



LEWIS SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

January 2026



**Come celebrate 2026 while enjoying sandwiches and a game of ski trivia:
Tuesday, January 6th. Happy hour in the bar at 5pm – meeting begins at 6pm**

**Donauschwaben German-American Culture Center at Lenau Park
7370 Columbia Rd, Olmsted Township**

**Bring cash if you wish to participate in the 50/50 raffle + donations to our
refreshment fund are always appreciated!**

Coming up...

February meeting – chili cook off!

Message from our President



As I write, it's mid-December and the presents are unopened under the tree. The champagne is still in the bottle, and fireworks are waiting for the flame. But I need to write the January letter. I must say thank you to everyone who has stepped up, spoke up and never gave up on our club. Your contributions contribute to our success. Paying membership dues, registering for a trip, and attending meetings are a few ways you help LSC. We welcome your suggestions and feedback. Thank you again for your membership and support throughout 2025!

As we dive into ski season and the new year, I wish you great conditions, a bluebird day or two, safety, and warm toes. Enjoy the season, it is starting out well in our neck of the woods!

Kim

Alpine VP Message



We are thrilled with the registrations for all our trips this year. We have two full one-week trips out west, and for the first time in many years, we have sold out our initial capacity for our two Holiday Valley (HV) ski trips. In fact, for the January 16th one-day trip the bus is packed FULL at 52 skiers. Allison W. has “volunteered” (she was kind of blackmailed into it) to lead this trip, but she will earn any “comps” that come with the responsibility.

The February 25-26 HV overnight trip has also sold all initially allotted spaces, but a few more will be offered to try to even out the rooming assignments (we need a single male and a single female). This is an issue because Tom Vanuuyen is not going on the trip, and there are some folks who will NOT room with just anybody. The club should benefit financially from these trips, since we hope to earn a surplus (unless the trip leaders feel like treating everyone to lunch) on each of them.

The only trip with capacity left is the Thursday one-day trip to Holimont on February 19th. This trip is being led by Suburban Ski Club and includes chili in the base lodge after skiing before heading home. We expect we will sell our allotted seats on this trip as well, based on the results of the survey at last August's picnic. But as the date grows nearer, if we haven't sold all our allotted seats, we will give any unsold seats to Suburban, who is sure they will be able to sell them. So, if you're thinking about Holimont, DON'T wait too long to sign up!

Mark

Word Scramble

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This ski resort is so funny...it's hill-areas.

Purgatory, Colorado, Feb. 1 – 7, 2026

Tom will be at the airport early to distribute special luggage tags to add to your bags. These will help the property identify and deliver them more efficiently upon your arrival.

To ask a question or to be added to the waitlist, contact Tom: Purgatory2026@LewisSkiClub.org.

Big Sky, Montana, March 21-28, 2026

Shari has special luggage tags to add to your bags. These will help Huntley Lodge identify and deliver them more efficiently upon your arrival. She will be handing them out at the upcoming club meetings on 1/6, 2/3, and 3/3. If you can't make it, please let her know so that she can mail them to you. If you've moved recently, be sure to update your address on your trip profile.

To ask a question or to be added to the waitlist, contact Shari: BigSky2026@LewisSkiClub.org.

Join Us for an Exciting Night of Hockey on January 30, 2026

We are thrilled to announce that LSC is planning a group outing to the Monster's Hockey game on **Friday, January 30, 2026!** This is a fantastic opportunity for members to come together, enjoy the excitement of live arena hockey, and support our local team.

Event Details

- **Date:** Friday, January 30, 2026
- **Location:** Rocket Arena, Cleveland, Ohio
- **Time:** 7:00 PM
- **Who:** All club members and guests are welcome

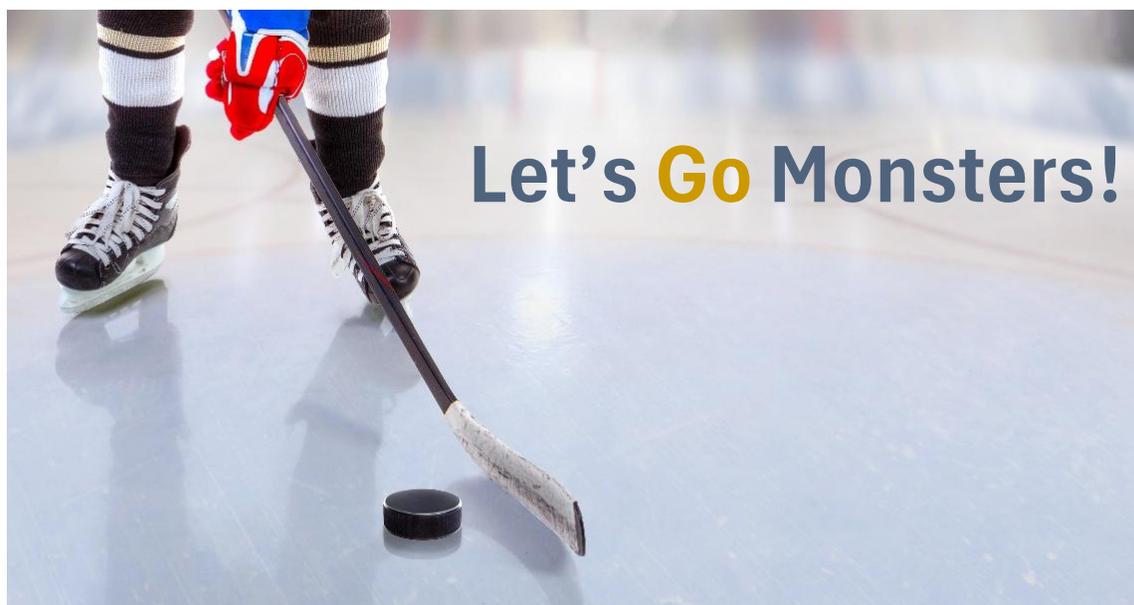
Why You Should Join

Whether you're a lifelong hockey fan or new to the game, attending the Monster's Hockey match promises to be an unforgettable experience. Cheer on the team, socialize with fellow club members, and enjoy the lively arena atmosphere. Don't miss out on the fun!

How to Sign Up

Online registration is now available! Please use our convenient online system to register by January 2, 2026, and reserve your spot for this exciting outing.

Mark your calendars and get ready for a night of action-packed hockey. We look forward to seeing everyone at the game!





CMSC/Racing report



The race season begins the weekend of January 10th – 11th at Holiday Valley. I will be there on Saturday for the Giant Slalom.

If you'd like more information about racing, or to learn the ropes, email me at race@lewisskiclub.com

or Elise_allen44118@yahoo.com.

If you'd like to be preregistered for the January 10th race, please email me by Wednesday January 7th.

2026 CMSC Adult Race Schedule

January 10 – 11, 2026: Holiday Valley 1

January 24 – 25, 2026: Swain 1

February 1, 2026: Peek'n Peak

February 8, 2026: Snow Trails

February 21-22, 2026: Holiday Valley 2

February 28 – March 1, 2026: Swain 2

Happy ski season!

Elise

Save the dates



MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN, CALIFORNIA

January 30th – February 6th, 2027.

We have condos reserved at Juniper Springs with walk-out / lift-off access at the Eagle Express chair.

MT. BACHELOR, OREGON

March 6th – 13th, 2027.

Ski a stratovolcano!

We have rooms reserved at the newly remodeled Riverhouse Lodge in Bend.



Word Scramble Answer

Find out at the January meeting!

Lewis Ski Club: Purgatory, Colorado

Sun, Feb 1 – Sat Feb 7, 2026, Cost \$1725



Package includes:

- Roundtrip flight from Cleveland, OH to Durango, CO
- Roundtrip ground transportation
- Welcome party/midweek party
- 6 nights' accommodation at the Purgatory Village Condo
- **Ski in/ Ski Out**
- 4 people per 2 bedroom / 2 bath condo
- Complimentary wi-fi with fully equipped kitchen, fireplace
- Hot tub, heated pools, fitness room
- 5 days riding/skiing at Purgatory.

Mountain Stats: <https://www.purgatory.ski/mountain/purgatory-mountain/trail-maps/>

- Skiable Area: 1,635 acres
- Vertical Drop: 2,072 feet
- Base Elevation: 8,793 feet
- Summit Elevation: 10,822 feet
- Annual Snowfall: 260 inches
- Lifts: 11 lifts (1 High Speed Six Person, 2 HS quad..)
- Trails: 107 trails
- Terrain: 20% Beginner, 45% Intermediate, 35% Advanced/Expert

Link to register online at SportsAmerica: <https://www.sportsamerica.com/online/lewis-purgatory>

Trip Leader: Tom Vannuyen 440-376-1503 Question? Purgatory2026@lewisskiclub.org

* Membership in the Lewis Ski Club is required and is available at: <https://lewisskiclub.org>

* Does not include baggage fees, any additional fuel surcharges, or airport fees, which may be imposed by the airline prior to departure. Lewis Ski Club reserves the option to change airlines, lodging and/or itineraries. Cancellation policy can be found on [trip page](#).

COME SKI WITH US UNDER THE BIG SKY IN MONTANA!

March 21 – 28, 2026

Your Package Includes



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

Slopeside access at the main base + complimentary ski valet.

Roundtrip flights from Cleveland, OH to Bozeman, MT.

Roundtrip transportation from BZN to Huntley Lodge + grocery stop and portage.

Welcome reception, daily breakfast and mid-week group dinner.



Located at 7,500' in the heart of Mountain Village! Every room features a wet bar, coffee maker, refrigerator, TV, seating area and daily house-keeping.

Questions? bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org

To register:
sportsamerica.com/online/lewisbigsky

(Cancellation policy can be found on [trip page](#))

\$2,370 + lift ticket



Lift options

The lowest price for a traditional 5-day lift ticket is the **Freestyle pass**. Group lift tickets with tram access are also available.

Or **save big** with **wholesale** Ikon prices using our special password protected link: sportsamerica.com/ikon-lewis.

Send an email to bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org to request the password.

Guests who purchase an Ikon pass through Sports America will have **6.5% of the cost of your pass deducted** from the final balance due for your trip! Ikon Base Pass includes 5 days at Big Sky.



Mountain Facts

Big Sky Resort is known for its expansive terrain, offering something for every level of skier and rider. With 40 lifts, 5,850 acres of skiable terrain and 4,350 vertical feet, this winter wonderland promises an adventure like no other.

50/50 beginner-advanced terrain split

400" of annual snowfall

58" average March snowfall

320 named trails

Payment Schedule

\$550 Deposit

\$550 7/30/25

\$570 9/30/25

\$700 1/15/26

