

Lost Nation News

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Fagowee Members in Passing

We remember our members who have gone to the great lift line in the sky. They are our treasured friends never to be forgotten. Names in "boldface" are new to the lift line. Please DO NOT cut in line! As we welcome in another year of adventures, we take a moment to remember those who will no longer be joining us in our revelry. We miss having them share our good times but hope they are enjoying eternal powder days. We love you guys and miss you!

Lou Barr	Adison Hansford	Sr. Mike
Lloyd Berger	Carl Harlow, Sr.	Dave Pankratz
Bob Blitz	Esther Harlow	Leo Parenteau
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Jolly Fleming	John Mafadda	Don Vitt*
Bill Foley	Harry Molinari	Hollis Webster
Ann Foster	Fred Frank Mosca	Donald Wiley
Dr. Richard Fred	Cleo Mueller	Dottie Wilson
Jerry Frederick	Mickey Mueller	Prospero Dr. Z" Zevallos
Ed Frisbee	Frank Newboldt	
Henry Gay	Bill Normandy	
John Grimes	Marion Normandy	

* Past President

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If you want to ski on a day when there is no scheduled trip and snow is on the ground, post to the users group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Fagowee_Skiers. You might find a fellow Fagowee to go with you ☺

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year!!!!

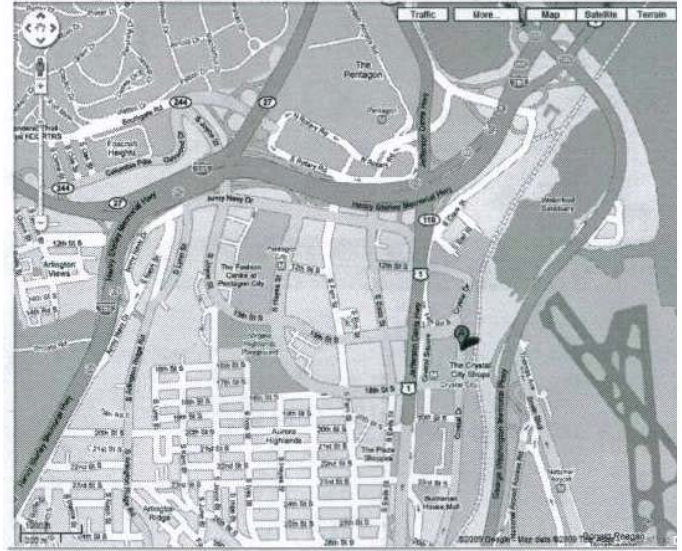
I hope every one had a wonderful Christmas, a peaceful Hanukah, and wish you all a fantastic New Year! (cont'd on p.5)



Meeting Location: Crowne Plaza Washington National Air- port Hotel

1480 Crystal Drive Arlington, Virginia 22202
703-416-1600

We meet in the Veranda Café located on the 2nd floor. Doors open at 5 pm and the meeting starts at 7:30 pm. There is also a bar on the first floor where you can enjoy a beverage of your choice and free popcorn. Parking is free in the underground parking of the Crowne Plaza and on the street after 6 pm. The underground parking appears as if you need to pay **but you do not** it is free as it's part of the service we get as members of the Fagowees!



Members and visitors, please ask the following officers any questions regarding the club.

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BRSC Council	Nancy Cruise Sam Mantis

From the District Of Columbia: Take 395 South toward Richmond. Cross over the 14th St. bridge and exit at 8C on the left to Rt.1 towards National Airport. Merge onto Rt. 1 towards Alexandria/Crystal City. Turn left at 20th St. and then a left at Crystal Dr. Hotel is on the left.

From the South: Take 95 North and exit at 8C towards Pentagon City. Go straight at the light at the end of the ramp onto S. Hayes St. Stay straight on Hayes St. till you cross Rt. 1 at which point it turns into 18th St. Continue on 18th till Crystal Dr. Turn left at Crystal Dr. Hotel is on the left.

From the east: Take the Capitol Beltway 495/95 across the Woodrow Wilson Bridge. Take exit 177B-A toward Alexandria. Merge onto S. Patrick St. (Us Rt. 1). Go North thru Alexandria, past the airport, and continue till just past Glebe Rd. Bear right onto Crystal Dr. for about one mile and the Hotel is on the left just past 15th St.

From the West: Take Rt. 66 East to Rt. 110 South to Rt. 1 South (Jefferson Davis Hwy) Take exit for 15th street which will end at Crystal Dr. Turn left and the hotel is on the left.

From the North: Take the Capitol Beltway 495 across the American Legion bridge and get off at the George Washington Parkway. Follow signs to Rt. 1 and turn left at 15th St. 15th ends at Crystal Dr. Turn left and hotel is on left.

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 FAGOWEE NEWS: CONGRATULATIONS TO TIM  
 GORDON FOR FAGOWEE OF THE YEAR AND ANDREA  
 STEINHOOR FOR UNSUNG HERO! WELL DESERVED!!  
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Editor's Note: If you have any notable Fagowee member news to report—birthdays, anniversaries, etc., please send an email to the editor at oz528@yahoo.com to have it included in the next Fagowee newsletter (as space permits :o)



Fagowee Blue Knob Spring Frolic February 18-21, 2011

Are you ready for the annual Spring Frolic at Blue Knob? For skiers and non-skiers alike, this weekend is one of the most fun parties of the year!



Cost per person:	2 nights	3 nights
Single	\$206	\$280
Double	\$133	\$170
Triple	\$113	\$140
Quad	\$104	\$127

(Frolic Package alone will be \$30)



Cost for children 17 and under - FREE (note that no children under 18 will be admitted to the after dinner Frolic activities; they can attend the dinner for \$10 but must leave the hall before the adult festivities begin)

What you get for two nights:

- Hotel room - two nights lodging at the Bedford Best Western (BW) including all taxes (pet deposit/fee is an additional charge)
- Full breakfast buffet Saturday and Sunday mornings at the BW
- Lunch at the Blue Knob lodge on Saturday at noon
- Dinner Saturday night at 6:30 p.m. at Imler Fire Hall - family style dinner of turkey and ham with all the fixings, including all you can drink soda/wine/beer
- After dinner fun 7:30-11:30 with DJ and contests
- Transportation to and from the party and the BW Saturday night

What you get for the third night - all of the above plus an additional night's lodging, breakfast Monday morning, and one final get-together at the Hot Tub

Other activities include: meeting Friday night for dinner and/or drinks at the Jean Bonnet Inn followed by frolicking at the BW's outdoor Hot Tub; discounted lift tickets and NASTAR racing; tubing for non-skiers; or just hanging out in the lodge playing cards and catching up with friends!

<u>Lift Ticket Prices:</u>	1day	2day	3day
Individual	\$40	\$70	\$100
Junior & 65-69	\$35	\$55	\$80
Senior 70+	\$15	\$27.5	\$40

Cancellation Policy: Prior to January 8th - \$25 cancellation fee,
After January 8th - no refund unless substitution is made

How to sign up: Bring your check to the January meeting, or send check for full amount made out to "The Fagowees" to Karen Osborne, 46880 Clarion Terrace, #200, Sterling VA 20164. Reservations must be received by January 8th. After January 8th, reservations will be based on availability of rooms at the hotel.

Any questions, email Oz at oz528@yahoo.com.

SKI LIBERTY FEBRUARY 5-6, 2011

Liberty Mountain Resort is a great beginners' mountain with some challenging slopes in the back! Learn, practice new techniques, warm up for Blue Knob or Aspen, or just ski for fun, what the hey...

Contact Ray or Donna Stoll at 703-343-3554 or Yahoo us at batrantula@yahoo.com or dcampel@aol.com!

Here's the programs available for us at the Fagowee-member price. (Non members add \$5)

- Beginner Package includes: rental of skis, boots and poles; beginners lesson; all day beginners area lift ticket and lunch: \$77
- All Mountain Package includes: rental of skis, boots and poles; lesson at your level; all day all access lift ticket and lunch: \$89
- "BYOSB Package" includes: all-day all access lift ticket and lunch: \$61

Let us know you're interested in going or if you want to know more. Here's some faq's:

What is in the included lunch? *Your choice of Personal Pizza, Hamburger or Hot Dog, Soup and Salad, OR Turkey or Ham Sandwich, with Chips, Drink, and your choice of Cookie or Fruit.*

Can I do lunch only, play cards with fellow Fagowees and not ski? *Yes! Lunch package is \$10.*

Can I just come by and say Hi? YES, no charge, even if you are not a club member. Come on by!

Helmet rental? Yes, Mr. Bill, the rent helmets separately, rental is \$9 extra which is a discounted rate, normally \$12.

Is there any ski area closer to DC? Unless Rockville gets 12 inches of snow there is no place closer to ski than Liberty. Its only about 90 minutes northwest of the beltway.

Oh, this year Liberty has added more snow guns, improved their lifts, and added more night lighting to add to better ski enjoyment. Give us Liberty Skiing or give us Summer!

*BYOSB Package = Bring Your Own Skis 'n Boots Package



Aspen Bash Trip March 19 -26, 2011

Our Aspen bash trip is technically sold out. We have turned back all but 3 condos at the Gant and all of the rooms at the Mountain House Lodge. However, if we can fill a full 4-person condo we will attempt to rebook that condo and add those 4 persons to the trip. If we can add anyone else to the trip, we will offer a package that includes the lodging at the Gant condo, 5 of 8-day interchangeable lift tickets at the 4 Aspen areas, and the party package, which will include a number of dinners, parties, bash souvenirs & other goodies. We are no longer offering air or transfers. As of now we have ~ 90 Fagowees attending the bash from our Cleveland and Washington branches. The price of the trip has been reduced to \$1000, since we are no longer offering air transportation or transfers from the Eagle, Colorado airport.

If we can add you to the trip, we will need an immediate deposit of \$500 with a final payment due January 27th. With respect to cancellation fees, anyone canceling will be charged \$100, plus any unrecoverable losses. The non-member fee remains at \$25.00

Contact Tim Gordon at 703-931-7795 or E-mail him at MLSM@att.net for more details. Send your payments (payable to Fagowees) to Tim at 3310 Nevius Street, Falls Church, VA 22041.

So far these Fagowees have signed up:

Tim Gordon	Brian Kerrigan	Bill Schutt
Pam Chewning	Lance Bravard	Marc Vignerot
Lisa Vignerot	Dick Stenson	John Webb
Trish Purcell	Don Manouelian	
Mote Pancer	Rich Kavanagh	



Ocean City, Maryland Trip Memorial Day Weekend, May 27-30, 2011



This is Dutch, your beach bum with exciting news for our 2nd Annual Memorial Day three-day weekend to Ocean City. We will be staying at the world famous Phillips Hotel and Crab House on the boardwalk on 13th street. Ski in-ski out to the beach. Free parking. Price will range from in the hotel \$262 TO \$221. In the courtyard which is all efficiencies which means full kitchen and full refridge, many packages from a high of \$262 to a low of \$101, according to how many you have in the apartment or simple efficiency.

Last year we had 18, hope to double that this year. Breakfast is included and I will be doing the cooking, assisted by my daughter, Connie. Also, at least one wine and cheese party. Cancellation fee is \$25 or unrecoverable loss. Non-members, \$10 additional or you can apply \$10 to your membership application.

For questions call Dutch at (301) 699-8114 and mail \$50 deposit payable to Fagowees to Dutch Mueller, 4613 Clemson Road, College Park, MD 20740.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued from p.1)

It's 2011! Can you believe it!? When Stanley Kubrick's movie, 2001 A Space Odyssey came out in 1968, I couldn't fathom making it to that year, it seemed so far away back then. Ok.. I was only seven at the time. Then the movie 2010 came out in 1984 and again, it seemed too far away to imagine. But here we are in 2011, with Space Stations circling the earth, computer systems for \$1000 that NASA would have killed for in the early 1960's, I-Pads, Smart phones, GPS navigation systems so we men never have to ask for directions again. Major advances in every field from computers, medicine, automotive, and yes, even sports technologies, thanks largely in part to the Space programs. Thank you HAL! But, NASA keeps an "Off" switch, just in case.

I remember the first time I strapped on a pair of skis; Winter Park Colorado, 1978. They felt like two trees and were just about as maneuverable. They were 210's, heavy, straight as an arrow, didn't flex much, and I fell down a lot! They said this was "FUN"! ?? Now with new plastics, polymers, foam, kevlar and carbon fiber, skis are much stronger, shorter and flexible. Combined with a shaped camber, boots that actually fit your feet, and new technologies in bindings, the Skiing world has made incredible advances! Then we were introduced to Snow Boarding! The industry went to the Wild Side! Shredding, Terrain Parks, and wild stunts that shock and awe us! Technologies were developed that allowed handicapped and blind skiers to also enjoy the thrill of the slopes! Mega lifts, Gondolas and electronic bar codes on lift tickets to speed things up. The Hills are alive! Not only with the sound of music, but crunching snow and happy people.

Like ski technology, our Club has come a long way since 1966! We celebrate our 44th year in existence and soon it's 45th! We will soon start designs on year pins for our membership! We hope to have these done in the next few months to be presented at the May Election meeting.

I would also like to Congratulate Tim Gordon as Fagowee of the Year!, and Andrea Steinhour as Unsung Hero. Tim has contributed a lot over the years serving as President, VP, Board, and Activities Coordinator. Andrea has worked hundreds of hours behind the scenes doing the web site, database cleanup, as well as serving on the board. Raise a Glass! Thanks Tim and Andrea!

We have so many good friends that we have been made over the years. We have also lost several as well. Passing to the Back bowls on the mountain this last year include Jill Koneval from our Cleveland Branch. She lost her long battle with Cystic Fibrosis on June 7th, 2010. Our hearts reach out to her family and friends.

Our time here is finite, with that in mind, let us not little disputes exist among our friends and Fagowee family! Having over 300 unique personalities, there is going to be some friction here and there. Often simple misunderstandings can damage friendships for years. We should not let these go on for long. We are a unique family, and care about each other. Let's keep it this way. It is, and what keeps our Fagowee family strong and sets us apart from the Mega Clubs.

My family and I would like to wish you and yours, a Happy, Prosperous, and Wonderful New Year! Let's make our upcoming ski trips ones that they still talk about in 2021!

Bill Steinhour, President, DC Fagowees

****PENDING BOARD APPROVAL****

We are looking at running a trip to...

CRUISE TO ALASKA SEPTEMBER 10, 2011

This is Dutch Mueller, Cpl (E-4), US Army, Ret., who has been appointed to guide many Fagowees on a fantastic cruise to my duty station (in 1953). This station was in Alaska and I guarantee that every aspect of this cruise will be far superior to the one I took in 1953. It will be shorter, too. We depart Seattle on September 10, 2011, at 4:00 pm on the 109,000 ton Golden Princess on the *Princess Cruise Line*. If you have ever shopped prices to Alaska, you will absolutely be impressed with these (all based on 2 to a cabin). Inside cabin \$884; balcony \$1408; mini-suite \$1537. This fantastic mini-suite price is so good that if you want one you better start now.

This is our itinerary:

9/10	Saturday	Seattle (Depart 4:00 pm)
9/11	Sunday	Day at Sea
9/12	Monday	Juneau
9/13	Tuesday	Skagway
9/14	Wednesday	Cruise Glacier Park
9/15	Thursday	Ketchikan
9/16	Friday	Victoria, British Columbia
9/17	Saturday	Seattle (Arrive at 7:00 am)

To be assigned a cabin now, deposit is \$550. Otherwise, deposit is \$100 at sign-up and then \$100 each month until paid. Must be paid-in-full by June meeting. Cancellation is: Forfeit \$25 if cancelled or unrecoverable loss. If interested, call Dutch Mueller at (301) 699-8114. Send deposit payable to Fagowees to Dutch Mueller, 4613 Clemson Road, College Park, MD 20740.

HELP!!!! WE ARE IN NEED OF FAGOWEES TO STEP UP AND RUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE CLUB! IF YOU HAVE ENJOYED THE FAGOWEE TRIPS & PARTIES IN THE PAST BUT HAVE NEVER RUN ONE, IT IS YOUR TURN TO HELP OUT! PLEASE CONTACT ANY BOARD MEMBER TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW YOU CAN HELP! A CLUB IS ONLY AS GOOD AS ITS MEMBERS MAKE IT—STEP UP TO THE PLATE AND HELP MAKE THE FAGOWEES A CLUB TO BE PROUD OF!

OKTOBERFEST

in Munich Germany

September 21-26, 2011

Trip Leaders: Lisl and Marc Vignerot

Full Package Cost (per person):

Double \$1870

Triple \$1720

Single \$2250



Oktoberfest Package Only**: (Includes tent admission, welcome party, side trip to Salzburg and other extras) **\$195**

Air Only: \$970 (from IAD)

Cleveland or Columbus sup: \$115

***Estimate based on going exchange rate of \$1.50- this may go up or down*

Flexible pricing so you can mix and match packages for using air and/or hotel mileage, or just join us for a day or two- call me for custom pricing!

What is included in the full package:

Hotel Room- 4 nights lodging at the Hotel Metropol (3-star) on Mittererstrasse- walking distance to the Oktoberfest Beer Tents and Marianplatz shopping district. One block off of the main Hauptbahn station which connects with the S-Bahn, U-Bahn, and trans- includes all VAT taxes and charges.

Full European Breakfast Buffet each morning.

Transportation on Lufthansa Airlines- non-stop from Dulles International Airport to Munich airport. Includes all taxes, fuel charges, and departure fees. All connections come into IAD to make the Fagowee IAD-MUC flight.

Leave IAD Sept 21, 8pm, Arrive MUC Sept 22, 10am

Leave MUC Sept 26, 11am, Arrive IAD Sept 26, 3pm

Private Bus Transfers to/from Hotel and Airport

Tent reservations at Oktoberfest for Thursday **AND** Friday afternoon- cost includes lunch.

Side trip to Salzburg!!! Includes train ride and transfers to/from Munich-Salzburg and extras!

Email Lisl at lvignerot@aol.com for all details, cancellation policy, etc., or check out the flyer on dcfagowees.com to see the twenty-three Fagowees that have already signed up! Only a few spaces left!!!

January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 <i>Monthly Meeting</i>	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 <i>BOD Meeting</i>	12	13	14	15
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Now that the Holidays are over you know what that means...time to start training in earnest for an awesome winter on the slopes! Check out Ted Ligety and the U.S. Ski Team's weekly workouts at <http://www.skinet.com/ski/fitness/workouts> for videos, tips, and more to make 2011 a great year!

Coming Attractions

- February 5-12: Park City UT BRSC Trip (Pam Chewning)
- February 5-6: Ski Liberty PA (Ray Stoll)
- February 18-21: Blue Knob PA (Karen Osborne)
- March 19-26: Fagowee BASH at Aspen CO (Tim Gordon)
- May 27-30: Ocean City MD (Dutch Mueller)
- September 21-26: Oktoberfest (Lisa & Marc Vignerot)

Monthly Meetings: January 4th, February 1st, March 1st

BOD Meetings: January 11th, February 8th, March 8th



Don't Forget: Connect to the Fagowees on Facebook, Meetup, and Yahoo Groups!

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OUR BACK SIDE

Membership Rates

New Member-one year*
Individual \$30
Family \$40

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and member pin

A member year is June-May

Renewal
Individual \$25
Family \$35

Lifetime
Individual \$400
Family \$500

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Submission deadline is the 15th of each month. If you would like to contribute, please email your article as an attached MS Word file to: oz528@yahoo.com.

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Nick Name _____ Cell # _____

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