



LEWIS SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

September 2026

Next up...

**Farewell to Summer cookout in the Pavillion – Live music & survey
Tuesday, Sept. 1st. 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...

October 6th – Get Ready to Hit the Slopes - tuning clinic and trip packing guidance

November 3rd - Open House

December 1st – White Elephant Gift Exchange

2027 week-long trips!

Mt. Bachelor, OR: March 13th – 20th, 2027 – LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE!

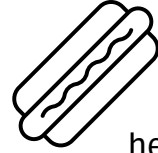
Mammoth Mountain, CA: Jan 30th – Feb 6th, 2027 – SOLD OUT

Message from our President



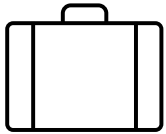
September is going outdoors! Join us in the pavilion as we celebrate the end of summer with a classic cookout featuring grilled burgers, hot dogs, and all your favorite picnic sides.

We'll also be conducting a fun and **Mentimeter survey** using our phones.



Your feedback is important, and the results will help guide the board toward future projects, activities, and events that best reflect our club's interests and priorities.

As summer winds down, it's time to start looking ahead to winter and getting ourselves back into ski season shape. The snow will be here before we know it, so let's begin strengthening those legs and preparing for another great season on the slopes.



In keeping with our commitment to making every meeting worthwhile, our October meeting will feature the return of our popular **ski tuning clinic**, along with new **packing tips and tricks** to help you get ready for your winter adventures.

We're also beginning preparations for our **November Open House**, and we'd love your help. If you're interested in being part of the planning team and helping make this event a success, please let us know. Your ideas, energy, and enthusiasm can make a real difference.

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events and sharing another great season together.

Until next time,

Kim

Word Scramble

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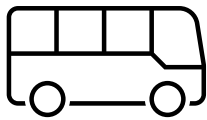
Bring the answer to the next meeting for a chance to win a prize!

Alpine VP Message

As announced at the August picnic, we have set the dates for our bus trips to Holiday Valley (HV) and Holimont (HM). They will be Friday, January 8 (HV), Friday, January 22 (HV), Thursday, February 18 (HM), and Wednesday/Thursday, February 24 (HV). Our club will lead January 8 and February 24/25th overnight trips, while Suburban Ski Club (SSC) will lead the January 22 HV trip and its annual February 18, HM trip.



Pending approval by our Executive Board, and agreement of SSC, we have budgeted prices at \$145 for the one-day HV trips, and \$345 for the overnight HV trip. Suburban Ski Club has not yet set the price for its February 18 HM trip. For our trips, we are excited to have two new members volunteer to be leaders! We'll be naming them shortly (those members already have names, of course - I mean that we'll soon assign them to a trip).



Mark

Ikon Pass Update

Our deeply discounted club pricing for Ikon Pass products ends on Friday, September 4th.

To guarantee discounted pricing, you must purchase your pass via our [club-specific link](#) by end of day on September 4th. The password is snow. Sports America will update their site with new pricing early the following week, on September 7th.

In addition to our special pricing, guests who purchase an Ikon Pass using [our link](#) and register for [Mt. Bachelor](#) will earn a **trip discount equal to 6.5% of your pass cost**. Ikon Base Pass gets you 5 days of skiing and riding at Mt. Bachelor!

After September 4th Sports America will continue to sell Ikon pass products at the public rates until early December when they officially go off sale.

If you are still on the fence about purchasing an Ikon pass product **now** is the best time to do so!

[Exclusive Ikon Pass Pricing](#)

Since the link includes exclusive pricing, it is password protected. Simply email [President, Alpine VP or Publicity](#) to obtain the password.

Brainstorm Bash



Our Happy Hour + Brainstorm Bash was a total vibe! We packed the room with great energy, snagged a quiet private space to plot our next adventures, and—no surprise—the Vampanther dark beer absolutely stole the show.

See below for an updated adventure schedule + we are planning a fall hike on either October 10 or October 24, with the location to be revealed soon. Stay tuned... the trail awaits!

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Off-Piste Activities

Details for each activity can be found under the **UPCOMING** heading or the **CALENDAR** tab on the [homepage](#)! Feel free to invite your friends and family since you don't need to be a member or need to pay for most events. Please RSVP to the [Activity VP email](#) address listed on our website.

Volleyball Social at Carlberg's Every Monday Night

Date: Mondays at 6:30pm, through Labor Day

This recurring event at the Carlberg's in Fairview Park happens every Monday until Labor Day. You don't even have to play - just come to socialize. Feel free to bring a dish to share. To get the address, please email the [Activity VP email](#) listed on our website.



Vino on the Way

Saturday, Sept 19th, 5 pm at Mapleside Farms 294 Pearl Rd Brunswick.



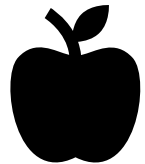
An evening stroll through the orchard and corn maze with wine stops along the way (choose beer OR wine options at each drink station) - also includes a tasting box with food offerings to pair with your drink samples. \$41 fee for this event with tickets purchased directly at [mapleside.com](#). Katie will be our host for this event.

Andrew Geig Harvest Festival at Geig Orchard



Saturday, Sept 26th, 1 pm, 8468 Wooster Pike, Seville.

Free admission. Pick your own apples, hayrides, pumpkins, food, vendors and family activities. Denice will be the host for this event.



Halloween Camping at Val's

October 2-4th



Includes a campfire dinner and Euchre on Saturday night. Come and camp for the whole weekend or just pop in to socialize, play cards or enjoy a campfire dinner.



Oktoberfest Fall Festival



Saturday Oct 17th at Donauschwaben, 7370 Columbia Rd Olmsted Twp. Festival runs from 4 -10 pm Enjoy food, beer and wine, and music (our own Sandy is playing in the band).



Happy Hour at Lorain Brewing



Wednesday, Oct 21st, 5:30 pm, 500 Shipyard Way Lorain in the Harborwalk neighborhood.

Enjoy \$2 off drafts, 1/2 off wings and a full menu for those who just want to come and eat. See more about this venue, which has a tap house, brand new kitchen, ample dining areas, and restaurant at lorainbrewingco.com.

In the Drink



Tuesday, November 10th, 5:30 pm 19367 Lorain Rd Fairview Park

Join us for great food in a cozy atmosphere with Tuesday specials. Please rsvp so that we can make sure there is space available for all of us.

Brunch in the cabin at the Brecksville Reservation



[Sunday, November 15th, time TBD.](#) Includes a catered brunch and a small art show of small original paintings and Christmas cards. Cost is \$21.

Happy Hour at Fat Heads



Wednesday, Dec 9th, 5:30 pm: 24581 Lorain Rd North Olmsted. Enjoy food, ciders and their full array of award-winning beers.



Who protects snowmen?

Snow angels!

Epic Pass

Want an Epic Pass? Cool. Want an Epic Pass *and* to magically support the Lewis Ski Club without spending an extra penny? Even cooler. Just use our link below — same price, extra good karma.

www.sportsamerica.com/epic-lewis

Camping Weekend

Our 9th Annual Camping & Floating Weekend Is Officially in the Books!



This year's adventure brought together **17 campers** and **several welcome visitors** for another memorable weekend of camping, floating, eating, laughing, and, apparently, mud management.

Our campsite featured quite an



assortment of accommodation: **one motor home, one camping trailer, a van, and a small village of tents.** Despite rain making an appearance every night, we're happy to report that **no one floated away.** The real challenge was the mud. In fact, we went through a giant bag of wood shavings to keep the gathering area from becoming a skating rink. By the end of the weekend, the campsite



looked less like a campground and more like an oversized hamster habitat.

As always, the food was spectacular. The potluck lineup included a little bit of everything: sandwich nights, homemade coleslaw, applesauce, potato salad, fresh green salads, ambrosia salad, locally raised beef burgers that may have been the best ever, salmon, peach pancakes, watermelon, tuxedo cake, and enough snacks to keep everyone happy. And yes, at least half of those snacks were healthy... probably.

This year's decorating theme was a **luau**, complete with leis, delightfully cheesy grass skirts, paper lanterns, and plenty of tropical flair that helped us forget, at least briefly, about the weather.



Saturday brought our traditional kayaking adventure, with **seven kayaks and one swan float** available for sharing. On Sunday, Valerie treated the group by renting a pontoon boat, allowing several campers to enjoy scenic lake tours, complete with swimming stops and plenty of relaxation.

Not everything went according to plan, however. Saturday morning tested our resilience when **two vehicles developed dead batteries** just as people were preparing to head to the kayak beach. As campers jumped into action to help with jump-starts, an unrelated mishap occurred when **Janet Dubas discovered a tent stake the hard way**. After catching it with her foot, she fell and unfortunately broke her ankle.



Janet and Matt made a trip to the ER, where the fracture was confirmed. They headed home Saturday afternoon, and Janet was scheduled for surgery on Thursday, August 13, to place a pin in one of the breaks. She now begins the familiar cast-to-boot-to-rehab journey that many skiers know all too well.

Please keep Janet in your thoughts and send some well wishes to her as she recovers.

Despite the rain, the mud, dead batteries, and an unexpected ER visit, **our 9th annual weekend was another success filled with great friends, great food, and great memories.**

Here's hoping for a little less mud and a little more sunshine at Camp #10!

Cathe

Guardians Baseball



Guardians Rock n' Blast Night Delivers a Bang!

Several Lewis Club members and guests enjoyed a memorable evening at Progressive Field for the Guardians' Rock n Blast game against the San Diego Padres on Friday, August 14. While the hometown team came up a few runs short against a red-hot Padres squad, the final score was quickly overshadowed by what came next.

Following the game, fans were treated to a spectacular 25-minute Phantom Fireworks extravaganza, perfectly synchronized to pop hits spanning the decades. From our excellent upper-deck vantage point, we had a fantastic view of both the ground and aerial displays. The booming explosions, dazzling colors, and nonstop "wow" moments lit up the night sky and kept everyone entertained.

Adding to the fun, the Lewis Ski Club received a special greeting on the scoreboard, making the evening even more memorable.

Although a Guardians victory would have been the perfect ending, the incredible fireworks show nearly made us forget the loss. In fact, the fireworks alone were almost worth the price of admission!

Sandy



Summer Evening at Paper Moon

What began as a gray, rain-threatening Saturday quickly turned into a beautiful summer evening as the sun broke through the clouds just as our group gathered at Paper Moon. In fact, it became so



warm that Ray Neumann came to the rescue by adjusting the patio umbrella to keep us comfortable—thanks, Ray!

Early arrivals secured a prime picnic table, including Jan and Ray Neumann, Barb and Warren Knipple, Cathe R. and her friend Ahri, with Gill and Cheryl Miller joining the fun a little later. The table was soon filled with delicious snacks: cheeses, fresh vegetables, French onion dip, honey-twisted pretzels, and Cathe's waffle pretzels, which turned out to be the perfect stand-in when someone (no names mentioned!) forgot the crackers. Thanks for the creative solution, Jan!

One of the evening's highlights was finally getting to try Paper Moon's long-awaited wine slushies. The featured flavor was Black Raspberry Margarita, which certainly sparked plenty of conversation. A variety of wines were also enjoyed, including Blackberry Sangria and Harvest Blend, a flavorful combination of Concord and Niagara wines.

The entertainment was equally impressive. The band, Summer of '65, kept the crowd energized with classic hits spanning from The Beatles and The Beach Boys to The Troggs and The Turtles. The music proved irresistible, with Jan and I joining many others on the crowded dance floor beneath the pavilion.

Most importantly, the evening was filled with laughter, good food, great music, and lively conversation as we shared stories of our summer adventures. A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who joined us and helped make this gathering such a memorable one. 🥰

And the fun isn't over yet—keep an eye out for details on a fall winery outing. We're already looking forward to another wonderful day of friendship, wine, and beautiful autumn scenery!

Denise 🍷



Help Make the Lewis Ski Club Open House a Success!

Members are needed to help organize our Open House.

We need your ideas, energy, and helping hands as we prepare to welcome prospective members and showcase what makes our club such a fun year-round skiing, snowboarding, and social community.

Open House Date: Tuesday, November 3rd

Social Hour: 5:00 PM

Meeting Begins: 6:00 PM

Location: Donauschwaben German American Culture Center at Lenau Park, 7370 Columbia Road, Olmsted Township, OH 44138

Ways You Can Help

- Attend zoom meetings to coordinate the event, plan menu, create flyers, develop plans to market event
- Invite friends, family, coworkers, and outdoor enthusiasts to attend
- Greet visitors and make them feel welcome
- Share your favorite Lewis Ski Club trips, activities, and traditions
- Help set up tables, banners, signs, refreshment table and membership materials
- Assist with clean-up after the event

Whether you can help for 20 minutes or the whole evening, your support will make a difference. Let's work together to introduce more people to the adventures, friendships, and fun of Lewis Ski Club.

Interested in helping coordinate this event? Brainstorming sessions via Zoom TBD.

Contact president@lewisskiclub.org to be included.

MOUNT BACHELOR 2027

\$2435 + lift *

March 13-20, 2027

LODGING

The Riverhouse Lodge was remodeled in 2024 and is situated on the Deschutes River with an onsite restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Hotel style rooms, indoor and outdoor pool & hot tub, fitness center, guest room patios, Oregon made bath products, complimentary in town shuttle and transportation twice a day to the resort.

TRAVEL

Roundtrip air from Cleveland to Redmond, Oregon for a smaller, easy to navigate airport. Includes ground transportation to Bend which is only 30 minutes away.

MOUNTAIN FACTS

It's BIG – Mt. Bachelor is the largest ski resort in the Pacific Northwest, yet it is uncomplicated and easy to navigate despite the whopping 4,323 skiable acres. The average wait time is 5-10 minutes, and often you can ski continuous laps without a single line.

PACKAGE PERKS

Welcome Reception

Daily Breakfast

Midweek Group Dinner

5 Day Adult (18-64) \$362

5 Day Senior (65-69) \$291

5 Day Super Senior (70+) \$241



IKON PASS

Ikon Base Pass holders may ski five days at Mt. Bachelor. If purchased through Sports America Tours 6.5% of the cost of the pass will be deducted from your final balance.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

\$625 Deposit due

\$625 8/31/26

\$625 10/31/26

\$TBD 12/31/26

QUESTIONS?

Mountbachelor2027@lewisskiclub.org

TO REGISTER:

<https://www.sportsamerica.com/online/lewismtbachelor>

*Final trip price will vary based on your selections. See trip page for cancellation policy.

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN

January 30 – February 6, 2027



Your Mountain Home

Juniper Springs, Mammoth Lakes, California

7-night stay with portorage

2-bed / 2 bath condos (1 King + 2 twins)

Gas fireplace, private balcony, hot tubs, and gear storage. Each unit offers plenty of space to unwind after a full day on the slopes.

Located next to the [Eagle Lodge](#)

 Slopeside lift access at the Eagle Express chair means you can click in and be on the mountain within minutes!

Travel

 Roundtrip flights Cleveland ↔ [Bishop \(BIH\)](#)

Ground transportation

Package Perks

 5-day group lift ticket (age 80+ ski free!)

Welcome breakfast

Mountain tour 

Mid-week group dinner

\$100 resort credit

\$1,980 + lift

5-day adult group lift (age 18-64) **\$493**

5-day senior group lift (age 65-79) **\$404**



Ikon Base Pass holders can ski/ride unlimited days at Mammoth + if you purchase an Ikon pass through [Sports America](#) **6.5% of your pass cost is credited back to your trip!**

Mountain Facts

8,000' – 11,000' elevation

180 trails, 25 lifts

3,100 vertical, 3,500 acres



Payment Schedule

\$625 Deposit

\$625 7/30/26

\$625 9/30/26

\$ TBD 11/30/26 (\$105 + lift)



Questions?

mammoth2027@lewisskiclub.org

Register [here](#) to be added to the waitlist or email mammoth2027@lewisskiclub.org.

See trip page for cancellation policy.