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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The weather of the past few days makes it clear that summer has really arrived. Now in many ski clubs that would be cause for tears; but not in PVS. Our summer schedule is full of fun things to do for all our members and their families (see schedule of events elsewhere in this issue). A special mention in the next TOOT to the person (s) who reports the latest ski trip taken for the 1981 spring season.

Without a doubt, the fact that PVS is able to meet and hold many of its events in the homes of its members is what gives us that distinctive "friendliness" that guests and new members often describe. To all of you who have opened your homes to us this past year, a special thanks. To all of you who are hosting upcoming events for the summer, we are looking forward to being with you.

For those of you I don't see before the summer vacation schedule takes hold - have safe and enjoyable trips; for the rest of you (and I hope that is most of you) I look forward to seeing you at the summer events.

*Bob Marx*

Bob Marx, President

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JUNE EVENT Picnic and Swim at Hadler's Cottage

Date: Saturday, June 13th. Rain date: June 14th

Time: 10:00 a.m. 'til dark. Supper served about 5 p.m.

Place: Jacques Hadler's cottage on Kent Island, Md.  
(Directions: next page.)

Coordinator: Gail Gell. [620-4573 (h) or 924-5000 (o)]

If the weather is uncertain, Call Marilyn Clark (978-9435) to see if picnic is being postponed to rain date.

Bring: Salad or dessert. (Check with Gail.) Bring your own lunch if you come at 10:00. Also bring swimming gear and extra folding chairs if you have them. Soft drinks,

beer, wine, hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixings, provided. The cost is \$2.50 per person.

(See map on page 2 )



DIRECTIONS TO THE HADLER COTTAGE

Go east from Annapolis on Rt. 50 over the Bay Bridge. At the first traffic light after the bridge, turn south on Rt. 8 on Kent Island. The Matapeake Public Recreation Ground entrance is 3 miles south of Rt. 50 (a public boat landing if you wish to launch your own boat). At the Kentmarr Airpark entrance, 5 miles south of Rt. 50, turn right-back toward the bay. Take that road to Hadler's cottage. It's the only road - you can't go wrong. It's the blue (4th) cottage after the 90° left turn.

# what & when

DON'T FORGET: STEAK AND SWIM AT THE ELRODS!!

JULY

Mark Saturday July 18th on your calendar for this popular annual event at Malda and Roy Elrods.

There will be liquid refreshments, swimming and a fine poolside dinner of steak, potatoes, salad and dessert. Cost: approximately \$6.00. (Bring your own plates and eating utensils.)

More on this affair in the July TOOT but sign up now with coordinators Malle and Ray McKinley (790-8812).

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PVS WINERY TOUR

AUGUST

"I'd sooner have a bottle in front of me than a frontal lobotomy."

- old winemaker saying

PVS's first winery tour is scheduled for Saturday August 22, 1981. This trip, organized and led by the Grasleys, will occupy one full day and, says Bob, will visit MONTERAY, BYRD, and PROVENZA or BERRYWINE.

The general plan is to assemble at Montgomery Mall (lots of parking) and board a bus there. Lunch is planned at Mealey's in New Market, Md. - a traveler's inn since 1800. This would not preclude someone taking a picnic lunch.

A flyer with all details will be included in a future TOOT.

It is important to sign up soon so that arrangements can be made for an appropriate size vehicle. To sign up, call Bob or Mary Lee Grasley at (301) 460-3167.

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REHOBOTH WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER

Vivian and Bob Barry have arranged for almost 2 doz. PVSers to spend the weekend of September 19-20 at their and other beach houses at Rehoboth.

This event is already fully suscribed but there are sure to be drop outs so call the Barrys now to be wait listed. Also call if you know anyone who can provide a house for the weekend (going rate is \$75 a house) and thus accomodate more PVSers. Sleeping bags also a possibility.

Approximately \$20 a person will provide lodging and a Saturday group dinner. Breakfasts and lunches are up to the individual.

Call Vivian or Bob (560-3127).

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PAST EVENTS

Report on the May Meeting by Lu Beale

Planted ski poles marked the entrance to the D.C. home of Angela and Mort Kuff where more than 50 PVSers and guests gathered May 19th for the club's monthly meeting.

The walls of that house must surely be expandable. How else could so many people move so comfortably from room to room sipping wine and beer, sampling Angela's apparently inexhaustible supply of delicious canapes, dips and other munchies?

President Bob Marx conducted a brief business meeting calling for reports on past events and prevues of upcoming goodies including two specials: an August 22 winery tour led by the Grasleys and a September 18 Rehoboth weekend led by the Barrys.

Ray McKinley hawked his PVS wares once more and Ward/Slack and Gell/Pease showed slides of their winter trips. Business conducted and entertainment concluded, everyone returned to the main pursuit of the evening: drinking, eating and enjoying the company of old friends.

Thanks to the Kuffs for the warm hospitality!

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Hike in Shenadoah National Park

Fifteen hardy hikers, brave of heart and steely with determination, made the May 9th trek in SNP's Cedar/White Oak Canyons. Because the car containing the McKinleys, Alice Swalm and Jacques Hadler blew out a tire en route to the rendezvous point, the group left the trail head in two sections and never the twain did meet.

Jamie and Shahradsad Miller with a guest and two stalwart children, aged 10 and 8, the Grasleys, Dot Mills, Thelma Belloli, leader Lu Beale and PVS applicant Babs Gaillard, made up the first contingent.

It was a beautiful day. The scenery (oh, those waterfalls!) as gorgeous as advertised, the company wonderful, the lunch on huge boulders in the midst of a tumbling canyon stream divine. All agreed, at trip's end, that, strenuous though it was, it was worth the effort and the aching muscles were the proudly earned badges of merit for the day.

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International Dinner by Jan Marx

Great, incredible, marvelous, tremendous are just some of the words used to describe our 11th I.D. The consensus was that the fixed menu was well received because everyone got a full serving of each item and the full benefit of the planned progression of flavors. It went like this: punch and hors d'oeuvres on the patio; chilled soup; cold fish; beef and pork, rice and carrots; followed by various desserts. All recipes are to be in the cookbook.

Waitresses. We had a special service this year provided by Karen Cope and her friend, Jackie. They are already learning to deal with difficult customers who want to do it themselves.....Aina, sit down!!!

Fish Poachers. The fish had to be cooked with the head on!! One eye on Marilyn's fish got loose!!! Jean Heitchue buried her fish head in the garden and something ate it!!

Wine. All excellent, Don. Some favored. Charlotte Eddy favored the St. Michelle Cardonnay Wash. state. We suspect it was because her son lives in Seattle. It was suggested that she run a winery tour out there to show her son that there is something else besides Oly beer.

OTHER TIDBITS SOLICITED BY THIS REPORTER:

For the plastic dishes.

For those who washed the plastic dishes.

Is that "Piglet Parmenter" with another dessert?

Who said the soup was moldy?

Is it better to have a Pennsylvania barn or a New York barn? Ask Don and Dick Clark.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING, ANYONE?

Helen and Harold Wiese are returning to Montana early in 1982 for a cross country skiing vacation they have taken several times before.

They would be pleased to have any interested PVSer join them. Call the Wieses (320-3155) before July 1st.

Place: Lone Mt. Ranch, Big Sky, Montana

Estimated cost per person:

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| Wash. D.C. - Bozeman, Mt.              | \$468 |
| 7 nights at ranch (2 to a rm)          | \$328 |
| (Includes meals and bus from airport.) | \$796 |

Optional:

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| Yellowstone by snowcoach                                     |       |
| A. One day trip to Old Faithful                              | \$44  |
| B. 3 days and 2 nights at Old Faithful Snowlodge             | \$117 |
| Motel in Bozeman (if this option is used) Meals NOT included | \$20  |

Ski rentals and nordic ski instruction available. Free shuttle bus to Big Sky alpine ski area.

Land portion is January 1981 price and will likely increase for 1982. Air rates include June 1981 increase.

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SKI UTAH POWDER March 6-20, 1982

Norman and Mary Engleman report their western trip is definitely on with 25 people already signed up.

Cost is now approximately \$855. This includes lodging, lifts, transfers, a car for each 4 people, and an estimate of airfare.

Call the Englemans for more information or to sign on. (299-2635)

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EXCOM NOTES:

Gail Gell and Larry Pease graciously hosted the May 26th ExCom meeting where finishing touches were put on previously planned events while other possible events were put on the drawing board.

The necessary \$19.65 dues to keep PVS in the BRSC was allocated. Geoff' Wadey will be asked to continue as our delegate to that organization. Two other delegates will be named.

ExCom also sends the following SOS:

WANTED: a coordinator and assistant's for a possible PVS Harvest Dinner in November. Call Alice Swalm (979-6756) if you can help.

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PUT THIS ONE ON YOUR CALENDAR!!

**SEPT**  
**Event**

Crabfeast and Swim party at the Wingroves Saturday Sept. 5th. (The Saturday before Labor Day.) Details in August TOOT.



## the knee

by

Ray McKinley

Herewith some mystifying musings, magnificent metaphors and melancholy murmurs from your mighty, mangy main man - er knee person. Have you noticed that your TOOT has a new look of late? Our editor has a new typewriter with clean, airy type face. It even gives this column a facade of class. Further, TOOT is now folded only once, not twice as it was previously. I understand that the Marx kids rebelled at so much folding so half of it was eliminated. Now, with all their spare time, the kids have taken up origami!

Who skied the latest in the season this year? As far as I know it was Bill Stecher in Davos on April 5th. Any later? And who skied the most and who the least number of days?

Could it be that PVS's most recent Denver converts, Dick and Julie King, skied only 9 days this last season? That's what I hear from Charlie Gordon who saw them in April.

Note to Bette Walker and the cookbook committee: Whatever happened to you? Time was I really believed there was going to be a PVS cookbook. I have a great recipe for kneeroast.

Where was our Movie Mogul when we needed him? At the May meeting at the Kuffs we went through almost an hour of great slides and not one lamp picture.

The PVS racers? Yes!! Over last winter Glade Flake collected 4 NASTAR silver medals. His boys won bronzes. And Barbie, Heidi, Elke and Bill Stecher all won golds during a single week at Stowe. They're all winkneers.

Two interesting typed post-cards arrived last month. TOOT editor Lu Beale received one complete with oriental accent. It was addressed to TOOTSie Ru Beare, District of Columbia. On the back it said "Why does the sun never set on Japanese Knee-Puns? Because it's the land of the rising sun." (See Definikneeshuns for further help in mesolving this.)

I received one addressed to Ray Mc inley ( it was de-CAYed). It said, "Labor, Kneepuns, is a many difficulted thing. (Hint: say it fast or say it slow but let it de CAY.)" For more information on these contact MOB KIGP (Hint: maybe only part is relevant.)

Speaking of hairdos, which I wasn't, I note that veep Mary Ward is sporting a new, shorter one. (Yes, I realize it couldn't be new and longer.)

New club secretary Irene Farrell was on the job and writing up a storm at the last ExCom meeting. You'll read about the storm later.

The Knee Kneedle of the Month goes to good friend and editor Lu Beale. While leading our splendid hike through Cedar/White Oak Canyon she managed to "lose" four of the participants. This loss, which included the Knee, occurred before the hike began. However, it was certainly not a total loss for the four, who had arrived late due to a car problem, ( Editor's note: but had been supplied with detailed maps beforehand!) proceeded to make the hike and had a lovely day. Lu, was I left behind because of my puns? (Editor's note: Not so. Your small loss was my big loss.)

KNEE KNEWS KNOTE: Did you not sign up for the International Dinner at the Copes because it filled up too soon? Well, you blew your chance. You should have put your name on the wait list. This year almost everyone so listed had the opportunity to attend. But not you because you didn't sign up.

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THE KNEE (Continued)

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Due to PVSers' busy schedules, this isn't unusual. Last year, everyone on the dinner wait list was invited and we even ended up with two empty spaces!

The International Dinner in its new 1981 format was an outstanding success. Don Cope, our winemaster, has really mastered these new metric wine bottles. He gets my award for Litership. (I realize that's stretching to make a pun. The bottles are really only 750 ml.)

As part of our multicourse dinner, I had my first-ever taste of poached fish. It was delicious. Now I understand why English nobility made it illegal for peasants to poach.

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I had a little too much wine to drink at the Copes. Yup, I got inkneebriated. Which, of course, leads into this month's Defikneeshuns. These are all courtesy of the Knee. I really could use your help as I'm running out of ideas. Well, here it goes:

- Knee kill: Five cents
- Pun Knees: My version of the Sunday comics.
- Knee chee: German writer
- Knee pun: What the Japan-knees call their country
- Japaknees: What Japan kneels on
- Kneece: A female kneephew
- Swaknee: What a swan kneels on

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CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS

- June 13 .... Picnic and Swim at the Hadler Cottage .
- June 23 .... ExCom Meeting at Ward/Slack's 7:30 p.m.
- July 18 .... Steak and Swim at the Elrods . 2 p.m.
- July 28 .... ExCom Meeting at the Wingroves. 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 22 .... Winery Tour. Grasleys leading. All day affair.
- Aug. 25 .... ExCom Meeting at the Masons. 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 5 .... Labor Day Weekend Crabfeast and Swim at the Wingroves.
- Sept. 18 .... Rehoboth Weekend. Barrys leading.
- Sept. ? .... Wine Tasting Party.
- Oct. 3 .... Oktoberfest at the Wyckoffs.
- Oct. 24 .... Hike and Dinner with the Masons

SKI TRIPS

- January 22- February 7 .. Ski Austria with the Wyckoffs
- January 27 - February 15 .. Spain/North Africa with the Grasleys
- March 6 - March 20 ... Ski Utah Powder with the Englemans
- Early 1982 ... Cross country ski in Montana with the Wiesses.

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THIS SUNDAY, June 7 Local bike trip. Meet on corner of MacArthur Blvd and Loughboro Rd. (near Sibley Hosp.) at 9:30. Ride to Old Angler's Inn. Bring lunch. Call Thelma Belloli at home. (966-3383)



5/30/81

15-Day PVS TYROLEAN ADVENTURE

\$ 1,185.-

Bob & Margaret Wyckoff, just back from Europe on May 27, have the following almost "too-good-to-be-true" package to offer PVS & BRSC members. (with bath or shower based on double occupancy)

Depart Washington noon, Friday, Jan 22 (charter bus to Philadelphia, plane to Munich)  
Return to Washington Sunday between 6 & 7 PM, February 7.

Both weeks will be in charming Austrian villages with plenty of "Gemutlichkeit". The first week will be in NEUSTIFT in the STUBAI Valley and the second in MAYRFHOFEN in the ZILLER Valley. During the transfer on Saturday, Jan 30, we'll spend half a day in INNSBRUCK for shopping, lunch & sightseeing, including a stop at the Olympic Ski Jump. Then on Saturday, Feb 6 we'll drive to Munich for half a day, departing Sunday AM.

SKI PASSES INCLUDED — for 12 full days skiing, all lifts - 180 lifts in the three valleys of ZILLERTAL, STUBATAL, & OETZTAL including 3 glaciers (guaranteed skiing!).

HOTELS — The 3-star ALPENHOTEL-FERNAU in Neustift, the 4-star HOTEL NEUHAUS in Mayrhofen, and the good old PLATZL in Munich. Includes 4-course dinners with choice of entree, and buffet breakfasts with eggs, cheese, sausage, etc. (no Munich dinner)

EXTRAS INCLUDED

- Pools and Saunas, both weeks.
- Welcome drink parties, both weeks.
- Ice skating, in Neustift for sure, in Mayrhofen possibly.
- Several special evenings such as a Tyrolean Evening, a Tobogganing evening, complete with gluhwein, etc.

AVAILABLE

- Day excursions to Verona & Gardasee, Italy; to Bavarian Castles & Oberammergau; to Salzburg; and to Innsbruck.
- We may organize one day ski trips to SOLDEN in the Oetztal and to GERLOS in a branch of the Zillertal depending on interest and road conditions. Our passes are good in both locations.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

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|                      | (Make checks to "PVS Tyrol" & mail to trip leaders) | space.   |
| 1st-with application | \$ 25 -   | Date of receipt establishes your priority for available/ |
| 2nd-August 1st       | 550 -   | Includes \$539 Super Apex Group Fare which is subject to |
| 3rd-October 10th     | 300   | increases until paid in full. This is subject to         |
| 4th-December 10th    | 290   | a \$50 cancellation fee within 21 days of flight time,   |
| TOTAL COST           | \$ 1,185*   | and prior to that if it drops the group below 20.        |

\*Good news! This is firm in dollars, except as noted under air fare above.  
Cancellation Policy - There is a \$25 cancellation fee in addition to the above. On cancellations after Dec. 10 refunds will be made only to the extent hotels make refunds.

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