

**President's Message** 

### Happy holiday season to everyone!



Having just eaten our fill of turkey, we can now look forward to the rest of the holiday and ski seasons. Snow is falling everywhere we want to ski – and some places we don't! We're having a record snow season already in the US and Europe, so get ready to enjoy the white stuff because it's coming our way.

This is PVS' 50<sup>th</sup> holiday season. As we celebrate a year of 50<sup>th</sup> events, be on the lookout for details in coming weeks and months on the big 50<sup>th</sup> blowout party next November (in 2015). PVS will be celebrating 50 great years of good friends and good fun.

In the meantime I hope to see everyone at the home of John and Blanca Hotaling on December 16. Thank you John and Blanca! See the info in this

edition of TOOT, don your most garish winter holiday sweater, and join us to celebrate PVS' 50<sup>th</sup> holiday party.

See you there!

--Nancy

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December General Meeting – Holiday Party December 16, 2014, 7:30 PM At the home of John & Blanca Hotaling 2807 North Beechwood Circle Arlington, VA 22207-5225 703-525-4092, hoteling@me.com

Bring an appetizer or dessert: A-O surname, appetizer; P-Z surname, dessert \$3.00/PVS Member

See page 2 for directions --

# Directions to the Holiday Party --

**2807** N. Beechwood Circle is in north Arlington off of Military Road. To drive to Military Road from the beltway (from either direction), take the George Washington Parkway toward Washington. Take the Chain Bridge exit (Rt. 123N) and merge onto Chain Bridge Road. The road will dead end with Chain Bridge on the left and Glebe Road to the right. Turn right on Glebe Road and, near the top of the first hill, follow signs to Military Road, a right exit (you will be on N. Richmond Street), take a left on North Old Glebe Road and then another left onto Military Road. Proceed about 1.2 miles and turn left onto N. Beechwood Circle. Follow the same directions from Glebe Road if crossing Chain Bridge.

If coming **from the south**, you may reach Military Road from the George Washington Parkway going north, Glebe Road going north, or Lee Highway going west. From the GW Parkway, take the Spout Run exit; take a right at the light onto Lorcom Lane, take a right at the 2nd light onto Military Road. Proceed about 1.2 miles and turn right onto N. Beechwood Circle. From Lee Highway, turn right onto Military Road, proceed about 1.3 miles, and turn right onto N. Beechwood Circle. From Glebe Road go north almost to Chain Bridge. Exit right onto Military Road and proceed about 1.1 miles and turn left onto N Beechwood Circle.

The house is the second driveway on the left (do not go into the circle). John and Blanca ask that the driveway be reserved for handicapped and walking impaired guests. Others should park on Military or Beechwood and walk up the driveway. John cell: 703.867.4900 and Blanca cell: 703.585.4047

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Available for PVS members. En route to New England skiing, 35 miles east of the Hudson Valley sites.

Beautiful historic home for rent by weekend, week or month in Brewster, NY, 55 miles north of NYC.

Five bedrooms, library, three baths, furnished in antiques.

Check it out on Zillow or Truia: 1391 Route 22, Brewster, NY 10509.

Call Melissa FitzGerald (703-476-9259 or 703-915-9903) for more details.

# **SKI TALK** December 2014

Being a member of PVS has many benefits, but one I had not anticipated when I joined was that I would see so many people in their 70s, 80s and even 90s skiing. This has been so inspiring. I thought by 70 I would be finished skiing but now I am hoping to go on into my 90s like some PVS members. The number of skiers on the far side of 50 has been creeping up each year according to the National Ski Areas Association. I discussed in another column how artificial hips and knees and shaped skis contribute to this. Here are some practical suggestions that may help keep us on skis as we age:

- Stay in shape by exercising regularly.
- Try to choose slopes with less traffic, so you can safely ski a little slower.
- Think about afternoon sun and shadows. A west-facing slope will have better definition.
- Be cognizant of higher altitude and hydration.
- Consider taking a gondola or chair lift down the mountain if weather sets in or if you are tired.

# NIH National Institute on Aging

Many of you 80+ skiers may be interested in being part of the research the National Institute on Aging (NIA), <u>http://www.nia.nih.gov</u>, is conducting. They want to know why some people live in excellent health into their 80s, 90s and older while others face failing health much sooner. To unlock the secrets of exceptional aging, researchers are recruiting healthy, active seniors 80 years and older into the **IDEAL Study**, <u>http://www.blsa.nih.gov/participate/ideal study</u>. The "exceptional agers" who qualify for the IDEAL study can walk a quarter of a mile unassisted without pain or shortness of breath, have no significant memory loss or cognitive impairment, and have no serious medical conditions. IDEAL study participants will become part of the longstanding Baltimore Longitudinal Study of Aging (BLSA). Each year they will go to Harbor Hospital,



Harbor Hospital Baltimore, MD

<u>https://www.medstarhealth.org/harbor/Pages/default.aspx</u> for a complete physical and cognitive assessment. Transportation to and from Baltimore will be provided.

If you or someone you know might qualify as an exceptional ager you can email <u>IDEAL@westat.com</u> for more information. If you are interested in participating in the IDEAL Study, call **toll-free 1-855-80 IDEAL** (<u>1-855-804-3325</u>) to see if you qualify.

Rosemary Schwartzbard rosemaryschw@gmail.com

PS: Here is some more incentive for 70+ skiers: http://pagosasprings.com/video-of-colorados-oldest-skier/



<u>Ski Trip:</u>

# PVS Ski Trip to Snowmass, Colorado ---- January 14-21, 2015

We are happy to report that there are thirty-five participants for our trip to Snowmass.





Snowmass Mountain Chalet

I hope to have airline tickets and ski passes available in time for our holiday party. For those not in the DC area and who are traveling earlier to Snowmass, I will make arrangements for getting tickets and/or passes to you separately.

Most Recent Airline Schedule (as of October 14. This is the third change): Jan. 14: United flight #1535 at 8:26 AM Dulles to Denver (arrive at 10:22 AM); then flight #5546 at 11:15 AM to Aspen (arrive at 12:05 PM).

**Jan. 21**: United flight #6320 at 12:27 PM Aspen to Denver (arrive at 1:20 PM); then flight #1544 at 3:40 PM to Dulles (arrive at 8:51 PM).

**Jon Wechsler**, one of our participants, spoke to a United Airlines agent about **baggage** <u>fees</u>. He was told that the first bag is \$25; the second \$35. On the United Airlines website (<u>www.united.com</u>), it states that skis and a ski boot bag would be considered as one bag.

Happy Skiing! Marianne Soponis, 202-363-5250 Marianne.soponis@gmail.com



## PVS/BRSC SKIING AND SIGHTSEEING ADVENTURE MT. BACHELOR AND BEND, OREGON JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 7, 2015

Mt. Bachelor is the largest ski area in central Oregon, with terrain for all levels. The mountain is an extinct volcano, and you can ski with full lift service 360 degrees off the top for 3,365 vertical feet to the base, often through light, dry powder! It has the highest skiable elevation of any resort in Oregon or Washington and is far enough inland for drier snow conditions. The resort gets an average of 462 inches of snow a year on 88 runs, served by 10 lifts. (Mt. Bachelor is adding over 400 acres of ski terrain that is scheduled for opening in 2015). In addition, the resort has more than a dozen cross-country trails, 35 miles of which are groomed. The mountain grooms 40 of the 88 runs. Volunteer Mountain Hosts will ski with you all or part of the day, at your request.



The mountain is a 30-minute bus ride from Bend where you will be staying in the newly upgraded Double Tree Hotel. There is an indoor pool and hot tub. You can walk to the historic downtown district of Bend with lots of shops and restaurants. Buses will pick you up at the hotel and take you directly to the mountain where you will store your skis. No long walks are involved. Non-skiers will have options to go to Crater Lake, the town of Three Sisters, wine tasting, dog sledding, snowshoeing and more. Included in this package are:

- 7 Nights Lodging at Double Tree Hotel
- Round Trip Air into Redmond (20 minutes from hotel)
- Transfers to and from Hotel
- 5 of 6 Day Lift Ticket (discounted rates for seniors)
- Personalized tours of the mountain by Mt. Bachelor Ski Ambassadors
- Daily Hot Breakfast
- BRSC Super Bowl Welcome Party with Dinner
- BRSC Night at the High Desert Museum with Dinner
- BRSC Hawaiian themed entertainment and Dinner
- Two PVS Apres Ski parties
- Bus Trips Directly to/from the Mountain



The cost will be approximately \$1825.00 per person. We have limited seats on the flight to Redmond. The first 16 people will get those flights. To reserve a space send a deposit of \$300 to: Cara Jablon, 4573 Indian Rock Terrace, Washington, D. C. 20007.

Cara can be contacted at 202-333-5332 or <u>rcjablon@aol.com</u>. Additional information will be provided shortly on the dates for the remaining payments, trip insurance, and the cancellation policy.

# **Potomac Valley Skiers present**

# BRSC Eurofest in Hintertux/Zillertal, Austria

7 days, March 6 – 14, 2015 \$2,460 pp\*

Including pre-trip to Bled, Slovenia 11 days, March 2 – 14, 2015 \$2,935 pp\*

Including post-trip to Vienna, Austria

10 days, March 6 – 17, 2015

-\$2,900 pp\*

Including Bled and Vienna 14 days, March 2 – 17, 2015 \$3,375 pp\*

Trip Leader: Inge Lesjak 8123 Kingsview Ct. Springfield, VA 703-869-7248 c ingelesjak@aol.com



 Payment Schedule

 1 July
 \$200

 10 Sep
 \$500

 10 Oct
 \$800

 10 Nov
 \$500

 10 Dec
 Final

**Zillertal:** A paradise for winter hikers & cross-country skiers. **Badhotel Kirchler:** Family run hotel with daily breakfast buffet, afternoon snack and dinner; charming rooms, thermal pool, sauna, local cuisine, friendly service. Welcome party & two après ski parties Tyrolean style, plus fee-based sightseeing tours.

Price Includes: airfare/shuttles & lodging at 4-star-hotel

thermal pool, sauna, spa

Internet access

with daily breakfast buffet and 4-course dinne

ski guide/free shuttle bus to lifts

and BRSC parties & some sightseeing

**UPDATE!** As of Dec 1, 30 PVSers and friends are participating and there is room for more... **especially for the ski week with optional sightseeing trips.** 21 PVSers plus 16 members from other BRSC ski clubs are joining the pre-trip to Bled, Slovenia and 14 PVSers and friends are ending the Eurofest in Vienna.

Come ski with us!

You must be a current member of any club belonging to the Blue Ridge Ski Council or become one to participate.

\*Price subject to change due to airline surcharges, exchange rates, fuel charges or other unforeseen factors. Airline baggage fees are not included and are the responsibility of the trip participants at check-in to and from Munich or Vienna.

CHECK IT OUT! <a href="http://www.zillertal.at/en/winter/home/">http://www.zillertal.at/en/winter/home/</a>



J. David Warthen, Jr. dwarthen@verizon.net



### Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays!!!

Another year is just about over and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year of Potomac Valley Skiers, Inc. is almost upon us. Technology has advanced with lightning speed in those 50 years, from mimeographed TOOT sheets to beautiful, multicolored TOOT pages, distributed electronically via the Internet, along with a colorful PVS website. Who could have ever imagined such forthcoming advances in 1965? Desktop computers were only dreamed about. and mobile phones were a figment of our imaginations with Dick Tracy's wristwatch. ;-) In '65, my dissertation was typed on onionskin paper with carbon copies; oh, for a xerox machine in those days. We seniors had a lot to learn to keep up, and mostly selftaught; however, it was challenging and rewarding every step of the process. What a sense of accomplishment to keep up with the young nerds, geeks, etc, terms that did not exist in the 60's. Technology opened doors to do more work, but unfortunately our pay did not reflect the workload we carried in most cases. :-( What a ride we have had! As we celebrate 50 years of skiing, thank you all for your positive attitudes in living and your young hearts. May 2015 be a great year for you all.

#### pvskiers.org

Yes, this is the U (Uniformed Resource Locator) of Potomac Valley Skiers, Inc. website. I encourage you to peruse your club's website on a regular basis, because it changes every month. I also encourage you to share this site, which contains a wealth of information, with potential members, who are thinking about joining our

club. Thanks to the behind-the-scenes faithful labor of our Webmaster, David Lerner, and our Backup Webmaster, Mary **Ward**, we have a fine website. They both keep the website running and routinely post many files unbeknownst to the membership. Three cheers for these folks!

Our PVS website is divided into into eight sections:

1. **Home** – This button signifies the Welcome Page and tells who we are, along with a graphic of the group at Snowmass several years ago.

- About Us This button leads to a brief history of PVS, describes our meetings, speaks of TOOT, and describes our relationship with BRSC and NSCF.
- Ski Trips This button leads to information about PVS Ski Trips and links to detailed information. A link is also present to BRSC sanctioned ski trips.
- 4. **Calendar** This button leads to a listing of all events and meetings for the current year at a single glance, and is updated monthly.
- 5. **Past Events** This button presents visual pictures of our events with links for Guests to view.
- 6. **PhotoGallery** This button also presents a visual of personal pictures of our trips, with directions on posting your pictures.
- Newsletter This button, for members only, presents a 50-year archive of TOOTs from the very beginning to the present. There is also a Link-Index to locate Profiles, PVS Anniversaries & Special Items, Obituaries, Ski Trips, and Event Write Ups.
- Club Docs This button leads to links for the PVS Bylaws, Historical Listing of ExCom Officers & Chairperson/Nominating Committee, Contact Info for present ExCom Officers & Chairpersons, 34 Charter Members including Founding Members, Scrap Book, PVS Cook Book, and an Archive of PVS ExCom Minutes.

Make use of your PVS website, and thank David and Mary for their hard work behind the scenes.

**Special thanks to Ellie Thayer** for her job as TOOT Content/Proof Editor of the TOOT. This is another

behind-the-scenes job, which is absolutely essential. The TOOT staff stays on track by Ellie's monthly schedule as she collects items for the TOOT, edits, and distributes articles to the Layout Editor for the month. Ellie also wears another hat as ExCom Secretary and as 1<sup>st</sup> year ExCom Committee Member. What would we do without you, Ellie?

> --Your TOOT Staff, Jan, Marvin, & Dave

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# BRSC SKI EXPO 2014



Several PVSers attended the BRSC SKI EXPO 2014 at the Marriott Tysons Corner on November 3. Healthy appetizers were available and there was a cash bar. Many of the local ski clubs set up tables and handed out brochures and information about their clubs. Although PVS did not have a separate table, we used the BRSC table to distribute our trip fliers and our new brochure. I talked to a few people from the general public who wanted to learn about ski clubs, but most of those who attended were already members of other clubs. In addition to clubs, there were also representatives from ski resorts, mostly local. Seven Springs representatives were there promoting their resort and Hidden Valley, which they recently purchased. A number of the New England resorts were represented. There were ongoing raffles throughout the evening for prizes such as lift tickets, bags and t-shirts. I won two lift tickets to Okemo Ski Resort in Vermont.

--Rosemary Schwartzbard











### Past Event:

### November Monthly PVS Meeting, November 17, 2014

The November monthly meeting was held at the Ski Center, in Washington, D.C., where PVS members heard a talk by **Brian Eardley** about the latest developments in ski equipment. This year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Brian's annual presentations to PVS! We very much appreciate the time and effort by Brian and the Ski Center for these highly informative and interesting presentations.

For those members participating in the PVS Austria trip this year, Brian noted that he has stayed at our hotel in Austria and that he highly recommends the area as a fantastic place to ski.

Brian started his presentation by showing us some new accessory items, namely (1) a collapsible, completely adjustable ski pole from Leki (price \$150); (2) new boot heaters that heat up a wider area of the foot and have smaller batteries (\$300); and a double roll-up ski bag (\$230).

He then moved on to a discussion of the new developments in ski boots. First, he showed us some boots that have touring soles that allow for easier walking, i.e., the heels move up when one walks. Right now, however, new bindings are required to fit the touring soles. Brian believes that this is the beginning of a new trend.



Major new developments in ski boots include the upright style of most boots and

the ability to custom mold the boots to fit. In particular, Fischer, Atomic, and Salomon boots have a shell that can be heat molded to give a custom fit. Technica has taken a somewhat different approach with a new kind of lining material that can be ground and heated to give a custom fit. Nordica also has a system that allows boots to be custom fit. Lange is now making ski boots in a variety of widths. A company called "Full Tilt" makes a fairly soft flex boot that is easy to get into; this boot comes in both narrow and standard widths. There are no rear entry boots on the market, as these boots proved not to ski very well.



Turning to skis, Brian started by showing us new baseball team logo skis made by an independent company called "Pump Skis." If you are so inclined, you can get skis with Washington Nationals or Baltimore Orioles graphics. For the majority of skiers, Brian recommends a "waist" of 80-90 cm. He pointed out that the combination of shaped and fat skis has revolutionized skiing, and that, before fat skis, one had to be a really good skier to maneuver in powder. He also stated that skis with a "waist" of 80 were not very good in powder or "junk."

In general, the ski industry is trying to build lighter skis; the goal is to make a light ski that will not "bounce around." Head has a new lightweight material called graphine; the Ski Center is carrying a woman's version of this ski (Joy). Brian also showed us a very lightweight woman's ski by Blizzard (Cheyenne) that is good for the bumps, but less able to carve turns well.

Völkl has a new ski (Mantra) that is fully rockered (both tips and tails point up), with a tip that is more tapered than in the past. The company also makes some narrower skis with the same rockered design. There is also a new Völkl touring ski that can also be used for downhill.

According to Brian, the best ski is made by the Swiss company, Stöckli. These skis are very smooth and have the highest quality materials and finishing. Further, the women's models are designed specifically for women, with a different core and sidecut. Some other companies, by contrast, follow the "pink it and shrink it" model for women's skis.

There are some new helmets available that are lighter and have a better venting system. Brian pointed out that the most important aspect of a helmet is that it fits right and is not too loose. Helmets with a multi-impact protection system are the wave of the future. Common wisdom with current helmets is that, if you fall and the helmet suffers an impact, the helmet should be replaced.

The Ski Center is also carrying some back protectors that are popular with racers in Europe. These devices, however, appear to be quite bulky.

Many of the new skis will be available to demo at the Ski Center's Demo Day at Whitetail on Friday, January 9. Coupons for discounted lift tickets for Demo Day will be available soon at the store. The new lightweight skis are very tempting – I am particularly looking forward to trying the Blizzard bump skis.

--Cara Jablon

# **PVS Enjoys Eclipse Chamber Orchestra**

# Eclipse Chamber Orchestra Concert

On November 23, a number of music-minded PVSers took the opportunity to enjoy one of the finest chamber music orchestras in the Washington area. All musicians from the National Symphony Orchestra, the Eclipse Chamber Orchestra, celebrating its twenty-third year of excellence, performed at the glorious George Washington Masonic Temple. The Baroque Concertos consisted of delightful works by Bach, Telemann and Vivaldi.

In case you were not able to join us, this concert will be held again on December 7 at 3 pm at the Church of the Epiphany in Washington D.C. PVS members who enjoyed the beautiful music and refreshments were: Carolyn and Dave DeVilbiss, Louann and Bob Eadie, Jan Marx, Ray and Nancy McKinley, JanaLee Sponberg, Eloise and Mike Strand, and Margaret Wyckoff. Following the musical event, nine of our members stopped for dinner and more visiting at Joe Theismann's Restaurant nearby. A most pleasant afternoon and evening with friends! We're looking forward to the next Eclipse Chamber Orchestra concert in the spring.



--Submitted by JanaLee Sponberg





# THE KNEE

by Ray McKinley RaysKnee@gmail.com

This is the Knee's thirty-fourth holiday season. March will mark mv 35th akneeversarkaee. Once again I wish all of you a Merknee Christmas and a Happy Knee Year! I bet you are thinking "Why does he keep up those corknee jokes?" The answer is simple. You expect it of the Knee. This is why, in all the polls, the Knee remains the highest rated TOOT column which has appeared regularly for 30 or more years. Why, without all of my "corknee jokes," the Knee would be ... well ... shorter.

Dear readers, I don't want to appear overly maudlin. (Underly maudlin or even Bill Maudlin is okay.) But, I am particularly grateful for you this year. Without your support, readership and - of course – foibles, there would be no Knee. I wish you lots of fluffy white stuff.

<u>Dick Comerford</u> will be teaching skiing at Copper Mountain this winter. To get the job, <u>Dick</u> had to pass a rigorous physical. In prepping, he lost 20 lbs. <u>Dick</u> had to weight to see if he passed.

Have you noticed PVS' association with a local ski shop? This is our 30<sup>th</sup> meeting with Brian Eardley of the Ski Center and his wonderful ski equipment report. Brian showed off the latest in heated boots with improved batteries and an on-off switch on the outside of the boot. After the meeting he was asked if the on-off switch had a remote. No.

The early meetings had Brian coming to the PVS meeting location. Brian almost didn't attend one early year. He hesitated when he learned the meeting was to be far out in Virginia. The late <u>Lu Beale</u>, who was working the arrangements, told him that was okay as we had someone from Ski Chalet lined up as a replacement. Brian quickly decided he had no problem with attending a Virginia PVS meeting. Turns out that <u>Lu</u> didn't really know anyone at the Ski Chalet.

Did you know I'm part Ukrankneeian? Yup, my knee.

While in Moscow recently a PVSer visited two of my favorite tombs - those of Kneekita Khrushchev and Vladimir Lenkneein. Wow! It's December and ski season is finally upon us. Most places outside the beltway have been in the 20s, albeit not until after Thanksgiving. Yippee! We've had lots of snow in Virginia and out west. And, of course, they have had a tad of lake effect snow (assuming that 79 inches qualifies as "a tad") in Buffalo and most of northwestern New York.

Local weather forecasters are inconsistent over the expected winter weather in the DC area. However, all agree that we will have more snow than last year. (Duh! I could predict that!) And, they say it will be cooler than last winter's temperature of a bit over 79 deg. F.

With all of the furor over *la niña* and the upcoming either too snowy or warm winter weather, I called the Liberty Mountain (aka Charnita) folk. If anyone knew the true **poop**, it would most certainly be Liberty. I chatted at length with their prognosticators. Yes, they were aware of *la niña*. It's a Mexican restaurant near Harrisburg. And, no, it wasn't going to affect their planned Valentine's Day season opening. According to former president <u>Dottie Villers</u>, the epitome of an oxymoron is the words "fresh powder" and "Ski Liberty."

According to <u>Marvin Hass</u>, if PVS was going to buy Hala Ranch, the Aspen estate of former Saudi Arabia ambassador to the U.S, Prince Bandar, for \$135 million, we're out of luck. Hala Ranch was the most expensive residence listed in the US. "The ranch is off the market and is no longer for sale," said the Aspen attorney who represents Bandar. "Prince Bandar and his family realized that they enjoyed the ranch, and Aspen, too much to want to part with it." With some 56,000 square feet and 16 baths, the home would have been perfect for PVS. Pity.

<u>Marna Blanchette</u> missed the November meeting. She was in Connecticut to celebrate her mother's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. <u>Sam and Inge Lesjak</u> were away in the other direction. They were in Munich to celebrate the end of Oktoberfest.

If you attend our Holiday Party at <u>Blanca and</u> <u>John Hotaling's</u> newly remodeled Arlington home, be certain to see their new indoor ski lift. Yup, they now have an elevator. The <u>Hotalings</u> are certainly moving up.

Our Veep, <u>John Holt</u>, by the way, received an engraved bottle of bourbon to celebrate his 50<sup>th</sup> year on the job. Cheers!

# Happy Holidays to all!

# PVS Calendar 2014-2015:

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Dec	16	Tue	Monthly Meeting-Holiday Party, 7:30 PM, Hotalings, Arlington, VA	4
Jan	09	Fri	Ski Center Demo Day, Whitetail, 9:30 AM-3:30 PM, Mercersburg, PA	
			http://www.skicenter.com/demoday.aspx	
Jan	11	Sun	Monthly Meeting, 2:00 PM (TBA)	
Feb	15	Sun	Monthly Meeting, 2:00 PM (TBA)	

# PVS Ski Trips 2015:



January 14-21, 2015: PVS Snowmass, CO (Marianne Soponis) January 31-February 7, 2015: PVS/BRSC Mt. Bachelor and Bend, OR (Cara & Bob Jablon) March 6-14, 2015: PVS/BRSC Eurofest to Hintertux/Zillertal, Austria (Inge Lesjak)

### Useful Ski "Links"

Potomac Valley Skiers	potomacvalleyskiers.org				
<u>PVS Website login</u> : Username = Member, r	<u>PVS Website login</u> : Username = Member, member, or MEMBER; Password = TOOT				
BRSC Sanctioned Trips	<u>skicouncil.com/tripsbydate.htm</u>				
DC Ski Online News	<u>dcski.com</u>				
Best of Times Ski Club	bestoftimesskiclub.org				
BOT Ski Trips:					
http://bestoftimesskiclub.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=5186&module_id=32832					

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# PVS' 50th Anniversary is Coming Up in 2015!

Want to be involved in planning for the big event? Suggestions are welcomed for a venue, which will accommodate up to 200 partygoers. Contact Nancy McKinley, 703-595-8375 or <u>nancymckin@gmail.com</u>