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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The fall weather seems unusually prolonged and delightful, and club members took full advantage of all our outdoor activities. Cool nights turn our thoughts to skiing.

The first annual (?) talent show included a delightful ExCom spoof which brought lots of laughs.

Mary Jane McCarthy

— COMING EVENTS —

MONTHLY MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1994

Home of Jaclyn and Ned Flaherty
15305 Narcissus Way, Rockville, Md.

8 pm

Telephone: 301-929-9664

SPECIAL GUEST: Brian Eardley of the Washington Ski Center will tell us about the newest in ski equipment.

DIRECTIONS: From southern and western Montgomery County take Connecticut or Georgia Ave. north to intersection of Georgia and Connecticut in the Aspen Hill area. From there proceed on Georgia Avenue north 1.8 miles to the fourth traffic signal at Norbeck Road (Rte. 28). Turn left and go 0.8 miles to Carrolton Rd. and turn right. Go 3 blocks north to left onto Jasmine. Take first right onto Narcissus Way. The Flahertys' house is first on the right.

If coming via Beltway, take Exit for 270 North. Exit at Montrose Rd. on 4A East. On the ramp bear left and turn left onto Tower Oaks Blvd. Proceed 0.6 miles to the traffic signal and turn right onto Wooten Parkway. Proceed 1.2 miles to the intersection of Rockville Pike (Rte. 355). Cross 355 and then cross Viers Mill Road (Rte. 586) onto Norbeck Rd. (Rte 28). Proceed 3.3 miles, passing five traffic signals, to left onto Carrolton Road. Go 3 blocks north to left on Jasmine. Proceed as above.

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NATIONAL SKI EXPO & WINTER SPORTS FESTIVAL
NOVEMBER 4, 5, 6, 1994
Ballston Common Mall in Arlington, VA
Glebe Road & Wilson Blvd.

Admission \$7, with free Ski Liberty/Roundtop lift pass with each ticket. "Vertical Reality" movie shown every two hours. Over 100 exhibitors and mega ski swap. Sponsored by the Blue Ridge Ski Council. Friday 4-9:30 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m.; Sunday noon-6 p.m.

ANNUAL CHILI HIKE - November 12, 1994. 1 p.m., rain or shine. Any number can hike. Call Nancy or Ray (703-527-7126) to be wait-listed for supper or to check on what to bring or to cancel.

Cost is approximately \$5 if you bring salad or dessert, \$7 for others. Bring your own chili bowl if you wish. You are responsible for your share of costs if you are a no-show.

DIRECTIONS TO GREAT FALLS: Beltway Exit 13 for Great Falls via #193 (Georgetown Pike). Go west 4 miles to Old Dominion Park. Turn right, continue through main gate and park in lot near Visitors' Center where we will meet.



DINING OUT GROUP - November 8, 1994

Join us for dinner on Tuesday, November 8, 1994. Dinner is planned at FAB'S BISTRO, 4871 Cordell Ave., Bethesda at the corner of Cordell Ave. and Norfolk Ave. Dinner will be at 6:30 P.M., so that we may take advantage of the early bird fixed price menu (\$12.95) which is available from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. This month FAB'S BISTRO is a moderately priced, new French restaurant.

Directions: From the Capitol Beltway (Rt. 495) in Maryland, take Old Georgetown Road exit (Rt. 187) South for approx. 2.5 miles. Turn left at Cordell Ave. (convenient parking is available immediately on the right in the county garage). From the parking garage, go one block to the right on Cordell Ave. to the corner of corner of Norfolk Ave (restaurant is visible from the garage exit). Valet parking is available (\$2) at the restaurant and limited parking is available on the street near the restaurant.

Coming up Wisconsin Ave. from D.C. - go left on to Old Georgetown Road (Rt. 187), turn right at the third street which is Cordell Ave. (Approx, 1/4 mile from turn onto Old Georgetown Rd.) and follow directions above.

So that we may know how many to expect, please call Pat Tengel or John Smith at (301) 299-8376 by Sunday, November 6.

ARTS CLUB DINNER

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19, 1994 7 p.m.

LAST CALL FOR THIS GRAND EVENING IN THE HISTORIC HOME OF PRESIDENT JAMES MONROE. THE EVENING FEATURES COCKTAIL RECEPTION, FULL COURSE DINNER AND AFTER DINNER CORDIALS IN THE FORMAL DRAWING ROOMS AND DINNING ROOMS OF THIS GREAT HOUSE.

\$50.00 per person payable to Bill Anderson. Mail to Bill at 4711 De Russey Parkway, Chevy Chase, Maryland. 20815

The house is located at 2017 Eye Street, N. W., D. C.

PAST FESTIVITIES

A WEEKEND AT REHOBOTH by Lu Beale

On an incredibly beautiful October weekend, a bunch of PVSers gathered at Rehoboth Beach for the annual fun festival hosted by innkeepers Bob and Vivian Barry at their renowned B & B Gull Cottage.

This is what some of the participants did during the daytime: roller-bladed (Nancy McKinley bruised her tail bone); beach walked (the Felkers flew a kite); took the ferry from Lewes to Cape May (Bill Anderson and this reporter left no nook unexplored); checked out the sidewalk sales (Mary Jane McCarthy bought a t-shirt, Dina Taylor bought a red straw hat); antiqued (Ray McKinley did not buy anything used); visited Betty Lawrence's renovated farm house in Bethany (the Clarks put dibs on one of the bedrooms for future use).

This is what some of the participants did at night: sang (Ray did a fine imitation of gravel-voiced Louis Armstrong); to the tune of Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah, snake-danced to the jacuzzi to find out who was in the hot tub with Nancy (Bob Barry); donned fancy ladies' hats from Vivian's fabulous collection of Victorian chapeaux for an hysterical (you had to be there) 2nd Annual Hat Parade (Nat Seeman looked especially fetching in a wide-brimmed, ribbon-bedecked number, as did dinner visitors George Hicho and Susan Walsh).

Besides all the day and night activities the participants feasted on Vivian and Bob's culinary specialities. This is some of what they enjoyed at one meal: cheese dips, salsa dips, seafood dips, stuffed baked clam shells, baked garlic, shrimp, crabmeat; 1½ pound lobsters, tomatoes, corn on the cob, sweet potatoes, pineapple; banana nut bread and pumpkin pie. A la mode, if desired!

Add up all the activity and all the eating and what you get, with many thanks to the Barrys, is a quintessential PVS event - and if you weren't there, you missed a humdinger!

OKTOBERFEST

by Bob Harmon

On October 8, 42 PVSers and guests, several in traditional German attire, gathered at the home of Mary Ward and Jim Slack in Catharpin, VA, for the 16th annual PVS Oktoberfest. When the event was almost over, this reporter was informed that he had been designated by the Powers that Be to write it up for the Toot, but by that time he was enveloped in a mellow glow of Germanic Gemütlichkeit and general well-being and, unaware of his responsibilities, hadn't really been paying close attention, and thus probably overlooked many a newsworthy bit of information!

Anyway, I can report that again this year we were favored by October's bright blue weather, and we started things off with a very pleasant two or three hours of socializing, with delicious "Vorspeisen" and beer, wine, and cider to drink, while German ompah music played softly in the background. Then came the main event, which included three kinds of sausage (Weisswurst, Bratwurst, and Knockwurst, as I recall), sauerkraut, and just about every kind of potato salad ever devised by human ingenuity, or so it seemed to me. All of this was followed by several desserts, including the traditional Pflaumenkuchen. Everything was excellent, as usual.

Many thanks to Mary and Jim for once again sponsoring this very enjoyable event.

October Meeting

by Liz Triau

On the lovely Fall evening of October 18 about 55 PVSers gathered in the Bicentennial room of the beautiful Clubhouse at Leisure World of Silver Spring. This great meeting place was arranged for by our gracious hostess, Jeannette Albersheim.

During the first hour everyone enjoyed the vast array of delicious snacks and drinks while socializing and chatting about plans for ski trips and hopes for lots of snow. Some were heard to be telling of new ski equipment they look forward to trying.

After a brief business meeting conducted by Pres. Mc Carthy, the crowd's attention became focused on Bill Anderson, Master of Ceremonies, for the eagerly awaited Talent Show about to begin!

Classical piano solos were performed by gifted pianists Dot Mills and Jeannette Albersheim. The singing duo of Marilyn Clark and Nancy Mc Kinley chanted the praises of "black and beige", their favorite colors. Everyone was astounded by the professional tap dancing of June Kelsay who was wearing a sparkling costume replete with top hat and cane. The comedy team of Knox Felker and Serge Triau had the crowd rolling in the aisles with laughter. Not to be outdone was Don Harper displaying his amazing skill as a juggler and with more practice, who knows what he'll be able to do for next year's show! For the grand finale a demonstration of Line Dancing was performed by Irene Farrell, Liz Triau, Marty Mc Neill and Jessma Blockwick. A few brave PVSers joined in the dances to learn some new steps.

The general consensus seemed to be that the Talent Show was a huge success and a good time was had by all. Kudos and many thanks to June Kelsay for her splendid idea and for organizing everything.

Many thanks also to Jeannette Albersheim for arranging for us to hold our meeting at her Clubhouse.



FALL HIKE AND DINNER WITH THE MILLERS... by Howard and Jean Hensley.
 The beautiful fall day got off to an inauspicious start with a massive traffic jam on Rte 66 which caused those with car phones to send calls of distress to the Millers. Eventually everyone arrived, and hike leaders Bob Harmon (long hike) and Lu Beale (short version) gave their instructions.

After considerable spraying with anything considered likely to keep the ravenous gnats at bay, the long and short hikers went their separate ways into the woods. The sun shone brightly and the leaves were beautiful. Given the late start, it was the unanimous decision of the long hikers to eat lunch before the top of the mountain-- a decision later regretted by some.

Lu Beale unfortunately lost her watch near her car while changing her sweater. When we returned to the parking lot, there was a note on her car asking if anyone had lost something and leaving a phone number. When Lu later claimed it, a nice young man came all the way from Greenbelt to deliver the watch.

Lu briefed Marilyn Clark and ~~Mary McNeill~~ ^{JOAN FLAHERTY} on details of the short hike, and they led their group to a rendezvous with the other PVSers on top of the mountain. All then descended to trail's end and welcome beer and soda. A car shuttle to the original site (where PVSers, made wise by the Harpers being towed last year, waved derisively at the police and tow trucks busily removing cars parked ~~on the side of the road~~) soon had everyone sorted out and on their way to the Millers.

There we got down to the serious business of drinking and eating Shahrads's fantastic hors d'oeuvres spread throughout the rooms, followed by a delicious dinner of barbecued chicken, Shahrads's special rice pilaf, salad and bread. After dinner came the wonderful dessert--ice cream cakes created by Shahrads, using HoHo s instead of the usual ladyfingers. The cakes bore candles in honor of Howard Hensley's birthday and were eaten with much appreciation.

Thus ended a long and wonderful day. Thank you to the hike leaders. And many special thanks to Jamie and Shahrads for the wonderful food and hospitality.

Due to incredible public demand, here are the words to the popular hit "Edel Black" or "Black & Beige" sung by Marilyn Clark & Nancy McKinley at the Talent Show.

Chorus:

Black & beige, black & beige,
 We're so very fond of you.

We never clash and we always blend,
 When we wear black & beige from end to end.

Chorus

You can have your pink, purple, orange &
 Blue,
 But to black & beige we will always be true.

Chorus

We feel so correct, so elegant
 and fine
 When we wear black & beige out
 to dine.

Chorus.

But wait--we're invisible, we
 blend in too.
 We want to be seen by all of you
 From now on in, we'll commit a
 sin, with lots of bright color:
 we'll now begin.

COOK'S CORNER



by

Nancy Garrett

The Holidays are upon us!! The three recipes below will brighten your holiday entertaining. The **SALMON MOUSSE** and **FRUIT**

PUNCH were served to the EXCOM in August at the home of Dot Mills. Marijane Harper served **SWEET AND SOUR MEATBALLS** at the September meeting. All of these would enhance a buffet table or make excellent appetizers before your Thanksgiving feast.

SALMON MOUSSE

In bowl of blender or food processor, blend together until processed:

- 2 envelopes plain gelatin
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 4 Tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 small onion, sliced

Add:

- 1 15 1/2 oz. can salmon, drained
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 Tablespoon dried dill
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1 1/2 cup whipping cream

Blend until smooth. Pour into lightly oiled 5 1/2 cup mold. Chill several hours until set. Unmold on plate lined with leaf lettuce.

FRUIT PUNCH

Chill all ingredients before mixing together:

- 1 48 oz. jar cranberry juice
- 1 46 oz. can pineapple juice
- 1 12 oz. can frozen orange juice
- 1 12 oz. can frozen lemonade

- 6 12 oz. cans water
- 1 liter gingerale

Makes approximately 2 gallons or 22 6-oz. cups.

SWEET AND SOUR MEATBALLS

Mix together well:

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1/4 cup dried bread crumbs and cracker crumbs
- 2 Tablespoons finely minced onion
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Make into approximately 30 1-inch balls. Brown in:

- 1 Tablespoon olive oil OR

Place on jelly roll pan and brown in 350° oven.

SAUCE

Combine in large saucepan:

- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 Tablespoons comstarch

Stir in:

- 2 Tablespoons soy sauce
 - 2 Tablespoons vinegar
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1/2 cup reserved pineapple syrup from below
- Cook and stir until mixture boils and thickens.

Add and mix together:

- 1 to 2 green peppers cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 13 1/2 oz. can drained pineapple chunks or tidbits
- Cooked meatballs from above

Cook on low heat for approximately 15 minutes or until mixture is thoroughly heated throughout. Marijane used 5 recipes of this for the ski club and as I recall, the bowl was empty when we left.

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ASPEN, CO. Jan. 13-24 1995. Room still for one male skier! Also, final payment should be in. If you don't know amount, call Dina Taylor (o) 301-427-3240 or (h) 301-663-6089.

SKI WHISTLER AND BLACKCOMB, CANADA. Feb. 18-26, 1995. All systems go! Call Nancy or Ray McKinley, 703-527-7126.

WATERVILLE VALLEY, N. H. Mar. 19-26, 1995. Reservations should be in, but call Jack Peoples at 301-881-6220 for latest information.

WINTERPARK, CO. Dec. 5-15, 1994. No longer an official club trip, but around 15 PVSers are going. Call Norm Engelman at 301-299-2635.

TRIPS



THE KNEE

by

Ray McKinley

Great winter news. In mid-October, a friend hiking in Colorado was dumped on with over 4 feet of snow. He struggled out through waist-deep whiteness. A week later, I visited a not-yet-opened New Mexico ski area. Every run was covered with natural white fluff--with a foot at the base lodge. Right on.

Now on to important stuff. From the Knee's Pierced Ears Department (yes, I do have one). As she showed at the meeting, Shirley Rettig is now a bit more holy. The Knee will await eagerly (?) news of PVS' first pierced nostril, naval or even, perhaps, knee.

Edith Rabinovitz and Marianne Cook are recently back from cruising the Hawaiian Islands. And Paddy and Shirley Frucht from cruising the Greek Islands for their 50th annkneeverary.

Lots of PVSers doing kneet things. Coloradan Glady Youngblood just hiked Mt. Elber, her 10th mountain over 14,000 ft. That's the way to keep your blood young, Glady. Also, Bob McNeill has reportedly climbed Mount Liberty.

Back in Georgetown is Arlette DeLong having spent considerable time with her daughter in Atlanta.

Having a very busy summer was Ruth Schrider. She retired, went to Europe, biked from Venice to Florence, returned, and moved. Ruth will also host the January PVS meeting.

Snorkeling is Kirk Burns' new sport. He's off to Bonaire and Curacao. Dina and Charlie Taylor are just back from Scotland which they think is kneet. And, on an inter-European flight, John Smith was bumped from his seat by the Queen of Sweden who was sporting a pierced nostril. John also reports that San Moritz now has a challenge for its claim to be "the world famous mountain resort." Yup, now making the same claim is Pennsylvania's Seven Springs.

More ski area news. Dowdy Aspen

Highlands, now owned by Aspen Ski Corp., had a face lift(s). Previously known as a ski-lift museum, it now has 2 high-speed quads. Only 20 minutes to the top. Right up.

While enjoying the Barrys' Rehoboth Beach hospitality, the Knee drove circuitously to my favorite beach, Bethaknee. We passed a decrepit building spray-painted gold and with a lavish sign proclaiming it as "Seafood Palace." It features fresh fish weekly.

Back in Rehoboth, Bill Anderson was discussing PVSers' hair--silver threads among the bald.

Bill also confessed having a hard time remembering if it was Nat or Nate Seeman. "I have the same problem," chimed in Dick Clark, "is it Bill or Bile Anderson?" Added Mrs. Knee, "Me, too, is it Dick or Slick Clark?"

Later, just after the lobster tails had been served, an extra guest showed up. We can share a tail, offered hostess Vivian Barry. Quipped Marilyn Clark, "I'll never share mine."

Summer beach residents Sue Walsh and George Hicho were trading Rehoboth secrets with host Bob. The number one topic: where to get a good trash man.

Now that they have moved to Delaware, the Barrys finalknee have Redskins season tickets. Vivian put her name on the list in 1969 and after only 25 years, the tickets arrived.

At Oktoberfest, Ginny Larson was the only one in a dirndl. (Mine was at the drei cleaners.) She bought it while skiing in Lech "several" years ago.

Lu Beale, chic in jeans with a PVS emblem, and Marilyn Clark were chatting about the south. "I love Dixie," said Lu. Homonymed Marilyn, "not my Dick C."

Bet you didn't know that before meeting Dick, Marilyn's nickname was Whalie. (I thought everyone's nickname was Nick.) Or that long before meeting Don Cope, Pat and June Kelsay were friends. Or that the Heitchues are about to become first-time grandparents.

We haven't seen Ph.D. Jan Phillips for a while. In addition to working she's taking 12 college credits. Could she be majoring in ear piercing?

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CALENDAR

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- Dec. 27 ... ExCom at the Clarks'.
- Jan. 17 ... Monthly meeting at Ruth Schrider's.
- Feb. 14 ... Monthly meeting a week early because so many will be on the Whistler trip.

DIRECTORY CHANGE: Carol Parmenter's phone should be 410-665-2958

no PVS mtg. in February
1/21 Arlette's costume pre-~~g~~ *Maubrao*
I talk to Arlette

single makes for Whistler - 12/8



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