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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Our trips so far this year have been successful, each with unusual and varied weather and/or snow conditions that challenged the creativity of our members. All, no doubt, figured out how to have a good time, especially in the Eating department.

According to our by-laws, March is the time when applicants for full membership should be presented to our membership chairwoman, Marilyn Clark. This allows for the sponsor to certify that the applicant has met the following membership requirements:

1. Attended at least three club meetings
2. Skied at least three days with a club member or members.
3. Passed the USSA uniform Basic Ski Test or displayed equivalent skiing ability.

Call Marilyn if you have any questions. 978-9435.

Jan
Jan Marx, President



MONTHLY MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 15th. 8:00 P.M.

Where: Home of Katherine Reynolds
214 Jefferson St.
Alexandria, Va. Tel: 548-6056

What: Fun and Movies and Goodies at another Old Town Alexandria home. Count your blessings and don't miss it!



DIRECTIONS: From the beltway, take Virginia exit # 1N (first exit on Virginia side of Wilson bridge). Stay on Henry St.(US 1) to first traffic light. Turn right on Franklin St and go to Washington Street. Turn right and go one block to Jefferson St. Turn left and go 4½ blocks to 214 Jefferson which is the first town house beyond a large brick corner house on the right. Parking available here or in preceding block. Don't park in inner lanes reserved for residents.

Via the George Washington Parkway: Take the parkway south toward Mount Vernon. Continue past airport and into Alexandria. Continue driving south on Washington Street to Jefferson Street (past 14 traffic lights and 2 blocks before beltway). Turn left on Jefferson and go 4½ blocks to number 214 which is the first town house on the right just beyond the large brick house on the corner of S. Fairfax and Jefferson. If lost, call 548 - 6056.

Special Events

TRIP LEADERS COORDINATION MEETING -- MARCH 29th. MARKES HOME - 7:30 P.M.

All prospective trip leaders for Winter 1988-89 please bring your trip proposals to the meeting. "We will compare dates and places in an attempt to avoid overlapping trips." says Pres.Marx.

SPRING SKI AUCTION - Saturday, April 30th,1988

This annual event is held at the U. of Maryland to help raise funds enabling the 52 Associations for the Handicapped, Inc. to continue its work for the benefit of handicapped athletes. Some fantastic bargains, including ski weekends and condos, will be auctioned. PVS is one of the local ski club sponsors of the event.

Tickets at \$20 per person include a grand buffet dinner. Tickets must be reserved in advance.

Call Fred Zedeck at 892-1985 or
Write Spring Fling Auction Committee, 1813 24th St.South,
Arlington, Va. 22202 for tickets or information.

FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE AUCTION IN PERSON
A COMPLETE SKI OUTFIT - INCLUDING SKIS- WILL BE RAFFLED.
CALL PVS PRESIDENT JAN MARX (451-9158) FOR
RAFFLE TICKETS AT \$5 EACH. WINNERS NEED NOT
BE PRESENT AT THE AUCTION TO WIN.

ANNUAL WINE/CHEESE THEATRE PARTY - Sunday May 1st

Put it on your calendar now and watch for details and directions to the Montgomery Playhouse in Gaithersburg in next month's TOOT.

The play will be THE FOREIGNER - a long running award winning New York comedy by Washingtonian Larry Shue.

CALENDAR

- Mar. 5 ... Special Wine Tasting at the Copes. 7 P.M.
- Mar.15 ... March Meeting at Katherine Reynolds. See page 1.
- Mar.22 ... ExCom at Phil Uholz' home. 7:30 P.M.
- Mar.29 ... Trip Leaders Meeting. See above.
- Ap. 16 ... Hike the Billy Goat Trail.
- Ap. 19 ... Annual Meeting at the Columbia Country Club.
- Ap. 26 ... ExCom at Aase Berlings' home. 7:30 P.M.
- Ap. 30 ... Ski Auction at U. of Md. Benefit handicapped skiers.
- May 1 ... Montgomery Playhouse for wine, cheese, and theatre.
- May 7 ... Fun Run/Brunch with the Clarks
- May 14 ... Climb Old Rag
- May 17 ... Monthly Meeting at the Hensleys. 8:00 P.M.
- May 24 ... ExCom at the Clarks
- May 28 ... International Dinner at the Copes.
- June 21 .. Monthly Meeting at Grosvenor Place complex courtesy of Aase Berline and June Kelsay. 8:00 P.M.
- Aug. 6 ... Les Miz. KenGen.

PAST EVENT

FEBRUARY MEETING by Lu Beale

On February 16, some forty odd PVSers trooped to Shirley Rettig's Old Town Alexandria house for an evening of socializing and non-business. The doll house dimensions of the charming early 19th century home encouraged close encounters of a pleasant sort and added to the conviviality of the evening.

As usual, guests arrived on the dot of the appointed hour and before the evening ended several hours later managed to clear the dining table of all Shirley's delectable edibles and most all potables.

During a pause in the snacking and appreciative viewing of Shirley's antique furnishings, Jan Marx presided over a 40 second meeting. The promised mystery entertainment failed to materialize and has been rescheduled for next month's meeting. Keep tuned.

In the meantime, thank you, Shirley, for your kind hospitality!

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I wish to convey a very special note of thanks to everyone on the Wyckoff trip to Switzerland. The warmth and caring exhibited by everyone after my accident was truly overwhelming.

To name particular names would require a list in excess of twenty. Thank you all for your help, your kind words and your compassion.

PVS is a very special group of people.

Ray McKinley

Dear Editor:

Will you please inform the participants of the Spanish Ski Safari that the post trip party is planned for Saturday, April 30th and will be held at the house of William and Helen Johnson in Annapolis. Directions will be mailed to all.

Bob Grasley

Roster changes: Mary Ward's office number is now 408-725-6019
Jim Slack's office office is now 415-856-7201
Home number remains 415-968-6330

MEET THE CANDIDATES by Lu Beale

Following are brief profiles of the three Executive Committee candidates selected by the nominating committee to be voted on at the April annual meeting for election to the 1988-90 board of officers. Other candidates, following the club's procedural rules, may be presented.

Also nominated is JAN MARX for a second term as president. Having already served as president and veep and in innumerable other capacities for PVS, Jan surely needs no further introduction to members!

NANCY GARRETT is not only a super skier but since introducing her delightful Cook's Corner in TOOT is now the de facto chief chef in a club noted for talented cooks. She is also an experienced hiker adding merriment to many a PVS climb which she says she goes on to lose pounds enough to enable her to properly conduct her cooking and sampling duties.

Born in Tennessee and raised in Alabama, Nancy graduated from Auburn University where she met future husband Ray when both were freshmen. After graduation they married and eventually migrated to Washington (Ray with the FAA) where, except for a 3 year assignment in Chicago, they have been ever since. They live in Burke, Va. Two sons, one married, live nearby. After 7 years working in the Department of the Army, Nancy changed jobs last year and works now in the Budget Office of the FAA.

The family's first skiing experience was at Seven Springs in 1973. Says Nancy, "The instructor took us to the top of a blue trail, taught us to snow-plow and then left us. Three hours later, Number 2 Son and I made it to the bottom of the mountain - totally disinterested in ever skiing again." However, the next day they gave it "one more try" and soon it was old familiar story: the whole family was hopelessly addicted.

Ray and Nancy first skied with PVS in 1982 with the Marxes. Janet is a sorority sister and persuaded Nancy to join the club. Hooray for Jan!

Nancy says her most memorable ski experience was during a heavy snow storm at Alta. "We had never before skied deep powder so Dick Clark took Ray and me all over the mountain as snow continued to fall. Such fun! Especially with Dick as teacher and guide!

Nancy can't name a favorite ski area. Actually, most any place she skis becomes notable because she herself brings so much joie to the sport.

BARBARA LEONHARDT is another PVSer noted for her culinary gifts as well as skiing expertise. In both fields she is exceptionally talented astonishing fellow skiers with her grace and speed on the slopes and delighting them with homemade goodies from her kitchen.

Born and raised in Buffalo, N.Y. Barbara worked as a chemist for Union Carbide for 10 years while simultaneously earning a BS at SUNY night school in Buffalo.

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CANDIDATE PROFILES by Lu Beale

BARBARA LEONHARDT (Continued from previous page)

In 1966 Barbara came to Washington to work as a chemist in the Department of Agriculture's Research Center in Beltsville, Md. At the same time, she worked to earn a PhD in chemistry from American University - making 17 years in college, all but two of them part time! Currently she is at work investigating insect pheromones - a scientific word for what makes boy bugs like girl bugs and in humans used to be called "It."

On a SCWDC trip to Davos and St Anton Barbara met Fred, turned on the old pheromones or whatever and married him in 1978.

Barbara had been active in SCWDC and was a Qualified Amateur Ski Instructor but after a trip to Austria with the Wyckoffs in 1982 the Leonhardts joined PVS giving us yet another reason to thank the Wyckoffs and to lord it over that other club!

Barbara's most memorable ski experience was spending a day helicopter skiing in deep virgin powder near Snowbird, Utah. Her favorite ski areas are Snowmass at Aspen and Beaver Creek at Vail.

Chief Leonhardt hobbies, besides skiing and travelling, are home improvement and gardening - skills amply demonstrated in their Potomac, Maryland home, the scene of many club meetings in the past. And, we hope, in the future!

J. KNOX FELKER wears many hats. In fact, he collects them and can turn out properly topped for whatever style the occasion requires - be it fez, Tyrolean, Chinese coolie, white hunter, wet suit hood, cycling or climbing helmet, etc., etc. No silk top hat, as yet.

Knox was born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia. After studying physics at Georgia Tech, Georgia State and Columbia he worked in industry and in NASA under von Braun.

In 1968 he came to the army in Washington as an operations analyst and reserve officier.

In 1970, at age 50, he had his first ski experience on a Learn-To-Ski weekend at Round Top. It was, he recalls, definitely not love at first sight. However, he persisted and after his nth fall managed to graduate with his class on the third day.

After that it was downhill all the way and soon he was alpen-schussing in Europe with the Wyckoffs. His most memorable ski experience was surviving a strenuous 2-day Tuckerman's Ravine ski trip in 1980. His favorite ski areas are Courchevel and Val d'Isere.

Knox and Karen met as neighbors in their Baileys Crossroads condominium. In 1981 they decided one condo was cheaper than two so they married and moved to their present home in the building next door. That same year they joined PVS and have been active participants ever since. Among their contributions to the club is the gracious hosting of the annual Fall/winter Dinner at Skyline House.

Now a retired colonel, Knox has ample time for his many outdoor interests. An ardent hiker, he is an experienced mountaineer. A couple of years ago he refreshed his skills in rock and ice climbing by attending Armed Force classes in Garmisch, Germany.

He is an accomplished biker and used to commute to work at Fort Belvoir from Alexandria by bicycle. Some time ago he took up surf boarding at Atlantic ocean beaches and now does wind surfing at every opportunity.

A man of many skills. No wonder he needs so many hats!



THE KNEE

by

Ray McKinley

The Knee's knee is knews? (Sounds like a line from an old rock & roll song.) Two torn ligaments, another stretched and a small fracture in the upper left tibia. All done on a blue run when I ran into another skier in a blizzard white out as I was trying to get down a just-closed mountain. The lighting was so bad you couldn't tell a mogul from a hole in the ground.

I had to visit three orthopedic knee specialists (I consider myself a Knee specialist) before I found one who didn't want to operate now. Dr. Jay Cox said he had done similar operations three times in the past month and my knee wasn't anywhere as bad as those so "let's let it heal a while." Soooo I'm in a knee brace, on crutches, and all trussed up. (Should I start a truss fund?) P.S. I chose Dr Cox because he is a member of the "International Society of the Knee." No kidding.

As a footnote (or, kneenote?), two weeks after I did my knee in, and one valley over (in Zermatt), Vivian Barry did hers in similarly. (Torn ligaments.) She was operated on a week later. We'll compare recoveries, Vivian.

PVSers are everywhere. While changing money in the Geneva airport I ran into Maggie Jarrett. She was on a SCWDC trip (sacrilege!) to Italy and France. She later reported lots of snow.

Many PVSers belong to SCWDC but, as far as I know, Norm Engelman, Svara Vernhards, Kirk Burns and Frank Shelburne are the only ones who also belong to the Falgoweys, Washington's second largest ski club. Frank has the lowest number which means he has seniority in membership.

The February PVS meeting was a typical, congenial one in Shirley Rettig's unique house. Also nice was the rare presence of Eleanor Peterson at a PVS meeting. Some time ask Eleanor the proper way to offer a "skol". Most of us were doing it wrong.

Last month I offered ski pole makers a few new advertising ideas. Sally Finan offers two more: poles are great to pull your skis down to you when you fall

and come out of your bindings on a steep slope. They are also great to lean on to help get you up when you fall on the flat or to pull a fallen partner up. I didn't include those ideas, Sally, because I never fall!

Frank Shelburne notes that in Poland ski poles are called sticks. Funny, Frank, you don't look Polish.

On a ski train in Switzerland, I sat across from a young lady carrying six ski poles. I said to her, "Funny, you don't look Polish." She replied, "Entschuldigen, was sagst du?"

Funknee facts: Jack Hadler, Kirk Burns, Eleanor Peterson, Knox Felker and Lu Beale all started skiing at age 50.

Speaking of new members, after lots of convincing on my part, it's nice to have Shirley and Paddy Frucht back as PVS absentee members. Now if I could only get Paddy to change his incorrect political ideas.

Several weeks ago, Bing Poon and Ron Fett (two PVSers with short names) had a pleasant day skiing at the Homestead. And I thought Ron only skied at Vail.

I had a nice letter from Bob Grasley from Spain talking about "obnoxious" snow conditions. But the letter had some very pretty stamps.

Meanwhile, the first week on the Wyckoffs' trip in Switzerland, the conditions were so bad that instead of being rated blue, red, or black, many of the runs were brown (with occasional tufts of green!).

While on the road in Switzerland we passed through the city of Berne. I reminded people that in Roman times the village changed location several times. Indeed, Nero fiddled while Berne roamed.

From my "You'll love this one" file: Last winter, Jim Slack and Mary Ward rented a ski house at Lake Tahoe along with 17 others. Unlike PVS, they discovered that they were more than 10 years older than any of the other 17 who were amazed that people over forty could ski - and on black trails no less! P.S. Jim and Mary were the youngest PVSers on the Wyckoff trip!

That's all for now. Check next month to see if my Knee logo is in a special brace!

COOK'S CORNER



by

Nancy Garrett

"COOKIN' COUPLES!!!!!"
Or, should that be
"COUPLES THAT COOK!!!"???
Oh, well - - -

Either phrase will fit the couple whose recipes are featured in this edition. The WALNS "cook" in lots of ways and most certainly, one is in the kitchen. These two provided dinner for the crew at WISP, and what a tasty dinner it was. Not a choice, but a large bit of both of JANET'S LASAGNA and CHRIS' SICILIAN CHICKEN & PASTA. According to Chris, Sicilians never met an oregano, and the sauce is a mild complement to the chicken.

SICILIAN CHICKEN AND PASTA

Freeze until nearly solid:

- 1 deboned chicken breast, per adult

Slice across grain to 1/8"-1/16" thick.

Grate or shred:

- 1 3*inch yellow onion, per adult
- 1 shallot, per adult

In 2-3 Tablespoons olive oil, saute onions until soft. Add chicken and

- 1 Tablespoon chili powder, per adult
- 3/4 teaspoon cumin, per adult

Cover skillet and steam 15-20 minutes.

Add:

- 1/2 small can tomato paste, per adult
- 1/2 small can tomato sauce, per adult
- 1 teaspoon sugar, per adult (to taste)

Reduce heat and cook until onions are no longer visible, approximately 30 minutes.

Serve on favorite pasta - linguine, fettucine, or rigatoni.

While above ingredients are "per adult", the adults would have to be VERY hungry when this dish is served with Janet's Lasanga and garlic bread.

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JANET'S LASAGNA

In medium bowl, beat together and set aside:

- 2 16-oz. containers Ricotta cheese
- 6 eggs, added one at a time

Brown in large pan:

- 2 lbs. ground round
- 1 lb. pork sausage

Add:

- 6 chopped scallions
- 3 medium yellow onions
- 2 teaspoons oregano
- 2 teaspoons thyme
- 3 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 2 Tablespoons sugar
- 4 small cans tomato paste
- 4 small cans tomato sauce
- 1 16-oz. can stewed tomatoes
- Salt and pepper, to taste

Combine well. Cover and simmer on low for at least 45 minutes, stirring often.

Cook according to package directions, drain well, and set aside:

- 1 10-oz. package frozen chopped spinach
- 1 16-oz. box lasagna noodles

Open 3 long packages of Mozarella cheese.

Using two 12" X 9" X 3" pans, layer ingredients three times, as follows: Sauce, lasagna noodles, Ricotta mixture, and Mozarella cheese. Between second layer lasagna and Ricotta, spread cooked spinach. Top final layer of Mozarella with a mixture of chopped parsley and Parmesan cheese.

Bake covered with foil for 45 minutes in 350° oven. Uncover and cook for 20 minutes more or until top is lightly browned and bubbly. JUST DELICIOUS!!!

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These treats were served with hot garlic bread and a spinach salad with Lemon-Herb dressing.

LEMON HERB DRESSING

In one-pint container, mix together:

- 1 package Good Seasons Lemon Herb Mix
- 1/3 cup lemon juice
- 2 Tablespoons water
- 2/3 cup oil
- 1-2 teaspoons sugar

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!!PVS SWITZERLAND!!

Getting There is Half the Fun

by Jim Slack & Mary Ward

PVSers took many different routes to join Bob & Margaret Wyckoff's Swiss ski adventure: Paddy and Shirley Frucht from New Mexico, Joe and Nancy Lewis from London, Jim Slack and Mary Ward from California, and Ray McKinley from Washington but via a different route. The group still wasn't complete until we arrived in Interlaken where we joined Kirk Burns, who had already checked out the slopes, and Nick and Charlotte Von Bomhard, Charlotte Eddy's daughter and son-in-law, from Munich.

Once the clan had gathered, we found that the snow spirits had been kind to us. A couple of weeks of recent snowfall had made it possible for practically all of the runs at the neighborhood's three ski areas to be open, at least when the winds weren't howling like a banshee. We had expected much worse conditions during this warm and dry European winter.

About half of us took it easy the first day and made the acquaintance of the cog railways that would take us between ski areas. There are four separate rail systems serving the area, not counting the trams, gondolas, funiculars, T-bars, and Europe's oldest, longest, and most unusual (you sit facing sideways!) chair lift. There is also a ski bus.

The weather proved to be variable during our stay in Interlaken. By the end of the week, much of the new snow had surrendered to the high winds. And clouds intermittently obscured the surrounding mountains as well as the sun. Nevertheless there was a lot to do besides ski: explore local sites, ride the trains, visit other towns (on the train), and ride the train to the highest train station in Europe -- the Jungfrauoch.

After our week in Interlaken, we waved good-bye to the Von Bomhards (sadly) and the cog railways (not so sadly) and boarded a bus to Saas Fee, our next destination. The route included a trip through a mountain tunnel on, you guessed it, another train. Our bus was loaded onto a flat car along with other busses and cars for a short ride through the Loetschberg tunnel.

Saas Fee had no trains (except the world's highest subway) and plenty of snow. There was snow there already, we arrived in the snow, and it snowed all the next day. Many of our group sat out that first day. Ray McKinley wished he had. In the poor visibility he had an accident that has sidelined him for a while. Undaunted, Ray quipped that up until then his only problem had been with his mouth; now the Knee will require knee surgery.

The time at Saas Fee flew by with several days of good weather, abundant snow, afternoon tea dances and beer calls, and excellent eats at our hotel. Barbara Youmans even located the Super Bowl on the radio.

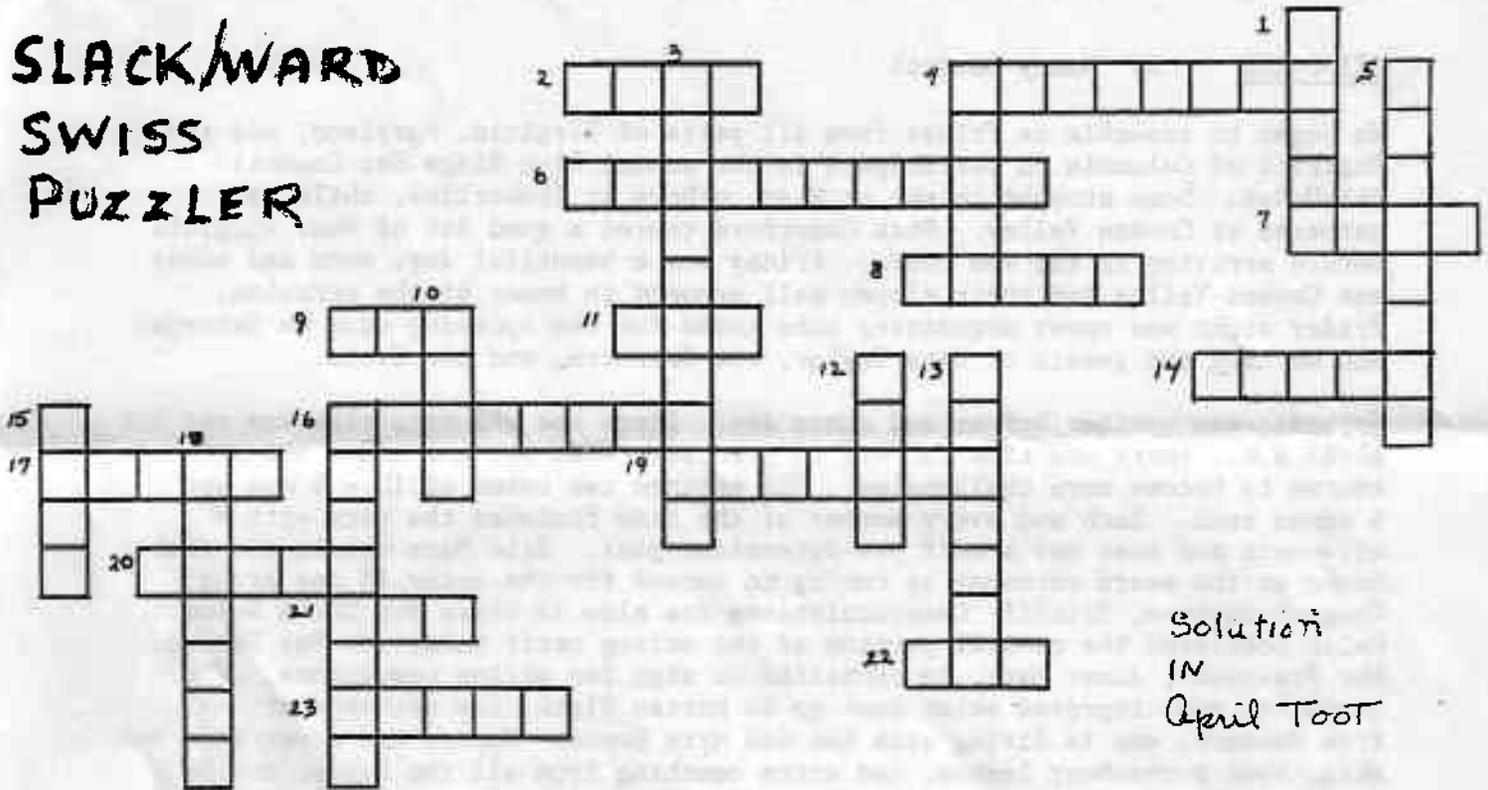
We finally bid farewell to the "Pearl of the Alps" for the first leg of our journey home. Ray McKinley, who was staying in Geneva on business, the Lewis's, who flew back to London, and Kirk Burns, who was travelling to Paris by train (he missed the scheduled one because the windshield wipers fell off our bus enroute), left us at the Geneva airport. The rest of the group flew to Paris.

Our Paris hotel has a lovely location across from the Tuilleries. Unseasonably warm and sunny weather provided a perfect setting for eating, a popular PVS pastime, and museuming. Early Monday morning most of the group left on the final journey home. Alice Swalm, Jack Hadler, Jim Slack, and Mary Ward, who remained for longer stays in Paris, waved them goodbye.

In order to get the whimsies about our trip, you will have to work a little. The puzzle following has some notable and some not so notable notes about the individuals on the trip. There are a few clues in this writeup, but you may have to research it at the next PVS meeting to get all the answers.

(Continued on next page.)

SLACK/WARD SWISS PUZZLER



Solution
IN
April Toot

The Clues

ACROSS

- 2. Gracious husband of Charlotte Eddy's daughter.
- 4. A sometimes fallible guide to buses.
- 6. Happy to see daughter and son-in-law in Interlaken.
- 7. Song leader par excellence.
- 8. She sat out Interlaken to give her knee a rest.
- 9. Guide to Laundromats and train schedules.
- 11. The Baron of Byron's room.
- 14. Crossed a T, which dotted his eye.
- 16. Fixing a crisis a day keeps her German in shape.
- 17. Followed home by a little Schnoodle from Kleine.
- 19. Her checkbook took an unplanned bus excursion.
- 20. Got a lot of mileage out of Paris.

- 21. Most "most scared when" stories.
- 22. Kneeds knew knee.
- 23. Our diplomat on skis.

DOWN

- 1. Not a fan of rock and roll.
- 3. The skiing ballerina.
- 4. Hooked on a T-bar, which took him for a ride.
- 5. The pinkest sneakers in town.
- 10. Found her purse in a yellow taxi.
- 12. She and Kirk were the Rodgers and Astaire of the Saas Fee tea dances.
- 13. Expert on Swiss ski rental shops.
- 15. You can't keep this engineer away from his computer.
- 16. Her boots weren't made for walking - or skiing either.
- 18. He didn't need many pills for this healthy crew.

The Names

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| Alice (Swalm) | Eleanor (Peterson) | Kirk (Burns) | Paddy (Frucht) |
| Barbara (Yeomans) | Frank (Shelburne) | Margaret (Wyckoff) | Ray (McKinley) |
| Bette (Walker) | Jack (Hadler) | Mary (Ward) | Sally (Finan) |
| Bob (Wyckoff) | Jim (Slack) | MaryJane (McCarthy) | ShirleyF(rucht) |
| Charlie (Farwell) | Joe (Lewis) | Nancy (Lewis) | ShirleyR(ettig) |
| CharlotteE(ddy) | June (Kelsay) | Nick (Von Bomhard) | Steve (Grenleski) |
| CharlotteV(on Bomhard) | | | |

SKI-O-REE by Nancy Garrett

We began to assemble on Friday from all parts of Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia to participate in the annual Blue Ridge Ski Council Ski-O-Ree. Some stopped to ski at Wisp, others at Timberline, while many gathered at Canaan Valley. Dick Comerford toured a good bit of West Virginia before arriving in the wee hours. Friday was a beautiful day, warm and sunny and Canaan Valley had their slopes well groomed in honor of the occasion. Friday night was spent organizing into teams for the upcoming race on Saturday and meeting the guests of Dina Taylor, the Garretts, and the Evans.

Saturday was another bright and sunny day. Since the PVS race time was set for 11:45 a.m., there was time for all to practice, warm up, and allow the race course to become more challenging. PVS entered two teams of 10 - 6 men and 4 women each. Each and every member of the team finished the race with NO wipe-outs and most met a self pre-determined goal. Eric Marx upheld the club honor at the award ceremony by coming in second for the under 18 age group. Congratulations, Eric!!! Congratulations are also in order for Colin Wolcott. Colin completed the on-hill portion of the skiing merit badge for Boy Scouts. Our President, Janet Marx, is certified to sign for skiing competence. The award for most improved skier must go to Morten Black, the exchange student from Denmark, who is living with Ken and Myra Evans. Morten had never been on skis, took a one-hour lesson, had extra coaching from all the Evans, and by Sunday, was making almost parallel turns. Among adult honors, one should go to Charlie Huggins, who skates as beautifully as he skis, and who is extremely helpful to beginning skaters, like yours truly. Janet Waln skates almost as well as she dances!! Many brought their skates to enjoy the on-site rink.

The only real mishap occurred on Saturday, when the parking lot began to slide on the ice, and a Subaru wagon slid into Ken Evans new Mercedes. Damage was minor to the car, but I'm not sure about Ken's blood pressure.

At the close of the ski day on Saturday, most gathered in the Garrett suite for liquid refreshment and camaradie (also to try AMAZING TIDBITS from February Cook's Corner.) The Walns brought their boom box for musical background. At the late party, Jack Peoples and Charlie Huggins tripped the light fantastic with all ladies present. (Late party was in the main lodge, NOT the Garrett's room.)

Sunday, the PVS party divided into two parts. Many decided that the lift lines at Timberline might be shorter and opted to ski there. The rest stayed for another day at Canaan. Even on Saturday, the longest wait in line was 15 minutes. On Sunday, more than PVS must have gone elsewhere. It was ski down, get on the lift, go up, ski down. We skied so much, that by 1:00, most decided to call it a day, and go home to get ready for the Super Bowl.

Dina, many thanks to you for organizing the trip. Accommodations at the lodge were super, food was good, skiing was fun, participation was excellent. I would bet that no other club had a 22 to 28 participation in the races. Without you to get it all together, PVS might not have participated this year. Hopefully this will set a precedent. THANKS!!!! We look forward to next year!!!

SKI-O-REE
PVS
RACE
RESULTS

Eric Marx	44.96	Jim Wolcott	52.83
Huey Roberts	44.54	Ray Garrett	57.50
Dick Comerford	46.0	Jan Marx	54.67
Robert Marx	46.78	Nancy Garrett	57.81
Troy Evans	48.32	Dina Taylor	63.47
Brian Marx	48.4	Carol Parmenter	68.2
Charlie Huggins	50.22	Janet Waln	72.80
Jack Peoples	51.60	Irene Farrell	78.90
Chris Waln	52.08	Myra Evans	79.10

PVS TAKES OVER WISP. by Judy Macaluso

Over the Presidents' Day weekend of February 12 - 14, PVS took over the entire Red Run Inn at Wisp for a 3-day house party. The Inn was a delightful place to stay, with large bedrooms, private baths and a great commons area for watching the Winter Olympics on the Inn's color television.

PVS being the group it is, there was also plenty of good food starting with breakfast each morning furnished by the Inn. Our most spectacular repast was provided by Janet and Chris Waln who turned into Italian chefs one evening with a giant assist from Nancy Garrett and her fantastic salad and dessert.

Seldom has there been as congenial a setting and as congenial a group, even at a PVS outing. The company was as good as the snow and the snow was great!

Several awards were given out over the weekend. The most notable were:

- * The Ray McKinley Award for the weekend's best pun went to Vince Macaluso who watched an Olympic luge competitor wipe out and then called the injured athlete a "sore luger."
- * The Best Snarl Award was won by Carol Parmenter with a world-class lip curl. (Get her tipsy and ask her to show you.)
- * The Big Z Award was snapped up by Chris Waln for getting 70 points out of the same Z in a scrabble game.
- * The Future Big Z Award was won by Brian Marx who, at age 14, made scrabble players 3 and 4 times his age (no names, please) very sorry!
- * The Vogue Award was won by Helen McMahon for a wardrobe the other women would kill, or at least maim, for.
- * Finally, THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS AWARD goes to Jan and Bob Marx for hosting this wonderful house party!

MEANWHILE - BACK ON THE RANCH -

For those heading west, Charles Huggins passes along the following ski news from the Salt Lake City area where he and Jack Peoples skied in mid-January:

Smith's grocery store has no discount ski tickets as skiing started a month late this year in Utah. Midweek tickets at Solitude and Brighton are \$10.00 and weekend tickets are \$14.00. The Brighton ski area was purchased by Boyne Resorts Inc. - Owners of Big Sky in Montana. A twenty five million dollar expansion is planned for Solitude over the next three years. A detachable quad chair and two new double chairlifts will make Honeycomb Canyon more accessible. Midweek tickets at Alta are \$16.00. A stop at Mrs Fields' Corporation Headquarters in Park City near the top of Main Street with a tour of the candy factory and stops at the cookie and ice cream stores is recommended.

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