



LEWIS SKI CLUB

NEWSLETTER

January 2025

Limited Time Offer – Dues Reduced!

We lowered the cost of our membership in an effort to increase our revenue. I want to thank all of you who paid that small fee even though you have no plans to go on any of our trips in 2025. That money helps with the many costs associated with maintaining this organization. If you're reading this and haven't renewed or joined, consider clicking the link below.

Thank you again to all who have supported this club. We were able to double our membership from the lowest we'd ever seen.

<https://lewisskiclub.org/join>

Lewis Ski Club in the News:

<https://www.cleveland.com/community/2024/10/nasas-glenn-research-center-ski-club-boasts-thrill-seekers-of-a-different-kind.html>

**Next meeting at the German Club in
Olmsted Township**

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

See details in "Prez Says" letter

Chili Cook-off Competition

Bring your "best" chili to share!

**at Donauschwaben – 5-6pm Happy
Hour in upstairs bar, 6pm meeting
downstairs**



The Prez Says

Greetings Lewis
Ski Club
members; my
2nd family,



I hope everyone is able to
get out on some one-day
trips with the club or with

family and/or friends.

My plan was to coordinate a cross-country ski weekend this past weekend but I got Ray's cold virus Wednesday last week and missed 2 days of work (Thursday and Friday). The weather was perfect with time in between to let the new snow pack down!! Now the temps are reaching 40's by this weekend, Ugh!

“And now....for something completely different” – (Monty Python's Flying Circus opening line! For all you old MPFC fans out there!!!) This picture is a throwback to 1993 when I was a 4-year volunteer with Three-Trackers Ski Club at Brandywine. I was assisting with instructor Dan Lipka as he skied backwards while instructing the student & I was trailing close behind giving encouragement to the student, I loved it!! Anyone remember Polly Horning of Snowballers Ski Club and Marsha ('no-legs') Wacker, President of Three-Trackers Ski Club? I was good friends with both and Polly sadly passed away over 9 years ago and unsure what happened to Marsha.

I'm hoping there's still a ton of snow for the weeklong trips to Copper Mountain, Mt. Snow, and the Holiday Valley day-trips. We Nordic skiers are at the mercy of the constant fluctuations of Cleveland weather, unfortunately. No snowmaking for us! No Coke, only Pepsi, no fries, only chips! Cheeseburger, Cheeseburger! (from Saturday Night Live with the Not Ready for Primetime Players!! – John Belushi for all you old SNL fans!)

Hey everyone!!!! – Better than stinkin' Cheeseburgers is.... Mark your calendars and tell your friends about the LSC Annual Chili Cook-Off (Tuesday Feb. 4th, 6pm at Donauschwaben German &



American Club in Olmsted Falls). It's a competition where we will sample (and afterwards vote for your favorite) really great homemade chili and something else: chili toppings, cornbread, crackers, sweets, etc. Get your chili making practice in to impress your friends for Super Bowl weekend! Please invite your friends (don't be shy, we are anything but shy!) and they just may want to become a member with a 'little friendly (Crystal Blue) persuasion'. Or, send them to me and I will 'chat them up' about being a member or even a board member if it's 'in the cards' for them, of course! ('Crystal Blue Persuasion' - Tommy James & the Shondells fans out there!) Yes, this was a 'throwback' newsletter. Hope you enjoyed the old puns here.



All the best and hoping to see everyone soon (don't forget your friends!!!) at our Annual Chili Cook-Off. Bring your best and leave the rest behind!! Ha-Ha!!

Looking forward to it!
Denice M., El Presidente!



Message From the Alpine VP

Tuesday February 4th is our annual Chili Cook Off during our general monthly meeting. Bring your

favorite Chili or just your appetite and help pick the winner! We're talking about where we've been and where we're going! We have Big Sky already booked for March of 2026 and plan to open registration this spring. Other plans are exploring overseas destinations in Japan. We're looking for members to be part of the nominating committee as a new board will be elected in April. Maybe you'd like to be more involved with the executive board! We look forward to seeing you there! <https://lewisskiclub.org/content/clubmeeting/2025-02-04>

Also there's a few spots left for Holiday Valley 2 on February 14th. Sign up today.

Kim H.
Alpine VP
Lewis Ski Club



Message From the Activities Director

Your friendly Activities Director will be out of town for a few months, taking a winter break,

so join the skiing activities LSC is offering! Otherwise, notify one of the officers about an activity that you would like to organize and tell other club members about – for instance, the IX Center's Home and Garden Show is coming soon – does anyone want to join a few Ski Club buddies to attend together? Let's talk about it at the next meeting! The local wineries are still available for an evening of social wine-tasting and conversations – feel free to pick a place and a date/time and we can send out an email to the club! For instance, on February 14 (if you aren't going to Holiday Valley), La Famiglia has a Valentine Special Evening at their Winery – it's a wine and pastry tasting/pairing with a local pastry chef. See details and sign up for tickets at: <https://lafamiglia.wine/>

Therese T.
Activities Director
Lewis Ski Club

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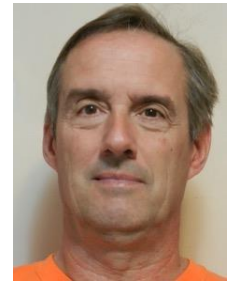
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Ski Season is HERE!

Copper Mountain

Our Ski Club trip (Sunday, January 26 to Saturday, February 1, 2025) to Copper Mountain, CO is in full swing and we should get a report from those who are having fun on the slopes out there when we see them at the Feb. 4th meeting.

Big Sky (2026)

Let's start thinking about our next ski season – check out the new information about the great lifts at Big Sky in the next section of this newsletter...and more details about the planned trip in the flyers below.

Japan (2026)

Let's talk about our next ski season – come to the Feb. 4 meeting to find out more about the plans for a trip to Japan to ski in 2026!

BIG MOUNTAIN – WARM RIDE!

Big Sky is the king of every other ski area world's longest eight-you might want to pack



Big Sky also boasts a include two 8-packs (Powder Seeker &

fancy lift tech. This year they flexed on with the opening of Madison 8, the seat chairlift. At 8,631 feet, it's so long snacks!

fleet of high-speed **blue bubble lifts** that (Ramcharger & Madison) and two 6-packs Swift Current) complete with **heated seats!**

The Lone Peak Tram can be ridden to ski down from the top of Lone Mountain or as a scenic ride ascending to 360-degree views of three states (Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming), two National and millions of acres of take in Montana's highest scenic spot a local mountain goat taken it all in, ride the tram back



Parks (Yellowstone and Grand Teton), wilderness. Walk out to the deck and overlook. If you're lucky, you may even grazing for a snack. When you've down.

Coming in 2025, the tram will **platform** with views down the fall line of Lone Mountain through a **glass floor!**

include an **all-glass viewing**

Join us in March 21-28, 2026, to find out why Big Sky calls the Lone Peak Tram *the ride of a lifetime.*

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Big Sky 2026

Remember Y2K? That's the last time LSC went to Big Sky.
Join us March 21-28, 2026, and check one off the bucket list.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION!

Huntley Lodge, Big Sky's landmark hotel in the heart of mountain village is renowned for its warm hospitality, prime location, and the perfect blend of rustic charm and modern amenities.

We'll enjoy slopeside access at the main base area, complimentary ski valet, daily breakfast, on-site restaurants, room service and a vast array of nearby eateries, shopping and rentals.



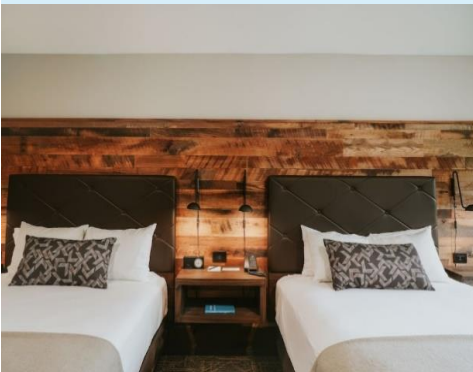
SIMPLE MATH

320 named runs

21%	Beginner	That is about	67 runs
14%	Intermediate		44 runs
15%	Advanced Intermediate		48 runs
31%	Advanced		99 runs
11%	Expert		35 runs
8%	Extreme		25 runs

Longest run – 6 miles

No matter your ability level, math is in your favor!



Bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org

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COME SKI WITH US UNDER THE BIG SKY IN MONTANA!

March 21 – 28, 2026



Your Package Includes

7-night slopeside stay at Huntley Lodge (2 Queen beds)

Ski in/ski out from the main base + complimentary ski valet.

Roundtrip flights from Cleveland, OH to Bozeman, MT.

Roundtrip transportation from airport to lodge + grocery stop.

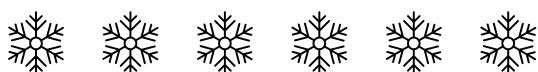
Welcome reception, daily breakfast and mid-week dinner.



Located in the heart of Mountain Village, Huntley Lodge is renowned for its warm hospitality, prime location, and the perfect blend of rustic charm and modern amenities.

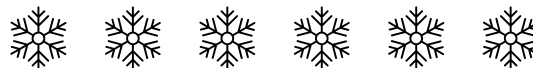
Travel insurance is recommended.

Lewis Ski Club reserves the option to change airlines, lodging, and/or itineraries.



\$2,300 + lift ticket

For the best price on a 5-day lift ticket, you'll purchase a Freestyle Pass directly from Big Sky Resort or use your Ikon Pass. Lift pricing will be available in Spring 2025.



Mountain Facts

5,850 acres of skiable terrain

50/50 beginner-advanced terrain split

400" of annual snowfall

58" average March snowfall

320 named runs – 4,350' vertical



Payment Schedule

\$750 Deposit after 4/1/25

\$450 6/30/25

\$450 9/30/25

\$650 1/15/26

To register

(Link will be available April 2025)

Questions?

email Shari

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