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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

It is a privilege to serve as your president for the coming year. I look forward to working with the many fine contributors who have maintained PVS as the best deal in town.

I want to express the appreciation of the club to outgoing President Gail Pease for the outstanding job she has done over the past two years. Also, thanks to outgoing ExCom members Steve Grenleski, Reg Heitchue, and Jim Wingrove for their many fine contributions.

Welcome to new ExCom members Janet Marx, Lu Beale, and Charlie Huggins. They join "second termers" Mary Jane McCarthy, Alice Swalm, and Bob Wyckoff.

All of us welcome and need your comments and suggestions on meetings, trips, and other items of interest to you. Let us hear from you!

Sheldon Drews, President

MONTHLY MEETING

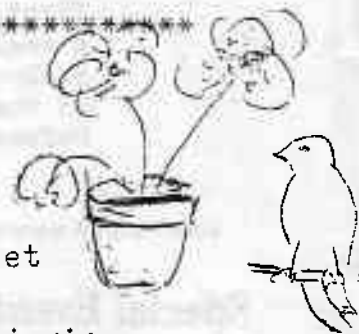
BLOSSOM TIME AT THE BARRYS!!

When: Tuesday, May 21st. 7:30 P.M.

Where: Home of Vivian and Bob Barry at 2535 Ogden Street Falls Church, Va. (Tel: 560-3127)

What: Fun and frolicking and a little business plus enjoying the Barrys' fabulous gardens. The azalias may not be at their best this time but hopefully there will be other blossoms to please the eye.

DIRECTIONS: Take Beltway Exit 10 (Rte 7) for Falls Church. Go about a mile to the light at Shreve Road. (There is a Roy Rogers and a Long John Silver on opposite sides of the intersect.) Turn right on Shreve Road and proceed about a mile - past elementary school on the left - to Ogden Street where turn right and continue to 2535 which has a picket fence and is the next to last house on right hand side. Alternate route from D.C. - Lee Hgwy (Rtes 29/211) from Rosalyn some 2 1/2 miles to right on Shreve Rd. (Rte 703). Proceed a little more than a mile to left on Ogden Street and continue to Barry house - 2535 Ogden.



☆☆ ACTIVITIES ☆☆

Special Event

HIKE IN SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK

Date: Saturday, May 25th. (Rain date: Sunday May 26)

What: A 7 mile round trip hike in White Oak Canyon - one of the most spectacular ravines in the park with emphasis on waterfalls, cascades and swimming holes. We will start at the bottom of the canyon and return by the same route so that those who do not wish to go the whole route may laze by a waterfall until the return of the more energetic.

Wear: Sturdy shoes. And bring lots of gorp, water and lunch. (And perhaps liquid refreshments left on ice in your car for relief at trail's end.)

Time: 8:30 A.M. Meet at the Cooper School just inside the Beltway at Exit 13, Rte 193, Georgetown Pike. The school is on the right of #193 on Balls Hill Rd. Carpooling will be arranged here.

Reservations: Please call leader Lu Beale (363-3521) by Thursday May 23rd so carpooling and trail head parking can be arranged.

Special Event

INTERNATIONAL DINNER AT THE COPEs - MAY 18th

SOLD OUT. Call Coordinator Marilyn Clark (978-9435) for special menu instructions.

DIRECTIONS: Take the George Washington Parkway past the sailing marina to the first right turn which is marked Slaters Lane, to the parallel service road. At the first signal, make a right turn onto Slaters Lane. Follow Slaters Lane through a angled left past the warehouses and make the first right turn. Go over the railroad bridge and turn left onto Monroe Ave. (The Monroe Ave bridge is Rt. 1). Go through 2 signals and the Cope home is the big, white house on the right before the 3rd signal.

Special Event

FISHING TRIP - JUNE 1st

Join Charlie Gordon on an informal, car-pooling trip fishing for big blue on the Chesapeake with a stop for dinner on the way home if you wish. Reports have it that the blue have already been sighted coming into the bay and will be waiting just for you.

If you'd like to join Charlie on an earlier trip as well as on June 1st, just call. When the fish are biting, Charlie's ready to go if you are. Try him.(530-3762).

Also Coming

Saturday, June 15th - SAIL AND SWIM AT HADLER'S COTTAGE ON THE BAY

The annual PVS summer event at Hadler's will be Saturday June 15th. The usual format of bring your own lunch and come as early as 10 a.m. will prevail.

Each participant will bring a salad or dessert to share at the cookout beginning at 4:30 p.m. Hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixings, beverages and munchies will be provided as part of the cost of approximately \$4.00 per person with a special rate for children under twelve.

This event is limited to 40 people due to one bathroom and consideration for Jack's neighbors. To reserve a place, call Gail Pease at 248-6624 (work) or 620-4573 (home). Directions will be printed in the June TOOT.

JUNE 22 - 23 WHITE WATER RAFTING ON THE YOUGHIOGHENY

Join your PVS friends for an adventure-filled weekend - hiking at Swallow Falls Park - visiting the famous Falling Water estate - rafting on the Yock. See last month's TOOT for details and remember the cut off date is May 22nd. For more information call coordinator Dina Taylor (301-663-6089). Local contact: Mary Jane McCarthy (949-3703).

Call soon or you're gonna miss the boat!!

July 20 STEAK AND SWIM AT THE ELRODS

Put it on your calendar... Ray McKinley taking sign-ups now. Call Ray (759-4432).

BLUE RIDGE SKI COUNCIL by Gail Pease

The annual spring meeting of the BRSC was held Sunday, April 21st at the Bolling Officers Club. This was a particularly luxurious setting for the BRSC as well as a convenient location.

There were seven PVS members in attendance; Bob and Margaret Wyckoff, Gail Pease and Sheldon Drews directly representing PVS; Larry Pease for the NSPS; Dina Taylor for the Frederick Ski Club; Kitty Imdahl for the Columbia Ski Club and ASIA. The Wyckoffs, Sheldon and Larry are also SCWDC members; Sheldon is a member of ASIA; and Kitty is the BRSC "Ski Talk" editor. These are a committed group of people.

Of interest to PVS at the meeting was the fact that the only three trips presented for sanctions at this meeting are PVS trips: Wyckoffs to Austria, Norm to Utah, Dina to Italy. BRSC also passed a motion allowing sanctioning of trips of less than 5 days duration. This will allow smaller clubs to draw upon BRSC \$o fill their trips if desired.

There was a proposal to run a BRSC "Winter Carnival" at a western ski resort in the winter of 1987. All BRSC clubs would be urged to run one of their annual trips to that resort at the same time, thus allowing greater leverage with airlines and inns. Delegates are to discuss this idea with their clubs and report back at the fall meeting.

PAST EVENT

ANNUAL MEETING by Lu Beale

Some 60 PVSers convened in Charlotte Eddy's Fairfax home for the annual meeting April 16th and for the usual fun, fellowship and food.

Youngest future-member present was Charlotte Eddy's granddaughter, 6 week old Nicole - a raving beauty and easily the hit of the evening. While not admiring Nicole, guests milled around the dining table sampling Charlotte's delectible frankfort bits (cooked 4 hours in beer and brown sugar) baked brie, and other goodies.

Charlie Gordon departed early as he had to arise at 3 a.m. for an Ocean City fishing trip. Bob Marx had just been rock climbing with a scout group - rappeling and all that and loved it. Bob Grasley looked spiffy as always in tailored attire. Ken Evans, who suffered a broken leg in Colorado, was preparing to jettison cast and crutches forever.

Gail Pease presided over her last meeting as president before passing the gavel to newly elected president Sheldon Drews. All club officers promptly resigned (as required by protocol) and Sheldon as promptly reappointed them. New ExComers Jan Marx, Charlie Huggins and Lu Beale were sworn in, so to speak, and 16 applicant members were elected to full membership by secret ballot. (See below for list of new members.)

Heavy business thus completed, the Marxs set up the club's new screen for a showing of "Free Ride" - a kaleidoscope of every athletic conveyance known to sports lovers.

And so another annual meeting came to an end. How the years fly by! Thanks to Charlotte for helping to make the ending of this one so pain free.

NEW MEMBERS

The following applicant members were elected to all the rights and benefits of full membership at the April annual meeting.

Joan Bonacker, Mariana Cook, Howard Hensley, Judy Gruner, Catherine Kulpa, Nancy and Joe Lewis, Paulette Lichtman-Panzer, Lee and Sal Mahallati, Jack Peoples, Jules Tepper and Patricia Tepper, Svava Vernhards, Linda and Jim Wolcott.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES ?? by Marilyn Clark

For the first time in its 20 year history, the membership of PVS at 174 is nearing the constitutional limit of 200.

On April 17th, a 7 member committee met at Marilyn Clark's home to address this situation. Four former PVS presidents ("Knee" McKinley Larry Pease, Art Topping and Marilyn Clark), newly-elected president Sheldon Drews and former ExCom members Dorothy Mills and Charlotte Reith formed the committee.

After nearly 3 hours of discussion it was agreed that all wanted to retain the special character of PVS and that meeting in members' homes was an important factor in doing this. A second meeting will be held on June 5 and club members are urged to make any suggestions to committee members before that date for consideration at the meeting.

As is customary, food and drink helped the committee in its efforts to resolve this question.

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The Knee

by
Ray McKinley

Once again PVS has conducted a successful passing of the reins of power. This was again done in true democratic fashion: one candidate, one slate, a non-secret ballot. Ankleway, I'm certain that new pres. Sheldon Drews will be as long remembered as Gail Whatshername.

Speaking of Gail, she has a new job working for a group of doctors but still has the same long commute. Since she is no longer in the alcoholic rehabilitation business, I wonder if she will celebrate by getting inkneebriated.

Since Sheldon's voice is somewhat louder than Gail's, I suspect Norm Engelman will lose his job as club loudspeaker calling on all to quiet down before each meeting.

This year's annual meeting, hosted (hostpersoned?) by Charlotte Eddy was wonderful as usual. We were all impressed by the new PVS movie screen and by our new, wide angle lens. Both were purchased for the club after a lot of comparison shopping by Jan Marx who also provided the kneat Warren Miller film. Kudos, Jan!

You may have noticed that last month's TOOT (and maybe even this one) came with the new "D" postage stamps. After considerable research (assuming one phone call constitutes considerable research) I have discovered we did not buy the D stamps at a discount as we did when the B and C stamps came out. Pity.

Dick and Julie King write that, due to a change in Dick's job, they will be moving to Valley Forge, Pa. Perhaps they are having a FTEC (Former TOOT Editor Convention) since Dick's replacement as TOOT editor, Judy Mealey, is also in that area.

Fred and Barbara Leonhardt spent the last week in February and first week in March skiing at Vail. Jack Lilly was in Vail the same two weeks and yet they never met!

At a recent event, Fred told me he had promised Barbara he would have their basement completed by the fall. He said to me "That means I'll likely get it completed for a PVS meeting next year!" Promises, promises.

Jack Lilly is well known for his inability to stay on T bars! At the Wyckoffs' post trip party, Charlotte Reith, Huey Roberts and Irene Farrell created a special "Order of the T" award (brilliantly presented by Dick Comerford) to Jacques Clod Lilly. It was wonderful. Do ask Jacques about it.

While in Aspen this winter, I had lunch with Sherry Moorer, Aspen Ski Corp's director of public relations. She told me of a near faux pas (an expression I picked up on the French trip). It happened before the World Cup, Subaru sponsored, Winternationals. When 50,000 programs arrived, the full page center ad was not for Subaru but for Dodge. Virtually every Ski Corp employee spent four hours ripping out the offending pages.

I'm not really into geology but let me assure you my favorite rocks are igkneeous.

Latest skiing in the club that I'm aware of was done by Steve Grenleski in early April. On the way to a west coast meeting he stopped off in Reno and skied 4 days at Squaw Valley. He reports the area is really improving.

Handy ski hint for you: Having skied with cracked goggles for 2 weeks in Europe, I finally got a new pair in Aspen. Through sheer brilliance, I left both pairs in the condo on my last day at Snowmass. Rather than waste time going back, I went to the Lost & Found in a restaurant at the top of the hill. "I'm looking for a pair of Smith goggles," I said.

He had only one pair, also Smiths. "Unfortunately, not mine," I told him. "Is there a place I can rent a pair for the day?" He said "No, but you can just borrow these for the day." Problem solved.

He asked me to leave the glasses with the Ski Patrol at the bottom of the hill. As the finder, I had to fill out a lengthy form giving name, where found, etc. Well, last week I received a package from Aspen Ski Corp with a note saying "Thank you for being a good samaritan, the goggles you turned in were never claimed so we are giving them to you."

!! SKI TRIPS !!

BEST OF THE WEST - UTAH POWDER '86

Norm Engelman will lead the Utah trip from February 8 to 22, 1986. Accommodations will be at the Salt Palace Travelodge (with heated pool and sauna). The trip will include the usual pre-and post-trip dinner parties, 11 days of lift tickets, transfers, round trip air fare and a car for each four skiers.

Lift tickets will cover Alta, Snowbird, Deer Valley, Park City West and Solitude. The two free days can be used to repeat any of the above or for trying Snowbasin, Brighton, Powder Mountain, etc.

The price is not yet set. To reserve a place on this trip send Norm a \$25 deposit which is refundable if trip price is not satisfactory.

Remember, Utah has "the best powder on earth."

Call Norm(299-2635) or write him-10450 Kentsdale Dr. Potomac. Md. 20854

PVS AUSTRIA - January 24th - February 9th

Plans for this Wyckoff led trip are firming up and reservations are nearing capacity.

The first week will be at the Alpenrose in Zurs, the second week will be at the Neue Post in Zell-am-Zee. These lovely towns and hotels are popular with PVSers who have visited them in the past. A final day and night will be spent exploring Munich.

The price of \$1,560 includes transportation, rooms and two meals a day in the ski areas. Lift tickets are not included in price at this point but some arrangement may be made later.

Because available spaces are quickly filling, call or write the Wyckoffs very soon. A \$40 check made out to PVS Austria is required with reservation. It is fully refundable up to the time a detailed flyer is printed. Mail to the Wyckoffs at 8100 Park Crest Dr. Silver Spring, Md. 20910

PVS CORTINA - March 8 - 22, 1986

This super trip to one of Europe's most glamorous resorts promises superb skiing in 4 major ski areas (conditions usually EXCELLENT in March), comfortable living in 3-star Parc Hotel Victoria, excellent food, and a sampling of La Dolce Vita at the many cafes and cabarets.

Plus a day/night in Milan (at the 4-star hotel Cavour) and an evening at La Scala.

Tentative price of \$1330 will cover transportation, accommodations, two meals a day in ski areas, breakfast in Milan, pre- and post-trip parties. The basic ski pass, approximately \$60 for 6 days (seniors get discounts), will admit you to the 4 ski areas. For a single room in Cortina an extra charge of \$100 will cover the entire stay in the resort.

Although not all details have been finalized, a deposit of \$ 50, payable to "PVS CORTINA" will be accepted to reserve a space on this fabulous trip. Checks may be sent to DINA TAYLOR, 8403 STONEHOUSE ROAD, FREDERICK, MD 21701. The deposit is fully refundable until plans have been completed and a formal notice sent out.

For further information call Dina: H-301-663-6089 or O-301-363-0300, ext. 2650; or locally Mary Jane McCarthy: H-949-3703, O-443-6520.

Fun Run and Brunch with the Clarks



Twelve ran, twelve walked, one
biked and one went on all fours (→)
on the 4th Annual 6 mile Run for Fun
with the Clarks on a gorgeous April day.

As we gathered in the parking lot, you could tell
the runners from the walkers not only because their costumes
were appropriately dishabille but their paces. I like contortions as they
warmed up. (Knox Felker was particularly impressive with
his Canadian isometrics.) At the sound of the starting gun
(a squeaky bark from Josephine) the runners took off.

Fiftyone and a half minutes later Dick Clark, Don
Swabe, Ray McKinley, and Ray Garrett led the pack in
(Huey Roberts got lost and went an extra 3
miles.) Suzannah Swabe completed her first ever over
five miles among the leaders. Ray Garrett, who had the
first over 3 mile run at the last Fun Run came in with
the leaders.

Meanwhile, the walkers came in an hour later, rest
and at ease but, like the runners, ravenous for the brunch
waiting for us at the Clarks. Marilyn's fabulous cheddar, egg & sausage
Casserole, mixed fresh fruits, homemade nut bread, with suitable libations,
renewed everyone's health and we sat about on the Clark deck, for
hours enjoying our well-earned leisure. Thanks Marilyn and Didi
for another grand spring event!

CALENDAR

- May 4 Billy Goat Trail Hike. 10:30 a.m. Lu Beale leading.
- May 18 International Dinner. Marilyn Clark coordinating.
- May 21 Monthly Meeting -Blossom Time at the Barrys'. 7:30 p.m.
- May 25 White Oak Canyon Hike. 8:30 a.m. Lu Beale leading.
- May 28 ExCom at Charlotte Reith's home. 7:30 p.m.
- June 1 Fishing Trip with Charlie Gordon.
- June 15 ... Picnic & Swim at Hadler's cottage. Gail Pease coordinating.
- June 22 - 23 .. Rafting on the Youghiogheny. Dina Taylor coordinating.
- June 25 ... ExCom at Alice Swalm's.

ANNIVERSARY DINNER - Now scheduled for SUNDAY November 10th.

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