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President's Message

What a club! Once again, the powers of nature did not slow us down. Members braved the dire warnings about flash floods, rain and thunder to show up at the Eadies' home in Reston for our June meeting. A few were wise and stayed home as the weather channels advised, but many of us were greeted by sunshine when we arrived. Thank you, Louann and Bob, for sharing your slide show of Paris as we partied and caught up with everyone's news. Also, many thanks to Nancy and Ray for organizing our afternoon at Signature Theatre to see the stunning "La Cage Aux Folles" production. It was magnificent!

Summertime brings a hiatus to our regular monthly meetings. Instead there is the July 9 SummerFest at the Jablons, and August 20 Steak and Swim at the Hines' in Delaplane. This issue of the TOOT has details. At the Summerfest, you will hear more about the ski trips planned for next winter. Complete fliers and applications are attached to this TOOT, so sign up now for next year's ski trips!

Whatever your summer plans, remember PVS and keep in touch! Dave and I are leaving next week for a trip to England and Portugal. I'll catch up with you at the Steak and Swim. Again, if you know of a local activity that may be of interest to a small group of club members that you can help coordinate, let us know. We can always send out an email invite (check with Ray, Program Chair, and Dave Warthen for email distribution). And if you are traveling or have other news to report, we welcome contributions to the Members' Corner. We love hearing about members' news and adventures.

Happy Summer! *Carolyn*

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SUMMER FEST

Saturday, July 9, 3:00 PM

AT THE HOME OF CARA & BOB JABLON

Come for dinner and learn all about the trips PVS is offering for the 2017 season.

PVS will provide hamburgers and hot dogs at Summer Fest, our annual summer fun event where we talk about next year's ski trips. We ask that members and guests bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert. When you RSVP to Cara, please let her know what you intend to bring. Like all PVS events, there will be wine, beer, and soft drinks too. Further, the Jablon pool will be inviting all to jump in. So, bring your suit and a towel if you have a yen to cause a splash. The usual \$3.00 fee will be collected at the door.

In addition to a great summer get-together, we will be talking about the 2017 ski trips i.e., Snowmass, and Val d'Isere.. There will be charts, there will be flyers, and there will be enthusiasm. On the attendees' part, there should be questions, there should be excitement, and there should be checkbooks in hand.... A final thought - the ski trips are not for skiers only, the trips are as much fun for nonskiers as for skiers.

We ask those who plan to attend to RSVP by the 5th of July. It is important to know approximately how many will attend so that we can assure that we have the appropriate amount and variety of food. If you miss the RSVP deadline, then we still welcome you, but please call or email Cara (see number and email address below) that you are coming.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, July 5,
rcjablon@aol.com or 202-333-5332.

Would you like a ride to the meeting? Are you willing to give someone a ride to the meeting? Contact Inge Lesjak at 703- 913-0759 or Lesjak.inge@gmail.com

DIRECTIONS to the home of Cara and Robert Jablon, 4573 Indian Rock Terrace, N.W., Washington, D.C

From Northwest D.C.: Take Nebraska Avenue to the beginning of Foxhall Road. Go south on Foxhall Road one traffic light past the intersection of Foxhall and Reservoir to Q Street. Right on Q Street. Continue on Q Street for 1 block to the stop sign (45th St.) and make a right on 45th. Go two blocks and make a left (Q Lane). The street will dead-end into Indian Rock Terrace. Make a right and go up the hill. The Jablons' house is the fourth house up the hill on the right (a red brick and frame contemporary house).

From Potomac/Rockville/Gaithersburg: Take 270 South to 495 towards Virginia. Exit at Cabin John Parkway and continue south on the parkway until Arizona Avenue (1st traffic light after light at Chain Bridge). Make a left on Arizona and a right on MacArthur Boulevard (1st light). Continue on MacArthur Boulevard for about 1½ miles past the Safeway on the left. Shortly after passing the Safeway, MacArthur forks to the right and Reservoir Road goes to the left. Continue on MacArthur to Q Street (the next light after the light at the fork). Make a left on Q Street. Go 1 block to the stop sign (45th St.), and make a left on 45th. Go 2 blocks and make a left (Q Lane). The street will dead-end into Indian Rock Terrace. Make a right and go up the hill. The Jablons' house is the fourth house up the hill on the right (a red brick and frame contemporary house).

From Virginia (Chain Bridge): At the end of the Chain Bridge, make a right. Continue to the first light (Arizona Avenue). Make a left on Arizona and follow the directions immediately above from that point on.

From Virginia (Key Bridge): Stay in one of the left lanes at the end of the Key Bridge. Make a left at the end of the bridge to M Street (may be called Canal Road at that point). Get in the right lane and continue up the hill to the light at the beginning of Foxhall Road. Continue on Foxhall to the next light (Q Street). Make a left on Q Street. Go one block to the stop sign (45th St.) and make a right. Go 2 blocks and make a left (Q Lane). The street will dead-end into Indian Rock Terrace. Make a right and go up the hill. The Jablons' house is the fourth house up the hill on the right (a red brick and frame contemporary house).



Special Event !!!
Join us at PVS' 26th (*not* annual)



“STEAK AND SWIM”

At the HINES'
Saturday August 20, 2016 .- 3pm Rain or Shine

This is PVS' oldest annual club event!

Celebrate summer at the Hines' beautiful Delaplane, VA home where the living' is good --- and the steaks -oh my!

Limited to 30. Reserve now! Deadline to sign up or cancel by August 11th.

BRING: Your own bathing suit and towel and an **appetizer, salad, or dessert.**

INCLUDED: steaks, baked potatoes and fixings, beverages and lots of fun!!

Cost: Approximately \$15 per person.

NOTE: Because of the cost outlay to our hosts, “no-shows” will be responsible for price of steak, potatoes and beverages supplied by our hosts if reservations are not cancelled by August 11th.

To sign up phone Kerry or Marianne 540 364-4810, or email mchines@erols.com to tell them what you'll bring



June Meeting at the Home of Louann and Bob Eadie

Twenty-four hardy PVS members braved the rainstorm on Tuesday, June 21, to attend the monthly meeting hosted by Louann and Bob Eadie. Attendees were greeted by the life-size Xian Terra Cotta warrior, bearing a picture of Paris in honor of the Eadies' recent month-long trip to Paris. Louann and Bob had a fabulous time, as documented by the wonderful slide show of their trip, shown on their larger than life size television.



The Eadies celebrated their upcoming 70th birthdays on their trip, and not only enjoyed Paris, but also visited Normandy, Versailles, and other surrounding areas. Despite the flooding in Paris (such that the scenic boats could not get under the bridges of the Seine), the closing of certain museums and restaurants, the rail strike, and the generally bleak and cold weather, the Eadies reported that their trip was phenomenal – great rental apartment, wonderful people, excellent markets, and great food. We were all salivating watching pictures of Louann enjoying escargots, quiche, soufflé, and French pastries. We also understand that she enjoyed playing tennis in the Luxembourg Gardens in Paris. Also celebrating recently were Marianne and Kerry Hines (50th Anniversary) and Blanca and John Hotaling (48th Anniversary).

In honor of their French trip, the Eadies served a repast of excellent cheese, wonderful grilled sausage, watermelon, and red wine. For dessert, Louann made amazing chocolate peanut butter cookies and bread pudding with bourbon sauce, and also served an excellent cheesecake. In anticipation of the upcoming July 4



decorated their table with red, white, and blue plates and tablecloth.

Our president, Carolyn DeVilbiss, presided over the meeting, and Ray McKinley detailed upcoming events, including the Summerfest on July 9 at the DC home of Cara and Bob Jablon and the Steak and Swim on August 9 at the Delaplane, Virginia home of Marianne and Kerry Hines. The trip leaders for the 2017 trips reported on the status of the two PVS trips. For Snowmass, led by Kathy and Barry Lake, the trip will be land only, and includes senior discounts for lift tickets. Eighteen people have signed up so far for Snowmass.

The Val d'Isere trip to France, led by Inge Lesjak, is a joint trip with the Columbia Ski Club. So far, five couples have signed up for the trip. We will fly into Lyon, and take a bus to the ski area; there is a post-trip option to Nice. Participants can also elect to make other pre- or post-trip choices – there is flexibility on airline scheduling. Inge noted that the town where we will be staying is the home of Jean-Claude Killy. She stated that the hotel is within walking distance of the slopes, that all breakfasts and three dinners are included in the trip, and that there are many nice restaurants in the town. After hearing about the Eadies' wonderful trip to France, I look forward to the Val d'Isere trip, as well as our "classic" Snowmass trip, and hope that many fellow PVS members will join us on these trips.

With many thanks to Louann and Bob Eadie for hosting an excellent meeting\

Submitted by Cara Jablon

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La Cage aux Folles

On June 11, seventeen PVSers and friends joined together to enjoy a matinée at Signature Theatre in Shirlington. The production of *la cage aux folles* stunned us with its production techniques, music and outstanding makeup and costumes. Georges (Brent Barrett) and Albin (Bobby Smith) played parts wonderfully and produced exquisite musical numbers as they took us through a sort of spoof that touched all of our real world realities and sensitivities dealing with the intersection of the gay homosexual world when it meets the straight world and how love and real concerns for each other overcome our prejudices. Costumes, makeup, and the appearance of gender change

made one unsure of who or what one was seeing and produced the magical setting that allowed the audience to feel emotions from all perspectives as boundaries were bridged and the authors made their point perfectly - that there is room for all to love and respect and enjoy each other. Viva la difference!

A subset of PVS members repaired across the street for a wonderful early evening dinner at Sam Beckett's Irish Gastro Pub. This 4½-star rated restaurant produced some delectable choices from lamb shank, shepherds pie, rib eye steak and calamari....all were satisfied. Several PVSers vowed to return.

Submitted by John Hotaling



Members' Corner

By J. David Warthen, Jr.
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A Month in Paris – Louann Eadie

Looking for over 2 months last May online to rent an apt. was a full time job!!! BUT, we were blessed that I found a fabulous apt. in the 7th Arrondissement right across from a beautiful St. Clotilde Basilica! Owned by a French woman who retired from interior decorating, this was the ultimate in French decorating with art everywhere, books on every subject, and a full size kitchen which you don't find in French apartments, and a wonderful manager to go with it who was supportive in suggestions and questions any time!!!

We arrived May 5th and never looked back. We explored the hop on hop off bus for two days taking every color line offered (2 each day). We stayed on the bus and mapped out where each area was and that gave us a wonderful insight as to where things were. We then made ourselves experience and learn the subway a necessity in Paris. Voila! Paris gets an A+ for easy access, abundant signs as to what number and color line goes where, and trains that arrive every 2-3 minutes! We could be on the other side of Paris to an outdoor market with our rolling market bag in 20 minutes!

If you go to Paris, make sure you wear your walking shoes even with a great Metro, there are a lot of steps and distances to get from A to B! That enabled us to pick up a "traditional" baguette and some cheese each day on our way home with a bottle of "fabulous RED wine" for a late afternoon treat.

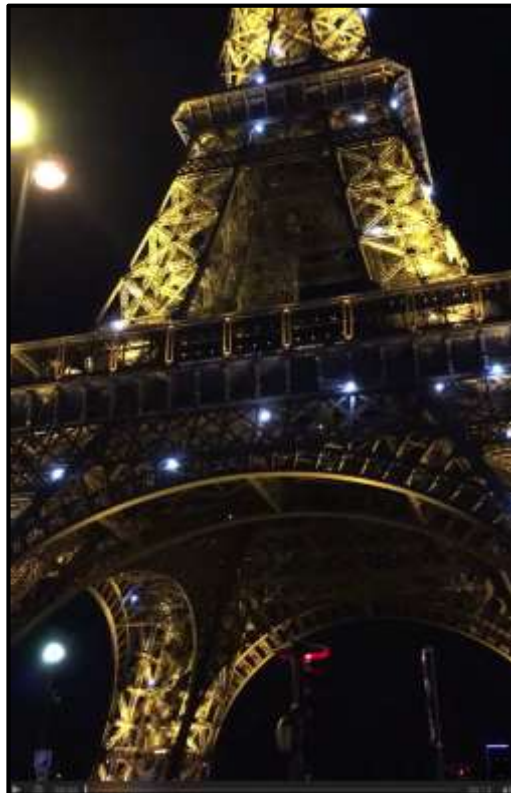
We didn't have the best weather (thought it would be 60's an up). Instead it was jackets, damp and rainy....but it didn't deter us at all! We planned our day around the sun!!! When you "live" in

Paris for a month, you really get to feel the vibes of the city so much more. We accomplished all the sights in guidebooks: Louvre, Musee D'orsay, Marmotten Monet Museum, L'Orangerie, boat rides on the Seine, Eiffel Tower, Center Pompidou, Moulon Rouge show (fabulous), Sacre Couer, St.Chappelle, Notre Dame, Les Invalides, and much more. These were certainly highlights of our trip. But, all the experiences we had with people we met at a bistro (tables are very close), or the puppet show in Renlaugh Park of Little Red Riding Hood in French will be a very special memory. I didn't understand one word of the show but the children were electric in their responses to the Wolf, and it was pretty special!

The first few days were spent getting acclimated with the Metro and hop on hop off bus showing us the entire city of Paris. This enabled us to go anywhere in the city so easily that we ventured near and far. We spent a misty Sunday at Pere'-LaChaise Cemetery, which is HUGE ... Oscar Wilde, Jim Morrison, and Gertrude Stein reside there. Some of the crypts are hundreds of years old. We took the RER train to Bayeux for 2 days to see the Bayeux tapestry, and traveled to Mont. Sainte Michel Monastery. We also ventured to Giverny on a wonderful sunny day (one of few) to explore Monet's home and gardens, a highlight of the trip for me and had a lovely lunch at a 118 years old inn down the street.

Our days were not frenetically packed with things to check off the list. We spread out the sights and on those other days, we would explore an area, say Montmartre, the Latin Quarter, Marais District or St. Germain, stopping in patisseries for a loaf of "traditional" french bread (made with butter) and a fromagerie for some great cheese oh, and the bottle of Port South red wine from Bordeaux that we found sublime, and trek on to our lovely apt. to hear the bells of St. Clotilde Basilica ring as we opened the windows!

We had a Fran Prix (small grocery store), 2 doors away, so they knew me well by the end of the trip! They had everything you could possibly need! I took lots of spices in individual zip locs for cooking and



we went to the unbelievable markets (Picoult-Grenelle which is HUGE) and the Rennes Market on another day to get fresh meat, beautiful vegetables, fruit, and flowers. It was a pleasure to eat in our lovely kitchen. Other days we would go to La Cuisine de Philippe over by Luxembourg Gardens for a 3 course meal: cheese, mushroom or lobster souffle for appetizer



(they call it Plait); entree, and a souffle for dessert (grand mariner, chocolate, pistachio, or cherry). Bob always got the veal kidneys (I know, I wouldn't eat them either!), but he said they were excellent and it reminded him of his boyhood in Orleans when his family lived in France for 4 years. Or we would go to a late lunch at Chez Gladines where we would sit outside of this lovely Bistro and have a glass of wine, cassoulet, and enjoy all the liveliness around us!

I signed us up for 2 cooking classes at La Cuisine! The first was croissants and pastries (there were 7 of us in the class) and the second was French sauces (5 of us). These were truly a blast and we got to bring home lots of the leftovers! We also took a bike tour of Paris, which was on a glorious sunny day all through the back streets, busy streets, and attractions like the Louvre. It was a whole other perspective!

Bob and I would sit in the evenings and try to decide which attraction in Paris we liked best it was really hard, but for both of us the Rodin Museum was topnotch! It was small, with beautiful gardens with his statues displayed in and amongst the gardens. The Kiss and the Gates Of Hell were beyond extraordinary! We both really connected with the Rodin.

All the impressionism of Monet, Caillebotte, Manet, Van Gogh and others was truly a treasure of opportunities to see so many works by these artists in all the Museums. Our last few days in Paris were winding down and we had not yet made it to Versailles. We tried to go the second Thursday we were there but in Paris there are different strikes every day and it affected our getting there. So, the last Thursday (Rick Steves says DON'T go on a Sunday, Monday or Wednesday (closed on Tuesday). Best days

are Thursday and Friday! So, we get to the station and the train to Rive Gauche Versailles is not running. Well, we went up to the tracks anyway, and met some other people wanting to get to Versailles also. We took the RER B train, which only goes to the station before Versailles. So, we hopped that train and walked the 2 miles to the Chateau! It was another cool, damp misty day but we were determined. I had booked the 7 Euro each private tour of King Louis XIV's apartments. We are early so we talk to one of the wonderful guides. After 20 minutes, she comes over and says, "I am so sorry but the lights went out in the palace and we had to evacuate!" We just looked at each other and laughed! So, we went out to the gardens, but you couldn't really appreciate the immense beauty of the grounds with the weather so we walked another 2 1/2 miles to Petit Trianon and Grand Trianon (Marie Antoinette's quarters) where she hid away from all the pressures of the court. They were lovely. We luckily saw a little trolley for 4 Euros each to take us back to the Palace (whew!). We then took a remarkable tour (only 12 of us due to all the glitches) to now find a way home to Paris! I asked 5 different people in the Palace for a way to get home and got 3 different answers. So, we left Versailles and walked with the masses down from the Palace. At a red light, I met eyes with a woman and asked her if she was going to the train "oh no trains are running; follow me to the 171 bus to Paris!" She was from Milan and came to Paris due to no jobs in her country. We got on the bus, got off the last stop and took the Metro (3 changes) back to Solferino, our stop! Of course, we went to Gossins for a French baguette and some pastries (one of these, one of those) to treat ourselves after a very interesting day at Versailles!!!!

Our remaining 2 days were spent watching the Seine rise over 18' taking with it the ability to walk the Seine and go to the Louvre, Musee D'orsay or Notre Dame. Due to the flooding they were all closed!!! Luckily, we were done with these attractions, so we shopped along the river at the wonderful booths set up with books, posters, and various sundries!

Left June 5th on a sunny day amidst the floods and oil strikes and train strikes and imminent airline strikes, but we wouldn't have it any other way!!!

View more photos of our month in Paris at:
http://pvskiers.org/photo_gallery/albums/Paris2016/index.html

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PVS Calendar 2016:

Jun 28 Tue ExCom, 7:00 PM, Telephonic
 Jul 09 Sat Summerfest, 3:00 PM, Cara & Bob Jablon, Washington, DC
 Aug 20 Sat Steak & Swim, 3:00 PM, Kerry & Marianne Hines, Delaplane, VA

PVS Ski Trips 2017:



January 11-18, 2017---PVS Aspen/Snowmass, CO, Kathy & Barry Lake

March 4-12, 2017 ---PVS Val d'Isere, France, Inge Lesjak

Useful Ski "Links"

Potomac Valley Skiers www.potomacvalleyskiers.org
 BRSC Sanctioned Trips www.skicouncil.com/tripsbydate.htm
 DC Ski Online News www.dcski.com
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Potomac Valley Skiers

2017 Snowmass, Colorado Ski Trip

Wednesday, January 11-Wednesday, January 18

Trip Details

Once again we will be staying [slope-side](#) at the Snowmass Mountain Chalet (SMC), just below the Snowmass Mall and from where you can ski directly to the lifts. Check the web-site at www.mountainchalet.com. This year we are offering a “**Land Only**” package since most people prefer to make their own arrangements. The total package includes: land transfer from Aspen airport to SMC and return; 5 day lift ticket ([good for all four ski areas in the Aspen complex, free shuttle bus](#)) with option for extra days; 7 nights lodging (double occupancy); daily breakfasts; daily soup lunch; luggage handling; a welcome reception, an “all guest” hotel sponsored party, a “pizza” party and a farewell group dinner to celebrate our trip. Additional nights at Snowmass are an option based on availability. Trip insurance is available through Encompasse Tours and is [highly suggested](#). For trail information check www.aspensnowmass.com. **Full application:** http://pvsikers.org/ski_trips/Snowmass2017.pdf

The basic package at \$1,630 includes a lift ticket discount for skiers 65 and over. Those under 65 will have to add \$42.00.

<u>Costs:</u>		<u>Price</u>
Basic Snowmass Package (65 and older)		\$1,630
Under 65	add	\$ 42
Single Supplement	add	\$1,027
Non-skiers	subtract	\$ 262
Extra ski days (65 and older)	add	\$ 58 per day
Under 65	add	\$ 128 for 1 extra day
	add	\$ 224 for 2 extra days
Silver Pass	add	\$ 161

NOTE: The Silver Pass is available for skiers 70 and older for an additional \$161. If you are over 70 and plan to ski more than 7 days, you should buy the Silver Pass.

Payment Schedule

\$300 deposit is due with application.

Second payment of \$750 is due **August 15th.**

Final payment is due **September 15.**

To sign up: Please send

- (1) the [Application form](#) -- one per person or one per couple residing at the same address
- (2) a [Deposit of \\$300 per person](#) and/or your [payment due](#), and
- (3) the [signed Waiver of Liability Agreement](#) by each party taking the trip to:
Kathy Lake at 11677 Fox Glen Drive, Oakton VA 22124
(put [PVS Snowmass 2017](#) on the check memo line).

Kathy and Barry Lake are the trip leaders. For more information, feel free to contact us at 703-625-2715 or kathylakehomes@yahoo.com

[The Mountain Chalet](#)

The Snowmass Mountain Chalet is an independent lodge, managed on-site, with easy access to the slopes. Each of the 64 rooms has either 2 queen beds or 1 king bed, depending on availability. All rooms have: hair dryer, TV, small refrigerator, etc. The lodge has a nice lounge on the main floor with chairs, game tables, fireplace, and large windows overlooking the slopes. There is an elevator, exercise room, outdoor pool, a hot tub and laundry facilities. A full breakfast is served family style each morning. A complimentary soup lunch is served from Noon to 1:30 PM. The lodge has no restaurant for dinner. However, the Snowmass Mall, on the level above, and hotel area below (via the small gondolas) has diverse restaurants at all price levels. Bus service stops are nearby for trips to a nearby grocery store, into the town of Aspen, to other Aspen ski areas, and to Glenwood Springs.

Trip Insurance

Trip insurance is recommended. Travel Guard is available through our travel agent, Encompasse Tours at Encompasse.com. (The insurance link will connect you to Travel Guard.) The insurance provides coverage for accident, illness, injury, or death to attendee or immediate family member and will refund all expenses associated with PVS Snowmass 2017 in these circumstances alone. There are several options available, depending on your situation. Please read carefully before choosing. And, be sure to save all receipts concerning your trip!

Cancellation Policy and Fees

If it becomes necessary for you to cancel your trip, the trip leaders will try to minimize your losses, although some fees are mandated by the hotel and tour operator. All cancellations must be in writing. [We strongly urge you to purchase trip insurance](#) (see above). Please take the time to ensure the information you provide is correct, and take note of deadline dates!

Cancellation fees are as follows: *Dates and costs are consistent with requirements and penalties imposed by vendors per contracted agreements.* LAND: \$300 after September 28 until December 1; after that, cost is entirely non-refundable.

If you are a “single” participant requesting space on a PVS-endorsed ski trip and need a roommate, we recommend each of you purchase insurance to cover both of you if one of the roommates cancels. Otherwise, you will be offered the choice of one of the following three options:

- 1) [Helping the trip leader find a replacement trip participant who will fill the space vacated;](#)
or
- 2) [Staying on the ski trip by paying the “single supplement”](#) or
- 3) [Canceling from the ski trip and paying all currently due penalties.](#)

APPLICATION FORM

Potomac Valley Skiers Trip to Snowmass, Colorado

January 11-18, 2017

Name (List both names if a couple) as on your Official ID:

_____ Age 65 or older Y N

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Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact and Phone: _____

NOTE: Please let trip leader know of any special medical issues which may affect your trip.

Roommate (if a separate person) - Official name as on ID: _____

Bedding choice (if available): _____ 1 king or _____ 2 queens

		<u>Price per person</u>
Basic Snowmass Package (65 and older)		\$1,630
Under 65	add	\$ 42
Single Supplement	add	\$1,027
Non-skiers	subtract	\$ 262
Extra ski days (65 and older)	add	\$ 58 per day
Under 65	add	\$ 128 for 1 extra day
	add	\$ 224 for 2 extra days
Silver Pass (70 & older skiing more than 7 days)	add	\$ 161

Please check all appropriate spaces:

Cost (will be filled in by trip leader):

___ Total package _____

___ Single supplement _____

___ Extra hotel nights _____

___ Non-skier _____

___ Extra day(s) of skiing ___ days _____

___ Silver pass _____

Total price of trip \$ _____

Additional nights at SMC: yes ___ no ___ if yes, what dates? _____

Additional comments _____

WAIVER

Potomac Valley Skiers

**RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY
AGREEMENT PERTAINING TO THE JANUARY 11-18, 2017 SKI TRIP to
SNOWMASS, COLORADO (Potomac Valley Skiers)**

- (1) I acknowledge that there are inherent risks in the sport of skiing and other sports or activities in which I might participate during this trip, and in the process of traveling. There may be bodily injury, illness, accident, death, property loss or damage, and unanticipated additional costs or other economic losses. I fully and willingly accept the responsibility and liability for all such risks, dangers, costs, and losses.
- (2) I agree not to sue or hold responsible the trip leader, Potomac Valley Skiers, Inc. (hereafter PVS), its officers and members of the Executive Committee, or its members for: (1) any accident, personal injury, illness, or death occurring to me or to any other trip participant, arising directly or indirectly from this trip; (2) any loss of deposit of payment, any other property or economic loss, or unanticipated additional costs, delay, or change of itinerary arising out of any action or inaction of any hotel, airline, tour operator, land transportation operator, or other entity or person providing services on this trip; and (3) any trip cancellation, delay, early termination or extension due to acts of God, forces of nature, or other force majeure events or situations. I willingly and with full knowledge assume these risks.
- (3) I understand and agree that the trip leaders, and the tour operators or agents with whom the trip leaders have contracted, have the right to substitute accommodations of similar or better quality, to change transportation arrangements and providers, and to modify other services. In the event of such changes, no refund or credit will be provided if the accommodations, transportation, or services are of comparable or better quality and cover the same approximate time period.
- (4) I agree that I am not entitled to a credit or refund for any included trip service that is not used by me.

I have read and I fully understand this "Release, Assumption of Risk, and Waiver of Liability Agreement," the final trip flyer, and the trip application, and I agree to all of the specified terms and conditions.

Signature of Participant: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Participant: _____

Signature of Participant: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Participant: _____

Potomac Valley Skiers present:

Val d'Isère, France ☉ **March 4 - 12, 2017**

Plus: Optional pre-trip to Lyon and/or post-trip to Nice

Lyon - add \$275
March 2 - 4

Val d'Isère - \$2850
March 4 - 12

Nice - add \$625
March 12 - 16

7 nights
at the

4 ★ Hotel L'Aigle Des Neiges

Welcome Drink on arrival with light snacks and orientation by Tourist office representative
Cocktail Hour each evening with exclusive club prices
Mid-week Après Ski Party

Full hot and cold breakfast buffet daily
4-course dinner for 3 evenings
so you can explore other great restaurants

Indoor pool, sauna, and steam room
Ski room with heated boot warmers

Round trip air: Dulles/IAD - Lyon/LYS via Air France
Round trip transfers between Lyon Airport and Val d'Isere

Emergency Medical and repatriation insurance
*Trip Cancellation Insurance is not included in basic trip cost, but can be purchased



Snowsure: Snow coverage tends to be one of the best in Europe as conditions normally facilitate good skiing right to the end of the season, which is usually in early May.



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Payment Schedule on page 3 (write checks to PVS and mail to Inge Lesjak at above address)

Val d'Isère \$2850 Lyon + Val d'Isère \$275 + \$2850 = \$3125 Val d'Isère + Nice \$2850 + \$625 = \$3475

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Espace Killy - Val d'Isère/Tignes



The Skiing

Ski range from 1,785m - 3,456m

Beginners ★★☆☆

The nursery slopes of the village, with their free draglift and chairlift, are the starting point for most beginners, who will quickly progress to enjoy the greens and blues both on the lower resort slopes and high up on the Belvedere. Another great green is up on the Solaise, the Madeleine, from where fabulous panoramic views can be enjoyed.

Intermediates ★★☆☆★

In many skiers' eyes, Val d'Isère's Espace Killy area quite simply has no equal for keen intermediates looking for variety and challenges, both on and off-piste. From fantastic tree runs to the open acres of the glaciers and long, long cruising blues and reds from top to bottom, the area has absolutely everything any skier could ever ask. We really cannot recommend it highly enough.

Advanced ★★☆☆★

With the whole of the Espace Killy to explore, advanced skiers are spoilt for choice! From the Leisse runs on the Grande Motte Glacier to Col des Ves, probably the furthest black from Val, and the long run down the Vallon de la Sache to Tignes Les Brevières, the challenge for advanced skiers will be to race across the whole area skiing them all. The notorious 'Face' offers the option of over 1,000m of tricky skiing back to the resort centre, for the perfect end to the perfect day.

Snowboarding ★★☆☆★

La Daille is home to the snowboard park, where a half-pipe, quarter-pipes, bumps and rails galore will keep even the most experienced boarder happy in the search for big air! Val d'Isère also boasts several specialist snowboard schools for beginners or those wishing to brush up on technique. Tignes also has its own superb snowboard park.

Activities

- Swimming pool
- Ice-skating
- Sports and fitness centre
- 25km of walking trails
- Husky sledding
- Horse-riding
- Ice-carting
- Squash/tennis
- Quad biking and 4 x 4
- Snowmobiling
- Ice climbing
- Paragliding
- Ice rally circuit

Other Amenities

- Excellent selection of boutiques and designer shops
- Numerous cafés, bars and restaurants
- Banks and ATM points
- Cinema

Val d'Isère

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Deposit \$400, Aug \$750, Sept \$775, Oct \$775, Nov \$775

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Deposit \$400, Aug \$815, Sept \$845, Oct \$845, Nov \$845

***City view - Mediterranean Sea View available for \$140 additional**

**RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY
AGREEMENT PERTAINING TO ALL SKI TRIPS**

(1) I acknowledge that there are inherent risks in the sport of skiing and other sports or activities in which I might participate during this trip, and in the process of traveling. There may be bodily injury, illness, accident, death, property loss or damage, and unanticipated additional costs or other economic losses. I fully and willingly accept the responsibility and liability for all such risks, dangers, costs, and losses.

(2) I agree not to sue or hold responsible the trip leaders, Potomac Valley Skiers, Inc. (hereafter PVS), its officers and members of the Executive Committee, or its members for: (1) any accident, personal injury, illness, or death occurring to me or to any other trip participant, arising directly or indirectly from this trip; (2) any loss of deposit or payment, any other property or economic loss, or unanticipated additional costs, delay, or change of itinerary arising out of any action or inaction of any hotel, airline, tour operator, land transportation operator, or other entity or person providing services on this trip; and (3) any trip cancellation, delay, early termination or extension due to acts of God, forces of nature, or other force majeure events or situations. I willingly and with full knowledge assume these risks.

(3) I understand and agree that the trip leaders, and the tour operators or agents with whom the trip leaders have contracted, have the right to substitute accommodations of similar or better quality, to change transportation arrangements and providers, and to modify other services. In the event of such changes, no refund or credit will be provided if the accommodations, transportation, or services are of comparable or better quality and cover the same approximate time period.

(4) I agree that I am not entitled to a credit or refund for any included trip service that is not used by me.

I have read and I fully understand this "Release, Assumption of Risk, and Waiver of Liability Agreement," the final trip flyer, and the trip application, and I agree to all of the specified terms and conditions.

Signature of Participant 1: _____ Date _____

Printed Name of Participant 1: _____

Signature of Participant 2 (if any): _____ Date _____

Printed Name of Participant 2: _____

Trip Location: _____ **Dates of Trip** _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Roommate (if not listed above) _____