



The Lodge  
of the  
Lexington  
Ski Club

# THE YODELER

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## LexSki Membership Meetings

|                   |         |                    |                                    |
|-------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| November 21, 2023 | 7:00 PM | Membership Meeting | Belmont Hill School - Chapel       |
| December 19, 2023 | 6:00 PM | Holiday Party      | Belmont Hill School – Wadsworth Rm |

## LexSki Events

|                      |              |                       |              |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| November 17-19, 2023 | Weekend      | Work Weekend - Cotran | LexSki Lodge |
| November 22-25, 2023 | Thanksgiving | Large Group-Butler    | LexSki Lodge |

## President’s Report ([president@lexski.org](mailto:president@lexski.org))

Hi LexSkiers! I get more excited each time I have gone up to the club this fall. With the hard work of Lodge chairs Kristen and Dan (who I must say are still quite happily married even though they undertook three major renovations at the club over the last two years) the club is really taking shape. While the final work weekend is fast approaching, I am sure there will be some final touchups needed even after the work weekend and once the ceiling and carpets are installed. I will make some time to come up in December to help, I hope others will join me as well.

Happy Thanksgiving and see you on the slopes!

*Eric Pearlman* [President@LexSki.org](mailto:President@LexSki.org)

El Presidente

## Lodge Report ([lodgechair@lexski.org](mailto:lodgechair@lexski.org))

The last work weekend of the season (November 18-19) hosted by Cotran-Kelly will get the Club ready for the ski season. The Jannes Work Weekend (Nov 4-5) focused on the living room, the public bathrooms, and the new bathrooms in 2 and 3. The living room's new trim was prepared and painted to get ready for the new ceiling. The sprinkler system in the living room has been replaced. Bathrooms were sheet rocked, tiled, and grouted. Couches were delivered to be reupholstered. New toilets were installed replacing older/larger tanks.

Ceiling grids were installed earlier this week in the living room and the two public bathrooms. New lights will be installed in the coming days. New carpet will be installed in the living room, boot room, and staircase after Thanksgiving.

Thank you to all who not only did their work weekends, but to those who did extra days to help the club move forward with these projects.

Think snow.

Kristen & Dan

Dan and Kristen [LodgeChair@LexSki.org](mailto:LodgeChair@LexSki.org)

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

The holidays are upon us!

On **December 19th** we will be meeting at Belmont Hill in the Wardsworth Room @ 6pm to celebrate! If you have young ones, please bring a gift for Santa Claus aka "Ganta Claus" to present to them during the gift ceremony.

This year's holiday party will be potluck, so please contribute if your last name falls into the following:

Appetizers:     A-H  
Main Dishes :    I-S  
Desserts:        T-Z

Many thanks!

Social Committee

Mike Sciarretta ([social@lexski.org](mailto:social@lexski.org))

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

Membership Report

Membership recruitment has been going very well- we currently have 15 prospective families! Please join us in welcoming:

- **The Albuquerque/Raduan family:** Fernanda and Fernando live in Lexington and have two children: Maria Clara (11) and Matheus (9). Sponsors: *Hardman, Martin*
- **The Canham family:** Steve and Laura live in Lexington and have 2 children: Julian (7) and Emily (4).
- **The Demuro/Cantoni family:** Adalberto and Laura live in Winchester and have 3 children: Giacomo (23), Gabriele (21), and Giorgio (16).
- **The Dennis family:** Katherine and Josh live in Lexington and have 2 children: Thomas (5) and Miles (2). Sponsors: *Jahnes, Gardner*
- **The Eisenman family:** Keith and Jennifer live in Lexington and have 2 children: Zoey (7) and Emilia (4). Sponsors: *Pearlman, Hilton*
- **The Freedberg/Limouze family:** Alexis and John live in Arlington and have 2 children: Mallory (6) and Simone (3).
- **The Gissara/Rodriguez family:** Fernan and Daniela live in Winchester and have 2 children: Ben (9) and Clara (7).
- **The Launer family:** Josh and Oksana live in Arlington and have 3 children: Maya (12), JJ (11) and Claudia (7). Sponsors: *Curtin, O'Donnell*

- **The Moellering/Kraska family:** Karin and Tim live in Arlington and have two children: Paul (11) and Theo (8).
- **The Olsen family:** Sue and Dan live in Arlington and have two adult children. Sponsors: *Westerhoff/Varoglu, McCarthy*
- **The Palazzolo/Hooli family:** Isa and Raj live in Lexington and have 2 children: Viren (8) and Ari (6). Sponsors: *Garrigus*
- **The Puscasu/Nottleson family:** Erik and Irina live in Winchester and have 2 children: Rosalia (15) and Louisa (11). Sponsors: *Gelfand-Nichols, Ehrbar*
- **The Spira family:** Karen and Eran live in Waltham and have two children: Oren (10) and Noga (6).
- **The Swartz family:** Rebekah and Mark live in Lexington and have 3 children: Rae (5), Hannah (3) and Noah (1). Sponsors: *Cotran*
- **The Xiaoyun/Carey family:** Lynn and Lucas live in Arlington and have 1 child: Manu (7). Sponsors: *Kmetz*

We are still in the process of assigning sponsor families. Thank you to the prospective families for your interest and to member families for sponsoring! When promoting the club, about 15% of responses were from interested families near to but outside of the geographic requirement. We are exploring the impact if we were to widen the geographic requirement but given the number of responses we are not proposing changes at this time.

Also, we are updating the Prospective booklet to include **First Visit to the Lodge** with notes about what to pack, what to expect etc. We are also documenting a **Sponsor FAQ** for members who may find a refresher helpful.

Thanks,

Caren Connell and Membership Committee

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### Treasurer & Communications Report ([treasurer@lexski.org](mailto:treasurer@lexski.org))

As of 11/16/23:

|                                      |           |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| TD Operating Checking                | \$        | 2,679.52          |
| TD Operating Money Mkt               | \$        | 58,207.32         |
| Cap Improvement Fund Money Mkt:      | \$        | 85,606.62         |
| Cap Improvement Donations Money Mkt: | \$        | 2,983.00          |
| Emergency Fund Money Mkt:            | \$        | 43,500.00         |
|                                      |           |                   |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS:</b>                  | <b>\$</b> | <b>192,976.46</b> |
| <b>SBA Loan (debt @ 2.75% APY)</b>   | <b>\$</b> | <b>160,857.45</b> |

We made payments on a few large invoice payments this month, so the Capital Improvement fund balance has been reduced accordingly. You will continue to see some large payouts from that account as the living room and bathroom projects come to a close.

I'm excited to announce that we have hired a new cook named Jordan for the upcoming season! Eric and I worked hard to find the right candidate for the role, and I'm very optimistic that Jordan will be a great fit! I will provide more details about this important news at next week's November meeting.

As announced in last month's Yodeler, the E-Board recently decided to eliminate the landline telephone at the club, as it is rarely used, is no longer necessary to monitor club emergency equipment, and has become increasingly expensive. The landline phone has now been removed from the living room, and there is no longer a working landline telephone in the building. ***In the event of a fire, police, or other emergency, please use a cell phone to dial 911, or if you have no access to a phone, pull any fire alarm in the building, which will result in an immediate notification to the Woodstock Fire Department, who will be dispatched to respond.***

Chris White has begun transitioning into the Treasurer role. I appreciate him stepping up to this busy position, and I am confident that he will make a great Treasurer for the club. This will be my last Treasurer update, and I hope next month to be working diligently on improving the communications of the Club.

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

Kevin Baker ([treasurer@lexski.org](mailto:treasurer@lexski.org))

## Secretary Report

No Secretary news to report this month.

Cindy Darcy ([secretary@lexski.org](mailto:secretary@lexski.org))