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Welcome to Newcomers!! (Some really new; others overlooked in error)

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| Jean Szuchan | Harleysville |
| David Morris | Wayne |
| Dennis Berry | West Chester |
| Bob Foster & Bobbi Munn | Doylestown/Chalfont |
| Leslie Siebert | Honey Brook |
| Robert McDonald | Honey Brook |

Please see our website for additional information...
<http://www.mainlineskiclub.com/> .

MLSC Center City Monthly Meetings

The Main Line Ski Club Center City monthly meetings will continue on the 4th Wednesday of each month at Paddy Whacks.

Next Monthly Meeting & Social Crowne Plaza Valley Forge, KOP

Tuesday, **Sept. 14th** 7:30 pm

There will be no general meetings of MLSC from May through August. General meetings will resume on September 14th.

However, our activities and events continue throughout the summer. And they are in a word...

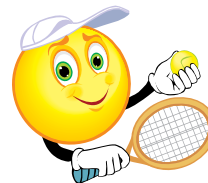
Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious !!!

2011 SKI TRIPS:

At the last meeting in April, the Board presented the Ski Trips scheduled for 2011. The following chart displays the destinations, dates, and leaders of these trips.

Destination	Dates	Leaders
Park City, Utah	1/8 - 1/15	Howard & Kathleen Weisz
Lech, Austria with side trips to Berlin and Dresden	1/28 - 2/9	Jack Behrle
Winter Park, CO	2/12 -2/19	Glenn & Janet Elliot
Greek Peak, NY	2/24 - 2/27	Bob Campbell
Stowe, Vermont	3/3 - 3/7	Sally Hilderbrand
Breckenridge, CO	3/5 - 3/12	Sally & Glenn Price

Summer is for...



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proofed...and proofed....and proofed! Thank you, ladies!! Our tummies will benefit from your efforts.

A warmest thank you to April's event leaders -- Jay and Ellen Minnicks for the Evansburg Park Hike on April 11th, Rich Schonwald for the Happy Hour at the Paddock on April 16th, Glenn and Janet Elliott for the Picasso exhibit on April 17th, and Kerwin Nailor for the Mill Grove loop bike ride on April 18th. You are all the BEST!

Message from the Prez



I guess I am batting 1,000! Our 2009 Holiday Gala had a major snow storm, our Aspen/Snowmass trip lost a day and-a-half, due to snow, and now for our Anniversary Bash we have volcanoes. If anyone missed the Bash, due to the volcano, we will gladly refund their money.

The Bash was fantastic! We had 110 present and past Main Liners at the event. Ten of our 29 past presidents were there to receive their medallions and for a group picture; it has been rumored that this will make some of the local papers. I had a discussion with Bill Bowden and Ralph Jensen. While they both are on the 1961 membership list, Ralph concedes that Bill is the longest member - Bill joined in 1960. Both Ralph and Bill have been continuous members since they joined – congratulations, guys! The food was great and the appetizers even better. The music was also fabulous. Any event that plays “Hang on Sloopy” is worthy! (Did you know “Hang on Sloopy is the state song of Ohio?) Someone once told me, “You know, as the event leader, if you had a good time, everyone else did too.” I had a blast! Thanks to all of those folks who helped make the night great.

And, we did get our cookbook published with over 100 recipes and about 30 contributors. We sold many copies, but still have some left, which will be offered at the Bash-Special price of \$9.95. Look for them at our September meeting. Kathleen and I have already tried the Tortellini soup; it's great, thanks to Helen Galczenski.

This past year was a great year. Thanks to all of our trip and event leaders. Also, thanks to all of our Board Members, who attend our Board Meetings and General Meetings, and then devote time outside meetings to do their Board job and their day job. If you would like to volunteer to do something, please let me know. Last year we added a new trip leader, who will be again running a trip next year and we have added another new trip leader for this year. That will give us six trips for the 2010-2011 season.

Have a safe, healthy and happy summer. Remember SPF 50 is cool.

Factoid of the month: S.M.O.M. (Sovereign Military Order of Malta) is the smallest sovereign entity in the world, located in the city of Rome, Italy. It has an area of two tennis courts. Their population is about 25 fewer people than the Vatican.

Howard

With Warmest Thanks!!!

A VERY, VERY special thank you to everyone who pitched in to help with the *50th Anniversary Bash* - especially Howard and Kathleen Weisz, the Cressmans, Rosemarie Romano and Sue McDaniel. A glorious 110 people attended and a good time was had by all! The Food was great - the appetizers even better - the hummus especially, and the Pepsi was free! Kyle, the DJ played all the great songs from the 50s through the 80s. What a celebration!!

Deepest gratitude to Kathleen Weisz and Carolyn Bringhurst for bringing the 50th Anniversary Cookbook to fruition. They both spent MANY hours getting each and every recipe into the correct shape and then

Liberty Bell Icon!!

Center City events are marked with a Liberty Bell icon.

MLSC 50th Anniversary Cookbook



Well, we did it. You all really responded to our call for your favorite recipes! So far 32 members submitted a total of 104 recipes. We presented for distribution and sale the published edition of the famous 50th MLSC Anniversary Cookbook at our 50th Anniversary Bash on Saturday, April 24, 2010.

Most people followed the Guidelines for submission for these recipes...so that they were all typed in the same format and same font, etc. All recipes were submitted in MS Word doc format *via* e-mail attachment and sent to Kathleen Weisz at kqweisz@aol.com who did a yeoman's job of coordinating and editing the submissions. She also captained sending of the final order and submission of the different recipe categories to the cookbook publisher.

Thanks to all who contributed!

MLSC 50th Anniversary Bash Committee

KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

Sat., May 1st
See timing below



At Howard & Kathleen Weisz's, West Chester, plus dinner at the Four Dogs Tavern in West Chester.

4 pm to 5:45 pm Cocktails, Appetizers, Betting
6:04 pm (Race starts – No more betting)
6:15 pm-6:45 pm - Award prizes/Take pictures
7:15 pm Depart for Wine 'N Dinner: The Four Dogs Tavern, West Chester (we'll car-pool)

We're all too busy to go to Louisville, so let's just get all decked out and come out to West Chester for Kentucky Derby #136....Big Screen/HDTV-style! This Churchill Downs extravaganza has been a celebrated event ever since its inception in 1875. It's all about tradition, it's all about style, it's all about partying, and it's also the greatest two minutes in sports. Held annually on the first Saturday in May, it's the first jewel in the Triple Crown of Thoroughbred Horseracing. It's the biggest

party in the South...but we're bringing it out West (to West Chester that is!) Who knows, maybe we'll have another local favorite again! No matter what, we'll all be winners with a terrific cocktail party followed by a wonderful Wine N Dine! We'll serve mint juleps and sodas/wine/beer, plus a few appetizers. Everyone attending must also bring one appetizer p/p and let us know in advance what it is. Cost is \$5 p/p for members, \$10 p/p for non-members. We'll award prizes for "Best Hat", Fastest Horse (betting is random), etc. Before the race, we'll mill around like millionaires in our own "Millionaire's Row", welcoming in Spring, and of course singing "My Old Kentucky Home."

Afterwards, we'll car-pool down to West Chester's famed The Four Dogs Tavern, an innovative city bistro located in a quaint country village that is really something to bark about! (Address in case you get lost: 1300 W. Strasburg Rd., West Chester; 610-692-4367.) Their eclectic menu and delicious food keeps customers racing back for more. We're not taking a chance on the weather; we've reserved a long table upstairs. We can order anything from shared plates and finger foods to salads and burgers to entrees (ranging in price from Chicken Wellington at \$14.95 to Red Snapper at \$19.95.) Please bring cash to pay for your dinner and drinks and add on 25% each for tax & tip. There will be one bill and we will pay it by credit card. Please contact Kathleen Quaid-Weisz at 610-918-3781 or kqweisz@aol.com by Friday, April 23 to sign up for the Derby Cocktail Party/ Four Dogs Dinner Party...and to tell her what appetizer you'll bring. First 12 are accepted.

The Willowdale Steeplechase - Kennett Square

Sunday, May 9th



Join Main Line Ski Club for the Willowdale Steeplechase. We have reserved a tailgate spot on the turn with exceptional view of the Carriages, Paddock, Race Course and Finish Line.

Willowdale Steeplechase
101 E. Street Road
Kennett Square, PA 19348
(610) 444-1582
(610) 444-8376 fax

The Willowdale Steeplechase is a Mother's Day Classic and is a full-day activity including:

- Gates open at 10:00 a.m.
- Antique and Unique Car Display - all day
- Jack Russell Terrier Races at 11:00 a.m.
- Pony Races at 12:15 p.m.
- First Race at 1:30 p.m.

- Last race ends at approximately 4:30 p.m.
- Gates close at 6:00 p.m.

A full slate of events is found at http://willowdalesteeplechase.org/cms/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=9&Itemid=16

For \$30 in advance (\$35 non-members), we will provide your General Admission tickets and space in our tailgate location. Just bring your chair, a potluck dish, and your drinks, and we will provide the table and space. Space is limited so sign up in advance. You will park in the General Admission lot (located off of Route 926) and can view the races from several designated areas on the grounds in addition to our tailgate site.

For more information on this event and to reserve your admission ticket and space at our tailgate location in "The Turn", contact Glenn Elliott at glenn.elliott@alcatel-lucent.com or 609-658-8468.

Happy Hour at The Paddock - Strafford

Friday, May 14th
4:30—6:30 pm



Now the work week is over. Drop in and catch up with your MLSC friends and also make some new ones! Appetizers available at ½ price (shrimp cocktail, fish, beef bullets, etc.) and drinks are reasonable. Such a deal!! AND, the Paddock has easy parking and a spacious bar with plenty of room to socialize.

Directions: The Paddock is on the NW corner of Lancaster Ave. and Old Eagle School Road in Strafford. For information or if you have questions contact Rich Schonwald (610-356-2936) OR email him at rschonwald@verizon.net. Hope to see you there!!

MLSC Annual Progressive Potluck Dinner!

Saturday, May 15th
5:30 pm



Phoenixville area

Around 40 to 50 MLSC'ers typically enjoy this evening so you will want to check out the date, then call and

reserve PRONTO because it has become one of our most popular events!! The cost is \$10 a person for drinks and main course (non-members \$20). In addition, each person must bring either an appetizer, salad, or dessert for 8 people. (Couples must bring two items OR double quantity.)

We begin at 5:30 for wine and appetizers at the home of Kerwin & Jorie Nailor who live on the shores of the Schuylkill River in a log home. Last year they hosted the dessert -- but it was dark then so you couldn't see much so this year we are returning in DAYLIGHT!! Ann Ashton who lives in Chester Springs outside of Phoenixville off of Route 113 will be our host for the main course and salads. Then it's on to Terri Branca's home in Phoenixville for dessert and coffee.

Call Sally Hilderbrand at 610-489-4718 or contact her via email at shilderbrand@comcast.net to sign up and let us know what you will be bringing. Please be SPECIFIC on your dish so we can be sure to have a varied selection of culinary treats at each place. The DEADLINE for reservations is Thursday evening, May 13th!!!

For those with reservations, please note: Bring your dish READY TO SERVE (on a dish, platter, etc.) AND with appropriate utensils. Please LABEL all utensils and dishes with your name. We want you to go home with what you brought!

Directions to the Nailor's:

FROM MAIN LINE & SOUTH: Take Rt. 422 West to the Rt. 363 exit just after crossing the Schuylkill River. Stay in the middle lane until the top of the ramp, then get in the LEFT hand turn lane for Audubon Road. Proceed to the traffic light at PAWLINGS Road and turn LEFT. Proceed approximately a mile and a half until Gertrude Avenue which goes only to your right and is JUST BEFORE THE BRIDGE. Turn RIGHT. (FYI -- hard to see sign!) Proceed 0.3 of a mile to top of the 2nd small rise and park along the street beyond mailbox UNLESS you have brought an appetizer -- if so, you can go down the driveway and park by the house. Everyone else, please walk down the driveway to the Nailor's. If you get lost, call the Nailor's at 610-666-1939. (For GPS'ers, their address is 1427 Gertrude Ave., Phoenixville 19460)

To CARPOOL for this event, (and we DO recommend that 2 to 4 people are in EACH car), get off Rt. 422 at the OAKS exit / Egypt Road. Turn RIGHT at the end of the exit ramp and proceed about 0.6 mile until you get to the Audubon Shopping Center with a Genuardi's -- turn right into the SC, then a left and another immediate left and meet by the Citizens Bank. This location will place you close to Terri Branca's at the end of the evening. To get to the Nailor's from here, turn RIGHT onto Egypt Road coming out of the shopping center, then RIGHT again at the next intersection with Pawlings Road (left is Park Avenue -- the road changes names!) Proceed 2.2 miles, going through one traffic light. At

Gertrude Avenue, just BEFORE the bridge over the Schuylkill River, turn RIGHT (it's hard to see the street sign -- careful!) and follow directions above!

Hike the Wissahickon Gorge

Sunday, May 23rd

2:00 pm

We will hike the beautiful Wissahickon Gorge area around Forbidden Drive and Wissahickon Creek inside the Philadelphia City limits for a truly awesome hike!! Starting at Northwestern Avenue in Chestnut Hill near Bruno's (corner of Germantown Pike and Northwestern), we'll go down one side of the creek on a blazed trail, then over a bridge and back the other side. Approximate distance – five miles.

Jim Sayne will be our leader. Call Jim at 610-222-0413 or (cell) 610-534-3590 to let us know you are coming. Cancelled in the event of rain.

DIRECTIONS: Take Germantown Pike towards Philadelphia. Turn right across from Chestnut Hill College at the light at Northwestern Ave. and park. Bruno's is on the near right corner and is available for drinks, snacks, or an early Sunday supper after the hike.



Joint Happy Hour



Great Valley Corporate Center

Friday, May 28th, 6 p.m. on the Deck

On May 28th, we will again be co-hosting a Joint Happy Hour at the Desmond Hotel, 1 Liberty Boulevard, Great Valley Corporate Center, Malvern PA, 610-296-7300 on their large outdoor deck, with a live band. Happy Hour will start at 6:00 PM and go until whenever. You may want to even consider staying for dinner.

The ski clubs involved in this Happy Hour are BVSA (Brandywine Valley Ski Association, KOP



(King of Prussia), Merck, and MLSC. Hope to see you there.

“Progressive Lunch” Bike Ride on the Perkiomen Trail

Sunday, June 6th

12 noon



Begin at Sally's in Collegeville

We'll begin with Brie and crackers on Sally's backyard patio in Collegeville, then bike to the Perkiomen Trail a half mile away, riding north on the trail to Central Perkiomen Park where we will stop for Course #2 -- sandwiches and fruit which you will need to bring with you. (OR, arrange for a sandwich pick-up at the Collegeville Diner, which we pass on the way!!).

Then, it's on to our destination – Moccia's Ice Cream Junction in Schwenksville where we can feast on ice cream GUILT-FREE because of our biking exercise as well as rest and socialize a bit on the patio!!! We return to Sally's for cold drinks in the woodland gazebo of her garden. Mileage is 19 miles TOTAL, but there are shorter options such as meeting us at the Collegeville Diner for an 11-mile ride.

Hybrid or mountain bike needed; helmets required. Bring plenty of water and a sandwich and fruit for lunch if you don't buy at the Diner.

Call Sally at 610-489-4718 OR email her at shilderbrand@comcast.net. (Please be sure you get a response to know that your email was received!!) to make a reservation. Only cost is whatever you spend on ice cream!!

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Hike in Shamona Creek Park

Sunday, June 13th

11:00 AM

Downingtown Area



Let's meet at Shamona Creek Park for a lovely 7-mile hike that the ski club has never done before. We will walk to the town of Downingtown for **lunch** with a return back to Shamona Creek Park. We will be walking on paved paths, most of which are on the Struble Trail, which is not only lovely but FLAT. We will be following Shamona Creek and the East Brandywine Creek. Starting time at Shamona Creek Park is 11:00AM. **To let us know you are coming**, contact the leader Ed Sawin at 215-896-9230 or email him at edsawin@societyhilltowers.com.

Directions: Take 202 or Rt. 30 to Exton. Take Rte 100 North to Lionville exit at Uwchlan Ave. Go west on West Uwchlan Ave. toward Lionville, then before Lionville look for Dowlin Forge Rd. on your right (soft right). Turn right on Dowlin Forge (heading west) and continue (road bends southward) until you cross the Shamona Creek three times (3X) and then look for Shamona Creek Park on your left. The park is just north of the intersection of Filman Rd. and Dowlin Forge Rd.

NOTE: Dowlin Forge Rd. is one way as it approaches the park, so approach the intersection from the North going South. The entrance to the park will be on the left just before (north of) Filman Rd.

Summer Solstice Party

Saturday, June 19th

6:30 p.m.—Wynnewood



Join Joan and David Krahn at their tranquil "oasis" home in Wynnewood, complete with a lovely pond in their backyard. We will be having a potluck dinner to celebrate the Summer Solstice and the longest day of the year! Cost is \$10 pp for wine, beer, and paper goods. You also need to provide one dish -- appetizer, main dish, salad/vegetable, or dessert.

Call the Krahns at 610-649-1026 OR email Joan at ilkrahn@comcast.net to **make your reservation** -- deadline is Thursday, June 17th. Be sure to bring all bowls, platters PLUS utensils that your dish requires and LABEL everything.

The Willowdale Cup Polo Match

Brandywine Polo Club

Sunday, June 27, 2010

3:00 PM



Join Main Line Ski Club for the Willowdale Cup Polo Match. Polo is a fast-moving game. Players and horses have the right-of-way at all times. Come and have a great time watching a Polo Match. The Address is 101 E Street Rd, Kennett Square, PA

From the North: Follow US Route 1 South just past Kennett Square. Take the Toughkenamon exit. Turn south off of the exit onto Newark Road. The entrance to Brandywine Polo Club is on Polo Road, a right turn from Newark Road, just before the New Garden Airport.

Directions from West Chester: Follow Lenape Rd (PA 52) south 2-1/2 miles. At Lenape, turn right to stay on Lenape Rd (PA 52). Go 3-1/2 miles and turn right onto Street Rd (PA 926). Proceed 2.8 miles to the intersection of PA 926 & PA 82 (Willowdale).

For more information on this event and **to reserve your admission ticket**, contact Bob Campbell at bobsdesigns@verizon.net or 215-327-8499.

Save These Dates...



Details Next Month

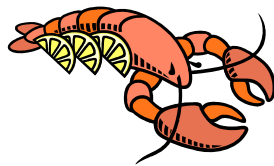
Sally's Summer Garden Party
Saturday, July 10th
Sally Hilderbrand's



POOL PARTY
SATURDAY, JULY 24
AT THE MINNICKS'
Lansdale
Details to follow next month



Annual Lobster Feast
Saturday, Aug. 7th
Kathleen & Howard Weisz, and the
Dyers



**T Cleopatra
Exhibition
World Premiere**



**Philadelphia's Franklin
Institute**

Sunday, August 15th

9:30 am

Early Signups Suggested!

The Cleopatra Exhibition World Premiere at Philadelphia's Franklin Institute will be a joint event of the Phila Sailing Club and MLSC in August.

The world of Cleopatra, which has been lost to the sea and sand for nearly 2,000 years, will surface in a new exhibition, "Cleopatra: The Search for the Last Queen of Egypt." Organized by National Geographic and Arts and Exhibitions International, with cooperation from the Egyptian Supreme Council of Antiquities and the European Institute for Underwater Archaeology, (IEASM), the exhibition will feature more than 250 artifacts, and take visitors inside the present-day search for Cleopatra, which extends from the sands of Egypt to the depths of the Bay of Aboukir near Alexandria.

IMAX Theater at the Franklin Institute will enable us to travel to Egypt and see Mummies on the Big Screen.

Tickets: \$30.00 each. Payment reserves your place.

30 tickets are available

Contact: Linda LaChapelle, 610-527-2287
with Lunch To Follow: Optional/Not Included

Linda LaChapelle
1 Braxton Road
Rosemont, PA 19010

Main Line Ski Club ***Spring/Summer 2010 Calendar of Activities***

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

* Indicates CC Phila.-oriented event

Sat., May 1st	Kentucky Derby Party – West Chester
Sun. – Sat., May 2-8th	Hilton Head Tennis Trip
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