



The Lodge  
of the  
Lexington  
Ski Club

## The Yodeler

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October 2022

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### LexSki Membership Meetings

October 18, 2022

Oktoberfest – Wadsworth Room, Belmont Hill School, 7 PM

November 15, 2022

Membership Meeting, Belmont Hill School, 7:30 PM

### LexSki Events

October 14-16, 2022

Fall Hiking Weekend hosted by the Savarino/Alaimos

October 29-30, 2022

Work Weekend hosted by the Gardners

November 5-6, 2022

Work Weekend hosted by the Tamir-Pinskys

### President's Report (President@lexski.org)

With the Fall air getting crisper it can only mean one thing, SKIING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Before Peter is on the first chair at Canon on opening day there is still a lot going on at the club which should be important to all members.

Work Weekends - For those who have not participated in a work weekend this year there is still very important work being done and we will need all hands on deck for the final few work weekends. You are also welcome to host an additional work weekend if the weekend is available.

Website - We hope to have our website up by the end of the month. If you have high resolution digital images or photos that we can use on the site to illustrate club events and/or value of membership, email them to [info@lexski.org](mailto:info@lexski.org) or Marsha can pick them up from you. We will return them to you as soon as possible.

October Membership Meeting - It is important for you to attend this meeting to discuss several important topics including membership requirements and updates on the building improvements. And of course it is Oktoberfest. The meeting will start at 7:30 but I encourage you to show up early to spend time catching up with fellow members and to meet several prospective members. Sponsoring families please encourage your prospective families to attend.

Eric Pearlman

President@LexSki.org

### Lodge Report (LodgeChair@lexski.org)

The lodge is on schedule to be ready for the ski season. The derivative wing plumbing was completed recently in preparation for the dining hall ceiling installation. With framing and electrical work completed on the outside wall, we are now ready for spray insulation. The kitchen sink will be swapped out in the coming weeks.

We have tested the heat a few times in the past couple of weeks. The heating system is working properly. With the building undergoing renovations, we will find new hot/cold spaces within the building. If you find a space that seems unreasonable cold, please let us know. Please do not adjust the thermostat beyond its normal range.

Thank you to the Ehrbar's for running the September weekend.

The upcoming work weekend dates/hosts are:

Oct 29 - 30 Gardner  
Nov 5 - 6 Tamir-Pinsky

Reminder, if you plan to utilize your buy out option for your work weekend, please let us know at [lodgechair@lexski.org](mailto:lodgechair@lexski.org). The cost is \$250 per adult.

Dan and Kristen  
Lodge Chairs  
LodgeChair@LexSki.org

### **Social Report (Social@lexski.org)**

October is here, and that means we're kicking off our season with the Oktoberfest Meeting on Tuesday the 18th from 7pm - 9pm. The meeting will be in person at The Belmont Hill School, The Wadsworth Room, located in the Athletic Center. This is the same room/location as the wine tasting. Beer, Wine and snacks will be provided, so we hope to see you all there!

Location Details: Belmont Hill is located at 390 Prospect St, Belmont. The Athletic Center is to the right of the outdoor track adjacent to Marsh St. Please enter the building and make your way to the 2nd Floor. Walk all the way to the back of the building to the Wadsworth Room.

Don't forget that this coming weekend (October 15th and 16th) is the Second Annual Hike weekend hosted by Christine Alaimo and Lou Savarino. There will be a hike on Saturday followed by a potluck barbeque.

Other upcoming events:

Holiday Party - TBD  
Warren Miller's DayMaker Film - Wednesday Nov 9th 7:30 -10:30 - Somerville Theater  
BANNF Film Festival - Multi Day February 20th - 24th - Regent Theater Arlington

Mike Sciarretta  
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### **Treasurer's Report (Treasurer@lexski.org)**

As of 10/1/22:

TD Operating Checking	\$ 15,341.48
EIDL Checking	\$ 61,922.56
TD Operating Money Mkt	\$ 11,027.77
Cap Improvement Fund Money Mkt:	\$ 109,635.65
Cap Improvement Donations Money Mkt:	\$ 2,403.00
Emergency Fund Money Mkt:	\$ 43,500.00
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$ 243,830.46</b>

The fall is here, and ski season is just a few short weeks away. Financially, the Club is in great shape with a solid balance sheet and a substantial amount of cash on hand. The EIDL loan proceeds are being spent down first as bills for operating expenses are paid, so the above accounts were recently re-balanced and will be adjusted to account for this as the season continues.

Club dues for all families have now been collected which resulted in 6 family membership changes: The Millet family resigned; The Fahy, Sheldon-Mendes, Eckford, Turner-Rossi, and Kourian families have all gone inactive. We welcomed the Laviano Family as new members on July 1.

In terms of how these membership changes affect our budget, we had anticipated we would collect \$84,619 in membership dues. Actual dues receipts totaled \$72,574, for a shortfall of \$12,045. This would normally be alarming, but I am encouraged that we have a sizeable group of prospective families nearing the membership process finish-line, and I expect these new families will be very helpful in mitigating the dues shortfall when they matriculate to full membership. We are also off to a great start with guest fee revenue totaling \$2,675 since July 1st. This is more than double what we had collected at this time last year, and at this rate, we are also well on track to meet the \$7,500 we had anticipated in the budget.

As of this month, we have paid off the furnace loan making this the first time since 2010 that the club is mortgage free. I hope to see the mortgage lien release filed with the Grafton County Registry of Deeds in the next few weeks. Payments towards the EIDL loan (which is not secured by a mortgage) will increase in December, and will be approximately \$722/per month. Up until December, we will have made interest-only payments on this loan.

As a reminder, **Guest fees have increased to \$30/night per adult and \$10 for teenagers.** There is a new **PURPLE** color coded reservation form on the website for 2022-2023 reservations that reflects this change. If you are hosting, please make sure all reservation forms use only the newest **PURPLE** form. When sending your off-season reservation forms along, please always make sure the file name includes your name and the date of the visit; i.e. "Baker10-7-22." Adobe PDF's are preferred when emailing your forms, as they are easily uploaded to Quickbooks.

As always, if you have any questions please reach out.

Kevin Baker  
treasurer@lexski.org

### **Membership Report** ([Membership@lexski.org](mailto:Membership@lexski.org))

It's been a busy summer! Over the summer, the Club had a booth at 4 town days (Burlington, Bedford, Arlington, and Lexington). Thank you all who helped staff the booth! We ended up with over 70 names/e-mails of interested families (Arlington and Lexington were the most productive with 38 names obtained at each). By the time of the October meeting, I'll have sent e-mails to everyone who gave me their information. We typically get about a 5-10% response rate from people I e-mail.

We also had 4 families complete their requirements! The Forman, Cherven, Kmetz and Caggione-Negrini families have been presented for member feedback and I hope to announce them as full members at the October meeting!

Unfortunately, we also had a handful of families leave the club or go inactive, so we need to continue to focus on bringing new families into the Club! Our most successful approach is with families referred to the Club by existing members. Please think about who you know that might enjoy the club and invite them up!

The current list of prospective member families are the Weinsteins, Curtins, Jahnes, Chens, Hiltons, Leitches and Johnson (plus whomever responds from Town Day e-mails).

Sponsor families, please remember to be available for any questions your prospective member family may have, and to help them with the reservation process. I need sponsor letters from:

- Mike Sciaretta (for the Curtins)
- Filipi-Acosta (for the Curtins)
- Gardners (for the Caggioni-Negrini family)
- Alaimo (for the Calhouns)
- Martin (for the Calhouns)
- Connell (for the Chens)
- Scholl (for the Chens)
- O'Donnell (for the Jahnes)
- Garrigus (for the Jahnes)- yes, I'm delinquent in my own responsibilities....
- Alaimo (for the Hiltons)
- Pearlman (for the Hiltons)
- Baker (for the Johnsons)

Prospective Members, the October meeting is a great one to attend, it's Octoberfest!

Marc Garrigus  
Membership@LexSki.org

**Communication Report ([Info@lexski.org](mailto:Info@lexski.org))**

The current website, lexski.org, will be replaced by the new website shortly. We will use the same lexski.org URL. The current website will still be available through a members only portal until all information has been ported over. The members only area of the new website will use the same single password initially. There are plans to replace this with individual passwords. I am still interested in finding pictures from recent events (picnic, wine tasting, hiking etc) and ski and snowboarding pics.

Marsha Fox  
Communications  
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**Secretary Report ([Secretary@lexski.org](mailto:Secretary@lexski.org))**

No E-board minutes for this month.

Cindy Darcy  
Secretary