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President's Message:

Hello Fellow PVSers

Even though we PVSers like the snow, it's always a welcome change when warm weather finally decides to show up. Ski jackets are stashed away for the year and bathing suits are pulled from the drawer and ready to go!

Upcoming this summer are our annual Steak and Swim party at Kerry and Marianne Hines' beautiful pool and home in Delaplane, VA. And to get on top of the water, PVS will go to Annapolis for a cruise hosted by Barbara Leonhardt, followed by good eating at Reg Heitchue's bayside home. Both of these events are real treats!

In the meantime, our annual Summerfest will be held in Reston this year at Reg's condo party room. This is the time to party and learn about the PVS ski trips for next season. Ski Trip Leaders pull out all the stops to show us how much fun we can have on each of their trips – always a good time. Celia Chen is hosting a cooking (and eating!) event at her home to teach us how to make delicious Chinese dumplings – can't wait! And, there's golfing with the Lesjaks at Massanutten! See info on all of these activities in this issue of TOOT.

And while we're planning our summer fun, the Blue Ridge Ski Council, of which PVS is a member, is hard at work planning the ski trips for 2016 (!), so stay tuned for even more cold weather adventures.

See you at the meeting/party on June 17!

--Nancy McKinley

PVS Monthly General Meeting
Tuesday 17 June 2014, 7:30 PM

At the Home of
Philip & Eugenia Ufholz
8613 Long Acre Court
Bethesda, MD 20817

301-469-6135 or pu1888@aol.com

See page 2 for directions:

Directions to June Monthly General Meeting:

FROM VIRGINIA ON THE BELTWAY CROSSING INTO MARYLAND: Take River Road (MD-190 E) exit (Exit 39B) toward Washington. Turn left onto Burdette Road and proceed 1.3 miles. Turn right on Bradley Boulevard (MD-191) and proceed 1.1 miles. Turn left onto Valley Road; take the first right onto Ridge Road. Continue on Ridge to the top of the hill, 8613 Long Acre Court is on the right (the first house in the cul-de-sac).

FROM WASHINGTON, DC, ON WISCONSIN AVENUE: Follow Wisconsin Avenue, crossing into Maryland. Turn left on Bradley Lane (MD-191 N) and proceed 2.7 miles. Turn right onto Valley Road. Take the first right onto Ridge Road. Continue on Ridge to the top of the hill, 8613 Long Acre Court is on the right (the first house in the cul-de-sac).

FROM I-270 TOWARDS WASHINGTON: On the I-270 spur, take exit 1 - Democracy Boulevard. Turn left on Democracy Boulevard. Turn right on Fernwood Road and proceed 1.2 miles. Take a slight left on Greentree Road and proceed .5 mile. Take a right onto Ridge Place; take a left onto Ridge Road; 8613 Long Acre Court is on the left, the first house in the cul-de-sac.

Coming Event:

Chinese Dumplings 101 - June 21, 2014

Time: 9:30am to 2pm (parts 1 & 2) or 11:30am-2pm (part 2 only)

Can you tell the different Chinese dumplings apart? Celia is ready to let you sample: guotie, shuijiao (or jiaozi), shaomei, xiaolongbao, and give you an opportunity to learn how to make huntuen (wonton). They are all Chinese dumplings.

There are two parts to "Dumplings 101":

1) for four people only (the capacity of my car), we will go grocery shopping in Rockville at 10:00am - leaving from my apartment at 9:30am.

2) an additional six participants can join us back at my apartment at 11:30 where we will wrap wontons, then taste what we made and what was purchased.



Cost for this lunch will be divided among the participants.

Please contact Celia Chen at celiachchen@hotmail.com or 240-672-1608 for questions, directions, and registration.

Coming Events:

Invitation to play Golf – July 4, 2014

Where? Massanutten 4 Season Ski and Golf Resort <http://www.massresort.com>

When? July 4th, 2014

What time? 09:30 AM

Golf Tournament is followed by a picnic at the Lesjak's residence.

How do I get there? Follow Rt 66th to Rt 81 and continue to Harrisonburg, Va. Take exit ramp to Rt 33 towards Elkton. Massanutten 4 Seasons Resort is some ten miles down the road from Harrisonburg and before the town of Elkton.



What is the travel distance to Massanutten? 2 Hrs. 10 min from Capitol Beltway

Where do we meet? At the Pro Shop of Woodstone Meadows Golf Course

What is the last day to book: Midnight of June 30th 2014

How much will it cost me? Managable \$30.00

How to book: Contact Inge at 703 869 7248 c or ingelesjak@aol.com

Transportation: U-drive

Dress code: Golfing attire and shined shoes



Annapolis Area Cruise Followed by Dinner

Saturday August 2, 2014

Join us in Annapolis, MD for a relaxing 90-minute narrated cruise in the historic Annapolis Harbor and on the beautiful Severn River. Following the cruise, Reg Heitchue has invited us to his beautiful home on the Chesapeake Bay for a barbeque dinner by Red, Hot and Blue.

The Severn is a nationally recognized scenic river and the tour will take us by its banks and wetlands, and the impressive waterfront homes on these protected waters. The ship offers comfortable seating both outside and inside.

The cost for the cruise PLUS the dinner is \$45 per person. This event is a "go", rain or shine.

To reserve your spot, please email Barbara Leonhardt at: fbleonhardt@starpower.net. If you have any questions or wish to sign up by telephone, please call Barbara at: 301-996-2338 or Reg at: 703-861-9190. Please mail your checks to Barbara Leonhardt, 606 Firehouse Ln, Gaithersburg, MD 20878 asap. We would very much appreciate early sign-ups to have a preliminary head count by the deposit-due date of July 1st. You may cancel with full refund through July 23rd. No food to bring - just your appetite and good humor.

SKI TALK

June 2014

The **Ski Travel Show** took place May 2 at the Tyson Marriott. Ten PVSers attended: Nancy McKinley, Charlie and Sara Huggins, Dick and Betty Comerford, Joe Jevcak, Marna Blanchette, Dick and Rosemary



Schwartzbard and Liz Stutz who brought her sister. Representatives of various ski areas showcased their resorts to generate interest by ski clubs in visiting those resorts. The vendors came with maps, brochures, pins, pens and other goodies to gain attention. It was an excellent opportunity to get information about the various resorts and to talk to people from other ski clubs about their experiences and future plans. There was a



cash bar and some food was served throughout the evening. This year, the food was more abundant with hors d'oeuvres being passed around all evening. The evening concluded with a prize drawing and many in our group won: Betty Comerford won lift tickets for Schweitzer Mountain in Idaho. Joe Jevcak also won lift tickets. Marna and Liz won T shirts. I left before my name was called and missed winning another tote bag.



The following day, the semi-annual BRSC meeting was held. Nancy McKinley, Dick Comerford and I attended. Representatives from various Council clubs discussed past trips, future trips and any problems the clubs may be having. It was reported that the BRSC trips to Vail and to Cortina went exceedingly well, each with no major problems. Also discussed were the 2015 trips to Mt. Bachelor and to Austria. The buzz of the meeting was how popular Mt. Bachelor is becoming with the ski clubs. Apparently, the resort is so hospitable and makes it so much fun to ski there that



the clubs are raving about it. The trips voted for **2016** will be **Snowbird, Utah and Kitzbuhl, Austria.**

After hearing so much about Mt. Bachelor, we decided that this would be a good adventure trip for PVS. Both skiers and non-skiers would have a lot to do and see. See the flier in this TOOT. When is the last time you skied on a volcano?



Please support our ski trips by signing up early and sending in your deposit. The leaders need to make deposits to the vendors to secure space on the trips. Contact the ski trip leaders if you have any questions.

--Rosemary Schwartzbard, rosemaryschw@gmail.com

Ski Trip:

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

We will again be staying slope-side at the Snowmass Mountain Chalet (SMC), just below the Snowmass Mall and have reserved 16 guest rooms. Do check the web site at <http://www.mountainchalet.com>.



The total package includes: United Airlines from Dulles to Denver and Denver to Aspen and return plus the land transfer from Aspen airport to SMC and return; 5-day lift ticket (good for all four ski areas in the Aspen complex, free shuttle bus) with option for a sixth ski day; 7 nights lodging (double occupancy); daily breakfasts; daily soup lunch; luggage handling; a welcome party, an “all guest” hotel-sponsored party, a pizza party and a farewell group dinner to celebrate our trip. Trip insurance is available through our tour company at Encompasse.com, and is highly recommended. For additional nights at Snowmass, please make requests through the trip leader. Air flights can be altered to accommodate resulting date changes and will be quoted on an individual basis.

<u>Costs:</u>		<u>Price</u>
Full Snowmass Package		\$2075
Land only	subtract	\$ 515
Single Supplement	add	\$ 935
Non-skiers	subtract	\$ 272
Add sixth ski day*	add	\$ 79

*Other senior (70 years of age or older) ticket options are available. Information can be given to anyone who is eligible, plans to ski more than 5 days and is interested. Just ask!

Airline Schedule (most likely subject to changes in United schedules):

Jan. 14: United flight #403 at 8:25 AM Dulles to Denver (arrive at 10:32 AM); then flight #6320 at 11:20 AM to Aspen (arrive at 11:56 AM).

Jan. 21: United flight #6320 at 12:31 PM Aspen to Denver (arrive at 1:16 PM) then flight #452 at 1:47 PM to Dulles (arrive at 7:07 PM).

For baggage requirements and fees, check the United Airlines website (www.united.com)

Payment Schedule

\$300 deposit to indicate interest and reserve a spot.

Second payment of \$750 is due August 15th.

Final payment is due September 15.

“Land only” price includes a surcharge to cover costs.

To sign up: Please send your \$300 deposit, check made out to Marianne Soponis, 3513 Quebec St. NW, Washington, DC 20016 (“PVS Snowmass 2015” on the check memo line).



For more information: after June (Marianne will be out of country for most of the month), call Marianne Soponis at 202-363-5250 or 301-332-3039 cell; or, via email at Marianne.soponis@gmail.com. For sooner needs, contact the co-leader Nancy Pigman at 202-363-5252; email at nspigman@mindspring.com.

Hope to see you on the trip!

Ski Trip:

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 rcjablon@aol.com. Additional information will be provided shortly on the dates for the remaining payments, trip insurance, and the cancellation policy.

Ski Trip:

PVS/BRSC Eurofest - Mayrhofen/Zillertal, Austria
March 6 -14, 2015

Skiing and touring - or just skiing or just touring - it's your choice!

Join us for a fun trip to Austria's most attractive and unique year-round winter sports region with 4 big ski areas: Hintertuxer Glacier at a 3,000 m elevation, Lanersbach-Eggalm, Finkenberg and Mayrhofen-Penken at 2,000 m with plenty of runs for all skiing abilities.

- Stay at the Thermal Bad Hotel Kirchler**** with daily breakfast and dinner included and free bus service to ski lifts.
- Ski in pleasant Tyrolian surroundings with or without guide. Individual ski pass is not included in price.
- Experience sightseeing tours planned to Innsbruck, Swarovski Crystal World, Munich and more.
- Extend your European trip in Vienna, Austria and/or Bled, Slovenia via motor coach.



Trip Options: including airfare from Dulles on Lufthansa nonstop to Munich, GE, and trip insurance with Travel Safe

1. **7 days Zillertal only/ 6 – 14 March:** Hotel Kirchler with breakfast buffet and dinner daily, après ski parties, free bus service to the ski slopes. **\$2,460** (deduct \$950/no air)
2. **4 days Bled, Slovenia plus 7 days Zillertal 2 – 14 March.** **\$2,935**
3. **7 days Zillertal plus 3 days Vienna 6 – 17 March.** **\$2,900**
4. **4 days Bled, Slovenia plus 7 days Zillertal plus 3 days Vienna 2 – 17 March,** **\$3,375**

For reservation and detailed trip itinerary contact Inge Lesjak, your PVS trip leader, now at ingelesjak@aol.com or 703-869-7248 c Your Family and Friends are welcome!



Inge's favorite pic,
Look closely!

Members' Corner



By J. David Warthen, Jr.
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Getting to Know You: Julia Perlman

I grew up in the Rochester, New York area where my family belonged to the Rochester Ski Club. The ski area offered the choice of a rope tow or herringboning up the hill. Remember the days of leather ski boots with laces? Sitting in front of the fire to melt the ice before they could be untied?

I studied chemistry and math at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts. Nearby Mt Tom provided some skiing as did Killington, Suicide Six, etc. After college I worked at Harvard for a year and then off to Yale for a Masters in Teaching. I have taught science and math in middle school, chemistry at the University of Maryland and Walt Whitman high school.

I took a long hiatus from teaching to raise four children, coaching a soccer team for 10 years along the way. I was also a volunteer ESL teacher for fifteen years. We skied every year at Massanutten, Snowshoe, Camelback or Labrador near my brother's home in Syracuse.

My main interest is gardening, and I served as President of the Potomac Village Garden Club for two terms, leading to our club's receiving Montgomery County's Golden Trowel Award. I am a garden docent at the Hillwood mansion in DC, the Marjorie Merriweather Post former home, giving weekly tours throughout the growing seasons.

I have travelled to many parts of the world. One of my favorite trips was a whale watch around the Baja peninsula. Another was a recent trip to Israel and Jordan with Bob Kramer.

Bob and I are neighbors who had never met even though we live very close to each other. Both of our spouses died from cancer within six months of each other. We met at Wolf Trap where both of us had gone to see a special program about Glacier Park.

He reintroduced me to skiing for which I am now less enthusiastic.

I love Vail, but lately more so for its spas, restaurants, scenery, and shopping. But I do hold their EPIC pass so I can always ride the gondola. I also very much enjoy kayaking, taking family cruises and walking along the canal near my home.

Roster Changes: (notify-dwarthen@verizon.net)

Southern Hemisphere Skiing During Our Summer:

It is hard for us to picture skiing during DC summers, but it is available in other parts of the world. In a previous TOOT, I remember presenting skiing in Chile, Australia, and New Zealand. However, there are many nice ski resorts in Argentina to consider. Never having traveled to South America, I am relying upon an excellent article by Eileen Smith, written in May 2013.

“**Cerro Chapelco**, located in Patagonia, is close to the resort town of San Martín de Los Andes, itself a couple of hours' drive from Bariloche, of chocolate and German architecture fame. The mountain (*cerro*) overlooks the stunning turquoise Lake Lácar, giving it one of the best views of all ski fields in South America. The resort is at low altitude, which means it is below the tree line, and offers tree-skiing, through forests of legnas, a type of beech tree native to the area.



The resort has 350 skiable acres, and has trails for downhill, cross country and a terrain park with a half pipe, and also parallel slalom trails. The longest run is about 3.3 miles long, and it has descents ranging from 20 to 45 degrees of slope. There are 22 trails of different skill levels, and lots of room for freestyle, freeride, and newly, cat-skiing, which they refer to as “back bowls,” which are group outings to difficult-to-reach off-piste areas.”

Check out **Carro Castor**, and **Las Lefias** in Argentina <<http://travelblog.viator.com/skiing-in-the-southern-hemisphere/>>.

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Past Event:

May Meeting at Bob Kramer's

Bob's charming Potomac home is situated on a nice wide street with easy parking. His welcoming smile greeted the 22 PVSers and two guests, Evan Krichevsky and Nancy Heller.

Bob set out a wonderful array of goodies for us including chicken salad in croissants, spinach spanakopitas, fried cheese sticks, chips and hummus, and a tray of cheeses, all labeled. Veggies, grapes and nuts rounded out the spread - something for every one.



Since our Prez and VPrez were travelling, Marianne Soponis called the meeting to order. She led us off with a "Getting to Know your PVS Friends" game that she and her sister, Clare, made up. It consisted of 10 questions such as: Whose first and last name begins with the same letter? Who has a double letter in their first name? Who has the shortest last name? Well, we were glad to have the sticker tags with our names written with markers! Easy to read, but it still got many of us wandering about, really examining

names. Inge and Cara both got 8 of 10 correct and won the prize - a bottle of carrot juice to keep their sharp eyes healthy!

Business started with Eloise calling on trip leaders to talk about our 2015 ski trips. They are listed after the calendar in the Toot. Most trips had information about prices. Take note of information about each trip in the Toot. The July Toot will have a full flyer for each trip. Our host reminded us that we are welcome to join the Best Of Times club trips, which will be eventually listed in the Toot, and posted on the BOT website.



The up-coming events include Celia Chen's "Chinese Dumplings 101" on June 21st. (The monthly meeting in June will be the last one until September.) So far, there are two big events in July and two in August. Watch for information in the Toots.

Marianne ended the meeting with her "How Many Marshmallows in the Jar?" game. She tallied all the guesses and Charlie Huggins came the closest. The prize was...a kit for making S'mores, of course!

Following the meeting Bob served rum/raisin cake, chocolate cookies and coffee.

What a fun evening!

Thank you. Bob !!!

--Jan Marx

In Memory of
Ronald R. Fett, PVS Charter Member

November 19, 1923 – March 16, 2014

We regret to inform you that Ronald R. Fett (90), PVS Charter Member, died on 16 March 2014. He lived in the same apartment for over 50 years in Arlington, Virginia, next to the the Iwo Jima Memorial. His PVS membership spanned 49 years. The first mention of Ron in a TOOT newsletter was in the November 1966 issue, where he described his Ski Instruction Program. Ron was a beautiful skier, according to Susan Brown (PVS Charter Member), and was an instructor at Cabin Mountain in West Virginia, and at Vail during his vacations. Aina Hertelis Thomas remembers that conversations with Ron were always about skiing, and that he was a real ‘gentleman.’



Ron grew up in Judson, North Dakota. He served in the Army during WWII, attended the Univ. of Utrecht for at least some time on the GI bill and had a long career with USIA. Nancy Monacelli, PVS Charter Member, recalls that Ron was a purple heart recipient, and his skiing was really special to watch; he made it look so smooth and effortless. He was a total gentleman, always willing to help out in any way he could, witty, interesting, and just a really nice person. Trudy Santoro (PVS Charter Member) recalled also



that Ron’s skiing was really special to watch.

Ron was very social and participated in many ski trips: Jackson Hole, Vail, Snowmass, Vermont, West Virginia, and Homestead. One time he finished a ski race backwards to the applause of many. He also enjoyed Rehobeth Beach, DE, at 123 Norfolk Avenue and spent many summers with several other PVSers. He also appreciated history and toured the Antietam Battlefield with many PVSers.



Ron volunteered at the Smithsonian for many years and commuted by bike. He was recognized as a volunteer in the following publications: [By Aeroplane to Pygmyland: Revisiting the 1926 Dutch and ...](#), [Vatican City Postage Stamps](#), and [Die Vatikanstadt-Sammlung](#). Ron was also a photo editor and provided photos for the American magazine (a foreign publication) during his many careers. During some of the moon shots he flew to Cape Canaveral to pick up photos for the publication. He dubbed his co-beachgoers '39 and holding' while they watched the countdown for the first moon landing. The name stuck. Ron also worked for 20 years, almost exclusively, on various aspects of the Underwood & Underwood Glass Stereograph Collection of 28,000 photographs, which were cataloged individually.



Ron, 1965, Aspen Although Ron never held an office in PVS, he was keenly interested in the club. His article, “Skiers have to Ski to be Members of Potomac Valley,” in the Washington Post in 1968 <http://pvskiers.org/pdfs/Fett11-15-68.pdf> was certainly a boost to the membership shortly after the PVS formed in 1965.

*--Compiled by the Layout Editor,
with contributions from Susan Brown, Aina Hertelis Thomas, Nancy Monacelli, Trudy Santoro, &
Ross Leron Jones (nephew of Ron)*



THE KNEE

by Ray
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Winter is officially over; it's June, so we are now a mere six months away from what may be a monumental ski event. That's right! December 5 will mark the **ankne**versary of the death of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. And the Knee expects the Austrians to make a big deal of it--they do use any excuse for a celebration. From what I've read, WAM (as I'm wont to call him) wasn't much of a skier. (It was after all 1791, and shaped skis hadn't made their appearance.) But that shouldn't deter the Austrians. Expect to see a new line of Mozart skis ("A Symphony on Snow--The Perfect Marriage of Figaro and Powder"), perhaps with WAM's profile on the tip.

Musical names should be rampant. They must have a Liszt of other tie-ins. The beginner's version will be "Bach to Basics." It's dizzying. The concept gives me Verdi-go.

The **Knee** and **Nancy** are just back from three weeks in Japan. A few observations: The **Japaknees** are absolutely meticulous. No trash anywhere on the streets, and not even any trash cans. The spring gardens were filled with flowers and perfumed atmosphere. With sushi and sashimi, raw fish were everywhere--and they were certainly, well, raw. Mount Fuji was clear against a cerulean blue sky and snow-covered - just like in the travel photos.

It's no contest for who is our latest skier. It was **Dave Lerner** who now lives in Utah. He ended the 2013-2014 season on May 26 with a day skiing at Snowbird. (It was almost 80 degrees in the DC area.) This brought **Dave's** total ski days for the season to 123. That's just like the Virginia route number - but with a bit more snow.

Dave also reports on some potentially bad news for next season. The lawsuit between Powder Corp. (owner of Park City Mountain Resort) and Talisker/Vail (operator of Canyons Resort) was decided in favor of Talisker/Vail. Powder Corp is appealing the decision and they intend to operate Park City Mountain Resort next season. The current situation is that either party can prevent the other from operating the

resort. A stalemate is possible, so there could be no skiing at Park City next year. Bummer.

The **Knee** has been collecting PVS travel tidbits. (These are tiny portions of a tid.)

Ellie Thayer has just returned from a Big birthday trip to Scotland. (All right, I can't keep secrets - **Ellie** can now vote!) **Ellie** went with her daughter who is 20 years younger. Right on!

Marianne and Clare Sponis are headed for Lithuania. They will be gone a month and will be visiting with their relatives.

Just before the last PVS ski trip, **Sylvia Lukens** had a minor heart attack. She couldn't find anyone to help her so she had to walk upstairs by herself. Had he known about it, **Sylvia's** cardiologist would have had a stroke! She went on the trip anyway and got along just fine. Right on.

Two of you asked if I could explain a fairly weird pun, which was in last month's **Knee**. Of course I can.



Cataract surgery is rampant amongst PVSers. **Betty Comerford** is rarin' to complete her procedure. And **Celia Chen** has just completed the process. Eye see.

According to **Marvin Hass**, a bear that apparently became too accustomed to the good life at a ski resort at Lake Tahoe is headed for an animal sanctuary or zoo. This is after wildlife officials decided he's unfortunately become too domesticated to be returned to the wild. The year-old black bear, dubbed "Heavenly," was captured in March after it settled in next to a ski lift at the Heavenly Mountain Resort. California wildlife officials released the bear about 25 miles south of the lake. But, they say he made it back to Tahoe within a matter of days and started approaching people again. "Our plan originally was to take him out in the mountains again, but he's just so acclimated to humans as a source of food and obviously has homed in on this area." Heavenly will be placed in a nearby zoo.

Here is a little known fact. You don't **kneed** a parachute to sky dive. You **kneed** a parachute to sky dive twice. It's true!



PVS Calendar 2014:

- June 17 Tue PVS Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Ufholz, Bethesda, MD
- June 21 Sat Chinese Dumplings 101, Chen, Silver Spring, MD
- June 24 Tue ExCom Meeting, 7:30 PM, Teleconference
- July 04 Fri Invitation to Play Golf, Lesjaks, Massanutten 4 Season Ski and Gold Resort, VA
- July 26 Sat Summerfest, Heitchue party room, 3:00 PM, Reston, VA
- Aug 02 Sat Annapolis Cruise, Leonhardts; and BBQ, Heitchue, Chesapeake Bay, MD
- Aug 16 Sat Steak and Swim, Hines, Delaplane, VA

Ski Trips 2015:



PVS

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

Useful Ski "Links"

- Potomac Valley Skiers..... potomacvalleyski.org
- BRSC Sanctioned Trips..... skicouncil.com/tripsbydate.htm
- DC Ski Online News..... dcski.com
- Best of Times Ski Club..... bestoftimeskiclub.org

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PVS' 50th Anniversary is Coming Up in 2015!

Want to be involved in planning for the big event?
 Also welcome are suggestions for a venue that will accommodate up to 200 party-goers.
 Contact Nancy McKinley at 703 595 8375
 or at nancymckin@gmail.com