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Lexington Ski & Sports Club

FEBRUARY MEETING: JOIN US ON THE 5TH



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The February meeting will be Tuesday, February 5th, back at the Lexington Racquet Club Apartments Clubhouse... 3900 Crosby Drive (off Mano-War, at Tates Creek). Scott Dawson or Shannon Atwood from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society will be joining us to talk about the Society's Grand Canyon fundraising hike coming up in May.

I'm sure there will be plenty of Beaver Creek trip stories for your enjoyment as well so you'll want to get there and chat with the Beaver Creek trippers early! Social hour starts at 6:00 and the meeting starts at 7:00. Don't miss it!





See vou Racquet Club Feb 5 Social Hour-6 Meeting-7

LSSC SOCIAL SCENE

Annual Soup Party!

Linda's annual winter soup party is scheduled for Saturday, February 23rd at her home (location of the Halloween and Christmas Parties). The food and festivi- February Happy Hour! ties will start at 6:30 and end when the soup and/or guests are gone! Linda get hold of you! Get out makes the soup so you just need to bring your favorite beverage and some type of "finger food" dish that goes with soup. If you need directions to Linda's house or have any questions you can contact Linda at lsgorm0@ uky.edu. Spend a cold winter night with good food and good friends!



Don't let the winter blahs with your LSSC buddies for the monthly happy hour on Friday, February

> 15th at Malone's in Hamburg at 1920 Pleasant Ridge Drive. It starts at 6:00 pm and goes as long as you care to stay!

Meetup!

LSSC is taking advantage of another social networking tool to help keep members informed, Meetup! Our Meetup is listed as Lexington Ski and Snowboard Meetup. Just Google that name and when you get to the page all you need to do is fill out the registration. Then you will automatically receive invitations and reminders of all club meetings, trips and social activities (even last minute gatherings, road trips to hike, ski, etc)! Check it out for fun!



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FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED

The next meeting of the LSSC Board will be on Wednesday, February 27th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 127, "The Commons," of the UK HealthCare Charles T. Wethington Building, College of Health Sciences. Contact any Board member if you are interested in attending. All Board meetings are open to LSSC members. E-mail Linda Gorman (lsgorm0@uky.edu) if you need directions.

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CELEBRATING FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

Barbara Anderson 2/7 Linda Gorman 2/14 Barbara Connell 2/29



<u>Don't forget</u>... If you are signed up for a trip but haven't renewed your membership application and dues yet, <u>you can't get on the plane!</u> Update!

LSSC OFFICERS AND BOARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Nominations for Officers and Board Members for the club for the 2013-2014 year are now open. If you are interested in serving your club as an Officer or on the Board, please contact Dan Geiger, Nominating Committee Chair and President-Elect at dan.geiger@insightbb.com or at 859-797-4212.

You may nominate yourself or another member. The Officers and Board members are the life blood of the Club and do the behind the scenes work that allows the club to offer the trips and other events members enjoy. The Board meets for about 2 hours on a monthly basis.

Nominations are invited for all of next year's positions which are:

President-Elect, Executive VP, Local Trips, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Director, Newsletter Editor, Membership, Web master, Marketing and Racing.

Members will vote for the nominated candidates at the April meeting.

LOGOWEAR: CHECK IT OUT!!

LSSC logo wear can now be ordered and purchased at EMBROIDME Located at 171 West Lowery Lane Suite 156 (across from the Kroger on Nicholasville Road) President-Elect Dan Geiger sports his new summer LSSC logoed polo and is pictured with EMBROIDEME owner, Tricia Salyer. Tricia will be speaking at our April meeting and showing some of her apparel lines.

LSSC members can stop in any time and order logo wear....or bring in your own garments and have the LSSC logo applied. Prices are very reasonable....just ask Dan....

Help promote YOUR club by wearing LSSC logo wear.





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RACES & RACERS

Race Schedule

Feb 2-3: Paoli Peaks, IN; hosted by Lexington/Frankfort; weekend ticket \$72 (\$52 Saturday, \$47 Sunday), purchase tickets at upstairs desk Dual GS Cup Qualifier/Cup Race Saturday; Dual GS Sunday

Feb 9: No OVSC racing

Feb 10: Perfect North, IN; hosted by Cincinnati; \$33 ticket at inside window Two GS; Mike Robbens Memorial Race; Registration required; Additional fee

Feb 16-17: Snow Trails, OH; hosted by OVSC; vlidt ticket \$37 plus \$5 race fee

Feb23: Perfect North, IN; hosted by Cimcinnati; \$33 ticket at inside window Two GS

Feb24: Perfect North, IN; King/Queen of the Hill; Non-OVSC; \$33 ticket at inside window

March 1-3: Timberland, WV; WV Governor's Cup Race

Race formats (GS,SL, etc.) are subject to conditions and course availability.

Contact Racing Director, Lady Di Miller, at hagski@aol.com



Miller Style!



Lady Di's Winning Form



Race Times

Perfect North: Saturday TBD, Sunday 10:00 am Paoli Peaks: Saturday 10:00 am, Sunday 9:30 am Mad River: Saturday 10:00 am, Sunday 10:00 am Snow Trails: Saturday 9:00 am, Sunday 9:00 am Race times are tentative. Check in lodge upon arrival.

Lodging

Paoli Peaks Comfort Inn Suites French Lick 812.936.5300

Snow Trails Lodging details pending

Perfect North Lodging details pending



The Geiger Award





Terry Gets Silver

LSSC SKI TRIP TO BEAVER CREEK, JANUARY 12 TO 19, 2013

by Peter Woollam, Trip Leader

First day on the slopes, Sunday January 13, set the lowest base temperature of the trip at **minus** 20 degrees F at the top of the Cinch lift (11,4450ft). Only a few ventured out that day!! and yes it was sunny and over the week the temperature rose to about 4 degrees F and up to 20 degrees F in the village. All green, blue and many single black runs were groomed daily giving fantastic, unbelievable runs with very few people and no lift lines for all the week. The sunshine kept going all week except for one cloudy day – no snow fell.

Our two units (1 x 3bed, 3bath and 1 x 4 bed, 4bath) at Highlands Lodge gave us ski-in, ski-out via the Highlands lift for eleven of us. We had a 10-minute walk into the Beaver Creek Village, or use the free Dial-a-Ride bus or the free local bus to take us to the base of the main lift area (Centennial Express Lift). There were no complaints about our accommodation, which was excellent. Plus we had the free use of the Hyatt Hotel Fitness Room and access to their Spa.

Good use was made of the two hot tubs at the Highlands after skiing and three brave individuals even took rolls in the snow to cool off!!

On the cloudy Tuesday we had the OVSC high speed race (Lindsay Vonn 57.99sec combined time for the two courses). LSSC had 6 starters – Marty D, Patrick S, Jim B and Peter W all received bronze medals and LSSC came in fifth out of 7 clubs with 7 points. Marty D was 7th fastest lady finisher, and Patrick S and Peter W were 10th and 11th male finishers. Unfortunately both Dan G and Terry E each only finished one of the two courses but Terry did make amends later in the week with a Silver medal (congratulations). Dan G did receive the LSSC only prize for the slowest finisher!!!

There is a new high tech personnel-reader system (www.epicmix.com) which covers Keystone, Breckenridge, Vail and Beaver Creek, which on entry to getting on each lift reads your personal code and thereby calculates the total vertical elevation that one has ascended and therefore descended each day. Patrick S, Jim B and Peter W ascended over 118,800 ft (that is over 22 miles vertical height) in 4 ½ days skiing with 37,800 feet being the greatest in one day. Patrick S, in fact, went on each of the 18 lifts on Friday. There were also many camera locations at the top of many lifts where the camera man reads your card and takes your photo and it is posted on the website within 15 minutes. – readable on your iPhone, iPad, or computer.

Happy memories covered: stop at Applejacks to fuel up the drinks supply for the week, plenty of seats on the bus to BC, free hot chocolate and cream at the top of the Centennial lift at 9am, Fresh baked chocolate chip cookies at 3 pm at the bottom of the Centennial lift, OVSC dinner at the Dusty Boot, OVSC reception and an après ski party at the Charter Lodging, OVSC lunch time picnic at Arrowhead, "epic "photos, beer at the Chop House, Sharon W going snow shoeing for the first time and sledding down hill on her backside, Dan G getting lost in the trees and walking 2 miles back to civilization – with the helpdirections of two snow-show walkers, really pleasant lift and ticket attendants.

Not mentioned above was our youngest member – Jesse S and the Gibbs and Clark couples – all joining in the fun on the slopes. Unfortunately Don D was not able to make the trip due to illness – but he is well on his way to recovery.

Karl Winter of Winter Ski & Sports and his crew at the resort (Marty, Pete, Tom) put on an excellently organized

trip with many get-togethers for all the OVSC clubs. Enjoy the many scenes that follow.

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH: FEBRUARY 7-14, 2013

We are returning to SLC in 2013 to take advantage of the peerless variety of world class ski resorts near Salt Lake combined with great value. Recent Club polls placed Utah at the top of the list. We will have four ski days available.

We will be staying at the three star Crystal Inn in down town SLC (230 West 500 South). The trip cost is based on double occupancy with two beds in each room. The Crystal Inn provides a free hot breakfast buffet each morning, free wireless internet access throughout the hotel, free air port shuttle and free parking. All rooms have a mini-fridge, microwave, hair dryer and coffee maker. The hotel has a hot tub and swimming pool.

Numerous restaurants are nearby and SLC offers extensive shopping and attractions including Temple Square.

Also included in the trip is a 4-day Super Pass. The Super Pass provides skiing at your choice of Alta, Snow Bird, Brighton and Solitude. It also provides free transportation on UTA buses and Trax light rail system. It can also be used for a 20% discount on ski rentals at the Super Pass resorts.

The UTA provides ski buses in the morning and afternoon serving all the resorts on the Super Pass. A UTA bus stop is near the hotel.

Skiers must provide their own transportation to Salt Lake. A recent check of rates for Delta from Lexington showed a rate of \$475 including taxes.

The trip price is \$559, ground only. \$100 is required with a completed trip application to reserve a slot on the trip. After the initial \$100 payment, \$100 per month is due by the end of September, October, November and December. \$59 is due by the end of January. If you find it more convenient, payment in full can be made with the application.

The trip leader is Dan Geiger at dan.geiger@insightbb.com or 859.797.4212.



LTA - BRIGHTON - SNOWBIRD - SOLITUDE



Trip Leader Dan Geiger



SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, NEVADA: MARCH 17-24, 2013

Get your skis and boards ready! We are headed to Lake Tahoe in March 2013!

Lake Tahoe is surrounded on all sides by the *Sierra Nevada* mountain range. Lake Tahoe was formed about 25-million years ago and is the second deepest lake in the United States at 1,645 feet deep (tenth-deepest in the world). Lake Tahoe has 75-miles of shoreline, is 22-miles long, 12-miles wide, and we will be skiing at least three of the resorts overlooking it.

We will stay at the remodeled *Forest Suites* 2 bed/2 bath condominiums located 100 yards from the Heavenly

gondola. The amenities include breakfast and wireless internet.

The air package includes airfare on **Del**ta between Cincinnati and Reno, ground transportation between the airport and

SORRY THIS OFFER IS

SOLD OUT!

lodging, 4 day lift tickets and the usual OVSC amenities.

Travel from *Heavenly* to *Kirkwood* and *Northstar* will be approximately \$20 per person per trip. With enough participant interest, we can take an après ski cruise across the lake back to our resort and arrange to ski other resorts, such as Squaw Valley.



Trip Leader Catherine Monzingo



In March, twenty members of LSSC will head to Europe for touring in Romania and skiing/boarding in Switzerland. If you have been considering this trip, but have not yet enrolled, contact trip leader Janet Jones at 859.420.5016 or at igjones@email.uky.edu for waitlist consideration. This is an OVSC trip so there is still a good chance you might be able sign on for all or part of this great trip. We already have a great group signed up, so we guarantee you'd have a great time, whether or not you ski or board!

Snow Sport Specifics in Brief!!

In winter visitors benefit from the central location of Interlaken and the associated opportunity to every day pick their favorite among the ski regions of the Ski Jungfrau Top Region (Mürren/Schilthorn, Kleine Scheidegg/Männlichen and First) or the family-oriented ski region of Beatenberg or Axalp-Brienz. Over 45 mountain railways, aerial cableways, chair and ski lifts take athletes to 125 miles of runs. Cross-country skiers and toboggan riders also are well catered for in the vicinity. And there are over 135 miles of winter walking trails in Interlaken, Beatenberg, Axalp-Brienz, Habkern, Wilderswil and the Jungfrau region. Guests staying in the area of Interlaken may take advantage of the daily ski bus transfer connecting Interlaken with the ski-region Mürren/Schilthorn, Kleine Scheidegg/ Männlichen, and Grindelwald-First.

In Wengen, see and ski the course of the legendary Lauberhorn World Cup down hill race, the longest and, many believe, the greatest race there is.

Staying in Interlaken, you will have easy access to great ski areas:

- Grindelwald First
- Kleine Scheidegg Männlichen
- Mürren Schilthorn
- Axalp Brienz
- Beatenberg Niederhorn

For more information, contact trip leader Janet Jones at 859.420.5016 or jgjones@email.uky.edu

INTERLAKEN -



Gateway to the Jungfrau Area March 9 - 17, 2013

Interlaken lies in the Bernese Oberland on an alluvial plain, between Lake Thun and Lake Brienz. The vacation destination, which is presided over by the three mighty mountains, Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau, is the starting point for numerous activities. Thanks to the new Mystery Park, a stay in Interlaken is now even more rewarding than ever. Guests can combine a fantastic journey to the great mysteries of our world with exhilarating excursions in the Jungfrau Region. So close.... The Interlaken holiday region and its neighboring chalet villages of Beatenberg, Bonigen, Habkern, Iseltwald, Ringgenberg-Goldswil and Wilderswil are perfect for a relaxing yet active vacation.

And for vacation visitors who prefer to take life a little easier, various vessels - including two lovingly restored lake steamers - offer a choice of captivating cruises. Interlaken also offers a magnificent mountain world. The Eiger, Monch, and Jungfrau seem almost close enough to touch. The Schilthorn with its imposing 360° panorama and many other summits offer a host of wonderful hikes. The glorious glacier village of Grindelwald - an ideal departure point for trips to the world-famous Jungfraujoch - is a mere 20 kilometers away.

What's Included ...

- Airfare Lexington Zurich Lexington
- Ground transportation Zurich Interlaken Zurich with English- speaking guide on the coach
- Seven nights at City Hotel Oberland
- Breakfast buffet and dinner daily (Dine Around plan for dinners)
- Welcome drink and area briefing in Interlaken
- Hospitality desk at the hotel daily with local guide
- Use of high speed internet at the hotel
- Dedicated OVSC daily ski bus
- Fuel charges/air taxes/local taxes/luggage handling tips
- Many great optional day tours
- Discounted lift tickets and equipment rental
- Optional pre-trip to Romania/Transylvania
- Optional post-trip extension to Zermatt for skiing the Matterhorn area





Just some of the Winter Activities available......

- Ski and Snowboard
- Balancer slope glider
- Canyon jump
- Curling
- Ice hockey
- Ice skating
- Glacier trekking
- Heli-skiing and boarding
- Climbing in winter
- Cross-country skiing
- Nordic walking
- Paragliding and hang-gliding
- Riding
- Sledding
- Snowshoeing
- Swimming
- Interlaken Rope Park
- Sky diving
- Snow tubing
- Winter hiking

It's pure adrenaline! Sky diving, heli-skiing, paragliding, great wide slopes and toboggan runs. There's no limit to the range of winter sports offered in the Interlaken holiday region.

Interlaken's offer of winter sports and adventure is as good as the summer one! Rock around a snowpark, curve and carve your way across ample ski slopes, sledge down a toboggan run or two, or experience the free-fall sensation of sky diving. Ice skating, winter hiking, riding and even overnighting in an igloo make for somewhat quieter winter days that are just as thrilling

					Terrain				
Mountain Statistics	Base	Тор	Vertical Drop	Longest Run	Beginner	Inter- mediate	Advanced	Expert	Terrain Parks
Grindelwald - First	3392	7110	3717	8.1	0	33	49	18	1
Kleine Scheidegg – Mänlichen – Wengen	4265	7612	3346	3	0	20	60	20	1
Mürren - Schilthorn	5413	9744	4331	9.8	40	40	20	0	1

SKI ZERMATT! March 17 – 23

Zermatt lies at the foot of the Matterhorn (4,000m). In total there are 29 4,000m peaks surrounding the village, all packed with deep powder. The resort offers year-round skiing thanks to its glacier. The village itself is peaceful thanks to the absence of cars, only electric vehicles and horse-drawn carriages are allowed. Traditional architecture lines the streets, as do restaurants bars, and shops. Another member of the Best of the Alps coalition, Zermatt is unique and always a great place to ski.

Package includes:

- Ground transportation Interlaken Zermatt-Geneva
- Five nights accommodation at the Hotel Gorenergrat-Dorf + one night in Geneva
- Breakfast buffet and four-course dinner daily
- Hospitality desk at hotel
- Local taxes, luggage handling, and tips
- Lift tickets and ski/board rentals extra

Pricing has not been finalized, but will be approximately \$1029 + air and Geneva hotel addon. (Note: Zermatt extension is only available in conjunction with the Interlaken trip.)

Mountain Statistics					
Summit	12,533'				
Vertical Drop	7,218'				
Base	5,315'				
Beginner	2%				
Intermediate	16%				
Advanced	58%				
Expert	24%				
Terrain Parks	2				
Longest Run	8 miles				
Highest groom	10,498				









ROMANIA/TRANSYLVANIA March 2 - 9

Authentic, Natural and Cultural are the words that best capture the essence of Romania, a dynamic country rich in history, arts and scenic beauty. Romania offers countless unique travel experiences - beautiful, intact, medieval towns in Transylvania to modern Bucharest, Romania's capital city. Take a step back in time as you visit one of the world's famous painted monasteries in Bucovina, the ancient, hilltop citadel in Sighisoara or an authentic, centuries-old, folkloric village. Explore Romania's many architectural treasures and experience its vibrant and flourishing arts scene.

Our trip will include:

- Seven nights lodging in four- and five-star hotels
- Breakfast and dinner daily, including
 - Dinner and folk show in Bucharest with wine
 - Dinner in the Dracula Restaurant with wine and special cocktail
 - Traditional dinner at a farm in Sibiel with wine and schnapps
 - Dinner in Old City Center of Sibiu with wine
- Horse drawn cart excursion, lunch included
- Tour escort and guide throughout the trip
- Air from Bucharest to Zurich including taxes, fuel surcharge
- Entrance fees for many of Romania's most famous sites
- Local taxes, guide gratuities, luggage handling at hotels

Pricing has not been finalized, and will depend on the total number of OVSC participants, the Romanian Lei– dollar exchange rate at the time of ticketing, and changes in fuel surcharges. Anticipate a price ranging around \$1,439, but could be more if lower than anticipated OVSC-wide count.



