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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

June is the kick-off time for PVS summer activities and the time to plan your skiing for next winter. We will be taking some time out of the pool at the June meeting to go over all of these upcoming events. This last regular meeting before the fall is the opportunity for leaders to relate their trips or events and for members to get the information and ask questions. For further details on the June meeting, see below.

Sheldon Drews. President

JUNE MONTHLY MEETING - Tuesday, June 17th. 7:30 P.M.

Where: Sheldon Drew's Apartment at

1101 S. Arlington Ridge Rd. Arlington

Telephone (if lost) 521-5167

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE STARTING TIME IS 7:30 - A HALF HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL CLUB MEETING TIME. This is because we must vacate the premises by 10 P.M. and there is a great deal of business and pleasure

planned for the evening.

SUCH AS: 1. Pool Swimming

- 2. Snacking and imbibing of goodies provided by Sheldon.
- 3. Tasting of any favorite dessert a guest with a sweet tooth may care to bring. (Call Jan Marx at 451-9158 to coordinate this.)
- 4. Important business including announcement of upcoming trips and events and a discussion and vote on proposed changes in the club's by-laws as outlined on pages 4 and 5 in this issue of TOOT.

FOR DIRECTIONS TO SHELDON'S APARTMENT, SEE NEXT PAGE.

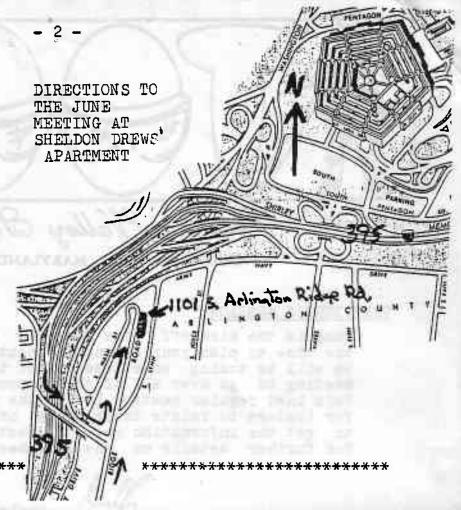
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Coming

Event

JUNE EVENT: PICNIC AND SWIM AT HADLER'S COTTAGE

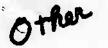
Date: Saturday, June 14th. (Rain date: June 15th.)

Time: 10:00 A.M. 'til dark. Supper served about 5 P.M. Place: Jacques Hadler's cottage on Kent Island, Md.

Coordinator: Gail Pease. (0: 248-6624. H: 620-4573). Because of limited comfort room resources, this event is available to only 40 people and reservations are a must. If the weather is iffy call Jan Marx (451-9158) who will receive a decision by 10 A.M. Saturday.

Bring: Salad or dessert. (Check with Gail.) Bring your own lunch if you come early. Also, bring swim gear and extra chair if you wish. For an approximate fee of \$4, soft drinks, beer, wine, hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. Special rate for kids under twelve. DIRECTIONS:

Go east from Annapolis on Rt. 50 over the Bay Sridge. At the first traffic light after the bridge, turn south on Rt. 8 on Kent Island. The Matabeake Public Recreation Ground entrance is 3 miles south of Rt. 50 (a public boat landing if you wish to launch your own boat). At the Kentmorr Airpark entrance, 5 miles south of Rt. 50, turn right back toward the bay. Take that road to Hadler's cottage. It's the only road - you can't go wrong. It's the blue (4th) cottage after the 90° left turn.



OUTING AT THE KUFFS - July 12th. (Rain date: July 13th.)

This flank steak cookout at Mort and Angela Kuff's Annapolis home is limited to 30 and is already fully subscribed with a waiting list. There may be cancellations so call and get waitlisted if you are interested. This is not an event for children. Coordinator is Jean Heitchue (860-9190)

Guests may arrive at 2:00 P.M. Cookout will be about 5:00 P.M. Bring dessert, salad or appetizer. Coordinate with the Heitchues. Bring your own plates and silverware. Extra lawn chairs welcomed. Beverages provided. Cost: Approximately \$7.00

Directions: Take Route 50 East (toward Bay Bridge). Turn right at Wind-Mill Pancake House onto Old Mill Bottom Rd. (Scon after crossing Severn R.) Travel to stop sign, make left and then immediate right turn onto Pleasant Plains Road. Follow curving road (yellow arrows) to a "Dead End" sign. Continue past sign (Pleasant Plains Road becomes Red Cedar Road.)

Bear right and follow road to dead end. Driveway on the right belongs to the Kuff home. 769 Red Cedar Road. (House has light brown siding.)

STEAK & SWIM AT THE ELRODS - July 19th. (Rain date: July 20th) Coordinator: Dot Mills (527-5036)

PICNIC, SWIM, BOATING AT THE FLAKES -August 16th. Coordinator: Charlotte Reith (765-1810) Limited reservations.

BULLETIN

COMING EVENTS

May 27, 1986

the members of the Potomac Valley Stairs, Inc., who have affixed their names below, respectfully submit the attached amendment to the club by laws, and request that the membership approve them by affirmative water at a meeting of the club.

Laurence Tr. Peare Marily J. Clark Charlet Reith Abollon Draws Rond R. Ma Klg Dorothy Mills

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS, INC.

The following changes to the by-laws are recommended by the ad-hoc committee formed by President Sheldon Drews in April, 1985. The committee included Marilyn Clark, chairperson, Charlotte Reith, Dorothy Mills, Art Topping, Ray McKinley, Larry Pease, and Sheldon Drews.

Section I.B.3(a) Change two to three.
 The section now reads: 3. (a) Attend at least two club meetings.
 The section as amended: 3. (a) Attend at least three club meetings.

This amendment requires the applicant to demonstrate interest in the club and the personal interaction available in social situations, providing the membership a greater opportunity to become acquainted with the applicant.

- Section I.B.4 Insert additional membership requirement.
 A new section will read:
 - 4. Be approved by vote of the members at the annual meeting.

This section requires that each applicant be voted upon and approved by the membership present at the annual meeting. This corrects an oversight in the present by-laws.

- 3. Section I.D Revise the procedure for presenting applicants for approval.
 The section now reads:
 - - D. The application will be presented by the sponsor to the membership chairman one month prior to the annual business meeting of the club. The membership chairman will certify the completion of all requirements for membership, and will present the names of qualified applicants to the membership in writing, ten days prior to the annual meeting.

This amendment will provide time for review of the applicants qualifications and assure compliance with the membership requirements before the application is voted upon by the membership.

- 4. Section I.E Eliminate section and re-number subsequent sections.
 The section currently reads:
 - E. In the event that an applicant is delayed in meeting the membership requirements, the Executive committee, if otherwise convinced of the applicant's qualifications for membership, may present the applicant's name to the membership for approval.

This amendment would remove the option of the Executive Committee to waive requirements of the by-laws as stated in Section I.B., and would require all applicants to comply with the by-law requirements.

- 5. Section I.F Remove the word "Active".
 - The section currently reads:
 - F. Active membership shall not exceed two hundred persons.
 - The section as amended will read:
 - F. Membership shall not exceed two hundred persons.

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BY-LAW CHANGES (Continued from previous page.)

The present section implies that the count of members toward the limit of two hundred refers only to the classification "Active Member". The section as amended will clarify the count to include all membership classes in the total. The current count of all members is 176.

Section I.H. Add new section.

A new section will read:

H. Members of any classification will be given priority over nonmembers to attend activities which have a limit on attendance.

This amendment will provide assurance to dues-paying members that they will not be pre-empted from attending club activities by the presence of non-members.

7. Section II.B Add applicant as a catagory of membership.
The section as amended will begin:

B. <u>Annual Dues:</u> The annual dues shall be:
Applicant

15.00

This amendment will create Applicant as an additional catagory of membership, with a higher dues rate, to encourage diligent progress toward meeting the membership requirements, and to discourage continuing status as applicant.

8. Section III.D Remove the second sentence to avoid ambiguity.
The section now reads:

The Executive Committee shall appoint a Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary upon the recommendation of the President. The Treasurer and Secretary need not be members of the Executive Committee.

The section as amended will read:

The Executive Committee shall appoint a Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary upon the recommendation of the President.

This amendment removes possible implication that the Vice President needs to be selected from the elected officers.

9. Section V.A Include voting on applications for membership.

The Section now reads:

A. The club shall hold an annual meeting in April of each year for the election of the President and Directors and the transaction of other business. The April meeting date will be

The section as amended will read:

A. The club shall hold an annual meeting in April of each year, for the election of the President and Directors, and for approving applicants for membership. The April meeting date will be

This amendment will establish that approval of applicants for membership shall occur at only one time during the year.



The Knee

Ray McKinley

Some things are tough to talk about. I'm talking about

the recent loss due to an automobile accident of a faithful friend and long-time attendee at PVS events. Charlotte Reith's friendly, old (nearly 200,000 miles), red station wagon was totalled in a rear ender last month. Charlotte says at least the end was quick and painless. Au revoir, mon ami.

It just won't be the same to see Charlotte in the spanking new gray Ford wagon. (Besides, it won't clash nearly so well with her

purple wardrobe.)

Whose car will be next to go?
Hopefully not Alice Swalm's or
the Wyckoffs' almost matching green
Dodge Darts. Dot Mills' 12-year old
Datsun finally expired in May and
has mercifully been replaced by a
fully loaded Honda Accord. Now I
really auto change the subject.
It's getting tire-ing.

Let's get to the late skiers.

I received two letters and a post card from Bob Grasley trying to claim the "latest" title. He, along with a trainload of picture-taking Japaknees skiers (were they trying to "canon"-ize him?) skied Wengen on April 25th. Bob skied in Zermatt on the 29th of April but couldn't ski his last day there because the lifts were closed due to a blizzard. His last day of skiing was May 3rd in 3" of new powder at St Moritz.

Larry Pease and Greg failed to beat that date. They were planning on getting tuckered on Tuckerman's Ravine on May 17th. But, alas, there was no snow. Instead, Larry went hiking on Old Rag with the rest of us "non-skiers."

The "winner" of my Latest Skier Award is Norb Kulpa.

Norb left on a business trip for Denver on May 16th, skied at Arapahoe Basin (called A Basin by the locals. I'd call it The Basin) that weekend and Memorial Day weekend. Can you top that?

Convictions form

Also, I'd like to know who (or whoperson, to be nonsexist) skied the most days. I made it about 20 days.

The <u>Swabys</u> are off to Nags Head for a reunion of <u>Don</u>'s. <u>Susannah</u> tells me it was like pulling teeth since Don dislikes the beach. Funny, I've heard several people describe Don as a son of a beach.

<u>Dick Comerford</u> recently got his real estate license and is now looking for a new home. He is also trying to help <u>Huey Roberts</u> find one.

Myra Evans missed the Fun Run because hubby Ken turned off their alarm saying, "Why would anyone in his right mind get up at 6 A.M. on a Saturday?" I agree and I was there.

Knee Fashion Knotes: After the Fun Run Karen Felker (now in Denmark for a 3 week visit with family) and club secretary Irene Farrell were identically dressed in PVS sweatshirts with white blouses (blice?) underneath.

Hostess Marilyn Clark in a rose sweater perfectly matched her napkins and geraniums. (Or was it a geranium sweater which matched her roses? Or had

she rose after a nap with kin?)

Well, after a year of work (?) a group has come up with some suggested changes in our bylaws. The intent is to make them more useful and to resolve some ambiguities. As a member of the group I can state without bias that the changes are simply wonderful.

The group had such fun meeting and eating that we likely will continue to get together to resolve misteaks in the bylaws. I herewith propose that we call the group the PVS Permanent Ad hoc By Law Unification Movement or, for short, PVS Pablum.

PAST EVENTS

OLD RAG HIKE by Don Swaby

Only PVSers would drive two hours to walk eight miles so they could drive two hours to get home. But, let's face it, folks, the Old Rag hike was totally awesome, fur sure. Mom Nature provided a beautiful mountain and a lovely day. The PVSers provided everything else.

It looked a bit shaky in the beginning. Some people are always late, and, again, I want to apologize for that. We were halfway to the first rendevous when I decided I might need the hiking boots I had left in the hallway at home. On the way to the second rendevous, which was at Old Rag itself, Frank Shelburne suggested Roy's for a pit stop and danish. However, I am the one who manages to find those short cashier lines that go comotose when I queue.

Five minutes late for both kick-offs. Let this not be trend-setting.

Fortunately, we soon caught up with some of the sweep personnel, especially since Ray Garrett was slowing Nancy down a bit.

The high point of the hike for some of the men, and possibly the women, was when several of the men helped pull and push the women up a small chimney rock formation. There was some discussion about who should pay for these exciting moments, the men or women.

Besides being recognized as the most overtly covert member of the club, Ray McKinley must be a closet botanist, too. He provided a walking commentary on the flora of the mountain. Credibility was lost somewhat when he suddenly stopped, grabbed a plant and excitedly exclaimed "Hey, do you know what this is!" and realizing the name had escaped him, followed with "I don't either."

For the 27 PVSers accompanying leader Lu Beale, the whole adventure was a joy. The drinks and snacks at the end of the trail contributed a great deal to the festivities, especially the salmon pate provided by the Walhens. My earlier tardiness did not go unpunished as my feet encountered a slippery rock during a salsa feeding frenzy. For those who extended sympathy as I lay splayed across the rocks, thank you. It was just another incident in a memorable day for the jolly crew on Old Rag.

MAY MEETING AT CHARLOTTE EDDY'S HOME

More than 50 PVSers braved the rain to attend the May 20th meeting hosted by Charlotte Eddy at her Fairfax home, the familiar scene of many previous club celebrations. Charlotte was assisted in her duties by co-host Petruschka, a show collie whose friendliness and poise matched those of his mistress.

But, presumably, it was Charlotte alone who prepared the cookies and brownies, the dips and cheeses and crudities which kept the guests thronged around the dining table. Special attraction was the wine punch with strawberries - a welcome addition to the usual wine & beer.

After a brief business meeting, Gorman Young and Jim Slack showed slides of this winter's ski adventures and the Marxs presented "A Bit of Madness" a film that demonstrated what we alreay knew - that skiers are a crazy bunch.

PAST EVENTS (Continued)

FUN RUN by Helen Price

With the temperature in the 40's and the wind blowing 25 miles an hour, it hardly seemed like the 3rd of May as 28 PVSers gathered for the 5th Annual Fun Run and Brunch with the Clarks. Four joggers led the way, with several part-time joggers following close behind trying to keep warm, and the fast walkers in hot pursuit.

Along the way, there was lively conversation about skiing and other important subjects, identification of the wild flowers and competition on the athletic course set up by Perrier along the trail. Top honors went to Huey Roberts as he performed at all points, the most noteworthy of which was on the gymnastic rings where he skinned -the-cat with ease and then stood in a vertical position on his hands. Too bad no one had a camera to record this upside down feat! (Huey later confessed to having engaged in gymnastics in school.) Among the ladies, Marilyn Clark, with her yoga training, took top honors.

But the best was yet to come as all 28 of us proceeded to the Clarks' home for a delicious brunch of cheese souffle, spinach spoonbread, sausage balls and fresh fruit compote with walnut bread and date bread, all prepared by the hostess and all accompanied by appropriate liquids served by the host.

It was a super outing. Many thanks to Marilyn and Dick!

CALENDAR

- June 14 ... Picnic & Swim at Hadler's bayside cottage. See page 2.
- June 17 ... Monthly Meeting at Sheldon Drews' apartment party room. See page 1 and note starting time is 7:30 P.M.
- June 24 ... ExCom meeting at the Huggins. 7:30 P.M.
- June 28/29. "Yough" River weekend. Dina Taylor leading. (301-663-6089)
- July 12 ... Picnic at the Kuffs. See page 3. Heitchues coordinating.
- July 19 ... Steak & Swim at the Elrods. Dot Mills coordinating. (527-5036)
- Aug. 16 ... Boating/Swimming at the Flakes. Charlotte Reith coordinating. (765-1810)

!! SKI TRIPS !!

WENGEN SWISS SKI SCHOOL December 13 - December 20,1986

Leader Bob Grasley is firming up plans for this unusual trip. Expect a flyer this summer. In the meantime, for advance information, call Bob (565-9650).

MT SUTTON, CANADA January 10 - January 18,1987.

Leader Jack Peoples is making plans for a repeat of last winter's very successful trip beyond our northern borders. Keep in touch! Watch upcoming TOOTS or call Jack (301-840-2213)

PVS FRANCE - January 30 - February 16,1987

The Wyckoffs have settled most of the details for this grand trip to Les Deux Alpes and Val d'Isere ending with two nights in Paris.

See the flyer in this issue of TOOT and call the Wyckoffs at 589-5532 or, better yet, mail your check for \$50 to reserve your space NOW. Mail to The Wyckoffs, 8100 Park Crest Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

VAIL, COLORADO - February 21 - March 1,1987

Leaders Nancy and Ray Garrett have chosen ever popular Vail (rather than Aspen/Jackson Hole as orginally planned) for a week of total ski fun with fellow PVSers.

Ski on Sunday, February 22 through February 28. Stay Saturday night in Denver. Return home Sunday, March 1st.

Details will be announced at a later date. If interested, call Nancy or Ray (250-4791).

SKI WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB

February 27 - March 8, 1987

Dina Taylor is leading this club-sponsored ski trip into the fabulous Canadian mountains of British Columbia. Participants will stay in condos.

Eight days of skiing at Whistler/Blackcomb are assured.

Plans for an additional week at Banff have been cancelled.

PVS OFFICIERS

(451-9158)

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