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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

At the ExCom meeting last night we were discussing the fact that this will be the last issue of TOOT for those current members who have not yet sent in their renewal applications. (You can tell if you are one of the "chosen" very easily---if there is an application on the last page of this issue, we haven't heard from you yet!)

Well, membership chairperson Marilyn Clark said, "Shall I embarrass a few people here by reading the names of the ExCom members who have not yet renewed?" I, feeling that public chastisement is not usually the best way to encourage acceptable behavior, suggested that we probably ought to skip that so as to avoid embarrassing anyone. That turns out to have been another brilliant Presidential Decision, because guess who had not yet sent in their money---ME! For shame!

That oversight being taken care of this evening, I encourage the rest of YOU to get your form and check in to Marilyn soon so that you will not miss out on any of the fantastic programs we have planned in the coming months, or miss a single exciting issue of TOOT with the ribald humor of the knee, the directions to upcoming events or the reports on what you and your friends did at events recently enjoyed.

See you soon.

Bob

Bob Marx, President

FALL FOLIAGE HIKE WITH DINNER AT THE MASONS

When: Saturday, October 16. Rain date: Sunday, October 17th

What: The Masons have mapped out another great hike - (up to 5 miles for the shorties, 11 for the longies) - in the Massanutten across from Signal Knob. After the hike, all participants will caravan to the Mason's Front Royal home for another of Dottie's fabulous feasts.

Time: 8 a.m. at the Cooper School just inside Beltway Exit 13, Rte 193 (Georgetown Pike). The school is on the right side of Rte 193 at Balls Hill Rd. Carpooling will be arranged here.

Bring: Lunch and plenty of water; warm clothing in case it gets cold after sundown. Rain gear sometimes insures good weather.

Cost: About \$5 for a share-the-cost dinner. Also carpooling contribution.

Reservations: Trip is limited to forty and reservations for dinner are a MUST so there will be enuff food. Call Dot or Jenckes Mason (652-4313) by Wednesday, Oct. 13th.



OCTOBER CLUB MEETING Business and Fun

When: Tuesday, October 19th. 8:00 p.m.

Where: Home of Jean and Reg Heitchue in Reston.

What: Business...Comraderie...Movies...Refreshments

Directions to 2050 Eakins Court in Reston:

Take beltway to Tysons Corner. From the SOUTH, take Exit 10 West onto Rte. 7 towards Reston. From the NORTH, use Exit 11 onto Rte 123 and at Rte. 7 (Leesburg Pike) follow signs to Wolftrap and Reston WEST. Turn left at Rte 606 Intersection (Baron Cameron) after the large Reston sign on the right side of the road. Go left at first light (Wiehle Ave.). Go about 2 miles to end passing through 3 lights and over a bridge. Turn right onto Sunrise Valley Drive. Go left at traffic light onto Soapstone Drive. Take second left onto Purple Beech and then first right into Eakins Ct and 2050 is grey house on right corner. (Heitchue telephone: 860-9190)



PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DATE OF THE SKI SWAP AT THE SKI CENTER AT MASS. AVE. & 49TH ST. N.W. D.C. HAS BEEN CHANGED. IT WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 17TH WITH OUR OWN JIM WINGROVE IN CHARGE.

CHESAPEAKE SAIL AT A DISCOUNT

If you are interested in joining the PVS October 8-10 sail on Chesapeake Bay call Charlotte Reith (765-1810). Because of knee surgery Charlotte has had to cancel and will sell her reserved space for \$35 - half the asking price-for the weekend.

A BARGAIN THAT WAS A BARGAIN by Geoff Wadey

The following information may be of interest to those friends who joined me in picking up the apparent \$40 bargain skis at Wolfe's in Salt Lake City last winter. They were K2 TRACERS, which none of us had ever heard of, but K2 skis for \$40?

I was looking for a pair of softer skis than my K2 244s for use in soft and powder snow. The young salesman said they would be fine.

I have learned from the K2 Ski Company that we did get a bargain. They are light, easy turning, carving skis designed for intermediate to advanced skiers. They are built around a foam core and were made for two years. They are similar to the 305 in the present K2 line and should be good powder skis.

PAST EVENTS

CRAB FEAST AT THE WINGROVES By Dorothy Mills

Crabs, crabs, and more crabs! Sixty three PVSers and friends converged on Barbara and Jim Wingrove's lovely Potomac home from such faraway places as Yellowstone Park, Martha's Vineyard, California and Chesapeake Bay to celebrate the end of summer with a sumptuous pre-Labor Day feast. Crabs were supplemented with steaming corn on the cob dripping with butter, tempting salads, and all manner of luscious desserts.

This festival of food was preceded by swimming, beer drinking (adults only!), and exchanging reminiscences of summer. President Bob, Jan and family made a 5 week trek out west taking in national parks all the way. Ex-pres Marilyn and Dick didn't have 5 weeks but did have 2 trips. Angela and Mort Kuff explored the Chesapeake on their new sail boat. PVSers really know how to enjoy life! It was a fun-filled summer for everyone but no one seemed too sad to see it go. It was a toss-up whether there was more talk of last summer or next winter. (Last winter even sneaked in with some snapshots of Morocco!)

The Wingroves arranged perfect weather for the feast. The swimming was great, the company incomparable. But the highlight of the day was crabs! They kept coming and coming and no one seemed able to say no. We ate - and ate - and ate.

What a delightful way to end the summer. Cheers to the Wingroves for arranging such a great party.

WINE AFTERTASTES by Dorothy Mason

Sixty PVSers and friends attended the wine tasting party September 21 at the Norm Engleman's. Some sniffed, sipped and rolled the wine around on their tongues most professionally. Most just drank, talked and nibbled the delicious cheeses. Everyone was asked to rate the eight wines on a scale of 1 - 10. There were three white, three red, one rosé, and one dessert. The rosé, from a Maryland vineyard, (labeled table red) was too way out and got low marks. The dessert wine suffered by being last and very sweet.

Somehow, in the midst of all the conviviality, Bob Marx managed to hold a 3-minute meeting and Bob Grasley showed slides of skiing in Spain and a short movie on skiing in New Zealand.

Back to the ballot which asked for ideas on kinds of wines we would like for future tastings. Don Cope wants opinions. Our is, "You Copes are doing great."

Thanks Mary and Norm for use of your wonderful and beautiful home. And bless the heavens for good drinking weather. Only a few hours after we left, the skies opened up and the rain came down. PVSers really lead charmed lives!



The Knee

by
Ray McKinley

Two feet of new snow in the Rockies, snow in Killington in August. You know what season it is? It's membership season. You must lay out your hard earned bucks and rejoin by Kneevember. In order to convince you to become a member, I've composed a special bit of poetknee: The Knee

isn't free.
You must pay for me
by rejoining PV

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The Knee received a nice letter from Bob Grasley who was skiing in New Zealand in August. I wonder if he knows that kiwi fruit are layed by kiwi birds who use them to polish shoes. Bob had a ball skiing four different areas. I can see it coming: PVS first summer ski trip. Ski New Zealand - or is that "ski" New Zealand? In either case it sounds like fun.

On September 21st, while most of us were exercising our palates in preparation for the evening's wine tasting, Dot & Jenckes Mason, Lu Beale and Frank Shelburne were hiking in the Massanutten sampling trails for our annual fall hike. I understand they have some particularly nice ones picked - long & short.

If you ever need a lot of salad dressing, ask Bing Poon. His recipe makes at least 6 quarts.

Last month the Knee reported, in absentia, on an ExCom meeting at Adele Waggaman's on Martha's Vineyard. Well, a few more tidbits about this meeting have surfaced. Seems Adele's cat thought Dick Clark's fisherman's sweater was a litter box (maybe it was a big box) and did its thing. But, don't mention this to Adele since I hear she's a little bit embarrassed.

You know the name of my favorite indian tribe? The Sho shoknees. They had a young maiden named Minkneehaha.

She was named after a small joke. And she always wore minknee skirts.

Anykneehow, back to Martha's Vineyard. One evening the group had a clam bake. (I've never seen one cook, let alone bake.) Everyone was seated at a long picnic table. On one side were Dot Mills, Charlotte Reith, Irene Farrell and Sheldon Drews; on the far side were the Clarks, the Barrys, and Charlie Gorden. Either through a brilliantly preplanned coup or blind chance, all of the latter group rose from the table simultaneously.

Well! That side of the table went up, the other side went down and Dot, Charlotte, Irene and Sheldon went hindquarters over forequarters over - er-knees. Is it true that now not one of the participants is talking to another? There was one good point, however. Despite her somersault, Charlotte Reith managed to avoid spilling her glass of wine. Now, that's proper attention to prioriknees!

The crabfeast at the Wingrove's was a total success with some 60 PVSers attending. This event has grown in attendance from a total of 7 people four years ago!

Karen Felker paid for the event appropriately. Her check had a crab printed on it. Dick Clark was appropriately dressed. His shorts had Dee Cee embroidered on them. (Perhaps I should have Knee embroidered on my knee.)

There were crab shells and pieces everywhere. It wasn't a very kneat event. Marilyn Clark dropped a large piece of crab meat into her beer. You could say (or, at least, I could say), "Marilyn is for crabs."

Jacques Hadler had to cancel out of the PVS Chesapeake Sail. He's off to visit his sons. One son is getting married and the other, a minister, is performing the ceremony!

Mort Kuff is just back from - in - the- at - I can't read all my notes but I'm sure it was funknee. You may now all chortle mildly.

Finally, a few kneepuns:

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 2 ... Oktoberfest at the Wyckoffs. 4 p.m.
- Oct. 8 - 10 ... Chesapeake Sail. Call Dot Mills (527-5036).
- October 16 ... Hike & Dine with the Masons. Call Dot/Jenckes(652-4313)
- October 19 ... Monthly Meeting at the Heitchues. 8.p.m.
- October 26 ... ExCom at the Grasleys. 7:30 p.m.

- November 16 ... Monthly Meeting at Charlotte Eddy's. 8 p.m.
- November 23 ... ExCom at Lu Beale's. 7:30 p.m.

- December 4 ... Harvest Dinner at Skyline Center. Call Marilyn Clark (978-9435)
- December 21 ... Christmas Gluwein Party. ..at Adele Waggaman's, 8 P.M.
- December 28.....ExCom at the Clark's, 7:30 P. M.
- December 31.....FVS 2nd Annual New Year's Eve Party at the Barry's (560-3127)

**SKI TRIP
SCHEDULE**

- December 5-11...New Hampshire Skierized car trip. (See below)
- January 7-9 ... Wisp l. Kuffs leading. (333-6039)
- January 15-30 ... La Plagne, France. Wyckoffs leading.(589-5532)
- February 18-21... Wisp ll. Barrys leading.(560-3127)
- February 19-28... Jackson Hole/Grand Targhee.Grasleys lead(460-3167)
- Feb 26-Mar 12 ... Banff/Whistler. Englemans lead.(299-2635)
- March 4-11..... Mt. Washington Valley, N.H. Barrys lead. (560-3127)

SKIERIZED CAR TRIP PLANNED WHITE MOUNTAINS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEC. 5-11, 1982

Beacon Motel Tennis and Swim Club Lincoln, N.H. 03251
 7 nights lodging
 7 breakfasts- pick of the menu
 7 dinners- pick of the menu
 5 days midweek ski ticket good Loon or Cannon Mountains
 Price per person \$280.85

Saturday Dec. 11th optional skiing at Waterville Valley or Bretton Woods at own expense.
 Each car's expenses shared by skiers in car.

Contact Charles Huggins 424-5725 (Home)
 436-7565 (Office)

JACKSON HOLE/GRAND TARGHEE UPDATE

Bob Grasley advises that in addition to the Sojourner Hotel and Hostel (cheap) accomodations at Teton Village, there is also the possibility of limited condominium accomodations.
 If interested in condominium (best suited for a family of three or four) call Bob Grasley at 460-3167.

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Second Term

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SKI PATROL SKI SWAPS

Saturday, October 9.....Ski Chalet, Arlington, VA.
 Sunday, October 17.....Ski Center by Jim Wingrove
 49th and Mass. Ave. N.W.

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