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Welcome to Newcomers!!!

With winter now here, 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.

Monthly Meeting & Social plus Yankee Swap



Tuesday, Jan. 9th

7:30 pm

Crowne Plaza VF, KOP

Here it is! We know you have been waiting all year for this special day, and it has finally arrived! The famous Main Line Ski Club **Yankee Swap**. This is your chance to search your closet or exchange that "special gift" you received for Christmas and pass it off to another unsuspecting (no, very suspecting) MLSC member. Someone will get a treasure, but they just have to hope they draw a high number, because if they don't, watch out, their treasure will be claimed by someone else! Come out and enjoy the fun. This is one of the most popular meetings we sponsor. Everyone knows there is a potential treasure waiting for them.

Gifts should be valued at \$3.00 or more (appraisers will be on hand) and should be wrapped in left over Christmas paper with no ribbons or bows. Candles have been deemed "persona non grata" as they have overwhelmed the swap in past years. Mark your package for male or female if it is gender specific. Gifts will be accepted up until 8:15 PM, and the swap will begin shortly after the short business meeting. If you are new to Yankee Swaps, don't worry, just follow the crowd. At the end of the swap the giant free-for-all swap starts where you can trade for someone else's treasure. Hone your negotiating skills! We guarantee you will be hooked for life. Our swap gets bigger every year.

Questions? Contact our Activity Chairperson, Sally Hilderbrand, shilderbrand2@verizon.net or 610-489-4718

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

Welcome New Members

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Happy Holiday greetings to the Main Line Ski community. We may not see a white Christmas, but many of our Eastern hills are open. Perhaps a few of you have been skiing.

We had a good discussion of financial planning at our December meeting. It most definitely was not an endorsement of speculation, and all heard how much it costs to avoid all risk.

So when we think of using our profits to do a ski trip, sell high, buy in early to be sure you're on the trip, and spend the extra 7 percent or so for trip insurance... Not taking insurance is a bit like speculation.

Most of you know Vail is wait listed. Lake Placid is at 26, so a few seats remain.

You hopefully saw the announcement of our joint Holiday party with the Sail Club, and of course our Happy Hours continue. Tennis returns to every Sunday in January.

Most of you know that EPSC offers discount lift tickets through its website. And, do not forget to bring those unwanted, but trade-able gifts, to our January Yankee swap.

Enjoy the New Year.

Ralph von dem Hagen

Warmest Thanks!!!

Warmest Thanks to EVERYONE who volunteered to lead an event in 2017!!! MLSC couldn't do it without you all! Thank you, thank you, thank you! ☺

And **MUCH gratitude** to December's event leaders -- (just two due to the holidays!) Chris Maurer for the Wine & Dine at Tango on December 2nd and to Rich Schonwald for the Happy Hours on December 14th and 27th. You are both AWESOME!

PSC Holiday Soiree

Where: Corinthian Yacht Club

300W 2nd St, Essington, PA 19029

When: Saturday, January 6, 2018 @ 5:30 PM - 10:30 PM



-Cocktail Hour - Cash Bar w /Hot Hors d 'Oeuvres

-Gourmet Buffet - including :

- Corinthian House Salad
- Choice of Marinated Flank Steak, Boneless Breast of Chicken w/Marsala Sauce, or Orange Roughy w/Vanilla Citrus vin Blanc
- •Desert Choice of Ice cream or sherbet, and a cookie

DJ - For Dancing the Night Away. Music 5:30 pm – 10:00 pm



Enclosed is my check payable to PSC for _____Tickets @ \$60.00 each.

Please send your check to: Susan Clark, 1401 Black Walnut Drive, Phoenixville, PA
19460

Tuesday, January 9th MLSC Monthly Meeting

Thursday Happy Hour

Radnor Hotel Glenmorgan Grill

5-7 p.m.

January 11th, 2018



Hope to see you there!

Wine & Dine at Firepoint Grill

Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018



6:30 pm - cocktails at the bar

7:00 pm – seated for dinner

Newtown Square

Firepoint Grill at Newtown Square showcases an open kitchen with 100% wood-fired grill. Firepoint offers an eclectic menu filled with rich, natural flavors. Enjoy garden-fresh cocktails, seasonal craft beers and diverse wines alongside their chef-inspired menu and warm, inviting atmosphere.

Some customer comments are:

- The service was great. It was prompt. The staff was very friendly and personable – a great experience and great food!
- Great food and a fun atmosphere!
- I liked the modern urban design. The ambiance was superb and unsurpassed in the Philly suburbs.
- Nice variety on the menu and the steaks were excellent. They are very willing to tailor preparation to specific requests. Our waiter was outstanding!
- Atmosphere was really warm and friendly. Lots of seating, good lighting, and TV's.
- Short ribs were the best ever! The Firepoint burger was delish!
- Just the right amount of food started out with the crab and artichoke dip!!

Check out their menu online www.firepointgrill.com!

For reservations, email Judy Alters at jaa840@aol.com by Friday, January 12, 2018. Be sure you receive a return email. This is to ensure that your reservation has been received.

Firepoint Grill is located at 3739 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square; 484-428-3093. It is in the new Ellis Preserve Towne Center (where the shoppes are). Hope you can join us!

Activities Planning Meeting at Panera's



Tuesday, Jan. 16th 7:00 p.m.

Gateway Shopping Center, Devon

We meet at Panera's in the Gateway Shopping Center (in the corner of the "L" shape of stores...) between 6:45 and 7:00 p.m., order a dinner and then we'll plan activities for April through early June and finalize March's too. Big assignment for the evening is to plan the Progressive Dinner on April 7th. We need your ideas AND hope you can come on out with us! We are generally finished by 8:15 so it isn't a late night.

Panera's is a central location and it includes a meal...so please come on out! Call Sally at 610-489-4718 or email her at shilderbrand2@verizon.net if you need directions and/or to let us know you are coming. Hope to see you there!!

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, January 19th
Possible Jazz Concert at Phila. Art
Museum
More info coming...

Winter Walk & Indoor "Picnic"

Sunday, Jan. 28th 11:15 a.m. Collegeville, PA





Post-holiday blahs got you down???? Looking to get rid of some Christmas calories?? Well, come out for some fresh air and exercise with MLSC!!! Weather permitting (no rain, ice, or deep snow), we will walk on the Perkiomen Trail from Arcola to Collegeville. total round-trip distance of about 4 miles, then have a winter "picnic" at Sally Hilderbrand's in Collegeville, with a TOTALLY homemade lunch - "sloppy joes", Sally's favorite homemade soup, deviled eggs, warm applesauce, and fresh-baked cookies, plus a few more goodies. Each year just about every morsel is devoured - but as someone commented, "What's not to like about the food!!" We will meet at Sally's home in Collegeville, then carpool to the trail over the new and BEAUTIFUL Arcola Bridge to begin walking. The trail is very scenic, even in winter – it's entirely in the woods and overlooks the Perkiomen Creek below.

Cost of \$15 for the lunch for members (such a deal!!) – please bring EXACT CASH, \$25 for non-members. Call Sally at 610-489-4718 OR email her at shilderbrand2@verizon.net by Friday night, January 26th to reserve. No late reservation calls after this, please – We need to COOK and have enough food! (Needless to say, you don't bring anything!) And make SURE you received a confirmation email from Sally to ensure your email was received. Finally, take care to dress for the weather. Limited number of spaces available so reserve early!

Last Wednesday of Month Happy Hour Wednesday, January 31st, 2018 333 Belrose

King of Prussia Rd / Belrose Lane
Hope to see you there!

Super Bowl Party!! Sunday, February 4th 4:30 p.m.



Media

Come out to the biggest TV party of the year -the Super Bowl, and MAYBE the Eagles will be in it this year!!! We are very lucky to once again be back at Anne Hayes' home in Media. MLSC will provide beer, wine (PLEASE NOTE: NO red wine will be served!), soda, and coffee for the drive home. The cost is \$15 per person for members, \$25 for non-members (please bring cash if at all possible), plus everyone is asked to bring a potluck dish to share – appetizer, main dish, salad or vegetable, or dessert (folks bringing a main dish get a discount!). You need to MARK your dish with your last name and also mark/BRING serving utensils!! Your dish also needs to be fully prepared -- no room to cook stuff! Thank you!

Come on out to meet new friends and renew old friendships. We'll have a magic 100-square wager board so bring some spare dollar bills. A reservation is a MUST!

To reserve & identify your dish, please contact Sally Hilderbrand at 610-489-4718 or at shilderbrand2@verizon.net no later than Friday, February 2nd. Please note that we are limited to 45 participants -- we may fill to capacity before the deadline so "the early bird gets the worm."

Anne's address is 9 Worthington Drive, Media for you GPS'ers. Directions will also be sent out via email the day before.

Montco Community College Jazz Performance Saturday, Feb. 10th 8:00 p.m. Blue Bell, PA 19422

On Saturday February 10 Montgomery County Community College will present Terrance Blanchard and E-Collective for a memorable

evening of jazz. Terrence is one of the U.S.'s premier jazz trumpeters and heads the marvelous jazz curriculum at Temple University. He will be accompanied by four talented side men. The performance will start at 8:00PM with a post show "meet and greet" with the musicians. Tickets are \$35 but if we get ten MLSC members signing up the price drops to \$26. We might even get together afterwards for drinks and a light repast. Please save this date if you are a jazz lover. More details will be included in the January MLSC Newsletter.

Thursday Happy Hour

Radnor Hotel Glenmorgan Grill

5-7 p.m.

February 15th, 2018



Hope to see you there!

Sat/Sun/Mon Feb 16 – 19 PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND NO activities scheduled Sat., February 24th
"Gershwin's Songbook concert, MCCC Ann Knepper Phil Harvey has info on MCCC events

Last Wednesday of Month Happy Hour Wednesday, February 28th, 2018 333 Belrose King of Prussia Rd / Belrose Lane Hope to see you there!

WE'RE GOING TO LAKE PLACID NEW YORK HIGH PEAKS RESORTS

Sunday to Thursday, FEBRUARY 11-15, 2018 Trip Leader, Linda LaChapelle MLSC DOWNHILL AND CROSS COUNTRY SKIIERS



Whiteface Mountain: host of the 1932 & 1980 Winter Olympic offers the greatest vertical drop in the East, 3,430 feet. Whiteface features 85 trails, accessed by 11 lifts including 1 gondola. 44% expert, 36% intermediate and 20% beginner, 98% of the area is covered with snowmaking. Ride the Cloudsplitter Gondola, New High Speed Quad, Gladed Areas & Terrain Park!

Mt. Van Hoevenberg: The Olympic Cross Country ski trails have delighted individuals, couples and families for over 35 years. Constant trail upgrades and world class grooming on 50 km of rolling Adirondack terrain have been the hallmark of our Olympic legacy. Skiers have always found trails fit for the Olympian inside them, no matter their ability. Ski or snowshoes, breathe in the fresh, crisp air and follow our meticulously groomed trails through the snowy woods.

Double Occupancy: \$595 **Single Occupancy** plus \$240

Deposit \$145 at signup;

Balance due December 15, 2017 \$450 double; \$690 single

Price includes round trip motor coach, Sunday lunch, driver tip, hotel with hot breakfast daily, and a group buffet dinner. Also includes snacks and beverages on bus (wine, beer, water and soda).

Lift and X-C tickets not included and are optional; details will follow.

DEPARTURE: 11:00 AM Sunday, Feb. 11th at Crowne Plaza, KOP w/ second pickup Willow Grove (if needed) **RETURN DEPARTURE:** 2:30 PM Thursday, Feb. 15th

MLSC cancellation policy applies. Trip Insurance is available and advised. To reserve your spot on this trip send deposit of \$145 (check made out to MLSC) plus the Trip/Activity Reservation Form from the MLSC website Ski Trips tab **TO**: Linda LaChapelle, One Braxton Road, Rosemont, PA 19010 **Questions**: lindala410@gmail.com 610-662-1843. **No refunds unless replacement is obtained.**

The **High Peaks Resorts** is located on Main Street, in the center of the village. All rooms have a private balcony or patio, with lake or mountain views. There are two indoor pools, two whirlpools, exercise room, nightly Happy Hour and live entertainment in the Dancing Bear Lounge. Lake Placid also features Bobsledding, Luge, Ice-Skating, Olympic venues and more. Overlooking the sparkling shores of Mirror Lake in Lake Placid, and in the very heart of the shopping, dining and entertainment district on Main Street, you'll find the completely redesigned High Peaks Resort. A completely updated hotel, our casual yet sophisticated style makes us one of the most beautiful and comfortable resorts in Lake Placid. Boasting spectacular views, access to all the splendor of the Adirondack region and superior service, and ensuring all of our resort guests a visit full of fantastic memories and countless reasons to return.

<u>Village activities and nightclubs are</u> located within walking distance.

Shuttle with transportation to venues or Free Lake Placid Village Shuttle during the day only.

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.

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:		
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Participant #1 Signature:	Date	
Participant #2 Signature:	Date	
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(Y or N): I want a 6 th day ticket	I want the Epic Local Pass Initial please	

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

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



January - February 2018

Calendar of Activities

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

Sun., Jan. 6th	PSC – MLSC Holiday Soiree—Essington PA
Tues., Jan. 9th	MLSC Monthly Meeting - Yankee Swap—KOP

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Ski Trips

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

February 11 - 15, 2018 MLSC Northeast Bus Trip to Lake Placid, NY

Feb. 24 - Mar. 3, 2018 MLSC Vail CO Ski Trip

Link of Interest:

www.easternpaskicouncil.org EPSC