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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE :

During the past ski season PVS offered its members five major ski trips and we can expect to continue at this level in future years. The number of ski trip leaders and ski trip participants has been increasing and suggests the need for a better understanding of ski trip policies in such areas as:

Important! 1. Refunds due from cancellations
2. Rate when roommate is not available or cancels

3. Changes to any conditions of the trip 4. The accomodations that are being offered

5. Possible extra charges that may unexpectedly occur

I would like to have experienced ski trip leaders and ski trip participants serve on a committee to draft guidelines for our trips. A better understanding of what is expected, including the areas noted above, can only benefit our trips. Volunteers are most welcome.

Sheldon Drews, President

AUGUST EVENT: PICNIC/SWIM/SAIL at the FLAKES

Saturday, August 16th. (Rain date: Sunday, August 17th)
Anytime after 1 p.m. (Supper will be around 5 p.m.) When:

Where: The Glade Flake home in Annapolis

Coordinator: Call Charlotte Reith (765-1810) or Margaret Wyckoff (589-5532) to cancel or take advantage of someone else's cancellation. Fully subscribed at the moment.

Instructions: Bring your own burger, weenie, steak, or whatever, to grill. Plus a dessert or salad to share. (Check with the coordinators.) You might like to bring your own cooler to keep your goodies fit. Also, your own chair.

For a small cost, beer, colas, sodas, charcoal fire, utensils, plates, condiments, etc. will be provided.

DIRECTIONS TO FLAKES ARE ON NEXT PAGE.

#### DIRECTIONS TO THE FLAKES FOR AUGUST SWIM/PICNIC/SAIL

From Highway #50 exit at PAROLE Exit (first exit for Annapolis) take left turn on West Street and go to second stop light where turn right on Solomon Islands Road. Go one long block to first stop light and take a left on Forest Drive and proceed about 5 miles - (name of Drive will change to Bay Ridge Rd and, then, to Farragut Avenue). Enter gates which have a sign "Bay Ridge" and take first left on East Lake Drive. Bear to right and continue around lake until reaching Number 40 - the Flakes! (Dow't PARK ON STREET!)

40 East Lake Drive, Bay Ridge. Telephone 301-267-0729)

# SPECIAL EVENT : CRAB FEAST AT THE WINGROVES

When: Sunday, August 31st. 2 p.m. (Rain date: Monday, Sept 1st.)

What: The annual swim and pig-out-on-crabs at the Wingroves' beautiful Potomac, Md. home. A fine Labor Day Weekend outing for all the family.

Crabs, beer and soft drinks will be provided. Guests will bring salad or dessert. (Check with coordinator) For the non-crab eaters, a grill will be at the ready to broil whatever you want to bring and cook on your own.

The cost will be approximately \$8 for the crabbers; \$4 for those who bring their own burger or whatever.

Call Coordinator Sheldon Drews (521-5167) by August 26 to reserve a place and to indicate whether you are bringing salad or dessert.

#### DIRECTIONS:

Take Eeltway 495 north to 270N.

Take Montrose Road Exit. At light at exit, turn left on Montrose Road. Next traffic light, turn right on Seven Locks Rd. Proceed through next traffic light and take second left onto Ritchie Parkway.

Go through next traffic light and take the 4th left onto Scott Drive. A sign will say

no trucks - restricted bridge ahead. (If you pass the high school, you've gone too far!) Go over the wooden bridge (single lane) to next stop sign. Turn left onto Overlea Drive to 9211. (First driveway on left.)

## OCEAN CITY WEEKEND - 3 nights, September 19-22,1986

As in previous years, Dina Taylor will arrange the rental of ocean front condos at SDAWATCH in Ocean City. Each condo will sleep 6 and the obst is \$50 per person. Condos will be filled as deposits are received. To sign up, send \$50 to Dina Taylor, 8403 Stonehouse Rd., Frederick, MD 21701. For more details call Dina, H:301-663-6089, 0:301-363-0301 Ext 2650. If more convenient, call Gail Pease H:620-4573. 0:248-6624.

#### PAST EVENTS

#### STEAK AND SWIM AT THE ELRODS by Bette Walker

The final annual Steak and Swim at the Elrods' 18150 Cabin Road home (They will, come October, move into their new luxurious quarters, also on Cabin Road.) on July 19 was, despite intermittent showers (spelled S-T-O-R-M-S), a great success. The first rain fell just as Roy put a dozen steaks on the smoldering coals, and, as if by magic, a huge umbrella appeared suddenly from nowhere, its owner shielding Roy and steaks until the sun popped out again. The chef was able to satisfy all 58 hungry PVSers who helped themselves to Malda's baked potatoes with sour cream, an array of delicious salads and many tempting desserts. Immediately after dinner Norm Engleman, sporting a white sailing hat, swam his 60 laps and didn't sink. Was it the hat or did he consume less than the rest of us?

During the afternoon "Left Behinds" from previous Elrod events were attractively displayed along the pool fence, dishes, silverware, beach towels, etc., and one PVSer was seen walking off with a pair of gents' undershorts, waist size 40. We are not the PVSkiers and Eaters for naught.

The day ended at twilight, those reluctant to leave gathered around the pool enjoying the peaceful surroundings and somewhat cooler air. Our thanks again to Malda and Roy for their gracious and generous hospitality and to Dot Mills for coordinating.

#### THE YOUGH, OUR FIRST TIME by Jan Marx

Dina did it again....another successful trip! After coming from Washington's blistering heat we found it hard to believe that we were pulling out our long pants and sweatshirts (PVS, of course). But that part of Maryland is known as "the icebox of the East". We rendezvoused at Swallow Falls but the chilly, misty air dictated our picnic be consumed in our vehicles. It didn't deter a walk to the delightful falls, however. Would it be this cool on the river tomorrow???

A determined drive got our family to Fallingwater in time to slip into the last tour of the day. Eric and Brian were not excited about the idea of visiting a house. They soon changed their minds and were absolutely intrigued! Dinner at the Penn Alps gave us the chance to get better acquainted with the Baltimore group as well as eat a hearty meal.

Sinday Jawned the perfect day as Dina and Mary Jane waved us off. We had heard that this rafting experience should not be missed so we thought that Bob's folks, Bernice and Wyman, ought to take this on as a pre 75th birthday challenge. What troopers they were: They showed true spirit for the trip when they each took an unplanned dunk in the river. Sheldon's final comment was "The trip was wonderful. We were out of control all the way." He and Dena were in a raft with our boys. Sheldon assumed command, decreed by age, I assume. However, mutiny soon occurred with Eric taking charged. The ill-fated raft containing Nancy and Walt Helmig did the textbook flip at The Dimple Nancy has never made it dry through that one. Jacques Hadle: and Alice Swalm had a "perfect float" (as in "the perfect wave")

I was impressed with the professionalism of the outfitters and the thrill of the rapids. Many thanks, again, to Dina Taylor for her leadership.

## The Knee

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Ray McKinley

Under orders from the TOOT editor to be brief for this

abbreviated vacation issue (the first August issue in five years) I hereby offer this miniknee:

Have you noticed the significant changes in the club since we passed all of the new bylaws? Let's see, we've had a kneat beach picnic at the <u>Kuffs</u>, a (typically) wonderful Steak & Swim at the Elrods, an upcoming beach party at the Flakes, a crabfeast and lots more upcoming events. Vive la difference!??

Actually our outing at the Kuffs' new house in Annapolis was a new event. Our first annual ( my words and, hopefully, theirs) flank steak cookout was, despite a brief respite for rain, superb. The Kuff house and its views should be in Architectural Digest. It is just beautiful. Sorry I can't think of anything funny about this event. Angela and, in particular, Mort, are so dour they stiffle all humor.

At a recent Ski Patrol function, Larry Pease received a pin for 30 years of service. After 30 years of service most of us would have tennis elbow. If you will - er -

let me say it, I loved that line, Ace.
The gorgeous, beautiful PVS baseball caps are here. We should all thank the crusading ex-president who is responsible for bringing them to us. However, modesty prohibits my mentioning my name.

Seen at a recent ski show : Dina Taylor, Gail and Larry Pease, Norm Engelman and the Wyckoffs. Don't tell me that some of them are going to ski this coming season!

I ran into John Newdorp at the Arlington Farmers Market at the end of July. He was selling honey from his own Oakton apiary. He quoted Jackie Gleason, "How sweet it is!"

Speaking of cars, which I was last month, Dot Mills and Lu Beale are both now driving identical blue Honda Accords.

They both were bought from the same salesman less than a month apart. We could say that their automotive tastes are in accord. Well, I could say it.

This July marked our last Steak & Swim at the Elrods' current house. They are moving to a brand new waterfront home. To avoid moving two extra crates, Malda and Roy brought out a year's worth of lost and found. Notable find was Bette Walker's steak knives nicely rolled with her name on it - but inside. More notable was John Pulos claiming the impeccably pressed set of underwear lefkneatly on a hanger last year. It is apparently not true that he spent all last year with only one set.

We all send very best wishes to PVSer Katherine Reynolds for whom the wedding bells rang in early June. Katherine, a retired Department of Labor librarian, was united in marriage to Reginald Kicklighter, a retired Russian specialist with the Defense Department.

I hope you are enjoying this gorgeous, beautiful August issue of TOOT. We should all thank the crusading ex-president who is responsible for pressuring the editor for 5 years until she finally kneeled over in submission. (Well, occasionally, we all win one!)
That's all for now, folks.

###### Editor's note: And he calls this

column a MINIknee? We'll give you not one but two miniknees:



# !! SKI TRIPS !!

PVS France - January 30-February 16,1987 There are still a few places left on this grand trip to Les Deux Alpes, Val d'Isere and Paris with the 7700 Wyckoffs. Call now and reserve your spot! (589-5532). \*<del>\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*</del> Ski Whistler/Blackcomb , Canada - February 27 - March 8,1987. Eight days of world-class skiine!! 8680 Dina Taylor leading. For information refer to flyer in .last month's TOOT and call Dina. Home: 301-663-6089. Office: 301-363-0301.Ext 2650. VAIL, Colorado - February 21 - March 1, 1987 See the flyer in last month's TOOT and call Nancy or Ray Garrett (250-4791) if you'd like to be part of this fun trip with fun people in a fun town. 8462 Mt. Sutton, Canada - January 10-18,1987.

Call Jack Peoples (301-840-2213) to get all the information on this trip that was a smash success last year. Wengen Swiss Ski School - Call Bob Grasley (565-9650) <del>\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*</del>

# CALENDAR

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