)

Special Event :

August 1, 1987 - Bolshoi Ballet at the Kennedy Center. This event is already over subscribed but coordinator Steve Grenleski hopes to negotiate additional seats so call him if interested (384-9013).

!! SKI TRIPS !!

- MONT SUTTON - January 10-17. Full. Call Jack Peoples (301-840-2213)
- PVS FRANCE - January 30 - February 16. Call the Wyckoffs (589-5532)
- WISP - February 6-8. Wait-listed. Call Jan Marx (451-9158)
- VAIL - February 21 - March 1. Reservations closed. Call Garretts (250-4791)
- WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB - February 27- March 8.

PAST EVENT

A TASTING OF WINES WITH FOOD by Doris Mair

On Saturday evening, December 13, twelve PVS members and guests met at Don and Pat Cope's home to partake of their very enjoyable food and wine. As usual, the selections were excellent.

A first course of Jarlsberg cheese accompanied by a Muscadet de Sevre et Maine "Les Mesnils" 1985, was followed by a serving of lump crab with Remoulade sauce and a Puligny-Montrachet "Les Folatieres" 1984. (The Knee and this author were observed "licking the platter clean" on this favorite course.)

A dish of mushrooms a la Escargot with a Ravenswood Zinfandel - Old Hill Vineyard 1984 was followed by a dish of Escargot in Mini Croustades with an excellent Silver Oak Cabernet Sauvignon, Alexander Valley 1979. Both dishes were prepared in a distinctive garlic butter base which were complemented by the heavy dry red wines. (Continued on next page)

PAST EVENTS CONTINUED

A TASTING OF WINES WITH FOOD by Doris Mair (Continued from page 2)

A final course of Pampiette of Beef with a superb Ch. Lynch Bages, Pauillac 1983, was topped off with a wheel of Stilton cheese accompanied by a Taylor, Fladgate & Yeatman vintage Port 1983.

Coffee and additional tastings of unfinished bottles followed before we poured ourselves out into the night wondering whether we "Kneaded" all those calories just before squeezing ourselves into our ski clothes for the coming season.

Pat and Don -- as always your food, your wine and your hospitality were outstanding. Thanks!



CHRISTMAS GLÜHWEIN PARTY by Rosemary Soler

If you can negotiate the fall line that won't quit down to the Heitchue's front door, in the dark on a slick, rainy night, with high heels, while balancing a plate of cookies, then you will be able to negotiate the most precipitous black slope ever: This is obviously what keeps the Heitchue family in such good shape and makes them such marvelous skiers.

Seriously, their lakeside home is the perfect setting for a really festive Christmas party. Starting with the Scan decor accented by the greenery of a giant wreath over the fireplace (made by Jean), a sparkling white-lighted tree, plus numerous red candles illuminating the table, laden with delectable goodies donated by the club members; add to this feast of the eyes (not to mention the palate) the reflection of the multi-colored lights from homes across the lake, shimmering on the water, as seen from their deck, and you have magic!

Christmas red accents were carried out in the bright attire of the host and hostess as well as many guests, and the flowing glühwein and other drinks contributed to the upbeat mood as we sampled the tasty offerings of the group and circulated talking, talking about - guess what - skiing. We were all glad to see Jack Lilley looking so well after his recent hospital stay, and to welcome some of the club members' children, namely Carol Laymon, home from Florida for the holidays and Jack Peoples' daughter, who is a contender for the Olympic Cycling Team.

Shel Drews held the business meeting to a minimum, of course, after which Charlie Huggins held forth in the family room selling club sweatshirts - jackets and pullovers. The turnout was good as it always is for this annual event, but we missed those who couldn't make it. Thanks again Jean and Reg for a super evening.



The Knee

by

Ray Mckinley

Happy Knee Year, dear readers. And it does look like a great one for PVS. In case you've forgotten, let me remind each and every one of you how important you are to the column. First, you are my subjects. Without you there would be nothing to write about. Second, without you as readers, there would be no reason for the Knee. Keep up the good work.

The first PVSer to ski locally this year was Kitty Imdahl who skied on December 7 in Columbia, Md! You read that correctly. The course was, to quote Kitty, "double diamond, from Clydes down to the lake." It was skied on regular skis from a rental shop. By the way, it was 50 degrees and there was no snow whatever. Kitty promises to come to a meeting (sometime) and tell us about it. She also skied, - but on snow, at Hunter Mt. N.Y. December 12-14.

I'm not sure if it's first or last skiing, but Saul Jacobs did some glacier skiing in August in Austria. (I never promised to be a prompt reporter.)

On this year's snow (note the judicious phrasing), we've already had a lot of skiing. Shirley Rettig skied on the 13th of December at Winter Park and on the 14th at Keystone. As she was returning through the Denver airport she ran into Norm Engelman on his way to a week in Copper Mountain.

Norm returned to Dulles a week later and instead of going home came straight to the PVS Christmas party. Dick Comerford didn't make it to the party. He was skiing in Colorado.

Ex PVSer and now Denver resident, Dick Harsh was in town and did show

up at the Heitchue party. He is now on the ski patrol at Winter Park where he has been skiing regularly since November 15th.

The party was, as always, a festive occasion. Red was the predominant color (Nancy Laymon being an exception in green).

Even the glühwein was red (along with a few PVS noses).

Some of PVS second generation was also present: Gail Pease's daughter Angie, Nancy Laymon's daughter Carole, and Jack People's son Barry and daughter Patty (who had just arrived in town and came directly to our party).

It was also a pleasure to see some potential new members who had read about us in the Washington Post's Weekend section (despite the fact that it had left the words "and Eaters" off the club name).

Because he was away skiing, Dick Comerford had given some material to wife Betty to pass on to nominating committee chairman Lu Beale at the party. Betty forgot the material but it turned out okay because Lu wasn't at the meeting anyway.

A Knee sock goes to Monmouth Mt. ski area. For the first time in this decade, the resorts at Tahoe and Monmouth were not open until Christmas. No snow. Monmouth has a lot of Californians angered because, while they demanded full payment a month in advance, they are making no refunds.

On the positive side, you can save a bunch of money on lift tickets by doing some shopping before skiing. Buy your Keystone ticket at Kingsoopers for \$20. (An Arapahoe Basin ticket is only \$17.) At Vickars Gas you can save \$3 on a Copper Mt. pass and at Albertsons you can get a Breckenridge pass for \$20. Vail is also working on a deal.

Part of the reason for this flurry of deals is that while there were some 52 million lift tickets sold last year this represented only a one per cent increase over the previous season the smallest increase ever.

Ex-President Doris and Othmar Mair are starting the new year in a new home - still in North Arlington b now just off route #50. They hope to be all unpacked by February so they can pack again and go to Austria for a month of skiing.

While many PVSer* are off to the northernmost parts of the world, Maggie Jarrett has gone in the other direction and will be on a tour to the Galapagos Islands off Ecuador through January 10th.

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