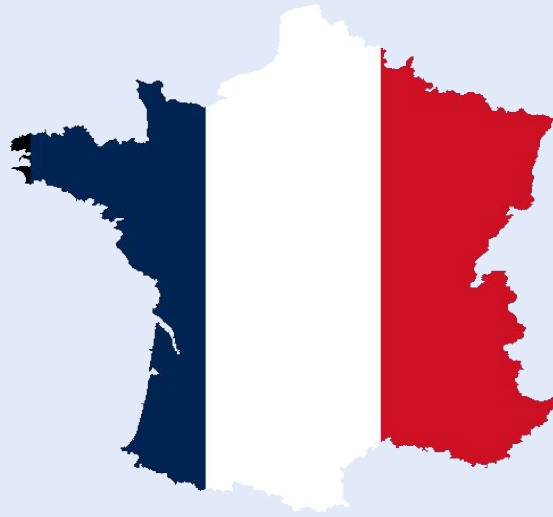


ADVENTURES IN FRANCE 2019

Compiled from photos and notes from the guides and participants



A trip organized by the French Department & offered to Colonie High students

*(most were accompanied by family members but solo travelers were welcomed
and monitored by 6 chaperones)*

DAY 1: Flight

DAY 2: APRIL 21, 2019

First day in Paris! After dropping off luggage at the hotel, we took the Paris metro to the city center. We had a little walk around and the group had some free time to get lunch. In the afternoon, we went to visit the musée d'Orsay, the impressionists paintings museums with works from Monet, Degas, Van Gogh, etc. We had some free time before dinner and some students went to visit Paris' most famous bookshop: Shakespeare and Company!



DAYS 1-3

PARIS

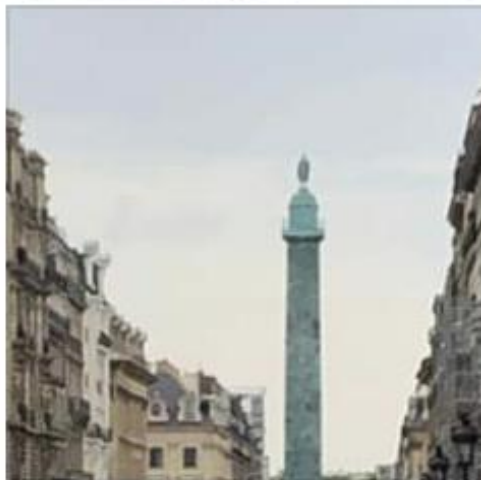
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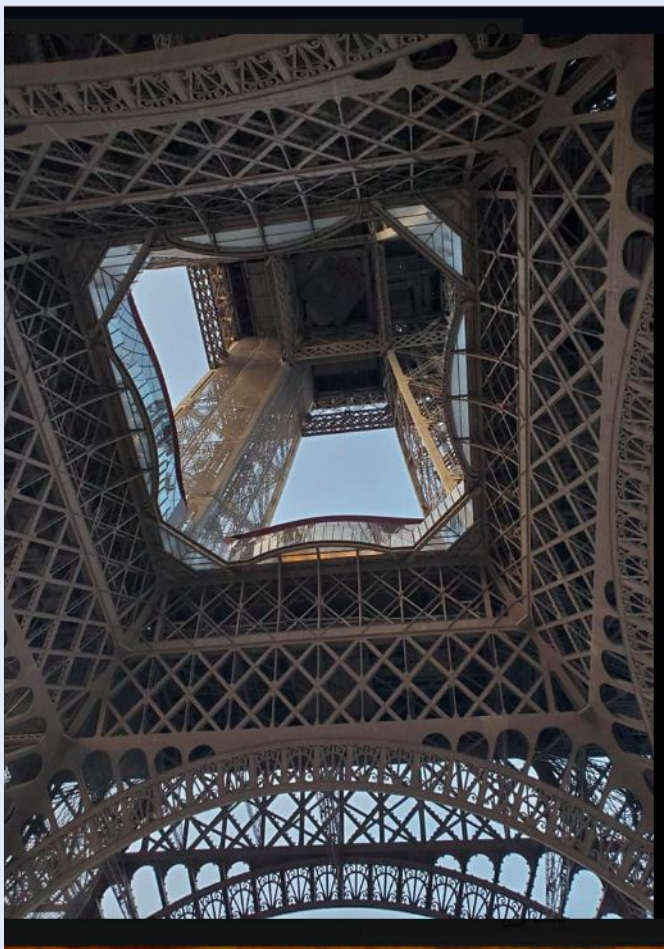




DAY 3: APRIL 22, 2019

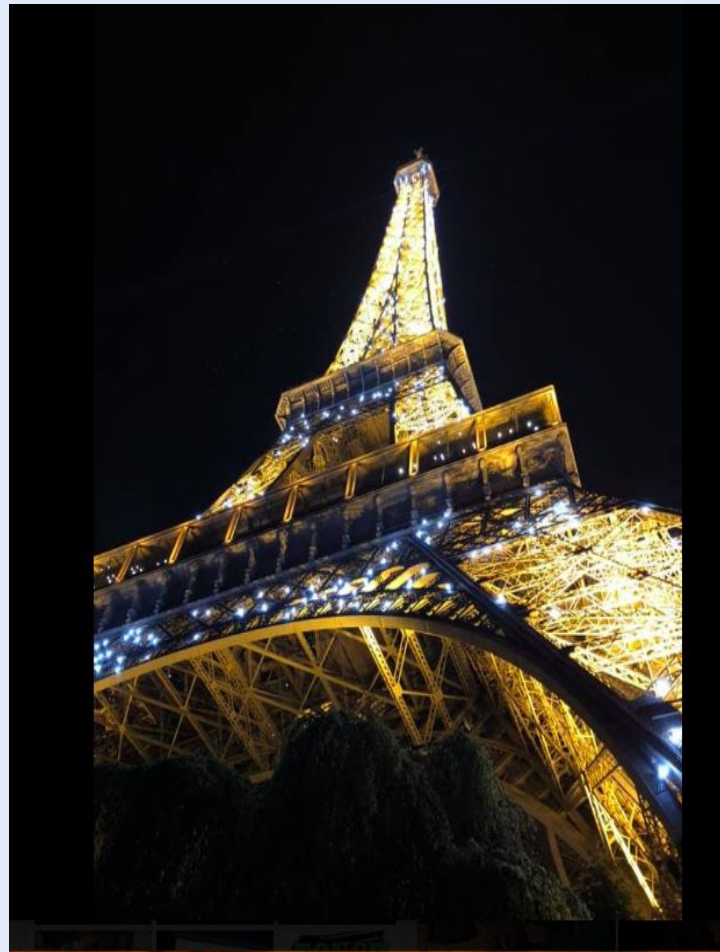
This morning, we went on a bus tour of Paris with a guide who told us about the history of Paris and all the sites along the way. We went to visit the famous Louvre Museum in the afternoon. Later, the group took a tour in a perfumerie where we learned about the history of French perfume. After dinner, most of the group went up the Eiffel Tower and had a great time!





Obligatory angle





Loire Valley

A UNESCO World Heritage Site

DAY 4: APRIL 23, 2019

We left Paris this morning and our first stop was the town of Chartres. There we visited the famous cathedral and had some free time. We then went to visit the Château de Chambord, the largest in the Loire valley. We had dinner in Azay le Rideau and went for a little walk in the village in the evening.

DAY 4

Chartres-Loire Valley - Amazing



Chartres...absolutely perfect! 🥖





“Perhaps the most famous of the Loire Valley chateaux, along with Château de Chenonceau, **Chateau de Chambord** is a vast Renaissance extravagance.”



The castle of Azay le Rideau (right next to our hotel) at night.



DAY 5: APRIL 24, 2019

This morning we visited the castle of Azay le Rideau in the daylight. In the afternoon, we toured the Château de Chenonceau with its beautiful gardens. This evening we went to visit a mushroom and snails cave and we had dinner there. Some students even tried escargots!

Azay-le-Rideau

DAY 5



Chateau D ' azay - le-Rideau 🇫🇷 France



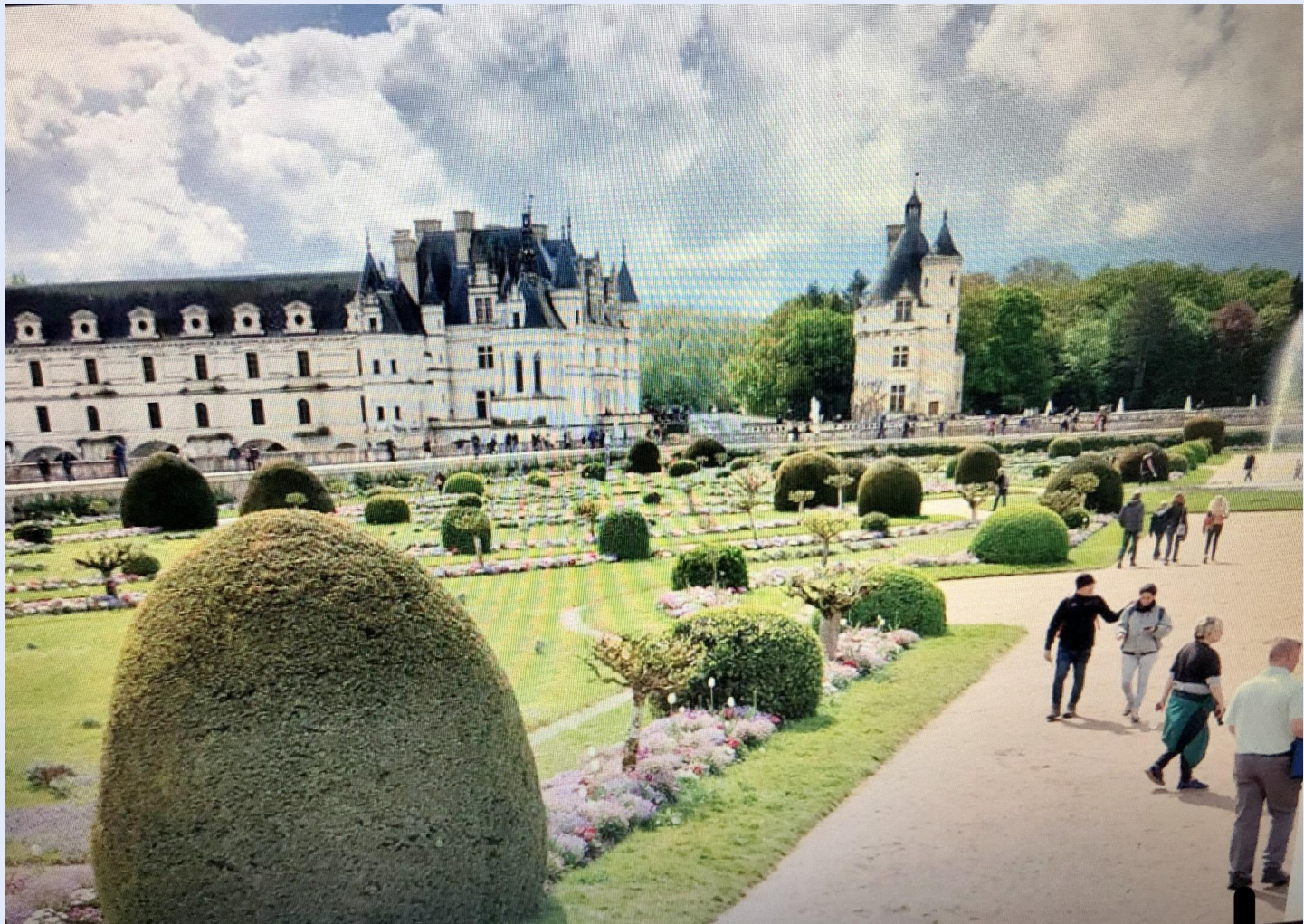
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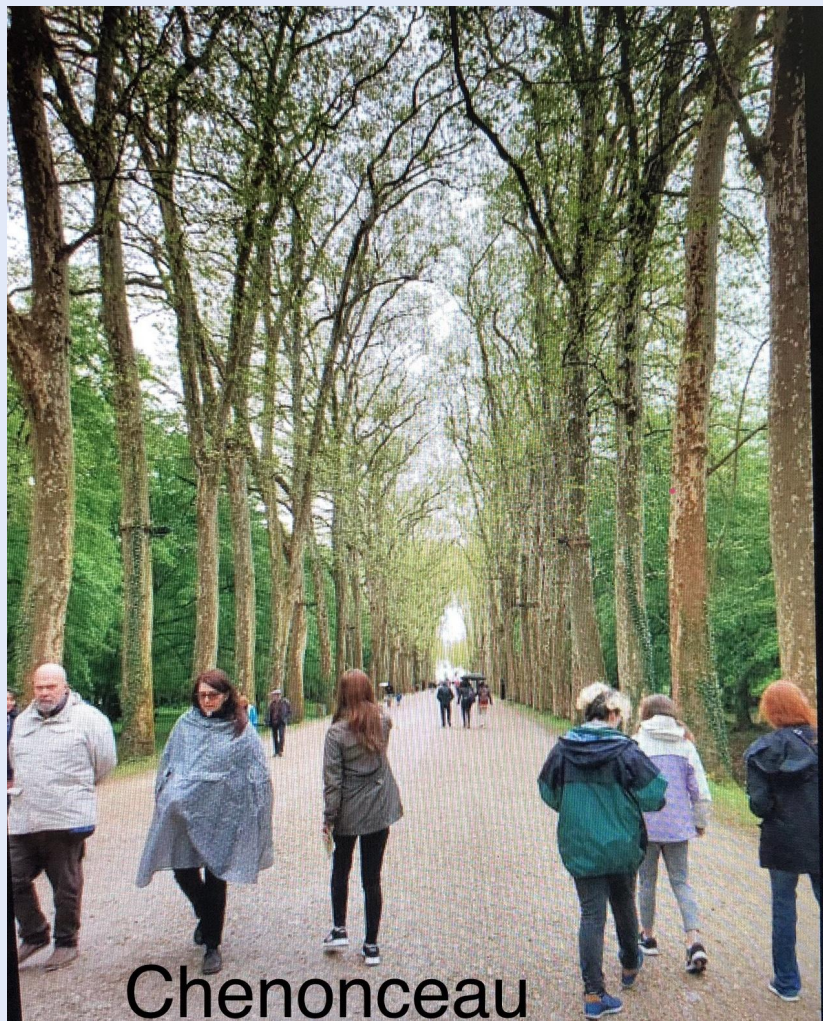
Built in 1513,
the Chateau
de
Chenonceau is
the most
visited and
photographed
chateau of the
Loire Valley in
France.





Chenonceau





Chenonceau

La Cave aux Moines...snail and mushroom farming in caves. Also, a great dinner with fouet (a yummy bread). 🐌 🍄





DAY 6: APRIL 25, 2019

Today we traveled from the Loire valley to St. Malo in Brittany and we spent the afternoon there, visiting the town and the ramparts. We had dinner in a typical crêperie.

DAY 6

Saint Malo @ Saint Malo

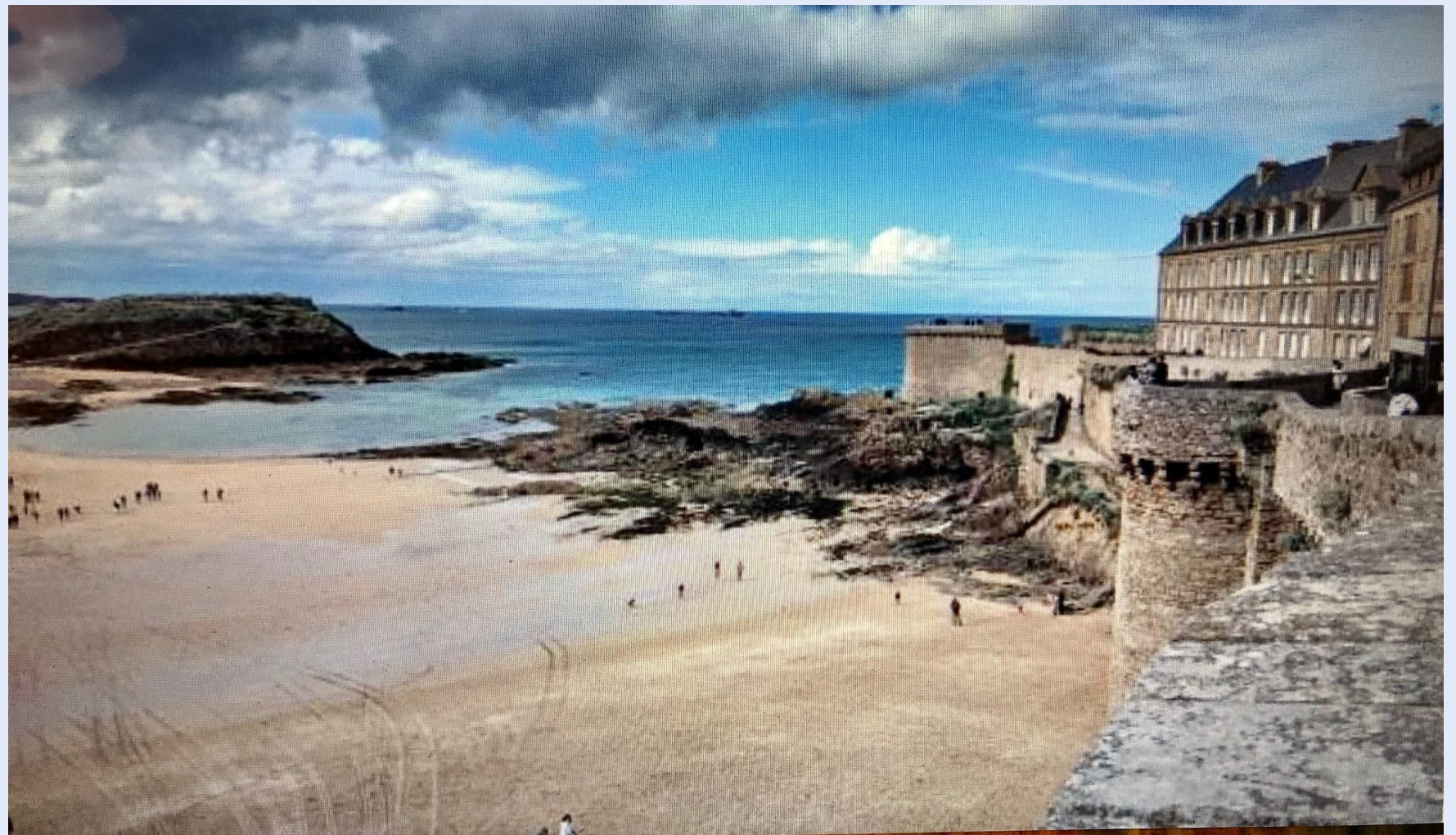




Saint Malo. This is beautiful! @ saint malo



St. Malo is a historic port in Brittany. The ancient walled town has a spectacular Gothic and Romanesque Cathedral dominating the skyline. Visitors can walk along the wall and see gorgeous views of the town and harbor, including the islands and forts scattered just out at sea.



DAY 7

Normandy

Travel to
Normandy

Mont-St-Michel
monastery visit

D-Day beaches

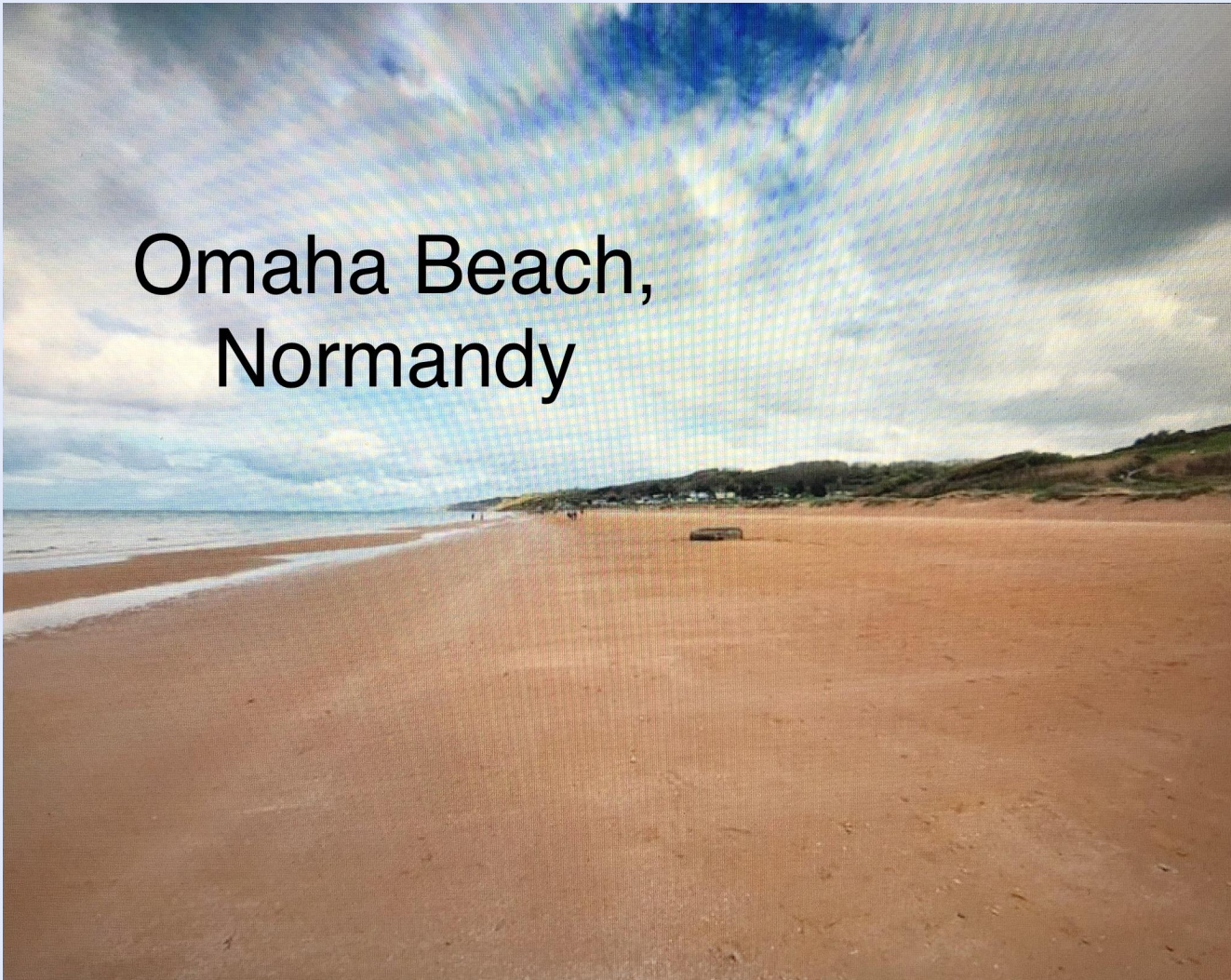
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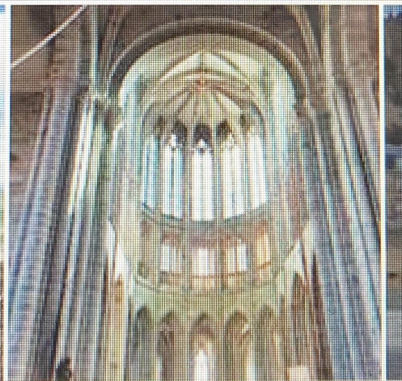
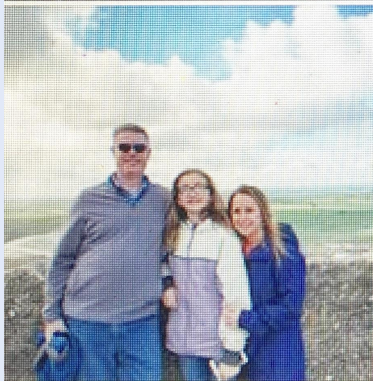
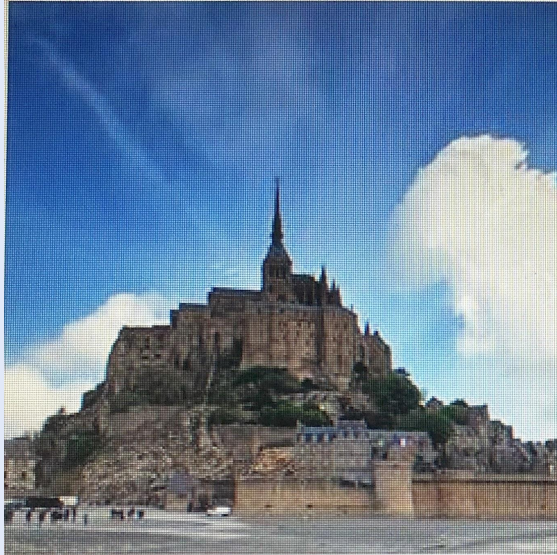
Omaha Beach, Normandy



Omaha Beach, Normandy



Mont St. Michel! Unbelievable ❤️



DAY 8

Normandy--Paris

Travel to Paris via Rouen

Rouen tour director-led sightseeing

Rouen Cathedral visit, Old Clock

Seine River cruise

Rouen





Our return to Paris - does it get better than this?



Mr. Mensching with his son



Final evening before heading back to NY,
bonne nuit.

Comments from some friends & family following the trip from home:

Is that what Heaven looks like?!

What memories you will have. The pictures are beautiful!

Amazing- like being in another world!

I love the old world beauty of Europe and its little towns.

Enjoy every family moment-making memories!

Are you counting how many steps you walk each day? You must be breaking all your records!

I'm so happy you guys look like you're having the time of your life

Looks like the trip of a lifetime!

Tons of outstanding memories to share for a lifetime.

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