



March 2023

Hi Rise Venture



Hi Rise Ski & sports Club Newsletter

Meetings at the American Legion Hall

570 East 328 Street, Willowick, Ohio (off Vine Street)



Calendar of Upcoming Events

➤ Meeting	Wednesday, March 8	7:30 p.m.
➤ Meeting – Board members nominations	Wednesday, March 22	7:30 p.m.
➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, April 5	6:30 p.m.
➤ One Club Golf Outing	Saturday, April 8	9:00 a.m.
➤ Meeting – Board members nominations	Wednesday, April 12	7:30 p.m.
➤ Breakfast Hike	Sunday, April 23	9:00 a.m.
➤ Meeting – Board. members announced	Wednesday, April 26	7:30 p.m.
➤ Wine trip to Niagara-on -the-Lake	Sat. & Sun., May 6 & 7	TBA
➤ Meeting at the Player's Club	Wednesday, May 10	7:30 p.m.
➤ Annual Banquet	Friday, May 19	6:30 p.m.
➤ Captain's Game & Dinner	Friday, June 16	5:30 p.m.

Hi Rise Annual Banquet Set for May 19th A Night to Remember

“A Night to Remember” is often the theme for that time honored tradition of the SENIOR PROM! Yes, get out your dancing shoes, prom dress, or prom tux for a blast to the past. Although black tie is not required, your prom picture is! So, dig out your handsome prom pic. It will be displayed, and we'll try to guess who's who! I'm sure we'll see some fancy dresses, brocade tuxes, and some awesome hair dos. To be included in the contest, submit your best prom pic and payment to Char Patacca by April 30th. BTW... Wear whatever puts you in a prom mood. Please no shorts or jeans.



The Banquet aka “prom” will be held at the St. Noel's Party Center on Chardon Road in Willoughby Hills. And what “prom” would be complete without live music by House 41. As always, this event is subsidized by the club. To register please see the attached flyer. BTW – the prom pic here is from the internet – no one we know. **See the flyer on page 14 for details.**



One Club Golf Tournament will be Saturday, April 8th

Pick out one golf club and play your best game to benefit the HI Rise Ski Team! At Green Ridge golf Course, Wickliffe.

Prizes for DFL, low scores, pin shots, long drives, and a beer cart, too! **See page 18 for details.** Questions? Ask Guy Nerren.

Meeting Updates Be There!

Italian Night

Wednesday, March 8th

Get ready for some pasta, pizza, eggplant, and lasagna! Everyone looks forward to some fine Italian food prepared by Carol and Dennis Rosa. You don't want to miss this delectable event and share some great, or not so great, ski and winter stories! Regular admission for members is \$6.00 and unfortunately due to rising prices the extra cost for this fine feast is \$7.00.



St. Paddy's Day

Wednesday, March 22nd

Even though St. Patrick's Day is March 17th, we'll continue to celebrate at our meeting on March 22nd with scrumptious corned beef and cabbage, rye bread and, of course, BEER! Thanks to Arnie and Bob for leading this tradition! Corned beef sandwich is \$4 in addition to the regular meeting fee of \$6.

Upcoming Meetings

March 8 – Italian Night
March 22 – Irish Night (corned beef & cabbage)
April 12 – CLE Baseball Night
April 26 – Wine Tasting
May 10 – Mexican Night
May 26 – First outdoor meeting location TBA
Gather for meetings at 7:30 pm.
Announcements and meetings begin at 8:15

Have You Renewed Your Membership?

Please print the membership **renewal form on page 13.**

You may mail it to Nate or bring it to a meeting.



March *I've Been There!*

Ten of the Scariest Runs in North America



from Snow Brains

Corbet's Couloir – Jackson Hole.

Credit: Eric Seymour/JHMR photo

This month's contest is... **Who Skied the Scariest Runs in North America?**

Among our Hi Rise members we have some very accomplished skiers who brave some awesome double diamonds. This month's "I've Been There" calls out those members who challenge killer slopes to stand up and be recognized. I've included runs from the Snow Brains article, "7 of the Scariest Runs in North America", and added a few from past HI Rise ski trip. Are you one of the brave ones. Click [here](#) to check out the pictures of these runs in the Snow Brains article.

Here's how the contest works:

1. A list of areas is printed on the entry form.
2. On the entry form circle the name of the areas you've skied.
3. Turn in your entry form at the first meeting of the month.
You must attend the meeting to play and win.
4. The winner is the person who **skied** (not only visited) the most runs listed here. You may only count skiing a once. Multiple visits to the same area do not count. In case of a tie, we will hold a coin toss to determine the winner.

I've Been There!

Who Skied the Scariest Runs in North America

March 2023

Name _____

- Delirium Dive – Sunshine Village, Banff, Canada
- Corbet's Couloir – Jackson Hole, Wyoming
- Kill the Banker – Revelstoke, Canada
- Tuckerman Ravine – White Mountains, New Hampshire
- Goat – Stowe Mountain Lodge, Vermont
- Rambo – Crested Butte Mountain Resort, Colorado
- Pipeline Couloir- Snowbird, Utah
- Grizzly's Start, Snowbasin, Utah
- Clair's Way, Hunter Mountain, New York
- Tiger, Boston Mills, Ohio

Thinking of Summer? Try a Bike Tour

Northern Ohio offers some incredible biking trails for you to explore and many biking clubs.

Peter Snitzer shared an exciting overnight biking adventure for you to explore Ohio. GOBA, the Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure, is sponsoring seven-day tour of Northeast Ohio from June 17th to June 24th. To learn more talk to Peter or visit [GOBA Tour](#)



In case you missed it!

Super Bowl Squares Winners for 2023

Congratulations to our four Super Bowl Squares winners!

1st Quarter, Ron Zacowski, \$25

2nd Quarter, Jodi Tusick, \$25

3rd Quarter, Rob Lamont, \$25

Final score, Peter Snitzer, \$50

Our lucky winners may pick up their winnings at the next ski club meeting on March 8th.

Notes from Your Board

Hi Rise Constitution Changes

Periodically, your Board looks at the constitution to update it. This is not something that we take lightly, so as not to change the very nature of our organization. To that end we evaluated the need for a ski queen position in light of today's membership and norms. It was decided to remove all references to the ski queen position in the club be removed. The final version was approved at the March 6th board meeting. Click [here](#) to view the constitution on our webpage.

Board Member Election

According to the constitution we must hold board member election once a year. We are ready to begin that process at the March 22nd meeting. If you are interested in being on the Board, please have someone nominate

you at membership meetings on March 22nd or April 12th.

The Hi Rise Board consists of nine members including the Chairman. Board members are volunteers who are elected to serve our members and are obligated to attend monthly meetings and take on a leadership role for one of our committees. They should be ready to help out as needed. Being a board member is rewarding and does require your commitment to do the job right.

Please consider running for a spot on the board. Remember, only Hi Rise members can vote or run for office. So, check to see that you have renewed your membership.

The schedule for the 2023 Board Elections is as follows:

- First call for nominations is March 22
- Second call for nominations is April 12
- Ballots are available online (details to follow).
- The new Board members are announced at the April 26th meeting.

Voting this year will be done through Survey Monkey. Watch your email for more details.

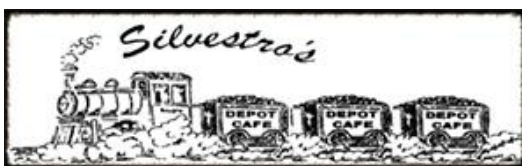


March Hi Rise Trivia

Who skied the Olympic run, *Grizzley's Start at Snowbasin*?

Answer: **Arnie Rodriguez, Bob Martinko, Brian Martinko, and Paul McWatters**

DOM for April



Silvestro's Depot Café

470 Railroad St in Painesville

Wednesday, April 5th

Are you ready for more Italian food after



Italian night? Historic Silvestro's features steak, seafood and, of course, good pasta!

Silvestro's is across from the old Painesville rail station which is now a delightful railroad museum. The restaurant began as a small hotel with restaurant and bar for railroad workers.

Check out their webpage for their [menu](#) and more history. Contact Jessie Anderson to attend this event. **See the flyer on page 15.**

Upcoming Events

Breakfast Hike

Sunday, April 23

The breakfast hike returns this spring on Sunday, April 23rd at Chapin Forest. We'll meet at the Twins



Ponds picnic shelter on Hobart Road which is off Euclid-Chardon Road (Route 6). The shelter is next to the Pine Lodge Cross Country Ski Chalet. We'll hike first then have a delicious breakfast hosted by Mary Hanrahan. **See the flyer on page 16 for more info.**

More Upcoming Events

Captain's Game and Dinner



What's more American on a summer day than a baseball game? Answer: A baseball game and a picnic dinner! Even better... FIREWORKS! and Random Jersey Night!

On Friday, June 16th Hi Risers will meet at the Captains Stadium picnic shelter for some good old fashioned ballpark food. Then we'll take our places in the stands to watch the future Guardians (aka Indians) stars. The Guardians play the West Michigan Whitecaps, a single A team for the Detroit Tigers.

Even more fun awaits us with Random Jersey Night. What is Random Jersey night, you ask? Wear your best old baseball player jersey from days gone by. The winner will be crowned by baseball jersey expert Zack Meisel, sportswriter for the Athletic. All this sounds like fun to me. So, mark your calendars for June 16th. Meg Goetz will host this event. For more information **see the flyer on page 17.**

To learn about the West Michigan team, click [here](#), and for Lake County Captains news, click [here](#).



Picnic Area at Classic Stadium

Ski Chatter

How Long Do I Continue to Ski?

Many of us have been skiing for many decades. I, myself, have been skiing for fifty years. Although I am not the best skier, I do get out there and ski.

Well, meet a guy who has been skiing for ninety years! His name is Herb Oedel from Massachusetts. Click [here](#) to take a look at this article and video to learn more about Mr. Oedel.

Here is something to ponder... Who of your friends will be skiing into their 90's? Could it be you? Time will tell.

I, for one, through the grace of God, hope to be here to find out who it is!

The History of Ski Run Innovations

This month's *I've Been There!* contest features the scariest ski runs. But how did the modern ski run/trail evolve. Actually, early ski runs from the 1920's were wide and gentle beginner slopes, for obvious reasons. The sport was new, and few people skied. Some of the first designed ski runs were at Sun Valley in the 1930's. However, the earliest ski areas developed in Europe and used the natural trails through the trees for ski runs. As lifts, skiing technique, and modern equipment developed so, too, did the ski runs grow in number and difficulty. To learn more check out [the history of ski runs](#) and [The Timeline of Skiing](#).

Hi Rise trip to Ogden, Utah, skiing Powder Mountain and SnowBasin

By Bob Maclauchlan After research and contract negotiations ski areas and tour operators, Hi again selected an "off the beaten mountains. During our 2023 trip to allowed us to be centrally located two ski great mountain resorts: Mountain and SnowBasin. With 33 group we departed early Saturday arriving at the airport for our departure to Denver, some of us



years of with various Rise, once path" ski Ogden, between Powder people in or morning 8:30AM were

thinking of the nice weather at home and that it may be the only opportunity to golf in February at home. (This is usually not possible due to the weather but we still ended up having many chances and did golf in what is normally coldest month) Once at the airport and getting into the check in line for United I recognized many fellow skiers that were not on our trip, in fact we had 4 different clubs on this flight, a group skiing in Colorado, one going to Mammoth and the other following us into Salt Lake City and skiing the local mountains. Between us all I thought that I knew at least half of the passengers on the plane. Unfortunately, a member of the group going to Mammoth had a defib incident over Chicago and was taken off the plane in Denver. This is not his first one and he recovered enough to attend Bristol Combined.



Happily, all of our bags arrived with us, we gathered everything and jumped on our bus for the 45-minute drive to Ogden with a stop in Salt Lake at a beverage store to hydrate us. We stayed in hotel rooms at The Courtyard Marriott on 24th street, a block from historical 25th street, the area features many restaurants, bars and entertainment just outside our doors. This is not your ordinary Courtyard as the hotel was previously a full-service Marriott hotel making it larger with many meeting rooms and nicer facilities including a pool and large hot tub. Saturday evening we had a welcome party with drinks and appetizers that were plentiful and left no one hungry for any more food. A representative from Visit Ogden gave a brief rundown on the town and ski hills, unfortunately reps from the two mountains didn't attend meaning we had to get the lift tickets at the mountains. We had the same room for the whole week and were served a private breakfast for us every morning that consisted of scramble eggs, bacon, potatoes, pastries, fruit and beverages. It was good but the same everyday and I thought we were having an early Groundhog Day each morning. The lift tickets for SnowBasin arrived overnight so they were distributed at breakfast.

Ogden is a city north of Salt Lake City, in Utah. It's a gateway to ski resorts like Snowbasin, Powder Mountain and Nordic Valley. George S. Eccles Dinosaur Park features life-size models and a paleontology lab. Historic 25th Street, once home to Prohibition-era speakeasies, is now a shopping and dining hub. At the street's western end, Ogden Union Station houses museums explores trains, cars and cowboy history. Population is 87,000 and is at an elevation of 4,300 feet.



Each morning the city has 3 buses running to and from the 2 mountains with our stop (one of the first stops) being directly across the street from the hotel. As our drive to Powder Mountain continued, we realized how lucky we were as the bus was always full of skiers and employees, the first day coming back from the resort we had 100 on the city bus that has seating for about 30-38 passengers. The drive to Powder was 45-50 minutes and 35-40 minutes for SnowBasin. Powder Mountain is a very large ski area, 8,464 acres with a vertical of 2,519' and 154 runs serviced by 9 lifts, 1 high speed quad, 4 fixed grip quads, a triple fixed grip and 4 smaller lifts. I picked up our lift tickets from my contact, at the yurt and distributed them to everyone on the first bus, did a few runs and met the second bus to distribute the remaining tickets. As the morning went on it started to snow harder, and continued all day, dropping inches of powder reducing visibility. We were actually skiing in fresh powder most of the day; we found some deeper snow in the trees near the high-speed chairlift. Powder Mountain limits the number of skiers each day so even on a Sunday the crowds were almost non-existent but so was the sun, visibility was poor the first day due to the snow. My favorite day of skiing was here on Tuesday where

we found fresh powder in Mary's Bowl before and after lunch and on our way out of the bowl into Cobabe Canyon to find more powder and tree runs, it was a blast. See the picture below on the left.



On Monday morning we caught the SnowBasin bus at the same spot as the Powder pick up, all getting a seat for the shorter drive. This is the Mountain that the Olympic Downhill was run during the 2002 Winter games held in Salt Lake City, 60 miles away. They are also in the running to host the Olympic games again in 2030 or 2034. It has 3,000 skiable acres and 3,000' vertical serviced by a tram, 2 gondolas, 4 high speed lifts and 4 smaller lifts. Allen Peak is the highest point at 9,465'. The slopes were covered with powder from Sunday's storm and offered a lot more challenging runs than Powder. Visibility was once again an issue at the higher elevations. It is a very enjoyable mountain and also was not crowded.

Skiing was scheduled for Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday at Powder with a trip to SnowBasin on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The majority of the group skied 5 days, missing Wednesday to enjoy the town.

After our day on the slopes Tuesday, we had a group dinner at Union Grill a short walk from the hotel. Described as: Industrial-style hangout with a warm atmosphere featuring American eats & unique sodas on tap. They have a good size menu with a good variety of options which everyone had the opportunity to choose what they wanted to order complete with a soup or salad and desert. The food was very good and the service was excellent considering that we had 33 guests and all food was brought out in a timely matter, delivered to the correct guest and was hot. It is in Utah and we had a problem getting a drink from the bar before dinner but after we sat down all was good.

Wednesday only 11 of us skied at SnowBasin, well I sort of did, while the remainder of the group enjoyed a day in Ogden that included trying many of the local restaurants and historic sites including Union Station that shows Ogden's history. That evening a Happy Hour was held in the lobby to continue telling stories of the days adventures. This is the same location that a nightly poker game was held hosted by The Stark brothers, so much fun that Bryan Kneer (AKA, Smylie) even broke into a few smiles.

Skiing continued on Thursday and Friday when we used our assigned meeting/breakfast room for our farewell dinner that consisted of pizzas, pasta and salad. On Saturday our bus picked us up at 9:30AM and took us to the airport where both flights were on schedule (although fully booked) getting us home on time and with all of our luggage. On a side note, last Friday March 3rd, a month after the East Palestine train derailment, a Union Pacific train derailed in Ogden spilling Magnesium Chloride which is not as harmful as the Ohio accident.

Thanks to all for coming on our trip and supporting Hi Rise.



Hi Rise Skis Utah!

By Ray Patacca

Skiing Utah is remarkable! The snow is like no other and the views are heavenly!

Thirty-three Hi Risers and one baby Marcus Maclauchlan stayed in Ogden, Utah, about 45 minutes from Powder Mountain and Snowbasin. We used a city ski bus for transportation to and from the resorts.

We skied Powder Mountain and Snowbasin. Each resort offered incredible runs, excellent lifts, and the most accommodating staff I've ever encountered. However, they were very different from each other with their own character and charm.



Katherine at the Powder Mountain rustic lodge.

Powder Mountain is a converted mountain sheep farm and is the only ski mountain solely owned by its operators. All other American ski mountains are on land leased from the U.S Department of the Interior. The original owner of the sheep farm wanted to sell the property, but he was convinced to open a ski area instead. The 8,464 acre sheep farm turned ski mountain has the most skiable terrain of any resort in the country. Powder Mountain opened in 1970 with a lodge midway up the mountain. The lodge is still there today and very little has changed. It was refreshing to see an old school lodge. The skiing, on the other hand, was 21st century with modern grooming and lifts, and nothing but great skiing! Their philosophy is to limit the number of skiers per day and to be the best kept secret in Utah...and they like it that way. Our mountain ski guide told us to tell people how much we liked skiing Park City when asked about our Utah ski experience at

Powder Mountain. LOL

The facilities at Snowbasin are a complete dichotomy of the facilities at Powder Mountain. Plush is the word to describe the lodges at Snowbasin with its padded chairs and luxurious chandeliers. Snowbasin is owned by the same people who own Sun Valley. Those of us who skied Sun Valley noted the similarities in the facilities and excellent service.

Snowbasin was home to the 2002 Olympic downhill races. Before the renovations for the Olympics, it was just a local area with a big mountain and the best snow and runs in the world. Four Hi Risers even braved the steep Olympic downhill course! There are many groomed slopes as well as ungroomed slopes for those who want a challenge. The lifts are up to date with two gondolas, a tram, and several high-speed lifts. We never waited long for a lift! You will hear more from Snowbasin as they are bidding for the 2030 and 2034 Olympic games.



Snowbasin as seen from Powder Mountain



Meg and Joan after the last run at the Snowbasin lodge.

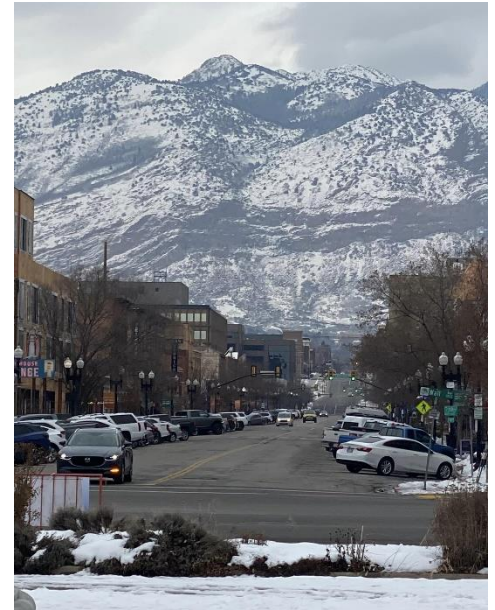
Both Powder Mountain and Snowbasin are amazing resorts each with their own character. It was some of the best skiing I ever experienced! A great time was had by all. Thanks, Bob, for putting this trip together!

A Picture is Worth 1,000 Words!

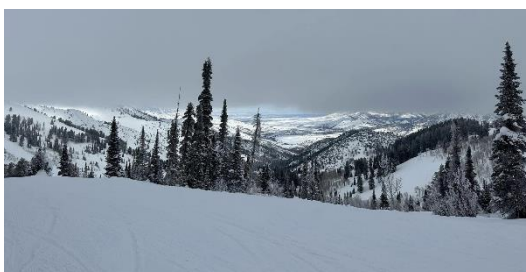
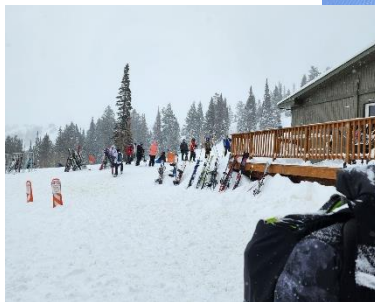
A Week in Utah's Snow Country

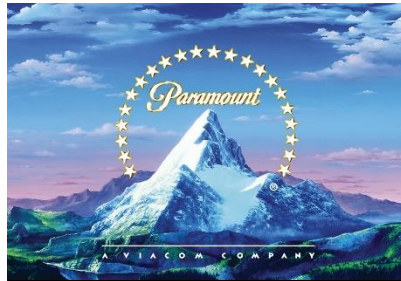


The golden spike linking the east and the west railroads was driven into a railroad tie at Ogden, Utah in 1869.



Ogden is a lovely, walkable, and historic town not far from the world's greatest skiing. Our hotel was next to 25th Street with entertainment and restaurants.

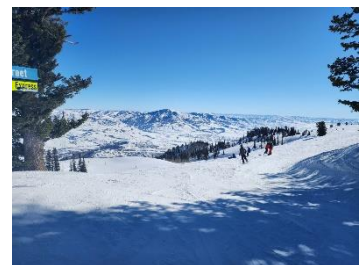




At left is the mountain top that inspired the Paramount Pictures logo as seen from Powder Mountain.



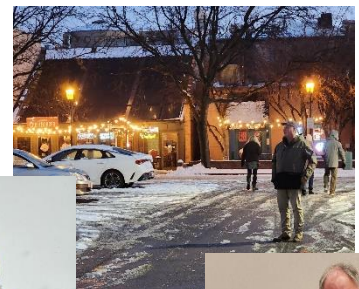
Ready for Snowbasin on Friday morning!



Around Ogden!



Thank you, Mary, for sharing your photos on Facebook that I am able to use in this montage!





Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club Membership Application

Renewal

Name _____ Email Address _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____ Occupation _____
Birthday (MM/DD only) _____ Marital Status _____ Member of Hi-Rise since _____

Check here if any of the above information has changed since last year. _____

Membership (please circle type of membership)	Renewal	New
Single Member	\$25	\$30
Married Members	\$40	\$50
Lifetime Member	Free	N/A
Spouse of Lifetime Member	\$25	\$30

Mailing Member (Must be outside of the Cleveland and Akron areas, Lorain and Lake counties areas. Mailing member receives only the newsletter and must pay any racing fees and guest fees for all Club events and activities)

\$10 \$10

Junior Member (Must be 18-20 years old and may not consume alcoholic beverages at Club events.)

\$15 \$20

Summer Member (Accepted May through August only.)

N/A \$10

NOTICE: By signing and/or accepting any membership benefit, and/or by participating in any club activity, applicant/renewer releases Hi Rise Ski Club, Inc., its officers, board members, chairpersons, and members from any and all liability or claim including theft, property loss, accident, injury, death of or to themselves, family members or guests, arising from any participation in any club activity, whether resulting from negligence or otherwise

Signature _____ Date _____

Make checks payable to Hi Rise Ski Club. Please return this renewal form with the appropriate membership dues to the membership table at the general meetings or mail to: **Hi Rise Ski Club**

Hi Rise Ski Club Membership Drive
C/O Nate Diederich
8985 Edgehill Road
Mentor OH 44060



A Night to Remember

Hi Rise 1970's Prom

Friday May 19, 2023
St Noel Banquet Center, Willoughby Hills

Dinner, Dancing, Beer and Wine

Doors open at 6:30, Dinner at 7:00 pm

Music of the 70's to now by "HOUSE 41"

**Dress however puts you in the prom party mood --
just no jeans or shorts.**

Limited tickets available and must be paid in full by April 30.
\$30 member, \$35 Non-member

All checks payable to **Hi Rise Ski Club** to Char Patacca, 5554 Ericson Lane, Willoughby, OH 44094. All money must be received by **April 30.**

For added fun in our Who's Who contest !!, email Char a copy of your prom picture in jpeg format charpatacca@yahoo.com

Questions Char 440-227-0914, Meg 440-725-8116

April Dinner of the Month

Wednesday, April 5th

5:00 p.m. cocktails

5:30 p.m. dinner



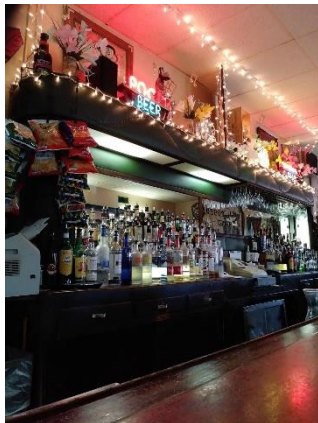
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CLICK [HERE](#) TO CHECK
OUT THE MENU.

Reserve your spot.
Call or text Jessie Anderson
at 440 785-9572



April Breakfast Hike

Sunday April 23rd

9:00 a.m. - Noon

**Lake Metroparks
Chapin Forest Twin Pond
Hobart Road, Kirtland
(Off Route 6)**



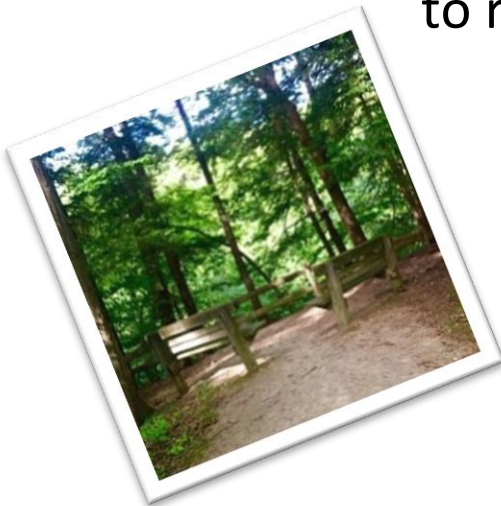
Hike the beautiful Chapin Forest.

Enjoy Breakfast in the
Twin Ponds picnic shelter.

\$10 per person

Hosted by Mary Hanrahan.

Please call or Text Mary at (440) 488-6881
to reserve your spot.





Friday, June 16

Picnic Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Ball Game at 7:00 p.m.

Random Jersey Contest

Fireworks

\$27 per person

Questions? Call or text.

Meg Goetz at (440) 725-8116

**Wear an old
school jersey for
the Random
Jersey Contest**



Please include this form with your check.

Name _____ Cell Number _____

Email _____

_____ # of tickets X \$27 each = \$ _____

RSVP including your check to Meg Goetz by June 1st

payable to Hi Rise Ski Club –

Mail to: Meg Goetz, 8040 Linden St., Mentor, Oh 44060

Seats are acquired from Seat Geeks. No paper tickets are provided.



Spring One Club Golf Tournament

To benefit the Hi Rise Race Team



29159 Ridge Road, Wickliffe

Saturday, April 8th
Whatever the weather!
Green Ridge Golf Course



Registration - 9:00 a.m.
Tee time - 10:00 a.m.



What to expect

Fee: \$19.00 plus \$1.00 for mulligans

Prizes for DFL, low scores, pin shots,
long drives

A beer cart, too!

Contact: Guy Nerren

(216) 577-3552.

skilaw@sbcglobal.net

Meet at the **FIREHOUSE**
GRILLE & PUB

2768 Stark Dr, Willoughby Hills, OH 44094
Off Route 6, Chardon Road

afterwards for drinks, conversation, and prizes!

Good luck!



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