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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Please note that this is a combined July/August TOOT so be sure to save this issue for reference. Events for this summer and into the fall are nicely lined up thanks to all our willing hosts, workers and coordinator, Ray McK.

The Trip Leaders Committee met for the final appraisal of tallied responses to the questionnaire and Sheldon will have a summary for the September TOOT.

I need someone to take over the important duty of MOVIE MOGUL. Perhaps someone who can easily get downtown to the free film library at 711 4th St. N.W. County libraries, other than Fairfax, may have interesting ones also.

Janet Marx, President



PICNIC/SWIM/SAIL AT THE FLAKES

When: Saturday, July 18th. (Rain date: Sunday, July 19th.)
Anytime after 1 P.M. (Supper will be around 5 P.M.)
Where: The Glade Flakes' home in Annapolis.

Guests are limited to 40. Call Coordinator Charlotte Reith now to make your reservation. (765-1810)

Instructions: Bring your own burger/weenie/steak (and roll) to grill. Plus a dessert or salad to share. (Check with coordinator.)

Cost: For a small fee, beverages, utensils, condiments, etc. will be provided.



DIRECTIONS: From Highway #50 exit at PAROLE Exit (first exit for Annapolis) take left turn on West Street and go to second stop light where turn right on Solomon Islands Road. Go one long block to first stop light and take a left on Forest Drive and proceed about 5 miles - (name of Drive will change to Bay Ridge Rd and, then, to Farragut Avenue). Enter gates which have a sign "Bay Ridge" and take first left on East Lake Drive. Bear to right and continue around lake until reaching Number 40 - the Flakes! (Don't PARK ON STREET!)
40 East Lake Drive, Bay Ridge. Telephone 301-267-0729

THIS SUMMER, YOU CAN HAVE IT ALL

LATVIAN SOCIETY ANNUAL DANCE AND SING

MONDAY, JULY 27th

DANCING (LOTSAS POLKAS), SINGING, EATING

Call Aina Thomas (H:249-7619..O:292-4727).



BOLSHOI BAILLET

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1st

Ticket problems, call Steve Grenleski (384-9013).

ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING A GROUP OF PVSers

FOR DINNER, CALL ALICE SWALM (979-6756).



PICNICKING AND BOATING AT DEAN WORCESTER'S ANNAPOLIS HOME

When: August 8th. (Rain date: August 9th)
Time: 1 P.M.

This new event is limited to 30 and is already oversubscribed. Call coordinator Jean Heitchue (860-9190) if you wish to be waitlisted.

Dean has access to 5-10 boats of all types and the outing will be mainly boating and picnicking with swimming doubtful - sea nettles are already much in evidence.

Guests will bring their own burgers, franks, or whatever, (and rolls) to grill plus salad or dessert. Please check with Jean. There will be a small charge for beverages, condiments, utensils, etc.
DIRECTIONS TO 256 LONG POINT ROAD, CROWNSVILLE, MD.



Approach Annapolis on Route 50. Turn off at first Annapolis exit (also labelled "Parole"). Stay right--road loops back under highway and becomes Route 178, General's Highway. Stay on it for about five miles. At the seventh stop light turn right onto Herald Harbor Road (Texaco and Gulf stations at intersection). At first stop sign turn left (still Herald Harbor Road). Follow winding street past Herald Harbor Mini-Mart and Fire Station, make no unnecessary turns. A sign indicates when it becomes Long Point Road; continue for ¼-mile to 256, on your left.

Since parking is not allowed on narrow Long Point Road and space is limited, you'll have to unload your car, park it near the Mini-Mart, and be shuttled back. And forth.

PLUS



STEAK & SIT AT THE ELRODS

When: August 22nd. Rain date: August 23rd.
Time: 4 P.M.

This is a brand new August event! In lieu of the annual Steak & Swim at the Elrods there will be a first (and, hopefully, last) Steak & Sit (sorry, no swim) in the Elrods temporary Triangle, Va house which is poolless. Bad luck but both the steaks and the company will be superior as usual. If you wish, bring croquet sets, frisbees, or any other appropriate entertainment.

This event is limited to 40. Bring your own plates and utensils plus salad or dessert. Call coordinator Dorothy Mills (527-5036) by August 19 to reserve a place and tell her what you would like to bring. (Remember if you make a reservation and do not cancel it, you are responsible for the price of your steak!)

Cost: approximately \$8.50.

Directions: Take Route I-95 south towards Richmond. Take the Dumfries/Manassas Exit for Route 234. Go left on Rte 234, then turn right on old Route 1 to left on Virginia Rte 1107 at the Triangle Plaza sign. Follow 1107 to a T type deadend and bear right on Cabin Road. Continue about one mile to 18601 Cabin Road on the left. (This is about one block past the old house.)



Crab Feast!



When: Sunday, September 6th. 2 P.M.
(Rain date: Monday, September 7th.)
Time again for the club's Labor Day weekend swim and crab-out at the Wingroves' lovely Potomac, Md. home. Crabs and beverages & utensils will be provided. Guests are asked to bring salad or dessert.

For the non-crabbers, a grill will be provided to broil whatever you wish to bring to cook on your own. The cost will be approximately \$8.50 (depending on the cost of crabs this year) and \$4.00 for those who bring their own burger or whatever.

Reservations are required by Sept. 3rd. Call hostess Barbara Wingrove (762-4887). If you reserve and can't come be sure to cancel. Otherwise you are responsible for your share.

If you can bring a folding table with you, it will be very helpful.

Directions: Take Beltway #495 north to 270 N. Take Montrose Road Exit. At light at exit, turn left on Montrose Road. Next traffic light turn right on Seven Locks Rd. Proceed through next traffic light and take second left onto Ritchie Parkway. Go through next traffic light and take the 4th left onto Scott Drive. A sign will say "No trucks - restricted bridge ahead." (If you pass the high school, you've gone too far!) Go over the wooden bridge to next stop sign. Turn left onto Overlea Drive to 9211. (First driveway on left.)

OCEAN CITY BEACH WEEKEND. SEPTEMBER 18-21, 1987

Price: approximately \$50 per person for three nights.

Six persons per condo at the fabulous beachfront SEAWATCH, 115th St at Ocean Ave.

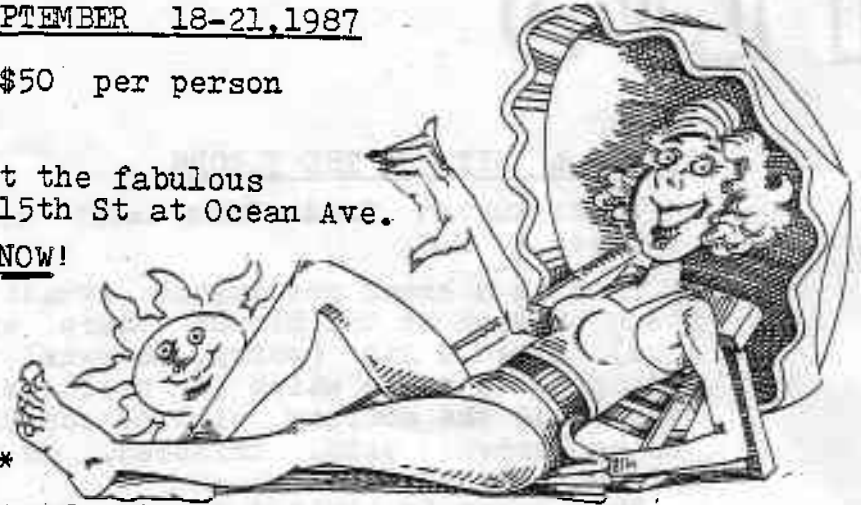
The time to sign up is NOW!

Spaces are limited.

Call Dina Taylor

O: 427-3227

H: 301-663-6089



OKTOBERFEST AT THE WYCKOFFS

October 3, 1987.

Limited to 50.

Call the Wyckoffs (589-5532)

FALL HIKE WITH DINNER AFTERWARDS AT THE STRASBURG, VA. HOME OF SHAHRBAD AND JAMIE MILLER.

October 17, 1987

Limited to 45.

Call the Millers to reserve: (533-7651).

For information on the hike which will be to Signal Knob in the Massanutten, call Lu Beale (363-3521)

CALENDAR

- July 18 ... Picnic/Swim/Sail at the Flakes. See page 1.
 - July 27 ... Latvian Society Dance & Sing. See page 2.
 - July 28 ... ExCom at Sheldon Drews. 7:30 P.M. (No swim!)
 - Aug. 1 ... Bolshoi Ballet. See page 2.
 - Aug. 8 ... Picnic & Boating at Dean Worcester's. See page 2.
 - Aug. 22 ... Steak & Sit at the Elrods. See page 3.
 - Aug. 25 ... ExCom at Aase Berling's. 7:30 P.M.
 - Sept. 6 ... Crabfeast at the Wingroves. See page 3.
 - Sept. 15 ... Monthly Meeting at the Walns. See a "History of Skiing in the U.S." on video tape.
 - Sept. 18 - 21 - Ocean City Weekend. See above.
 - Oct. 3 ... Oktoberfest. See above.
 - Oct. 17 ... Fall Hike. Dinner at the Millers. See above.
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THE KNEE

by

Ray McKinley

Last month I complained. In a scathing commentary, but with characteristic modestknee, I knotted that May was too early to make ski decisions and it would be August or September before I was ready.

I was wrong. It took about 3 days of 150° temperatures and 300 % humidity and I was ready for winter. And that was before the first day of summer! What will it be like in August? Destiknee. Luckily we have lots of great summer events coming up.

Janet and Chris Wain looking disgustingly tanned after returning from 2 weeks on their boat in the Chesapeake.

I understand Charlotte Eddy was overwhelmed when Aase Berling and the Wyckoffs showed up at her daughter's wedding - in Munich!

Excomer Bette Walker noted that she hasn't received TOOT in months. It's not necessary, she said. Friends call to tell her of events. (And, Bette, as a special bonus, starting this month, the Knee will call and read you this column)

Bumper sticker seen in New Mexico last month: If God meant Texans to ski He would have given them a mountain."

All PVS hikers wish the Appalachian Trail a happy 50th birthday. The 2100 mile trail winds through 14 states, 6 national parks and 8 national forests. The idea started in 1921 and the final section was blazed in 1937.

Based on what he considered to be snide, detrimental remarks in this column (the Knee snide and detrimental) Jim and Barbara Wingrove are rethinking the entire concept of a 2-week trip to Ski Liberty. It may become a weekend trip with a side trip to Gettysburg -- or even a day trip to Gettysburg with a side trip to Liberty,

Ski Liberty seems destined to remain our nearest ski area. Plans to develop 1710' College Mt. near Emmitsburg (only 50 miles from D.C.) have been delayed - if not completely eliminated-by local zoning authorities.

Oregon Ridge near Baltimore and Shawnee Land near Front Royal are long gone. And the previous base lodge at Braddock Heights is now a thriving Tex-Mex restaurant.

Writing this column has become an integral part of my alter kneego.

Lots of PVSers are doing interesting things this summer:

Dick and Betty Comerford are moving to Leesburg - just after he became club vice president! We'll have to have overnight ExCom meetings!

Susannah and Don Swaby both have new jobs, she with a Falls Church real estate developer, he as a financial planner.

Charlie Gordon is off on a long trip to Australia.

Frank Shelburne is hiking in Hawaii.

Bob Grasley and Mike Rysavy are checking out Nassau.

Jack Peoples is skiing in Chile.

Jamie and Shahrсад Miller & kids are spending some time at Rehoboth after their son returns from scout camp and daughter from a trip to Franc

Pat Cope retired from the D.C. Government. (She was retired for a whole weekend before starting a new job the following Monday.)

Nancy Garrett is recovering from a broken foot - a non-skiing injury. ("I know how to ski," she said.)

Marilyn Clark and Jan Marx helped with the preparations for the June meeting at the Garretts. (Incidentally, both Nancy and Joan Bonacker have stuning new hairdos.)

At the meeting, Rosy Soler and Eugenia Ufholz discovered they had both attended Wilson High School in D.C. (How kneet!" Rosy exclaimed.

And finaalknee, formal ExCom meetings are in. New veep Dick Comerford showed up in coat & tie for his first ExCom meeting. He was chided about his formality by the early arrivals. However by the time the meeting started, there were six people in coats and ties - three men and three women.

And really finaalknee, since there will be no August TOOT (and thus no Knee) please read this one twice!

PAST EVENTS

OUTING AT JACQUES HADLER'S ON THE BAY by Lu Beale

Despite a failure in directions (there is no longer a light at the Route 8 turnoff from #50 on Kent Island) 14 PVSers plus 4 friends and 5 children managed to find their way to Jacques Hadler's little blue house on the bay on June 6th for the club's annual picnic/swim/boating get-together.

It was a wonderfully cool afternoon and, although most had brought swim suits, Charlie Huggins was the only adult to brave a swim. The children, however, had no qualms and not only stayed in the water until a blue tinge appeared beneath their sunburns but also enjoyed the only boating of the day - inner tubing. (One happy result; there was no waiting line for the changing room.)

Gail and Larry Pease had come down the night before to prepare for the picnic. For the first time ever they were unaccompanied by either Greg or Angela. Nevertheless, they managed to lay out a feast which included umpteen hamburgers (painstakingly formed into patties by Gail) and franks, all expertly charcoal-broiled by Gail. (Presumably Larry was to be the clean-up man.)

Besides the main course, there were salads and nine (9) desserts, one a fine cherry cheese cake prepared by Sheldon Drews with some help from his good friend Sarah Lee. As a finale, Barbara Wingrove presented hubby Jim with a surprise birthday cake. (The honoree declined to disclose the anniversary year.)

Sated, some picnickers took a brief stroll to the nearby marina (perhaps searching for alka seltzers?) while others continued to loll about and watch the setting sun.

A peaceable ending to another "Hadler Picnic." Thanks Jacques, Gail and Larry for a happy day.

JUNE PVS MEETING by Norman Engelman

We celebrated Tuesday, June 16th at a great PVS meeting hosted by Nancy & Ray Garrett in their lovely home. The meeting was well attended by a large group of fun-loving and hungry PVSers. The food and punch were outstanding.

Jan Marx announced the good news that Dick Comerford is now our V.P. Most of the ski trip leaders for the coming season gave us up-dated information on their trips including the news that the Wycoff's have settled on Interlaken and Saas Fe after a tough three week trip checking out 11 Swiss ski areas. Even though the weather is hot we all felt cool just anticipating the coming ski season. Ray McKinley in his own inimitable manner outlined coming events for the summer. A movie was shown on the upcoming Timberline ski area.

Many thanks to Ray and Nancy for a very pleasant evening. We all hope that Nancy's fractured foot heals quickly.

PAST EVENT

A LUCULLIAN EVENING AT THE COPEs by Don Swaby

This article should more appropriately be titled, "I came, I saw, I ate ... and ate ...and ate." Famous restaurants in the area were put to shame by the menu, preparation and service, the latter provided by Karen Cope and a friend with superior efficiency and aplomb.

I wish I could give credit to all the lovely ladies who provided the delicacies for this grand international dinner. Unfortunately, you are too numerous to mention and I would be sorely grieved if I failed to give appropriate praise to a single person. Instead I will praise the dishes and hope, by doing so, to honor the creators.

As in years past, the evening began with hors d'oeuvres on the patio. This year they consisted of cheese puffs, salmon paté and spinach rolls. Although everyone tries to pace themselves because they know the dinner is not too far away, the quality and quantity of these goodies are just too tough to resist. Along with the watermelon daiquiries, the hors d'oeuvres would have made a very fine meal in themselves, as everyone rapidly began to realize.

But, never let it be said that PVS'ers don't have staying power. On to the appetizers! Yes, I said appetizers. Now, appetizers are supposed to stimulate the appetite. There wasn't a person in the house that didn't already have a stimulated appetite from the fare on the patio. When I was a kid if someone told me to eat herbed carrot cream with pea soup, cold, I would have rebelled. Age brings a more open mind and new delights. This was wonderful. I want the recipe. Along with the soup came a delicious ham and apple paté, bread and the first of Don's wines. More on the latter, later.

Between the appetizers and main course came a small pear sorbet to cleanse the palate, a touch of class that I dearly love. It's the aviation side of my Marine Corps background.

The main course consisted of boneless stuffed quail with apricot sauce, sauteed potatoes (earlier I gave credit to the ladies for the dinner, but me does recall that Ray McKinley figured in the potatoes - nice work, Ray), pea-watercress puree in toast cups and sweet-sour carrots. The boneless quail were the result of Pat Cope personally deboning each and every one. It was a truly superb meal accompanied by more of Don's wine selections. During the appetizers we sampled a Cote Du Rhone from France and an Australian Chardonnay. For the main course we had a choice of a Pinot Noir from California or an excellent Spanish red. My personal favorite was all the above.

Now, what you have all been waiting for - the desserts. They amply consisted of cold lemon souffle, chocolate dipped strawberries, daiquiri cheesecake, chocolate torte, apricot squares and strawberry cheesecake. As you would expect, after the above mentioned dinner not a soul had room for the desserts. Again undaunted, the PVS'ers loosened a button or belt and pressed forward, sampling all that the table had to offer.

Pat and Don Cope go to a tremendous amount of effort to provide an exquisite evening of dining in their lovely and atmospheric home. It was a wonderful evening of eating, drinking and camaraderie. Even the early Venicians would have been proud, maybe even the ancient Vikings.

!! SKI TRIPS !!

MONT SUTTON, CANADA - January 9-16,1988

See flyer in this issue of TOOT and send application to Jack Peoples or call (301-840-2213). Since the method of transportation has not been decided, Jack is very anxious to have some input from the skiers. Do let him hear from you! Remember it's your trip.

SWITZERLAND - January 22 - February 8,1988.

The Wyckoffs have just returned from their scouting trip to Europe and have made plans for a fabulous 17 days in the Swiss Alps.(Interlaken and Saas-Fee.) See the flyer in this issue of TOOT and call the Wyckoffs (589-5532).

PVS SPANISH SKI SAFARI - January 25 - February 10,1988.

Call leader Bob Grasley (565-9650) for information and to sign up for this unique SEE/SKI Adventure.

SKI THE FAMOUS WEST - LAKE TAHOE AND SUN VALLEY

February 13 - 27,1988

Refer to the flyer in the May TOOT and call leader Dina Taylor to sign up. Office:427-3227. Home:301-663-6089.

JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING/SALT LAKE CITY AREA - MARCH 5 - 20, 1988

Staying at hotels at both places.

Package 1: Jackson Hole, March 5 - 13. \$790.

Package 2: Package #1 plus Salt Lake City Ski Areas - March 13 - 20. \$1100.

Call Gorman Young, day or evening at (202) 244 - 2319.

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POTOMAC VALLEY SKI CLUB-SUTTON TRIP

SAME TIME

SAME PLACE

??? STATION ???

(Transportation)

January 9-16, 1988

Mont Sutton, Quebec

Not yet determined

Reservations are firm at the slopeside LaPaimpolaise for a repeat of the spectacularly successful Mont Sutton ski trip. We are firm on the time, the place BUT not the transportation. Since the recent cancellation of Amtrak's Montrealer, we definitely will have to make different travel arrangements this year. As of this date, June 8, we are working on the best alternate economical and convenient means of transportation. One airline is keeping us "up in the air" about their group prices until after July 1, and we feel the other initial group quotations to Burlington, VT are too high. We are also considering transportation by a very reliable bus company which would definitely be less expensive than by plane. The bus option would give us the bus for our use during the week which could include a night in Montreal in addition to daily transportation. Below is the trip application which contains a question concerning your preference for transportation and room for your comments. We are not asking for a deposit at this time, but we would like to have your reservation request and your feedback on transportation. We want to satisfy the majority of the trip participants so we need your opinion now, PLEASE.

Since we do not know the exact cost of the transportation or the exact number of nights at the LaPaimpolaise (which could depend on the transportation schedule), we can only estimate the cost of the trip at this time. Our stay at the LaPaimpolaise could be for five or six nights starting either Saturday, January 9 or Sunday, January 10. We do know that we will have to depart from Sutton after skiing on Friday, January 15. With these variables and the transportation cost estimates in mind, the trip could run from \$430 to \$510. The trip will be priced to include ALL TRANSPORTATION, FIVE OR SIX NIGHTS LODGING, FIVE OR SIX BREAKFASTS AND DINNERS (WITH WINE) AND A FIVE-DAY LIFT TICKET PLUS CONSTANT IN-HOUSE HOSTILITY in the trip leaders suite (same as last year). Again, the total price should not exceed \$510.

For those of you who are new or not familiar with Mont Sutton, here are some of the statistics on the mountain. Sutton has eight lifts (no lines during the week), 3000 feet elevation, 1550 feet vertical, 37 trails (beginners to true expert), long runs and glade skiing (skiing through the trees). Plans are now underway for installation of a second detachable quad chair to replace the #5 double chair for the 87-88 season. By the way, chairlift #1 is at the side door of the lodge so you can put your ski boots on in your room. The five-day lift ticket is good at all four mountains in SKI EAST--Sutton, Bromont, Orford and Owl's Head, and we plan to try at least one of the other mountains.

PLEASE complete the below form and mail to Jack Peoples, 8907 EDGEWOOD DRIVE, GAITHERSBURG, MD. 20877. If you have any questions, you can call Jack at 840-2213.

PVS SUTTON - JANUARY 1988

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address _____ Smoker _____ Non-Smoker _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Home _____ Office _____ Roommate Pref. _____

Transportation feedback: Number your preferences.

Plane _____ Bus _____ Train(if reinstated) _____ Carpool _____

Comments:

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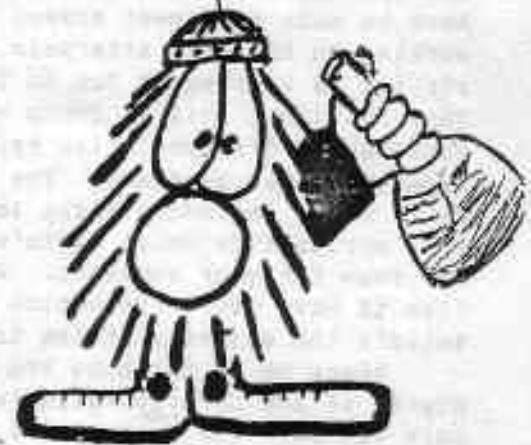
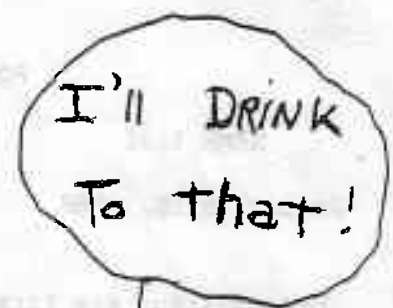
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