

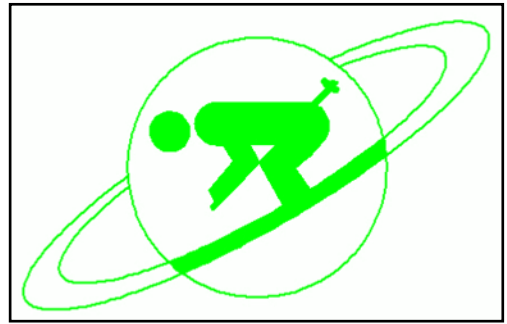
March 2015

NASA Lewis Ski Club

Snowy travels



Within the last month, the club traveled to both Jackson Hole, Wyoming along with Breckenridge, CO. A write up on Jackson Hole can be seen on page 4. Along with ski transportation, snowmobiles were also on tap.



Next meeting

The meeting will be Tuesday, March 3 starting at 6 p.m. at the Donauschwaben German American Club, 7370 Columbia Road, Olmsted Twp., with happy hour at 5.

Come share your trip adventures with fellow members as the club has gone from Pennsylvania to Wyoming in search of good snow. Winter's isn't over yet! We still have a trip to Holiday Valley Friday, March 6.

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President's message

As I write this the NASA Lewis Ski Club are in Breckenridge and the snow are falling outside. It is a beautiful sight. The frigid weather we been having means there's more chance for snow. Yeah!!

We thank all who supported the chili cook off in Feb either by bringing in chili, or cornbread, or snacks etc... We couldn't do it without your help.

The election season is coming up. Please consider taking an active role in the club as a club officer/chair. Club government positions elected by the club include: President, Alpine VP, Nordic VP, Recorder, Publicity Director, Treasurer, and Trustees. Nomination will take place in March and election are held in April.

We also need volunteers to support the club in the following roles: CMSC rep, Membership, Recruitment, Social, Trips and Web Curator.

Please step up and make this the best Ski Club in town.

Tom Vannuyen

Chili Cookoff

The Feb. 3 meeting was a tasty one, with numerous club members stepping up to create entries of their own. And the nearly full house in the meeting room were not disappointed.

While each cook won something, Judy Yen took first prize with her specially spicy concoction (center) and Jan Neumann (right) took second with her creation featuring a bit of beer. They got first choice of prizes.



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Club officers

Position	Name	Email @lewisskiclub.org
President	Tom Vannuyen	president
Alpine V.P.	Aaron J. Swank	alpinevp
Nordic V.P.	Margaret Proctor	nordicvp
Activity V.P.	Dan Zeleznikar	activity
Recorder	Victoria Wise	recorder
Publicity Director	Allison Wood	publicity
Treasurer	Bernice Poduch	treasurer
Refreshments	Cindy Busch	goodeats

Committee Chairs & Trustees

CMSC Representative	Jan Jurgensen	cmsc
Racing	Lisa Lambert	race
Membership	Dan Zeleznikar	membership
Web curator	Dan Zeleznikar	webcurator
Alternate web curator	Aaron J. Swank	webcurator
Trip	Tom Vannuyen	tripchair
Trustee	Janet Dubas	trustees
Trustee	Linda Elonen-Wright	trustees
Trustee	Vacant	trustees

Jackson Hole Trip



Typing this as our 38 trip-goers make the bittersweet return trip back to Cleveland. We had a great trip to Wyoming, full of all sorts of fun and adventure. Everyone on the trip was able to challenge themselves on some of North America's steepest terrain while also enjoying breathtaking views offered by the Tetons. Besides skiing my dream mountain, highlights included off trips to Targhee, Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks, whether by van, skis, or snowmobile. To cap off the trip, the town of Jackson hosted the kickoff of ceremonial dog sled racing complete with free hot chocolate and a stunning fireworks display from the base of the Snow King slopes.



The journey began with a moderately easy check-in at Hopkins early Saturday morning, where the group gathered at the gate to greet each other and collect a surprise goody bag to ease their bellies through the travel day. After making new friends on the flights, we were greeted at the Jackson airport with complimentary OJ and mimosas, along with the few members who came in on other flights, and every-

one's bags! From there we hopped on a bus ride that led us by the local Elk Refuge to the grocery store, and then finally the 49er Inn, right in downtown Jackson. After settling in, all gathered at the welcome party for some drinks and appetizers, and to receive their custom trip shirts among other things. Following the party, folks met up at the local brewery to check out the goods-which they were!

For the first day of skiing on Sunday, like most, we were in a weather inversion where it was colder in town than on the mountain. For many in the group, this was their first time exploring Jackson Hole. (Continues page 5)



And explore they did-lessons for some, and tram rides to the peak for others. On day two, temperatures at the peak reached 52 degrees. Who would have thought spring conditions in January?!? Either way, it was not entirely unwelcome as we shed the extra layers, and captured some gorgeous photos. In a welcome turn of events, Tuesday night brought 4-6 inches of new snow to the slopes which offered the opportunity to lay fresh tracks well into Thursday. Unfortunately, the opportunity to safely drop Corbet's Couloir never presented itself, so we must return to conquer that run another year! Injuries were kept to a minimum, but we hope that everyone gets well and is back to the slopes soon.

Quite a few ventured on a snowmobiling tour to Yellowstone on their day off, complete with emergency bathroom stops, (semi?)-reckless snowmobilers and of course absolutely awesome sights. Some quenched their aerobic appetites by bringing their cross-country gear and heading into the Tetons on their day off. Others had more laid back days, either taking scenic wildlife tours with local biologists, or exercising their credit cards at the shops in town. Of particular note were the exquisite chocolates crafted by Cocoa Love, where many seemed to wander on more than one occasion.

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The hotel accommodations were quite nice, especially the included hot breakfast which allowed us to properly fuel up each morning! The hotel even provided a wild game BBQ where the owner served us his own personally slow cooked moose that his son had caught in the wild. (Continues page 6)



While on the topic of parties, there were also plenty of those and other night time activities to be had. On Monday we had a pizza party with pies from Pinky G's, followed by a group visit to Jackson's Famous Million Dollar Cowboy Bar, where a choice few from the club started off the dancing almost as soon as the band kicked off. All were able to feel like cowboys as they sat at the saddle barstools enjoying the night's country entertainment. Live entertainment was something of a mainstay in the town, as the upscale Wort Hotel offered a western swing band and dance floor one night, and elsewhere another night there was a great Led Zeppelin cover band. So it seemed that the nights got later and later as the week went on!



At time of publishing, this trip is now one month in the past, and though we will not forget it, we most certainly will miss the mountain, the town, and the great company. In fact, many came to me both during and after the trip to tell me how wonderful of a time they had. In my experience, it's always the people that make the trip, and this trip was blessed to have so many good ones. All I can say is, thanks everyone for coming! Let's do it again next year! Cheers!

Dan Zeleznikar



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"RENAISSANCE FAIRE"



SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015
HAPPY HOUR: 6:30 DINNER AND AWARDS: 7:30
(Renaissance attire optional)

Reinecker's Party Center
9575 South Freeway Drive
Macedonia OH 44067

OPEN BAR • DANCING WITH DJ DANCE DELITE

COST: \$40 per person if reservation is received before April 10. Cost increases to \$45 per person for reservations received after that. No reservations taken after April 20.

MAIL WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO "CMSC RACING" TO: Debbie Sidol, 23992 Noreen Drive, North Olmsted OH 44070
PH: 440-734-0611; dsidol3@att.net

Name: _____ Ski Club: _____

Address: _____

Phone / Email: _____ Number of People ____ x ____ = _____



Holiday Valley III
With the Lewis Ski Club
Friday, March 6, 2015
\$70 per person (lift ticket and bus)*

Includes:

Round-Trip Bus Transportation and Adult Lift Ticket

pack your own drinks, breakfast, snacks and dinner (cooler provided)

Itinerary:

6:00 AM	West Side Pickup NEW LOCATION (see below)
6:30 AM	East Side Pickup
10:00 AM	Arrive at Holiday Valley Ski Area
5:30 PM	Bus Departs for Cleveland
8:30 PM	East Side Drop Off
9:00 PM	West Side Drop Off

Trip Application Information

Register and pay on-line at
<https://lewisclub.org> under "Trips"

Contact: holidayvalley-march2015@lewisclub.org Trip
leader: Victoria Wise 440-846-1171

***Lewis Ski Club membership required. New
Members: \$10 Individual/\$15 Family**

Membership information at <https://lewisclub.org/membership>

- ~ Reservations are 1st come 1st served with payment in full. ~ Bus seat cost is non-refundable
- ~ Every participant must sign an on-line **Trip Application Form**
- ~ Unaccompanied Minors (under 18) must have a Minor Release Form ~ No Smoking on the Bus

Bus Pickup/Drop-off Information:

More information at <https://lewisclub.org/bus-pickup-locations>

WEST: Lakefront Bus Lines parking lot: 13315 Brookpark Rd., Parma (West of 130th St. across from Malley's Chocolates)

PARK IN REAR PARKING LOT

EAST: Home Depot Parking Lot: Wilson Mills Rd., Highland Hts. (1/2 mi West of I-271) **DO NOT PARK AT DENNY'S**