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Polo and Wine

Saturday, July 18

The Great Meadows, VA • 7 pm

Our special Lady Pamela Seeley requested the Knights and Gentle Ladies of the Brotherhood of the Knights of the Vine join her for an evening of polo and wine in her private box at The Great Meadows on Saturday evening, July 18. As those who have been there know, Pamela's box is "up front and personal" to the play.

"To celebrate the storming of the Bastille, shall we eat cake and drink champagne as we watch the natives play?" (Marie Antoinette, shortly after the storming of the Bastille. This quote is from impeccable sources the reporter refuses to reveal – NYT)

You are requested to bring a bottle of your favorite summer beverage. We will provide deli trays of meats, fruits, etc., chicken, assorted cheeses and breads as well as the necessities – and the CAKE and CHAMPAGNE. Those who so desire are welcome to bring their "something especially sweet" as well.

It will be a thrill to hit the turf again and experience the pounding of the horses and the batting of the ball. Of course, we will observe this skull cracking sport with British genteelness by sipping our wine and enjoying tasty tidbits.

The gates open at 6:30 and there are two matches, the first starting at 7 pm. The second match is the senior match. The schedule does not yet post the teams playing. Based on what we observed last time, the quality of the play has improved significantly.

After the matches, those who wish linger can dance to music.

Although the special box next to Pamela's will be formally vacant, I suggest we rally at Pamela's home in Haymarket and depart at 6:00 pm in a few cars as possible to The Great Meadows. Upon entry to the Meadows, we seize as much common ground as possible behind the box. The KOV have been noted as being all consuming.

The attire is summer chic and the price is \$25 pp for members and guests. All attending will receive a KOV wine glass to take home.

The entrance fee to the grounds is \$20 per car load (\$10 for driver alone) which is not included in the KOV price. Since Pamela is donating a few free passes, there is all the more reason to rally at her home.

So we can plan an appropriate quantity of food, and sufficient wine glasses, CAKE and CHAMPIGNE (Cava) to beat back the natives, if you plan to attend please send a check to Joe Alt; Treasurer KOV; 8201 Tis Well Drive; Alexandria, VA 22306. Also, please inform us if you intend to rally at Pamela's home.

So we may adjust for every contingency, please include cell telephone numbers. If inclement weather cancels the polo matches, which it rarely does, we will have the party in Pamela's home. For any last minute questions please call my cell: 703-625-9875

DIRECTIONS: Home of Pamela Seeley. From I-66 take Exit 40 to Route 15 south and go about 1 mile. After crossing the railroad tracks, take the first right on to Market Ridge Boulevard (Villages of Piedmont). Continue to the end of the Boulevard and take a right onto Oakton Avenue. The home is the 4th house on the right – 6661 Oakton Avenue. Please note, you may not find this address on Google.

GREAT MEADOWS: From the Beltway in Virginia take I-66 West about 25 miles to Exit 31 South. The signs will direct you to Great Meadows. The parking lot attendants will inform you where to park. Pamela's box is the furthest one to the west – in the direction of the setting sun.

Per Vitem! Ad Vitam!



Kenneth Haapala, Master Commander

Carol Bade has requested we have all articles submitted to The Arbor by July 15. If you have any articles or photos you wish to submit, please inform me. If you wish to submit photos please send them to me first so we identify persons and the events. Remember: The more you write, the less I must.