

# The Yodeler

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## October 2016

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## LexSki Membership Meetings

Meetings of the membership are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at First Parish Church, Lexington (by the Green) at 7:30 p.m. in Parker Hall (rear entrance, lower level) unless otherwise noted.

**The first family** listed is responsible for bringing the bins and for reminding the other families listed of their host and hostess duties. Host families are responsible for set-up before and clean-up after each meeting. The supply bins are passed along to hosts at each meeting. **If you can't serve, get a sub – in advance.**

October 18, 2016: **Hardman**, Kourian, Lynn M

November 15, 2016: **Lynn R&S**, Mahoney, Marquis

## President's Report

It's hard to believe that summer has come and gone already. That can only mean one thing: skiing is not to far off. Keep your fingers crossed that this coming season will be better than last.

We are kicking off the 2016-17 season with the Oktoberfest gathering this month. Julie and her helpers are working hard to organize the event. Thank you to them for all their work.

There are only a couple of more work weekends left. If you haven't done yours yet, you are running out of time. Please get your reservations in soon so that the Lodge Committee can have time to plan the work to be done.

The E-Board is close to resolving the Kitchen Committee search. Just need to iron out a few details and hope to report an outcome next month.

It has come to the E-Board's attention that members that have used the club during the summer and brought guest have not been paying the guest fees. Please pay up!!!! Please send in your signed reservation forms with checks to Dan Connell.

Hope to see everyone at Oktoberfest,

Jeff (jmoore.nh@gmail.com)

## Membership Report

There have been many changes in membership over the last few months. As of October 2016, there are 49 active family members. The club voted to limit the number of family members to 55 for the 2016-17 season. Last winter, the club was quite full, and we want to make sure that our membership numbers are in line with lodge capacity.

For the upcoming season, a number of families have gone inactive or remain on inactive status. We wish them the best during this coming year and hope to welcome them back next year. They are:

Chip Bogosian  
Peter Forte  
Garberg  
C Levin  
J Levin  
A Levin  
Miles  
Sinnott  
Mary Van Sinek  
Shaughnessy  
Christian Stone

Sadly, several families have resigned from the club. These families have contributed so much to the club over many years and will be greatly missed! They are:

Linda Willcox  
Carroll and Pete Eagles  
Jim and Joyce Fearnside

We are pleased to welcome Sam and Irene Gravina as new members of the club. Irene was a junior member years ago and has found her way back to us. We look forward to skiing with them for many years to come.

Three prospective members have completed all the application requirements and are being considered for membership. They are:

Kevin and Kathy Baker and their children Aiden (13), Andrew (11), and Erin (9) live at 11 Bruno Terrace Woburn, MA 01801 and are sponsored by the McCarthys and the Ostens.

Dan and Stacey Raiche and their children Owen (12), Austin (10), and Christopher (7) live at 12 Glen Road Lexington, MA 02420 and are sponsored by the Fahys and the Yees.

Eric and Diane Pearlman and their children Matthew (15) and Naomi (13) live at 47 Parker Street Lexington, MA 02421 and are sponsored by the Colburns and the Sciarrettas.

If any member has doubts about these families becoming members, please contact me within two weeks of this publication. If there are no doubts, they will be offered membership in the club.

Currently, we have one prospective family, Greg and Natalie Romanovysky and their son Ollie (9).

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Oktoberfest meeting.

Cath Fahy and the Membership Committee

## **Lodge Report**

At the time of writing, fewer than half of families have completed a work weekend, with only 9.5 families signed up for the October work weekend. If more people don't attend in October, we will not be able to accommodate everyone on the last one in November.

Please consider attending in October, and remember that everyone has to attend at least one to get a priority number.

### Lodge status

The plumber will turn on the heating in the next week. The water leak under the dining room has been fixed, and we hope that the dry summer, along with the dehumidifier, has helped to dry out the wet earth under the floor. A new fire escape from the upper dorm was constructed and painted at the last WW. It should last a few years now.

Rita and Tom McCarthy have offered to purchase new mattresses again this year, and these will be in place by the start of the ski season.

Peter Hardman (peter\_hardman@mac.com)

## **Social Report**

If it is October, it must be OKTOBERFEST somewhere. Please join us for good beer and cheer on Tuesday, October 18, 7-9 p.m., First Parish Church, Lexington.

Bring an appetizer. NO NUTS!

October hosts are responsible for usual meeting set up and desserts.

Julie (julietess@gmail.com) and Patrick (pmcveigh@gmail.com) McVeigh

## **Treasurer's Report**

As of September 30, 2016

Checking account: \$45,411

Savings account: \$28,551

Total: \$73,962

As you can see, the club's bank account has recovered significantly from a low of about \$25,600 at the beginning of August. At the budget meeting in May, one of the goals was to put aside \$10,000 in an Upcoming Maintenance fund and \$18,551 in a Replacement Reserve account to cover three months of operating expenses. This has been completed.

All invoices were due October 1. As of October 4, there is still about \$6,000 to be collected. If all the new members are accepted to the club, this combined will bring in about another \$10,000.

If you visit the club, even if you have no guests, please submit a reservation form to the Treasurer. If we are audited, we need to show that the majority of reservations are from club members. There have been a number of families that have not done this in the last few months. Please send them to me now—no penalty for being late. Also, please sign your forms and scan and e-mail them or mail them to me.

Dan Connell

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