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## Monthly Meeting & Social: Ski Season Preparation

Tuesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm

Crowne Plaza VF, KOP

We will continue our long time tradition of supporting **Toys for Tots**. Please bring a **new unwrapped toy** to help less fortunate children enjoy the holiday season.

The December meeting will be devoted to kicking off the 2011-12 ski season. Come out to improve your skiing skills and socialize with old and new friends. Our **headline event** will be a presentation by members **Jay and Ellen Minnicks**, certified master ski instructors. No matter what your skill level, from beginner to expert, Jay and Ellen will help you hone your fundamental skills and improve your performance on the slopes this season. Jay intends to have a Skier's Edge machine to assist him in his interactive demonstration. The Skier's Edge is quoted as being "...the most fun you will have on any fitness machine on the market today. You don't have to be an athlete to find a use for the Skier's Edge."

Non-skiers: come learn from the professionals the basic skills necessary to enjoy alpine skiing.

Doors open at 7 PM, and the meeting will start at 7:30 PM. Be there! Be prepared! Bring a friend! Don't be left out! If you have any questions, contact VP Bob Campbell 215-327-8499 [bob@bc-bd.com](mailto:bob@bc-bd.com)

**DIRECTIONS:** The Crowne Plaza Valley Forge Hotel is located on Mall Boulevard across from the King of Prussia Plaza.

## Welcome to Newcomers!!

Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm

All newcomers and prospective members are invited to an informal gathering at the beginning of each monthly meeting. Starting at 7:30, we will be meeting each other as well as learning about all the ski club has to offer!! We all know that MLSC is a lot more than ski trips!!

Look for the round table by the sign-in table next to the entrance to the meeting room. Rosemarie Romano and Sea Kaplan, New Member/Hospitality Chairs, will be conducting these informative and welcoming sessions. If newcomers have questions, call Rosemarie at 610-688-6192.

MLSC members: tell your friends and co-workers all about MLSC and to come out for this event.

**DIRECTIONS:** The Crowne Plaza Valley Forge Hotel is located on Mall Boulevard across from the King of Prussia Plaza. If you are coming on 202 North, turn LEFT onto Mall Boulevard, then a right into the hotel entrance road.

## Welcome New Members

George Blohm	Newtown Sq	PA
Bruce & Jennifer Hotaling	Wayne	PA
Ralph Yori	Upper Darby	PA

## MLSC BOARD 2011 – 2012

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Oh-h for a tow!

## Message from the Prez



How many people realize that the sport we know and love, as it is practiced today, has only been around for 77 years? Prior to January 1934 if you wanted to ski downhill you had to walk uphill first. And that was the way the sport was practiced. Enthusiasts built trails down slopes through the woods and in cow pastures all over the northeast and waited for snow.

Then a revolution in skiing happened on a little dairy farm just outside Woodstock, Vermont in January, 1934. Clinton Gilbert, a local dairy farmer had designated a pasture behind his farmhouse right along Route 12 as a ski slope. If you knew any Vermont dairy farmers then, you knew they were inveterate tinkers and inventors and never satisfied until they could make something work better. So Clinton got to thinking how you could move skiers up the slope under power. He rigged up an old Model T engine, some old tire rims on fence posts and a long rope that went up the hill. And voila, the first rope tow and mechanical lift was invented right here in Vermont in our ole US of A.

My mother was just 15 years old then and lived only five miles away. She and her sisters and school friends were some of the first people to use Clinton's new rope tow. For years she claimed that she was pictured in the few pictures of the tow that exist. She was probably right.

Please accept my best wishes for you all to have a wonderful holiday season. May you be blessed to spend it with your families, friends and loved ones. And while you are at it, don't forget to sharpen those skis!



**Fletcher Swanson**

## Warmest Thanks!!!

**Extra special warmest thanks and hugs** to everyone who helped with the Wine & Cheese event on November 6<sup>th</sup>. A whopping 101 members and guests attended the Saturday Club in Wayne for this most successful event. Thanks to Bob Campbell and Alleen Andre for purchasing the wine & beer, to Rich Schonwald for storing this at his home, to Sandy Bradley, Cherie Sullivan and Betsy Kimmel for coming early to set up, to Fletcher and Sally Swanson for also coming early to set up and bringing "stuff", and to Betsy Kimmel and Judy Alters for helping at the sign-in desk. Thanks also to the people who brought appetizers -- the food was outstanding! Finally, hugs to Sally Swanson for researching places to hold this event -- she called the Saturday Club and made the first contact. This is truly one event that needs many hands to be successful! Thank you all!

**Warmest thanks** go to November's other event leaders -- Rich Schonwald for the Happy Hours on Nov. 11th at the Paddock and Nov. 30th at the Radnor Hotel, and to Ed Sawin for doing the Valley Forge hike on November 20th. You are MOST appreciated!!! ☺

## Wine 'n Dine at Le Saigon, BYOB

Saturday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>

6:30 pm

Paoli



Le Saigon is known for its "authentic Vietnamese dishes of exquisite grace, beauty, and subtlety."

There is an extensive, but not overwhelming, menu with daily seafood specials. This is Vietnamese cuisine with a French flair.

Join us Saturday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm for a wonderful dinner at this popular BYOB restaurant. You will not be disappointed!

Please contact Alleen Andre at 610-209-3614 or [alleenandre@yahoo.com](mailto:alleenandre@yahoo.com) for reservations. The limit is 16 people, and **Thursday, December 1st is the deadline.**

Le Saigon, 82 E. Lancaster Ave., Paoli, PA 19301; 610-889-4870

Check out page 6 for  
PSC's Holiday Happy Hour,  
December 15<sup>th</sup>

## Happy Hour at the Paddock - Strafford

Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

6 to 7 pm



We continue to have our Friday Happy Hour at the Paddock, NW corner of Lancaster Ave. and Old Eagle School Road. Most people arrive around 6:00 and Happy Hour ends at 7:00. There is a bar menu for \$5, which might be ample and some discounted drinks. So come out, bring a friend, and join in the libations and camaraderie. (Note we have been able to have the background music lowered.) See you there. **Host:** Rich Schonwald, 610-356-2936.

Check out page 7 for the  
December 17<sup>th</sup>  
MLSC / PSC Holiday Gala.

Sat. & Sun., Dec. 24-25<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

Sat. & Sun., Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> & Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>  
New Years Eve and New Years Day

No MLSC activities scheduled

## Hike - Bike the Radnor Trail & Brunch at Silverspoon Café

Sunday, Jan 8<sup>th</sup>

11:30 am



Join the Main Line Ski Club to walk off the holidays on the 2.4-mile long paved Radnor Trail. If the weather cooperates, the hardy may elect to bike the distance. The trail extends from Sugartown Road to the Radnor-Chester Road with several access points along the length.

The plan is to park in the parking lot of the Eagle Village Shoppes, 503 West Lancaster Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087. Enter the Radnor Trail at either Sugartown Rd or Gallagher Ave (Maps on request.) Then walk or bike as much of the Trail as you wish. Total length from Eagle Village (*Spread Eagle Village*) to Radnor-Chester Road and return is 4.5 to 5 miles) finishing back at the **Silverspoon Café** in Eagle Village about 1 PM for an elegant Sunday Brunch. Restaurant is **BYOB**

<http://www.silverspoonwayne.com>.

Please bring cash and be prepared to pay for yourself plus 25% for tax & tip. Contact Bob Campbell 215-327-8499 or [bob@bc-bd.com](mailto:bob@bc-bd.com) Please leave a phone number and name.

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## Movie and Dinner at the Edgmont Shopping Center

Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>



2 - 7pm

**Regal Cinemas Edgmont 10 and the Sangkee Noodle Bowl Edgmont/Newtown Square**

Now you have just the thing to do on a cold January day - see a good movie and have a nice dinner with friends. Plan on meeting around 2 pm at the Theater. After the movie we will dine at Sangkee Noodle Bowl, a wonderful Chinese restaurant with a fabulous menu. They have a full bar, but are also a BYOB with a \$10 corkage fee. We will get separate checks.

Menu is available online. Please call or email Alleen Andre at 610-209-3614 or [alleenandre@yahoo.com](mailto:alleenandre@yahoo.com) no later than Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> for reservations. Final movie times and details will be sent to you Sat., Jan 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Regal Cinemas Edgmont 10**  
4777 West Chester Pike  
Newtown Square, PA 19073  
1-800-326-3264

<http://www.moviephone.com/theater/regal-cinemas-edgmont-10/3617/showtimes>

**Sangkee Noodle Bowl**  
4755 West Chester Pike  
Newtown Square, PA 19073  
610-353-5353 [www.sangkeennoodlebowl.com](http://www.sangkeennoodlebowl.com)

## Wine 'n Dine at Seasons 52 Fresh Grill Restaurant

Sat., Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>



6:30 pm – Meet at the bar

7:00 pm – Seating for dinner

King of Prussia

Come and join your MLSC friends for a unique evening of seasonally-inspired cuisine topped off

with mini-indulgences and an adventurous international selection of 100 wines – 60 available by the glass.

**Seasons 52** is located at 160 N. Gulph Road, KOP (across from Nordstrom's and Maggiano's on the mall grounds. This restaurant opened May 2010 and features progressive American cooking prepared using rustic cooking techniques such as grilling or roasting over open fires to enhance the flavor of each dish. They seek out the best food at their seasonal peak. Each meal is nutritionally balanced (every item under 475 calories) to include the highest quality lean meats, seafood, good carbs and beneficial oils.

Entrées include seasonal fish and seafood \$16 - \$22, poultry and meats \$15 – \$26. Flatbreads, appetizers \$5 - \$12, small salads \$6 - \$8, and entrée salads \$12 - \$16 are also offered. Coffee, tea, espresso, and cappuccino complement your choice of mini-indulgences at \$2.50 each. For more information and for the "winter" menu, check out their website at [www.seasons52.com](http://www.seasons52.com), 610-992-1152. Parking is plentiful in front or beside the restaurant.

Contact Judy Alters at 610-933-7241 or [jaa840@aol.com](mailto:jaa840@aol.com) for reservations. Hopefully, we can plan for 8 to 15+ people. The deadline for reservations is Thursday, January 19, 2012. Please bring cash for your part of the bill + 25% for the tip and tax.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

## Activities Meeting

Tues., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm

Collegeville



It's not quite winter, but the Activities Committee is planning for SPRING activities!! We will be finalizing March activities, planning April through early June events, and also working on the Progressive Dinner.

New activities and ideas are ALWAYS appreciated, so come and give your input!! ALL are welcome! We try to not only plan but have a good time as well.

We will be meeting at Sally Hilderbrand's home in Collegeville. For directions, email her at [shilderbrand@comcast.net](mailto:shilderbrand@comcast.net) OR give her a call at 610-489-4718. Hope to see you there!

# Brunch at Fork and Tour the National Museum of American Jewish History

Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>

12:30 - 5:30pm

Market Street and  
Independence Mall East – Philadelphia



Come spend a winter afternoon with MLSC in the city. We will be seated for brunch at Fork at 12:30pm (separate checks). Check out their menu online.

**Fork**  
306 Market Street  
Philadelphia, PA  
215-625-9425  
[www.forkrestaurant.com](http://www.forkrestaurant.com)

The National Museum of American Jewish History is a short stroll away. The museum's core exhibit is the first major exhibit devoted solely to the experiences of the Jews in North America, from the 1654 arrival of Jewish refugees to today. This exhibit is organized chronologically, beginning on the fourth floor, where visitors are able to encounter people, episodes, ideas, and experiences that highlight the religious, social, political, and economic lives of American Jews. A must see experience! Call or email Alleen Andre at 610-209-3614 or [alleenandre@yahoo.com](mailto:alleenandre@yahoo.com) no later than January 27<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot. So join us for the day.



*Think*



*Snow*

**National Museum of American  
Jewish History**  
101 S. Independence Mall East  
Philadelphia, PA 19106  
[www.nmajh.org](http://www.nmajh.org)  
Admission \$12 (\$11 for seniors)  
Parking available for a fee in the Bourse  
Garage adjacent to the NMAJH



**The Philadelphia Sailing Club cordially invites you to attend**

**The Holiday Happy Hour at the**

**Cynwyd Club on**

**Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 – 10:00 PM.**

**Cost per person includes:**

DJ, Antipasto, Pasta Station, Coffee & Dessert.

**Reservations Required!**

Save money and receive a ticket for a free drink.

**PAY by Nov 1<sup>st</sup> \$35**

**by Dec 1<sup>st</sup> \$37**

**by Dec 9<sup>th</sup> \$39**

or

**\$42 at the DOOR** and no drink ticket.

**Send check made out to PSC**

c/o LaChapelle, 1 Braxton Rd

Rosemont, PA 19010

**Contacts:** Stephanie O'Connor, 215-822-0318  
Linda LaChapelle, 610-527-2287  
Louisa Horsey, 610-688-0315

**Casual Attire, Cash Bar**



# MLSC & PSC

Cordially Invite You to Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual

## HOLIDAY GALA

Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**Crowne Plaza Valley Forge  
Mall Boulevard, King of Prussia**

**Includes:** Butlered Hors d'oeuvres  
Sit-down Dinner: Roast Beef or Salmon, Salad & Dessert  
DJ dancing, Free Parking

**Cash Bar**

**Attire: Holiday Festive, Black Tie Optional**

**Member Cost pp:** \$70 by 11/10  
\$75 after 11/10  
Non-Member Cost: \$85  
Singles Discount (\$10)  
**Deadline: 12/10**

Write choice of entrée on check made  
payable to MLSC and send to:

Kathleen Weisz  
1210 Winthrop Circle  
West Chester, PA 19380

**Questions:** Sue Mc Daniel: 610-525-2409, [suemcdaniel2@verizon.net](mailto:suemcdaniel2@verizon.net)  
Kathleen Weisz: 610-918-3780, [kqweisz@aol.com](mailto:kqweisz@aol.com)

# MAIN LINE SKI CLUB

## SUNDAY NIGHT TENNIS, 2011-12

**When**       Sundays, Beginning September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 - 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. thru April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Where**       Springton Tennis & Racquet Club, Rte. 252, Newtown Square (610) 356-2003

**Cost:**       \$15/member; \$18/guest of member.  
                   Cost includes the courts, balls, and refreshments.

### SUNDAY NIGHT FORMAT

On Sunday nights we play 4 courts/2 hours per week from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The format will be round robin, 4 half-hour sessions.

If the initial response to the Fall program warrants more courts or more hours, we will adjust the program accordingly.

**"A-B" Players** - Must have a Springton rating of 3.5 or better. The round robin schedule will be organized for maximum competitiveness, according to level of play.

**"C" Level// Non-Rated Players** - In weeks where there are enough players to fill at least one court (4 players) or more, one court will be designated for this group.

### Free Rating

You are encouraged to have your level of play rated. Springton Racquet Club is providing free ratings clinics as follows: Thurs., Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM, Sat., Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:00N, and Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> at 12:00N, and then the first Saturday of each month - October through April. You must call 610-356-2003 in advance to register for rating.

To participate, mail the Mixed Doubles Round Robin reservation form, along with your check, **payable to Main Line Ski Club**, to:

Stacey Roehrs  
 315 Spencer Road  
 Devon, PA 19333

### Cancellation Policy:

If you find you cannot make a session you've signed up and paid for in advance, try to arrange for your own sub and have them reimburse you. If you cannot find a sub, PLEASE contact the coordinator as early as possible so they can try to fill your spot. If the coordinator finds a sub for you, you will be eligible for a make- good session. If no sub is found, no refund or make-good session will be given.

### Main Line Ski Club Tennis Coordinators 2011-2012 Season

		Home Phone	Work Phone
<b>Overall Tennis Coordinator</b>	<b>Stacey Roehrs</b>	<b>610-804-5891</b>	<b>610-363-7999</b>
A/B Group Coordinator	Stacey Roehrs	610-889-9086	610-363-7999
C Group Coordinator	Sue Kapusta	610-284-1069	610-626-1400 x312
Hilton Head Coordinator	Chris Cobb	610-308-2468	
Ski Club Meeting Spokesperson	Cindy Doan	610-642-0746	215-255-1760

**MLSC**  
**TENNIS 2011 – 2012 CONTRACT SIGN-UP**  
**SUNDAY EVENING MIXED DOUBLES ROUND ROBIN**  
 (Circle below all dates that you wish to play)

**Mail this form—along with your check payable to Main Line Ski Club—to:**

Stacey Roehrs 315 Spencer Road Devon, PA 19333	Per Session: \$15/member; \$18/non-member Cost includes the courts, balls, and refreshments.
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**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DAYTIME PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EVENING:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

Level of Play (Check One):  A    B    C

2011				2012			
SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
			4	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	4	1
			11	8	12	11	<input type="checkbox"/>
			18	15	19	18	15
			<input type="checkbox"/>	22	26	25	22
				29			29

No tennis scheduled on Dec., 25 (Christmas Day), Jan. 1 (New Year's Day), or April 8 (Easter)

**Cancellation policy** If you find you cannot make a session you've signed up and paid for in advance, try to arrange for your own sub and have them reimburse you. If you cannot find a sub, PLEASE contact the coordinator as early as possible so they can try to fill your spot. If the coordinator finds a sub for you, you will be eligible for a make good session. If no sub is found, no refund or make-good session will be given.

**Acknowledgement of Responsibility and Release of Liability**

The Main Line Ski Club is a year-round social/sports club providing a variety of activities for its members. Most of the activities are, to varying degrees, hazardous. By signing up for this trip/activity, I voluntarily assume the risks involved. By assuming all risks involved, I agree not to hold Main Line Ski Club, its officers or board members, or trip leaders, liable for any accident or injury resulting from my participation in this club activity. After reading, understanding, and accepting the Release of Liability, I hereby make a reservation for this trip/activity.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# EPSC Winter Carnival 2012 Steamboat, CO Jan 21 - 28, 2012



Please contact Dave Schoneker ([DSchoneker@aol.com](mailto:DSchoneker@aol.com), 215-822-2129) or Bob Smith ([rlsskis@epix.net](mailto:rlsskis@epix.net), 610-670-8553) for more info and prices (lodging, extras, etc.).

Enjoy Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council's Winter Carnival at Steamboat. Tucked away in Colorado is a small town unlike any other. It is a place where western heritage and genuine friendliness are as honored as the values of a time gone by and a place where little has changed in the last hundred years. Today's Steamboat, inspired by Stetson hats and cowboy boots, represents the sophistication of a world-class resort. Authentic western heritage, six peaks of outstanding terrain, and exceptional family programs set us apart from every other ski resort, and what makes Steamboat *Ski Magazine's* "Best in the West."

Whether you're enjoying après ski at a local pub, browsing one of our many charming boutiques, or riding the gondola, the reception is the same – *warm*. But the unique and genuine friendliness is only half the reason people choose to vacation here.

Steamboat is one of North America's largest ski mountains. Nearly 3000 acres of 'skiable' terrain, which includes 1,800 acres of our legendary tree skiing, a vertical drop of 3,668 feet down 165 trails. In the last four seasons, \$30 million in on-mountain improvements have been made to the Steamboat Ski Area. Over the last two seasons we have had at least 400 inches of snow.

#### ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE:

Snowmobiling, horseback rides, sleigh rides and sleigh ride dinners, snow tubing, natural hot springs, ice skating, dog sledding, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, hot air balloons.

#### EPSC Winter Carnival to Steamboat includes:

- **RT Air Phila.** - Hayden Airport 22 miles from the town
- **Lodging Options on** [www.easternpaskicouncil.org](http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org)
- **Lift Tickets (5 of 7 day pass)**
- **Welcome Party on Arrival Night w/Light Fare at Bear River Bar 8-11pm. Cash Bar**
- **Orientation Breakfast on First Morning-third floor of Thunderhead, top of Gondola**
- **Buffet style breakfasts.**

- **Après-Ski Party and/or Drink Specials**
- **Carnival Race – NASTAR – Wednesday**
- **Free Race Gate Practice Runs – Day Before Race**
- **On Mountain BBQ**
- **Thursday – complimentary Après ski celebration exclusively for EPSC**
- **Theme Farewell Banquet with music provided by Sundog with dancing.**
- **On mountain "fun" event to be coordinated such as scavenger hunt, poker run, etc,**
- **All current Taxes & Gratuities**
- **Discounts on Ski/Snowboard Rentals and Ski Storage**
- **Pass holder Privileges –Enjoy 10% off food all over mountain all week long!**
- **Special après food and drink pricing for EPSC at Bear River**

#### OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

**Group Mountain Tours – Free by reservation!**

**Guided Snowshoe Tours optional**

**Nightly Tubing on Headwall** - One of our most popular group activities! Imagine soaring down the slope of the base area at night under the lights. Take the chairlift back to the top and do it again!

**Sleigh Ride Dinners** - Ride in a horse-drawn sleigh to a cozy log cabin for a wonderful dinner, country music, and dancing. Colorado's best rib eye steak, baked potato, ranch rolls, cowboy beans, frosted brownies, and hot and cold drinks.

**Snowmobiling** - Discover the magic of snowmobiling Colorado's Continental Divide or for a scenic ride through the Routt National Forest and the Upper Elk River Valley.

#### Steamboat Springs Health & Recreation Center

The pools have been here in one form or another for over 100 years. First serving as a gathering and bathing place for the Ute Indians who first settled in this area. Later it was most likely a social place and probably a bathing place for the first homesteaders. Today Steamboat Health and Recreation Center has three hot mineral pools, the mineral rich waters range in temperature from 98° - 103°, an Olympic-sized lap pool, kid's pool, fitness center, tennis courts for use in the summer and a 350 foot Waterslide.

**Strawberry Park Hot Springs** - Soak in natural hot springs by fantastic scenery. Cost includes transportation to and from the hot springs. Beverages allowed, but no glass please.

Refer to the council web page for more info

[www.easternpaskicouncil.org](http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org).

<http://www.steamboat.com/>

**MLSC Ski Season Presents Interlaken, Switzerland (and Paris)**  
**Departing January 20, 2012; returning February 1, 2012**  
**(For those extending to Paris; otherwise, returning January 28, 2012)**



This ski season's adventure takes us to the incredibly beautiful town of Interlaken, nestled between two lakes and sitting at the base of some of the most dramatic peaks in Switzerland. After a week of skiing, we will take the TGV hi speed train to Paris for a four-day visit (Optional) As you may know, the Jungfrau region of Switzerland is incredibly varied, including the charming towns of Grindelwald, Murren and Wengen, home of the famous Lauberhorn race.

This is also our first visit to the beautiful City Hotel Oberland in the middle of Interlaken! We arrive early on Saturday afternoon direct from Zurich and will ski Sunday thru Friday, departing on Saturday for Paris via the TGV. (Should you not wish to extend, transport back to the Zurich airport is included) While we are in Paris we are staying at the 4\*\*\*\* Mercure Paris Tour Suffren Eiffel.

**We are accepting reservations beginning now. Including all airfare, the total cost is \$1799, without Paris. Optional Paris extension is \$674. MLSC members ONLY.** Interested? **Call or email Jack Behrle for more details!**

**Dates:** Friday, January 20, returning February 1, 2012

**Trip Leaders:** Jack Behrle & Wendy Wolf  
 224 Valley Ridge Rd., Haverford, PA 19041  
 610/731-3093 (cell) or 508/645-3689 (now through 9/22)  
[john.behrle@comcast.net](mailto:john.behrle@comcast.net)

**Transportation:** USAirways 710 direct from Phila. Int'l to Zurich, arriving at 8.05 AM. We return home from either Zurich or Paris depending upon your itinerary. Included is private motor coach between Zurich and Interlaken, TGV between Zurich and Paris and then return air on USAir from Paris to Philly Int'l.

**Departure:** Friday evening, 1/20, at 6:10 PM from Phila. International

**Lodging:** Three \*\*\* City Hotel Oberland in the center of Interlaken. The Ski Bus leaves from the front of our hotel. Full buffet breakfast and full 4-course dinners included for five nights. "Dine Around" for the two remaining nights in Interlaken at your expense. Amenities include choice of four restaurants, full bar/lounge and incredible ambiance! In Paris, we are staying at the 4\*\*\*\* Mercure Paris Tour Suffren Eiffel for four nights, returning the afternoon of Feb. 1.

**Cost/Member:** **\$1,799.00, pp, double occupancy\***, including all air without Paris extension. (No air, deduct \$750.00 pp.) Two single rooms are also available! (For single room, ADD \$275, for Dbl Superior room, ADD \$ 135.) **\$674 is the cost of the Paris extension.**

**Special Note:** This trip is available only to **MLSC members, and Eastern PA Ski Council (EPSC)-affiliated clubs. We only have room for 35 so please do not hesitate!!**

**Includes:** Breakfast and five dinners (Interlaken); 7 nights lodging at the Oberland; round trip airfare, taxes, tips and fees, **including current fuel surcharges**; 4 nights in Paris, Buffet Breakfasts (Paris); Arrival Orientation Reception, Pre- and Post-Trip Gatherings, All airport taxes. All prices are guaranteed firm regardless of Euro valuation.

**Paris Extension:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Class rail on the TGV, Transfer between Paris station and our hotel with English speaking assistant, Daily buffet breakfast, 1/2 day city tour of Paris, Transportation between hotel and airport...**ADD \$674 p.p. Double occupancy**

**NOT included:** Lift tickets\*\*, meals on the mountain, two dinners in Interlaken, all dinners in Paris, optional guided ski tours, day trips to Bern or Lucerne, etc.

**Deposit:** \$500.00 due upon reservation with completed trip form

**Second Payment:** \$300/person due Sept. 30, 2011

**Final Balance:** Due November 15, 2011

**Cancellation:** MLSC Policy will apply. Trip insurance is available and recommended. See below for details.

**Some Caveats:** Current pricing is based upon fuel surcharges as established by USAir and can vary, either up or down, depending upon numerous factors. At this writing, the fuel surcharge, **included in the rate shown above, is \$420 plus \$105 in airport taxes.** Should either or both of these taxes decline, your total cost will be less. (These taxes are imposed when the tickets are actually purchased, which generally will be early in January)

**Links:** <http://www.city-oberland.ch/en/home/>  
<http://www.mercure.com/gb/home/in dex.shtml>

## Lake Tahoe, CA Heavenly/Northstar February 4-11, 2012



It's been six years since our last trip to Lake Tahoe, so this should be big. We will be staying at the Embassy Suites Hotel, located by the base of the Gondola at Heavenly. Lift tickets for 5 days are included at Heavenly/Northstar. Each room has one king or two queen beds and a separate living room area with bar and a microwave. Also includes a full cooked to order breakfast daily and a 2-hour unlimited drinks reception from 4-6PM. Cross Country is also great here; if interested, let us know. We will provide info.

As in the past we will be offering a Chinese menu; select what you want.

<b>Hotel only</b>	769	Includes all parties including Super Bowl
<b>Air (Southwest)</b>	525	<b>No Baggage Fees</b> (new since last newsletter)
<b>5-day Lift tickets</b>	250	This price is better than the over-70 price
<b>Bus RT</b>	45	Reno to Tahoe
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,589</b>	<b>Whole package</b>

**Dates:** February 4-11, 2012  
**Trip Leaders:** Kathleen and Howard Weisz  
1210 Winthrop Circle  
West Chester, PA 19380  
610-918-3780 (H); 610-247-2824 (C)  
[kqweisz@aol.com](mailto:kqweisz@aol.com)

**Transportation:** Southwest Airlines  
**Departure:** 2/4/12 – PHL 11:20am to LAS; arr 2pm  
LAS 3:05pm to RNO, arr 4:30pm

**Lodging:** Embassy Suites Hotel, Lake Tahoe  
**Return:** 2/11/12 –RNO 12:35pm to LAS, arr 1:50pm;  
LAS 2:45pm to PHL, arr 10:20pm

**Cost/Member:** \$1,589 pp dbl occ.  
**Includes:** RT Air, Transfers, hotel, daily hot breakfasts, cocktail hour, pre and post trip parties at leaders' house, on-site parties, including Super Bowl.

**NOT Included:** Lunches and dinners  
**Guaranteed:** A great time  
**Deposits:** \$500 at September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting  
\$500 at Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> meeting  
\$500 at Nov 8<sup>th</sup> meeting  
\$ 89 at Dec 11<sup>th</sup> meeting

**Cancellation:** MLSC Policy will apply.  
Insurance recommended, available at sign-up.

## Killington, VT X-C/DH Combo

March 1 - 5, 2012



### 4-Night Long Weekend Bus Trip!

This year we will be heading to Killington, VT for FOUR nights -- which means up to four whole days of skiing!! We will be staying at the Mendon Mountain View Lodge outside of Killington. The Lodge has a hot tub, two saunas, restaurant and bar, and two double-sided fireplaces. All rooms have a private bath with internet access and cable TV. A full country breakfast is served each morning. Three buffet dinners are also included. For X-C skiers and snowshoers, we'll be going to Mountain Top (where we skied AND stayed four years ago!) and also to Mountain Meadows touring center. The Lodge also has snowshoeing trails on premises. For downhillers, Pico Peak is just a mile and a half away, and Killington, the largest downhill ski destination in the East, is 7 miles. Discount lift tickets are available.

Sally's bus trips are well-known with shrimp cocktail and other delicious goodies on the way up and *PLENTY of delicious home-baked cookies* to enjoy throughout the weekend. Plus, no airport hassle, no luggage angst, no traveling on a weekend!! What could be a better deal!! Sign up at the September meeting. Sally's trips always fill up quickly – you "snooze", you lose!

- Dates:** March 1 - 5, 2012
- Trip Leader:** Sally Hilderbrand  
712 Barrington Road  
Collegeville, PA 19426  
610-489-4718  
[shilderbrand@comcast.net](mailto:shilderbrand@comcast.net)
- Transportation:** Bus
- Departure:** 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>  
Marriott Courtyard, Valley Forge
- Lodging:** Mendon Mountain View Lodge  
Killington, VT  
[www.mendonmountainview.com](http://www.mendonmountainview.com)
- Return:** Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Leave  
Killington, 2:30 p.m.
- Cost/Member:** \$510 pp, dbl occupancy (Please note: \$60 less than last year!)
- Includes:** Bus, lodge, 4 breakfasts, and 3 dinners. Treats on bus trips!
- NOT included:** X-C trail passes, DH lift tickets
- Deposit:** \$150 due at sign-up
- Balance due:** \$360, 1/20/12
- Cancellation:** MLSC policy applies.

## Vail, CO

Downhill

March 3-10, 2012



Consistently ranked as one of the country's most popular ski resorts, Vail is the big one, the largest single-mountain ski resort in the U.S., covering 5,500 acres of wide-open and forested terrain. Vail has been a celebrated super-resort since the 1970s, when it was propelled to stardom by President Gerald Ford, whose family vacationed here. Off the slopes, Vail is a compact replica of a Tyrolean village, full of restaurants, hotels, and shops. But it's the size of the mountain and the difficulty of its trails that draw the faithful.

- Dates:** March 3-10, 2012
- Trip Leaders:** Glenn & Sally Price  
1951 Colt Rd  
Media, Pa. 19063  
610-228-0992  
[Glenn@glennjprice.com](mailto:Glenn@glennjprice.com)
- Air Departure:** Saturday, 3/3/12 PHL-DEN  
(Frontier Air)
- Bus Transfer:** Denver/Vail.
- Lodging:** The Vail Spa Condos with Free welcome party, 3BR, 3BA condos w/ full kitchen, free high speed internet in every condo. Concierge, luggage handling, ski valet storage, on-site indoor and outdoor hot tubs, pool, sauna, laundry facilities.
- Air Return:** Saturday, 3/10/12 Arrive PHL
- Cost/Member:** \$1750 per skier approx  
Subject to change
- Includes:** RT air, prepaid luggage, ground transport, pre- and post- & on-site parties plus lodge Welcome Party, 5 of 7-day lift tickets.
- Payments Due:** \$500 at Signup  
\$500 on October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Balance Due:** \$750 on December 1<sup>st</sup>
- Cancellation:** MLSC Policy will apply. Trip insurance available and is recommended.

# Main Line Ski Club Trip/Activity Reservation Form

Trip/Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) (if couple): \_\_\_\_\_ Member: Yes No

\_\_\_\_\_ Member: Yes No

**Note: Please use complete legal name(s) as cited on ID/Passport and print clearly.**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Airline/Frequent Flyer #(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Acknowledgement of Responsibility and Release of Liability

The Main Line Ski Club is a year-round social/sports club providing a variety of activities for its members. Most of its activities are, to varying degrees, hazardous. By assuming all risks involved, I agree not to hold Main Line Ski Club, its Officers, its Board Members or trip leaders liable for any accident or injury resulting from my participation in this Club activity. After reading, understanding and accepting the Release of Liability, I hereby make a reservation for this trip/activity.

**Birth date required for all airline travel!**

**MM/DD/YYYY**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

### Club Policy Regarding Cancellation

All cancellations must be received in writing by the trip leader. Cancellation penalties apply to all MLSC trips. Because of the complexity of financing most major trips, trip leaders establish their own cancellation and refund amounts and schedules according to the payment requirements of the airlines and trip providers. A minimum administrative fee of \$25 for weekend/bus trips and \$35 for major/airline trips is charged for any cancellation. In the event a cancellation occurs before a trip leaves and a replacement is found, deposits and payments will be refunded less the MLSC admin fee and any fees charged by the airline or tour provider. In the event a cancellation occurs before a trip leaves, and a replacement is not found, deposits and all payments may be forfeited. Any refund will be dependent on the payment and cancellation schedule with the airline, bus or accommodation or tour provider and any losses that may be incurred by MLSC. Please speak to your trip leader to make sure you understand this process before you sign up for any MLSC trip.

*All individuals that participate in this adventure program (including skiing, hiking, biking and other such activities) do so at their own risk. Participant assumes the inherent risks associated with these adventure activities, which can be dangerous. Risks include such occurrences as altitude sickness, illness, disease, overexertion, broken limbs and alcohol consumption. By signing this document, I agree to take full responsibility for my own actions, safety and welfare.*

**Insurance:** Travel Insurance is highly recommended. See your Trip Leader for details.

# **Main Line Ski Club Ski Trip Policy**

## **RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS**

Reservations will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis, as follows:

- Only MLSC members and members in good standing of other EPSC-affiliated clubs may go on MLSC trips.
- Only MLSC members may sign up prior to or during the September general meeting.
- Members of other EPSC clubs may sign up only after the September general meeting has been held and must be members in good standing of another EPSC-affiliated club.

Reservations are confirmed only when a deposit and a signed reservation form and release of liability are received. The deposit amount is indicated in each trip's individual description. Separate payments are required for each trip and checks should be made payable to Main Line Ski Club. No cash payments can be accepted. To take advantage of the discount policy, when offered, payment in full must be received by the early payment date.

## **SURCHARGES**

When a trip has reached its quota, a formal waiting list will be established requiring a \$25 per person deposit for weekend/bus trips and \$35 per person for major/airline trips. This deposit will be applied to the cost of the trip if a cancellation occurs and the wait-listed person is moved onto the trip. The deposit will be refunded in full if the wait-listed person is not called or if he or she cancels from the wait list prior to being called. However, if a person remains on the wait list, is called but decides they cannot go (for whatever reason) the deposit is forfeited.

## **CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS**

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In the event a cancellation occurs before a trip leaves and a replacement is found, deposits and payments will be refunded, less the MLSC admin. fee and any fees charged by the airline (if applicable). In the event a cancellation occurs before a trip leaves and a replacement is not found, deposits and all payments may be forfeited. Any refund will be dependent on the payment and cancellation schedule with the airline, bus or accommodation, and any losses that might be incurred by MLSC. Please speak to a trip leader to be sure you understand this process before you sign up for any MLSC trip.

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

All costs are for double occupancy unless otherwise noted.

Trip leaders have limited information available ahead of time as to room configuration and specific amenities. While we attempt to book equal facilities for all trip participants there can be discrepancies, with condos especially, from room to room. Please try to be flexible, but if there are major issues with your assigned place, talk to your trip leader immediately upon check-in.

## **DEPARTURES**

Departure times listed in trip write-ups are subject to change, due to airline rescheduling. Be sure to communicate with your trip leader 2-3 weeks before your trip departs.

## **OTHER**

Anyone under the age of 21 must be accompanied by an adult.

The Main Line Ski Club maintains a No Smoking policy for all trips. This includes bus, condos and parties.

Laptop computers should be used only during off hours so as not to tie up the telephone. People use the phone to make ski plans early in the morning and dinner plans late afternoon/early evening. Be considerate of your roommates/condo mates when using phone lines for computer purposes.

**TRIP PARTICIPANTS ARE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR CARING FOR THEIR OWN EQUIPMENT.**

## Main Line Ski Club

### *Winter 2011 - 2012 Calendar of Activities*

Take a look, then MARK your CALENDARS **NOW** so you don't forget!!

<b>Sat., Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Wine & Dine at Le Saigon—Paoli
<b>Sun., Dec. 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Mixed Doubles Tennis at Springton
<b>Tue., Dec. 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monthly Meeting: Toys for Tots, etc.—KOP</b>
<b>Thurs., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	PSC Holiday Happy Hour—Bala Cynwyd
<b>Fri., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Happy Hour at the Paddock—Strafford
<b>Sat., Dec. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>MLSC / PSC Holiday Gala—KOP</b>
<b>Sat.-Sun., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Eve and Christmas Day—no MLSC events</b>
<b>Sun., Jan. 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Hike or Bike Radnor Trail; Brunch at Silverspoon Café—Wayne
<b>Tues., Jan. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monthly Meeting: Yankee Swap—KOP</b>
<b>Fri., Jan 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Happy Hour at the Paddock—Strafford
<b>Sun., Jan. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Movie & Dinner—Edgmont Shopping Center
<b>Sat., Jan 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Wine 'n Dine at Seasons 52—KOP
<b>Tues., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup></b>	Activities Planning Meeting—Collegeville
<b>Sun., Jan. 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Brunch at Fork; Tour National Museum American Jewish History—Philadelphia