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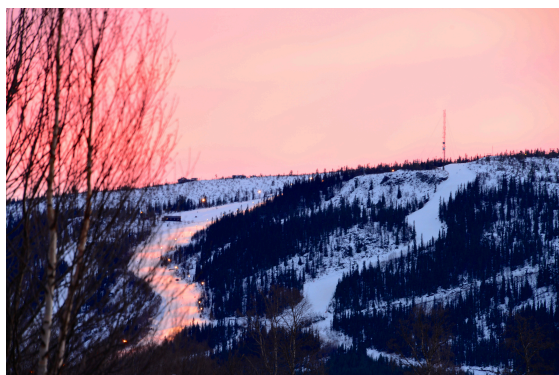
A Newsletter by Fort Wayne Ski Club



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February Social

February 13th @ 7:00 PM

Pro Bowl West

1455 Goshen Rd. Fort Wayne

Come out and hit the dance floor — we'll have a DJ playing music this month, along with food for members to enjoy. It's a lively way to spend the evening and connect with fellow club members during the heart of winter.

As always, guests can attend for \$5, and that amount will be applied toward a membership if they decide to join — so feel free to invite someone who might like to check out the club!

Bittersweet Trip This Saturday!

Don't forget — Hal's Toucan trip to Bittersweet Ski Resort is happening this Saturday. If you'd like to join, contact Hal at 260-710-0073.

See page 6 for full details.

Season at a Glance: Monthly Parties & Meetings

25/26 Ski Trips

Feb 7 – Hal's Bittersweet

Feb 28–Mar 7 – Aspen

March 13th – Monthly Party/Meeting

April 10th – Monthly Party/Meeting (Elections & racing awards)

May - Tennis

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THE VIEW FROM THE TOP

A Statement From Our President - DeWayne Stewart

What a meeting we had for the 90th Anniversary Party! Dave's history lesson of the FWSC years since 1936 was an inspiration to all us kids. (We are one of the oldest continuous ski clubs in the country.) Hope everyone had a chance to reminisce through the memorabilia on display. Another 10 years for the BIG one....

A lot of us have been doing day ski trips to Michigan and with all the cold and snow, the skiing is great. There are only 2 Ski Club trips left for this season, this Saturday is the annual bus day trip to Bittersweet... it's guaranteed be the best trip of the year so far... Call Hal NOW if you have any interest [260]-710-0073.

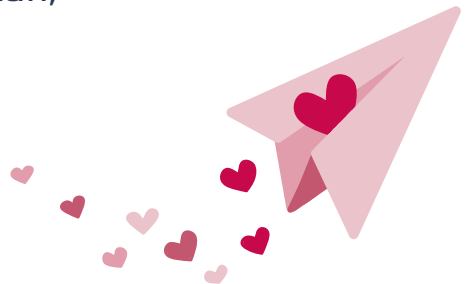
It's too late to sign up for Snowmass (Aspen), but call Kathy if you might be interested in filling in for any last minute cancellation (about \$2700) 260-437-5434.

In the many years that I have been on and off the Board, I notice it seems like the same people are running and rerunning and volunteering their time for the benefit of all, and next year again we'll need a whole bunch of new people again for the 13 elected positions. We are always looking for new (and old) people – be thinking about what position YOU might want to take over at our election meeting on April 10. What better way to get to meet people and get to plan the activities you want. "Job" descriptions will be in next Mogul.

The last 3 meetings of the year are all the SECOND Fridays of the month (Friday the 13th for Feb and March!) due to ski trip conflicts, so plan ahead. And check out the monthly Pub Meets on the calendar – back cover.

So get out and slide down that white stuff while you can, it's just about over already.

DeWayne Stewart
President, FWSC



Upcoming Events...

Pub Meet Dicky's 21 Tap

2910 Maplecrest Rd,
Fort Wayne, IN 46815

February 18th @ 6:30 PM

Join us at February's pub meet at Dicky's. It is a great chance to relax, catch up, and connect with fellow club members off the slopes. Stop in when you can, stay as long as you'd like, and enjoy a casual evening with the group.

February

BIRTHDAYS

Hal Atkinson	February 4 th
Randy Sadler	February 8 th
Karen Bishop	February 11 th
Dave Billian	February 9 th
Claire Nersessian	February 14 th
Dick Goodwin	* February 18 th



Don't Forget — The Winter Olympics Start Soon!

The 2026 Winter Olympics kick off in just a few days — a perfect time to plan your viewing for alpine, freestyle, and snowboard events and cheer on your favorite athletes.

Spring Tennis

Mark your calendars, tennis season kicks off **May 10**. Contact Dave at 750-5802 for details.

We currently have an open board seat. Members interested in serving are encouraged to reach out to any board member for more information.



Reminder:

Watch Your Email

Event reminders and last-minute updates are often sent by email, so keep an eye on your inbox as dates get closer.



Club Updates

In Memory of Bonnie Wyss

Longtime FWSC member Bonnie Wyss passed away unexpectedly on January 29. Bonnie was a past newsletter editor and an active club member alongside her husband, Steve, during the 1980s. She was part of many great years in the club's history and will be remembered by those who knew her.



More details can be found at:

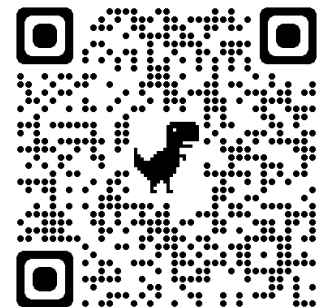
<https://www.fairhavenfortwayne.com/obituaries/bonnie-wyss>

FWSC History Now Online

At our recent 90th Anniversary meeting, Dave shared a great look back at the early days of the Fort Wayne Ski Club. If you'd like to read more about how the club got started and see the full historical script, it's now available on our website.

Visit: fwsc.org/about

You can also scan the QR code here to go directly to the history page.



Take a few minutes to check it out — it's a fun reminder of how far the club has come!

25/26 Season Trips

2nd Bittersweet Day Trip

February 7th 2026

\$114 per person till 1.10.26

\$129 per person after 1.10.26

Contact: Hall Atkinson
(260) 710-0073

Aspen, CO

February 28th - March 7th 2026

\$2,700 per person

Contact: Kathy Ahee
(260) 437-5453



Future Ski Trips:



Check out these trips that are in the works — more details will be shared as we get closer.

- **Copper Mountain**
April 2027 (estimated around \$2,000)
- **Big Sky Resort**
February 2027
- **Steamboat Ski Resort**
2028



SLOPE SAFETY!

Ski Safety Tip: Take a Warm-Up Run First

Your first run sets the tone for the day. Start with an easier trail to loosen up, test your edges, and get a feel for snow conditions before heading to steeper terrain. A quick warm-up helps prevent injuries and keeps you skiing strong all day.

TOUCAN SNOW ADVENTURE 16



Snowboard and ski at Bittersweet SkiResort on Saturday, February7, 2026.

The \$129 price of the trip includes: round trip transportation to Bittersweet (Near Kalamazoo), a lift ticket, fund door prizes, and snacks on the bus. Skis, boots, and snowboards are available at the hill to rent for \$39. Helmets may be rented for \$15. Each participant should also bring "2 CANS" of food to the bus departure point to be donated to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen. Register and pay IN FULL by 1-10-26 and get the Early Bird Discount! There are discounts for kids 6 and under. Contact Hal for details; text or call at (260) 710-0073.

Age _____
7 & over

Register & Pay after 1-10-26
\$129

- Departure is at 7:17am from the Meijer at 6309 Lima Road, Fort Wayne.
- Return departure time is 5:05 pm from Bittersweet.
- WE WILL NOT BE STOPPING FOR DINNER ON THE WAY BACK TO FORT WAYNE.
- Arrival at Meijer should be 7:30ish.

Trip Leader: Hal Atkinson
Email: halat8@gmail.com
cell: (260)-710-0073

Each participant must complete a registration form. Save a copy for yourself. Mail check payable to Fort Wayne Ski Club to the address below.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email _____ Phone _____



Mail to: Lima Road Dentistry –ski
9019 Lima Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46818
Attn: snowdoc

Trip Fee _____

Rental Fee _____

TOTAL _____

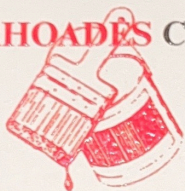
Waiver:

I know that snow sports are dangerous. I know I could get hurt or catch COVID. I know I could fall getting on or off the bus. I should not take part in this event if I am sick or medically unable. I assume all risks associated with this event. I will not hold the Fort Wayne Ski Club, Lima Road Dentistry, St. Mary's Soup Kitchen, Dr. Hal Atkinson, or any of the organizers and sponsors of this trip liable.

Participant's signature _____ Date _____

If under 18, parent's of guardian's signature: _____ Date _____

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Member's Re-cap

JANUARY PARTY:

At our January meeting, Dave brought in copies of past Moguls and club directories from the archives in honor of the club's 90th anniversary. They were fun to look through for those who had a chance to check them out.

We had 30 members in attendance along with 4 guests. Everyone enjoyed great food while spending the evening together. Thanks to everyone who came out and made it a great night for the club.



JANUARY PUB MEET

Rack & Helen's Bar & Grill hosted us on January 14th for our monthly pub meet, and we had a great turnout with 20 members enjoying food, drinks, and plenty of laughs. It was a great evening of good conversation and club camaraderie. Be sure to take a look at the photos — and we hope to see you at the next one!



Meet the Officers & Board Members

2025 - 2026

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OPEN POSITION
.....
MEMBER

Reach out to anyone on the board if interested in this position

NEXT FWSC BOARD MEETING

23 FEBRUARY 2026

6:30 PM
Fort Wayne Downtown Library - Globe Room

All members are welcome to attend!



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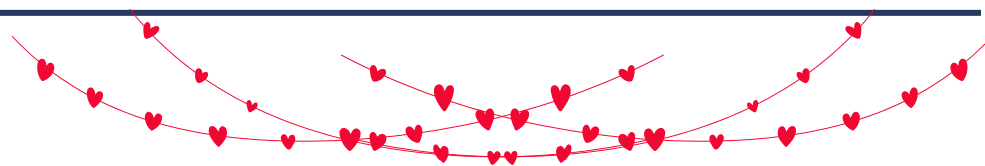
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Event & Activities



Next Club Meeting: February Social
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Upcoming Party
Dates: March 13th
April 10th - Elections and Racing
Awards with Music by Joe Justice

Events: Wine Tasting - Date TBD

Game Night - Date TBD

