

There's snow in the high Rockies and an early winter chill envelops mountainous New England. The PVS almanac predicts a long skiing winter. Timeto get ready.

PVS meets on Wednesday, 19 October, 8 p.m. in the Executive Room of the Charcoal Hearth Restaurant, 2001 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., Washington. This is our new meeting place -- convenient, attractive, and in many ways very advantageous. As a get-acquainted gesture, the Charcoal Hearth management has arranged a special menu for us and there also will be a cash bar. Bring your friend, spouse, lover, or whatever, but come -- for drinks and dinner at 7 p.m. The post-dinner program is full, so please start out early.

Captain Kinaman with Bo'suns Mate Lilo set PVS sails again on Saturday, 15 October Want aboard? Call Russ on 931-8885 or 967-7595 (office).

For running details on PVS tennis, golf, hiking activities contact any ExCom member.

The Surf and Ski Club of Fort Meade, Md. has invited all PVS members to join S&S in a Bike Hike some time soon. More on this later.

NEW COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: Membership Chairman: Peter Lang; co-chairmen: Lilo Kinaman, Carol Parmenter. Trip Chairman: Buff Harris; co-chairmen: Byron Gutheil, Russ Rodgers.

Genial John Beale, Blue Knob Ski Patrol leader, needs good skiers with Patrol potential. If you can ski Blue Knob's Extrovert slope without frightening the observing public, you're a good prospect. Call John at 338-5548.

PVS was represented, modestly but ably, at both the Alpine Officials Clinic at Roundtop (1 October) and Pennsylvania Ski Federation Convention (1-2 October). Full reports will be rendered at our 19 October meeting.

Need short poles, long skis, middle size long johns? Consult Susan Fleig, Swap Shop Director.

Gourmets, gourmands, and now-and-then tasters of crustacean, mollusk, bivalve: Pat Calef encloses her report on how on 22 October we plan to consume 3 barrels of these delectables from Maine.

The official PVS address is P.O. Box 19047, Washington, D. C. Zip 20036. Use it often. Use it wisely,

Critical it may sound, safe skiing is good skiing. Most PVS members have now completed some type of standard first aid course. If you are one of those who have

not, don't put it off. In the PVS ranks are five ARC first aid instructors who can advise you on the where's and how's of this important subject.

Most PVS members have paid their 1966-67 dues. If you are in the minority, see Treasurer Brooke Armat as soon as possible.

An Editorial Note: By all counts PVS has had a successful summer. There was tennis, water skiing, sailing, camping, some hiking and golf. The social program was full and each of the four (June to September) lawn party meetings, hosted by the Andersons, Elankenships, Ruras and Stechers, showed that PVS members are a versatile bunch who easily double in brass, be it in skiing or idle, glass-in-hand party chit-chat. The fall season will see more of this, and with several interesting variations.

PVS interest in organized skiing is manifested in our USEASA, Pennsylvania Ski Federation, and Blue Ridge Ski Council memberships. Our concern with ski safety is evident in the close association of several PVS members with local Red Cross and community first aid activities. There are 20 or more registered National Ski Patrolmen in our ranks. We maintain good working and liaison relations with the staffs to most nearby and many New England ski areas. Our membership includes four certified amateur ski instructors. PVS also brings together a wide assortment of ski talent and experience, some dating back a decade or two and reaching geographically to many skiing corners of the world. We are proud of the quality of PVS membership which again illustrates that true skiing enthusiasts are willing to join together and share common interests under a single organizational roof, and that a goodly amount of mutual profit can be derived from this kind of happy association.

We are approaching our first anniversary. On 15 November 1965, PVS was registered in the District of Columbia as a non-profit corporation dedicated to "educational, social and athletic pursuits with particular reference to the sport of skiing." This constructive and noble PVS purpose, in its broadest sense is the real reason for our being. We will continue to pursue the objectives implicit in this purpose and will do so without fanfare or deliberate public display. Our club philosophy, functional theme, motivating force -- call it what you may -- is to further our knowledge and interest in all sports, and skiing in particular, and to do this in the company of people who have similar interests. This common goal is what binds us together; it explains our healthy, steady growth, and bids fairly for a bright organizational future.

On the occasion of this first anniversary, TOOT wishes POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS even greater successes and happier associations. May the individual and collective PVS works and thoughts -- and your skis -- ever run parallel.