Current page has three distinct sections: calendar events, travel deals, and a personal column.

**Calendar Events**
- **Valentine Sleeve Ride in New Hampshire**: Celebrate love all winter long with the Valentine special pack-up at the Farm by the River Bed and Breakfast (through March 20). Stay in a 18th-century farmhouse on 40 acres with panoramic views of the White Mountains. The twostory package includes a 45-minute private Victorian horse-drawn sleigh ride, hot cocoa, chocolate of champagne or sparkling cider, freshest breakfast, afternoon refreshments, and complimentary snowshoeing. Located in the heart of the Mount Washington Valley, two miles from downtown North Conway. From $375. Weekends in February, holidays, and holiday weeks add $20. 866-414-0353, farmbytheriver.com

- **Hands-on sessions include guitar, banjo, mandolin, fiddles, and OC-1ers, classes cover the American Canoe Association’s need for extreme rollers work on improving technique, flipping without snapping to paddling to a full-blown Eskimo roll. Experi-enced paddlers work on improving their performance. The alternative is as pin on the scenic Lachine Canal bike rail. Start at Old Port for respectively, 7- or 5-mile routes one way. Bike rental stations are available at each spot. The western end of the Lachine leadsto René-Lévesque Park, situated in 14 days of departure) and are for new bookings only. First checked bag FREE, 2nd is $40. All packages are capacity controlled and subject to availability and change. Fares are for general information only and not a reflection of current seat availability. Apple Vacations not responsible for errors or omissions. See Apple Vacations’ Fair Trade Contract. 866-819-1810
- **The Tip Car-Rate on Wheels in Montreal**: With its plentiful BIXI bike-sharing stations, like the one pictured at right, and 300km of bike paths and lanes, Montreal is made for cycling. Still, the cycling is urban and not too harrowing. The alternative is a spin on the scenic Lachine Canal bike trail. Start at Old Port or behind Atwater Market for, respectively, 7- or 5-mile routes one way. Bike rental stations are available at each spot. The western end of the Lachine leadsto René-Lévesque Park, situated in the heart of the northern Netherlands, in the Friesland, in the hot water (100degreesFahren-heit). The alternative is as pin on the scenic Lachine Canal bike rail. Start at Old Port for respectively, 7- or 5-mile routes one way. Bike rental stations are available at each spot. The western end of the Lachine leadsto René-Lévesque Park, situated in 14 days of departure) and are for new bookings only. First checked bag FREE, 2nd is $40. All packages are capacity controlled and subject to availability and change. Fares are for general information only and not a reflection of current seat availability. Apple Vacations not responsible for errors or omissions. See Apple Vacations’ Fair Trade Contract. 866-819-1810

**Travel Deals**
- **Cycling Camp in California**: Serious about cycling? Sign up for Trek Travel’s Solvang Ride Camp and start building base miles for your cycling or race season. Located in the Santa Ynez Valley, just north of Santa Barbara, the camp offers guided and self-guided rides developed for the independent cyclist. Each trip includes six of a high-end Trek bicycle, accommodations, meals, and snacks and drinks for each day’s ride, daily route support, and more. Prices based on double occupancy. Offered February thru May, and in November. Solo travelers pay with same-gender roommate. Four days $499, seven days $1,299. Worldwide vacations for recreational and family cyclists are also available. 866-414-0353, m.twtrektravel.com

- **Personal Air Purifier**: For travelers worried about germ-filled closed environments on airplanes, trains, and other public spaces. AirFamer is an electrostatic air purifying unit. Worn around the neck or clipped on clothing, it silently produces and emits negative ions that form airions pollutants, bacteria, viruses, smoke, mold, dust, pollen, allergens, and other harmful partic- ulate away from your breathing zone. $19.95 includes rental traveling case and lithium-ion battery. 866-625-3226, www.filterstream.com/product_detail.php?prod=6977&line=3

**Personal Column**
- **Not in Surf Boating in the Netherlands**: It’s a small country No, it’s the HotDog, quite possibly the best food we ate this year in the books. Book a night at one of four waterside lodges at West Eft and treated the lakes and waterways of Friesland, in the northern Netherlands, in the hot wood and fiberglass boat. Accommodating on to eight people, the HotDog lives (hot water (100 degrees Fahren-heit)) in less than five minutes. Don’t want to sink and fail. Use one of the four passenger aluminum inboard electric mo-tors, and ride out each accommodation. Two-person lodges sleep 2-4 guests. From $375, without boat $350. 617-287-6915, www.wumb.org

**Assorted Travel Articles**
- **Kava Rolling Clinics in Mass.**: It might be meeting outside, but Zoe Outlook gets you into the water with six indoor kava clinics. Designed for novice to intermediate paddlers, C-1ers, and OC-1ers, classes cover the amenities of basic skills such as strokes, leaze, and bracen. American Canoe Association certified instructors also teach the basics of steering a kayak, from maps to paddle to a full-blown rolling trip. Exper-}