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MLSC Monthly Meetings Suspended until September 12th

If you have any questions, contact our President Ralph von dem Hagen at 610-644-6808 or vondemhagen@msn.com.

Membership Renewals

As of now, you can access our **website** and process your membership renewal for the year 2017-18. This is just in time for signing up for the 2018 ski trips.

Payment by credit card is highly encouraged.

Welcome to Newcomers!!!

With late summer and fall waiting to spring into action, the time has come to enlist even more new MLSC members. Tell your friends and co-workers all about MLSC and to come out for the activities this year. Once they have experienced the diversity throughout the year such as biking, ski trips, hikes, indoor or outdoor tennis, parties, wine & dines, progressive dinner, garden parties, pool parties, concerts, happy hours, and the like, they can't help wanting to become a member.

Monthly meetings are from **September to April**, but new members can join anytime. Activities are year round.

To join MLSC, use the Annual Membership form on our website <http://mainlineskiclub.com>.

Your membership will be good for the 2017-18 year. Read the web page and follow the instructions.

Welcome New Members

James Walker	Flourtown, PA
Robert Cockfield	Paoli, PA
Julie, Brad and Madeline Alliger	Chester Springs, PA
Maureen Connors	Radnor.



**Got an IDEA for a great
MLSC Activity???**
Let us know!

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Message from the Prez



As the summer progresses I think it important to remember and thank the volunteers who make things happen for Main Line Ski Club. One look at the newsletter and you can see that there is a list of activities planned by our Sally Hilderbrand and her team, and led or hosted by various club members. I hope you are joining many of these events.

The newsletter itself is pulled together by our Carolyn Bringhurst, who devotes many hours to its production, also the distribution of reminders and updates. The second page identifies leaders of our major ski trips, tennis events, membership and treasury functions, happy hours, and web site. Suffice to say, if we are doing it, a volunteer has pulled it together. Thanks to all of them.

It's never too early to focus on major upcoming trips – that's how you insure there will be a spot for you. So you know we are going to Vail in late February, returning in early March. That trip already has a waiting list, based on current reservations. Our New England bus trip will be to the Lake Placid area, and signups will open once all the details are finalized. The newsletter also describes trips planned by our partner clubs – a way we can offer you additional travel options.

Ralph von dem Hagen

Warmest Thanks!!!

VERY Warmest Thanks to June and July's event leaders – Sue Lior for the Summer Stroll on June 11th, Ed Sawin for the Wissahickon Hike on July 18th, Judy Alters for the Wine & Dine on July 22nd, and finally, Ann Knepper for the Brazilian Jazz & Bossa Nova concert at the Rose Tree-Media Park on July 29th. And we'd like to again say a huge thank you to Ann Knepper for agreeing to do the Field Trip to Washington D.C. on June 3rd and to Philip Harvey for the Laurel Hill Cemetery tour on June 25th even though these events didn't roster (can't win 'em all!).

A **Tip of the Hat** to the three folks who stayed after everyone left to help Sally Hilderbrand clean up and put away everything from her Garden Party on July 8th -- Brenda Nace, Philip Harvey, and Jay Mullen. Their help was MOST appreciated by the tired hostess!!

Longwood Gardens – To See the \$90M Refurbished Light Show!!



Saturday, August 5th
Light Show at 9:15 p.m.
Kennett Square, PA
**Enter Longwood at any
time**

What can we say!! The BRAND NEW and MOST SPECTACULAR light & fountain show ever!! This Longwood Gardens feature has been closed for 2-1/2 years – and now it's finished and open!! The show includes 30 new propane-laced flame jets and brand new jets of water that SPIN! There are basket-weave fountain displays -- never seen before in the world and designed just for Longwood Gardens!! This amazing feature opens on Memorial Day weekend so if you haven't seen it by August, be sure to join us.

Here's the scoop: Cost is \$23 for adults, students & seniors (62+) \$20, youths 5 to 18 \$12 and under 5 free. You need to order **TIMED ENTRY TICKETS** -- there are 300 tickets available for each half hour so you can decide when you want to enter. **We are going to see the light show at 9:15 -- the only one with LIGHTS since it is the only one in darkness!** (Other fountain shows are at 11, 1, 3, 5, and 7 p.m.)

To order your own tickets (a must for MLSC'ers!), either order online at www.longwoodgardens.org OR by phone at **610-388-1000** BUT there is a \$6 fee per order (not per ticket so if you are ordering for 2 or more, the \$6 fee isn't so bad).

Anne Hayes is leading this event. You need to order your tickets AND then RSVP to Anne either via email AKHAYES1515@comcast.net or cell 610-299-3371.

Anne has also selected a **6:00** meeting location for everyone at the **Concordville Inn** for a lite bite before heading to Longwood. The Inn is at 780 Baltimore Pike, Glen Mills.

Friday Happy Hour
Desmond Hotel Deck
Gt Valley Corp Center
5-7 p.m.



Friday, August 11th

Hope to see you there!

Brandywine River Museum – “Andrew Wyeth: In Retrospect” Exhibit with Lunch afterwards



Sunday, August 13th
10:30 to 11:00 a.m.
Chadds Ford

Over 100 of Andrew Wyeth's paintings will be on display this summer, viewed in chronological order, at the Brandywine River Museum on Route 1 in Chadds Ford. The only other venue for this exhibit will be Seattle so be sure not to miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!

The museum opens at 9:30 a.m. and the cost is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors. They recommend getting there as early as possible though they say that everyone will definitely get in! We're saying 10:30 to 11:00 to arrive, though you can also come earlier.

At approximately 1 p.m., we will then have lunch at the nearby *Agave Restaurant* which specializes in Mexican cuisine (quesadillas, tacos, enchiladas, burritos, \$10 to \$20).

Reservations are required for lunch so call Sally Hilderbrand at 610-489-4718 OR email her at silderbrand2@verizon.net. Be sure you get a response so you know your email has been received! Check out the full menu at www.agavebyo.com.

The museum is easy to find on Route 1 in Chadds Ford. Coming from the Philadelphia area, it is on the left, just before the Brandywine Creek.

August Pool Party & Potluck & Cookout

Sunday, Aug. 20th

4:30 p.m.

Berwyn



Celebrate late-summer with a totally terrific outdoor party at the home of Ralph and Elizabeth von dem Hagen in Berwyn. For dinner, Ralph will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs, plus we'll feast on a potluck of additional dishes brought by participants. Everyone is requested to bring either an appetizer, salad or dessert. Beer, wine, and sodas will be provided. Cost for the event is \$15 for members, \$25 for guests (exact change is appreciated). Please be sure to bring serving utensils for your dish and LABEL everything!

To reserve, call Sally Hilderbrand 610-489-4718 or email her shilderbrand2@verizon.net. (Please be sure you get a reply so you know your email has been received.) **Deadline for reservations is Friday evening, August 18th.** Please be as specific as possible when telling us what you will be bringing so we can avoid duplications! Rain cancels as this is an outdoor party. Restricted to only 24 reservations.

P.S. Don't forget to bring your suit and towel if you want to enjoy the pool!!

Directions to Ralph's, 138 Orchard Way, Berwyn 19312:

From Rt. 30/Lancaster Pike, At the Berwyn traffic light go over the bridge to Old Lancaster Pike/Bridge Rd. Go around the curve and make the first right at the stop sign onto Howellville Road. In just 0.2 miles, there is a traffic light at Conestoga Rd., with T.E. Middle School on your left. Orchard Way is dead ahead, just slightly to the right. It is **ONE WAY**.

Ralph's house is the **THIRD** house on the left, a gray trimmed saltbox. There is room for only a few cars in the driveway and there is limited parking on Orchard Way. It is recommended to park at the Middle School (turn left at the light onto Conestoga, then a left into the parking lot. Go down the concrete steps at the intersection and cross the street for the short walk to Orchard Way and Ralph's house.) If a driver drops people off at Ralph's driveway on Orchard Way, follow Orchard Way to dead end on Bair, turn right, then turn right again on Conestoga to get back to the intersection -- continue through

intersection a short distance and turn left into school parking lot.

From KOP - Rt. 202 south: Take the Rt. 252 South/Paoli exit and turn left at the **FIRST** light onto Cassatt Road. Follow Cassatt up to the Conestoga Road intersection above and make a sharp left to Orchard Way OR turn right onto Conestoga, then go left to park in the Middle School parking lot.

If you get lost, call the von dem Hagens at 610-644-6808.

Bike Ride the Chester Valley Trail

Sunday, Aug. 27th

11:00 a.m.

King of Prussia



Calling all bike riders! Let's Ride on the **Chester Valley Trail**. Meet at a **Park & Ride** behind the Enterprise Rent-A-Car (801 W DeKalb Pike, King of Prussia, PA 19406). The Chester Valley Bike Trail has an entrance right there and heads west all the way to the Exton trail head. We are planning a stop at Wegman's (Malvern) for lunch on the return trip. The total distance for this ride is about 26 miles.

Directions: • Going north on Rt 202; pass the Motel 6 and turn right just past the Enterprise Rent-A-Car onto King of Prussia Road and follow to the **Park and Ride** on the Left. • Going North on S. Gulph Rd. Turn left at the Bill Smith Blvd sign and follow to the **Park and Ride** on the right.

Contact Bob Campbell, designsyoulove@gmail.com or 215-327-8499 if you plan to join us on this ride. Leave your cell phone number and email address so you can be contacted if weather or plans change. Signed release and helmets required. Water, snacks and sunscreen optional.

Last Wednesday of Month Happy Hour
Wednesday, August 30th
333 Belrose
King of Prussia Rd / Belrose Lane
Hope to see you there!

"Chadds Ford Days" Festival
Sunday, Sept. 10th
12:00 noon
Chadds Ford PA



Join Pattie Evans for a perfect Fall afternoon. We will be attending the Chadds Ford Days Festival, commemorating the Battle of the Brandywine. <https://www.chaddsforddays.com/festival#/>

The festival is held on the grounds of the Chadds Ford Historical Society at 1736 N. Creek Road, Chadds Ford, PA 19317 and features historic house tours, Colonial demonstrations, local music, artists and craftman's market, and of course, artesian food vendors. Admission is \$10 for adults 18 and older; free for children under 17.

We can car pool by meeting at the Barnes & Noble book store on Swedesford Road by 202 at 12:00. The drive will be a short 30-40 minutes.

To RSVP please email me at pattievans@aol.com to let us know you're coming.

Museum of the American Revolution
Sunday, Sept. 17th
2:00 p.m.
101 South Third St.
Philadelphia



Declaration of Independence

We are going to the BRAND NEW Museum of the American Revolution!! That's the good news! The "bad" news is that we have NO LEADER yet so if you are interested in this event and would be willing to lead it, please contact Sally Hilderbrand at shilderbrand2@verizon.net.

Tickets to get into the museum are \$19 for Adults and \$17 for Seniors (65+). You also need a TIMED TICKET which are given at 20-minute intervals. Phone number for the museum is 215-253-6731.

They suggest that you pre-purchase your tickets online at www.amrevmuseum.org.

MLSC General Meeting,
Tuesday, September 12th

Wine & Dine at Cedar Hollow Inn
Saturday, Sept. 23rd
6:30 p.m. – Cocktails at the bar
7:00 p.m. – Seated for dinner
Malvern



We are going to the historic (built in the 1800's) Cedar Hollow Inn in Malvern, a local favorite for over 12 years. It features American Continental dishes and its chef was trained at New York's C.I.A. so you know a number of dishes will be truly unique.

Entrees range from \$24 to \$30; appetizers, soups, sides, and desserts are extra. They do individual checks.

For reservations, email Carol Ferguson at fergy94@comcast.net. Phone number for the inn is 610-296-9006. Address is 2455 Yellow Springs Road, Malvern, PA 19355.

<p>Friday Happy Hour Desmond Hotel Deck Gt Valley Corp Center 5-7 p.m.</p>	
<p>Friday, September 15th</p>	
<p>Hope to see you there!</p>	

Website is www.cedarhollowinn.com if you want to check out the menu. We have reservations for 10 so make your reservation as early as possible.

Last Wednesday of Month Happy Hour
Wednesday, September 28th
333 Belrose
King of Prussia Rd / Belrose Lane
Hope to see you there!

Laurel Hill Cemetery Tour and BYOB Dinner at “Fig”



Sunday, October 1st

1:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Philadelphia

On Sunday October 1st, Philip Harvey will be hosting a tour of the marvelous Laurel Hill Cemetery to be followed by an excellent BYOB dinner at “Fig” restaurant.

Details of this particular tour will be in the September newsletter. Directions to both Laurel Hill and “Fig” will be furnished to everyone joining in.

DATES TO NOTE...

Here are some dates beyond September that you might want to mark on your calendar:

- Sunday, October 1st – Laurel Hill Cemetery Tour
- Sunday, October 15th -- Grounds for Sculpture trip to NJ
- Sunday, October 29th -- Morris Arboretum & Canopy Walk
- Saturday, November 4th -- Annual Wine & Cheese, Valley Forge Towers

Main Line Ski Club is returning to **Vail!**

February 24th – March 3rd, 2018
Lodging at the Fabulous Vail Spa Condos!



Full Package Includes All of the Following:

Pre Party and Post Party, Wine and Cheese Reception,
Additional Mid-week Wine and Cheese Hours
Round Trip PHL to DEN non stop on American Airlines.
(Plan to Change to SW if Available)
Private Deluxe 48 Passenger Motor Coach with a one hour stop for food and liquor.
5 of 6 Day Lift Ticket Included. (65+ Deduct \$10.00).
6th Day add \$60.00. (65+ add \$50.00)
Accommodations: 2B/2B and 3B/3B Condos

Seven Nights Lodging at the Fabulous Newly Renovated Vail Spa!

A short walk to the Lions Head Gondola or one stop bus ride.

Vail Spa Amenities Include:

Indoor and Outdoor Pools, Indoor and Outdoor Hot Tubs, Steam Rooms and Sauna,
Concierge service to arrange dining, activities, or an on-site massage. Free high-speed Wi-Fi internet. Complimentary daily housekeeping. Each condo includes a full kitchen, gas fireplace and washer/dryer. Free ski locker room. 24-Hour Front Desk.
Free Baggage Handling. Free town bus stops at the front door. See:

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

Full Package Price \$1895.00

No Air Option Available: deduct \$350. No Lift Ticket Option: Deduct \$430.

Special Early Bird Sign Up Opportunity Now Thru Sept. 1st Only!!!
For just \$179.00 more get the Epic Local Pass and ski all the Vail Resorts!

See Epic pass details at: <https://www.epicpass.com/passes/epic-local-pass.aspx>

Group Leader: Fletcher Swanson: fswanson@rcn.com, 484-467-2718
Sign ups open to MLSC and Tiroler Ski Club members only until Sept. 12th then
open to all new members and EPSC-associated club members.

Send Early Bird reservation fee of \$50.00 payable to MLSC to:
Fletcher Swanson, 1017 Squires Dr, West Chester, PA 19382

MAIN LINE SKI CLUB - SKI TRIP RESERVATION FORM

Vail, Colorado

February 24th to March 3rd, 2018

Print Names exactly as they appear on your picture ID

Participant #1 _____ DOB _____

Cell phone # _____

Participant #2 (at same address) _____ DOB _____

Cell phone # _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Email Addresses: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Roommate request: _____

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. All individuals that participate on this ski trip do so at their own risk. Participant assumes the inherent risks associated with this activity, which can be dangerous. Risks may include but are not limited to such occurrences as altitude sickness, illness, disease, overexertion, broken limbs and alcohol overconsumption.

By signing this document, I agree to take full responsibility for my own actions, safety and welfare. 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 and its activities.

Participant #1 Signature: _____ Date _____

Participant #2 Signature: _____ Date _____

Policy Regarding Cancellation

If cancellation takes place before a trip leaves, and if a replacement is not found, deposits and all payments will be forfeited. 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 of \$35 and any fees charged by the airline or tour provider as a result of the cancellation. All cancellations must be received in writing by the trip leader before a replacement and possible refund can be sought. Please speak to your trip leader to make sure you understand this process before you sign up. Travel insurance is strongly recommended to help you recover your costs should you need to cancel, if the trip is delayed or you have a medical emergency.

(Y or N): I want a 6th day ticket _____. I want the Epic Local Pass _____. Initial please _____

Additional Ski Trips to which MLSC members are invited to participate:

MLSC Northeast Bus Trip to Lake Placid, NY Details to follow

Kitzbuhel, Austria 2018 with Wilmington Ski Club January 26 to February 5, 2018

Since MLSC doesn't have a European trip this year, Wilmington Ski Club is allowing us to advertise their trip to Kitzbuhel January 26 to February 5, 2018 thus giving our members an opportunity for a great trip. The following links provide the detailed information for this trip. Either link provides the necessary information for you to sign up. Note that this information will be released to EPSC-associated ski clubs on August 15th. (Links provided in blast to members.)

[Kitzbuhel Marketing Flyer](#)
[Kitzbuhel Marketing Flyer2](#)

Tiroler's trip to Mt. Bachelor, Oregon February 3 - 10th, 2018

In continuation of our inter-cooperation with Tiroler Ski Club, we are presenting Tiroler's trip to Mt. Bachelor, February 3 - 10th, 2018. MLSC members are invited to join this trip. Early signup is encouraged. (Links provided in blast to members.)

Attachments

[2018 Mt Bachelor flier](#)
[2018 Mt Bachelor sign up form](#)

Calendar

August – September 2017

Calendar of Activities

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

- Sat., Aug/ 5th Longwood Gardens Light Show—Kennett Square
- Fri., Aug. 11th Friday Happy Hour Desmond Deck—Malvern
- Sun., Aug 13th Andrew Wyeth Exhibit-Brandywine Museum plus Lunch—Chadds Ford
- Sun., Aug. 20th Pool Party, Potluck, and Cookout—Berwyn
- Sun., Aug. 27th Bike Ride Chester Valley Trail—KOP
- Wed., Aug. 30th Last Wednesday HH of Month at 333 Belrose—Radnor
- Sa., Su., Mo., Sept. 2-4 Labor Day Weekend –no planned activities
- Sun., Sept. 10th "Chadds Ford Days" Festival—Chadds Ford
- Tues., Sept. 12th MLSC General Monthly Meeting—KOP**
- Fri., Sept. 15th Friday Happy Hour Desmond Deck—Malvern
- Sun., Sept. 17th Museum of the American Revolution—Philadelphia
- Sat., Sept. 23rd Wine & Dine at Cedar Hollow Inn—Malvern
- Wed., Sept. 28th Last Wednesday HH of Month at 333 Belrose—Radnor
- Sun., Oct. 1st Laurel Hill Cemetery tour—Philadelphia

Ski Trips

MLSC Northeast Bus Trip to Lake Placid, NY—Details to follow

January 26 to February 5, 2018 Kitzbuhel, Austria with Wilmington Ski Club

February 3 - 10th, 2018 Tiroler's trip to Mt. Bachelor, Oregon

Feb. 24 - Mar. 3, 2018 MLSC Vail CO Ski Trip and Early Bird Signup Form

Link of Interest:

www.easternpaskicouncil.org EPSC