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2006/2007 LexSki Calendar

October 17, 2006, Monthly Membership Meeting, **Family Oktoberfest – 7:00 p.m.**

November 21, 2006, Monthly Membership Meeting - new packets distributed

December 12, 2006, Holiday Family Potluck - Date to be confirmed

January 16, 2007, Monthly Membership Meeting

February 2007, No Meeting – school vacation

Meetings of the membership are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at First Parish Church, Lexington (by the Green) at 8 p.m. in Parker Hall (rear entrance, lower level) unless otherwise noted.

2006/2007 Host & Hostess List for Meetings

October 17, 2006, Miles*, McLane, McCarthy, Morrison

November 21, 2006, Osten*, Morrison, Perlmutter, Richardson

December 12, 2006, Scholl*, Sciarretta, Shaughnessy, Shaughnessy

January 16, 2007, Sinek*, Sebell, Sinnott, Speare-Flynn

* The first family listed is responsible for bringing the coffee, tea, dessert, etc., and also for reminding the other families listed of their host and hostess duties.

President's Report

The recent turn in the weather, with chilly evenings and falling leaves, has certainly got us thinking of both the approaching ski season and the Ski Club. Wayne and the Lodge Committee are putting the finishing touches on a number of projects, and Charlie is lining up our kitchen staff. And before we know it, we'll be dusting off the boots, pulling out the roof racks and heading north.

Our first membership meeting is on October 17 and thanks to our Social Chair, Laurel Freeberg, we'll be kicking off the fall with a pre-meeting Oktoberfest celebration. Rein is in charge of the beverage purchase, and I'm sure that he'll provide us with some delicious seasonal brews – be early to get the best selection! Remember, festivities start at 7:00 pm; meeting starts at 8:00 pm.

We'll see you on the 17th and let's think snow!

Mark

Lodge Committee Report

<u>Work Weekends</u>	<u>Leader</u>	
May 19 - 21	C. & J. Levin	Completed
June 9 -11	P. & C. Eagles	Completed
July 14 - 16	Zimmermann/King	Completed
September 15 - 17	Doctoroff	Completed
October 13 - 15	L. Forte	
November 10 - 12	P. & T. Tasker	

Our **Weekend Leaders** are busy reviewing the annual maintenance schedule and plotting which jobs they can take on for their particular weekend. Among other tasks, we will be cleaning out the kitchen, painting exterior stairs, sweeping pine needles off the roof, power washing exterior walls, painting porches and replacing electrical outlets.

In addition to the annual maintenance work, our **Project Leaders** are making plans and buying materials for their special undertakings.

Wayne Foster: Your new Lodge Chair is overseeing the purchase and installation of two new picture windows in the living room. In Progress

Phil Brewer: Phil will be purchasing and installing a new sprinkler compressor and drawing up emergency shut-down procedures for the system. In Progress

Landscaping Gang: John Marquis, Doug Grant and Jim Harding are leading the charge on lawn work, outdoor landscaping and, of course, The Big Tree. The lawn has been fertilized with the first 3 steps, the October weekend should plan on doing the fourth step. And the Big Tree is gone but not forgotten.

John Gardner, Jr.: John will be installing the new LexSki sign out front, assembling a new game table for the living room and inspecting the front porches for water damage. Completed

Jeff & Kathi Moore: Our resident rehab specialists have turned their sights on a Boot Room redesign, including new ski racks, new boot cubbies and new lighting. In Progress

David & Mia Fitzgerald: These motel dwellers are overhauling the motels, including window & door insulation, bed frames, mattresses, lighting and furniture. In Progress

Charlie Levin: Charlie is going to work on the downstairs men's lav, including a new sink and shelving. Completed with fresh paint, new toilet and new sink.

Paul Cotran: New member Paul Cotran is working with Jim Fearnside to design and build interior "thermal shutters" for the bedroom windows. In Progress

Bill Hammer: Re-plumb the hot water lines for Rooms 3 & 4 to fix hot water surge problems. Completed new lines to be tested.

These guys are not doing this work by themselves, so expect a call asking you to lend your carpentry, painting or sewing skills to the effort!

Lodge Committee Meeting

The next Lodge Committee meeting is planned for October 10th to prepare for the work weekend. It will start at 7:00 at the Eagle Bank. Any updates will be via email.

Things to Remember at the Lodge

If you turn the heat up, turn it down. A recent visitor to the club reported that the thermostat was set to 72 upon their arrival at the lodge. Please remember to turn down the thermostat when you leave the lodge.

Finally, from the LexSki Membership Information Packet:

Each member is required to perform a work weekend during the spring or fall. If you do not complete a work weekend, you cannot make reservations...a member of the club may put in extra time to cover another family member...A work weekend consists of two days, Saturday (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and Sunday (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.); with arrival preferred on Friday night...

Thanks a lot,

Wayne Foster

Social Activities Report

LEXSKI OKTOBERFEST

* The Lexski Oktoberfest will be held on October 17 at 7:00 with a business meeting to follow. Contributions of seasonal favorite snacks (apple cakes, pumpkin breads !) would be appreciated. Cider, juice, beer and wine will be available. Children are welcome to come as well, with a friendly reminder to be considerate of the business meeting.

* Information about discount tickets, pool club, and other social opportunities will be available.

Laurel

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

We have two resignations. Jack and Priscilla Forte have resigned due to illness. Jack and Priscilla have been members since 1965 and are parents of Peter Forte and grandparents of Robin and Brian who are current members. Also, Bjorg and Pete Davison, members since 1964. Our best to Bjorg, Pete, Jack and Pris. We will miss you!

Three families have requested inactive status for this season. They are: Stephanie and Jon Mandle, Cathy and Jay Kaufman, Terry and Julian Mallet, and Ellen and George Brandenburg.

We have offered membership to:

1. **Nancy and Chris White**, sponsored by the Perlmutter and the Fearnside. Their children are Sam, 7, and Max, 4.
2. **Christina and Ryan Floyd**. Their sponsors are the Marquis and the Vogels. Their children are Alexandria, 6, and Isabella, 2.
3. **Cavan Stone** will become a derivative member.

Mark and Betsey Rose have fulfilled all of their requirements, however, they moved to the D.C. area this summer. Their application will be put on hold, and they will go to the top of the list when they move back.

This leaves us with two openings. We have an application from **Holly and Kevin Martin** and their two children, Alison, almost 6, and Kara, 2½. We are looking for another sponsor for them. They have met quite a few of you, so please introduce yourselves to them at our meetings.

A committee has been formed to study the weekend usage of the club.

Respectfully submitted:
Carroll Eagles and the Membership Committee

Office of the Treasurer: Status as of October 6, 2006

Accounts	10/3/06 Balance
Assets	
Cash and Bank Accounts	
BosFed Checking	0.00
BosFed Checking2	4,027.91
BosFed Reserve Fund CD	<u>22,211.66</u>
Boston Federal Savings	41,804.67
Fleet Bank	0.00
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	68,044.24

2. Financial Situation. The club is in good financial condition with no large outstanding bills.

3. New Meal Charges. The E-Board, at the suggestion of the Kitchen committee, has slightly increased the meal charges for the forthcoming year. The new charges are shown below along with the charges from the past:

Year	Breakfast	Dinner-Ad	Dinner Ch	Dinner Guest
1965/69	\$0.85	\$1.50		
1970	\$0.85	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$2.50
1971	\$0.90	\$2.25	\$1.75	\$3.00
1972	\$0.90	\$2.75	\$2.00	\$3.50
1973/76	\$1.00	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$3.50
1977/83	\$1.25	\$3.25	\$2.25	\$3.75
1984/89	\$1.75	\$5.00	\$2.50	\$5.50
1990/96	\$1.75	\$6.00	\$2.50	\$7.50
1997/2004	\$2.00	\$7.00	\$2.50	\$8.00
2006/07	\$3.00	\$8.00	\$3.00	\$9.00