



April 2026

Hi Rise Venture

Hi Rise Ski & Sports Club



Meetings are held at

American Legion Hall

570 East 328th Street, Willowick, OH 44095

**Summer meetings May 27th through September
Spirits in Willoughby**

Calendar of Upcoming Events.

➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, May 6	6:00 p.m.
➤ Meeting	Wednesday, May 13	7:30 p.m.
➤ One Club Golf Outing	Saturday, May 2 or May 9	Cancelled
➤ Meeting at Spirits	Wednesday, May 27	7:30 p.m.
➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, June 3 – Young's Sushi see pg. 17	7:00 p.m.
➤ Meeting at Spirits	Wednesday, June 10	7:30 p.m.
➤ Meeting at Spirits	Wednesday, June 24	7:30 p.m.
➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, July 1 – Johnny Gringo's see pg. 16	7:00 p.m.
➤ Meeting at Spirits	Wednesday, July 8	7:00 p.m.
➤ Meeting at Spirits	Wednesday, July 22	7:00 p.m.
➤ Ski Trip to Mt. Bachelor	Saturday, January 23 to Saturday, January 30	

Ski the West with Hi Rise!



This year Hi Rise travels to the far west all the way to Oregon. Mount Bachelor is the seventh largest ski area in the nation located on the eastern flanks of Oregon's Central Cascades. It is known for light and dry snow. It is actually a dormant volcano. As with any volcano it can erupt. but unlikely to do so. The last time it erupted was 2,000 to 10,000 years ago.

Since The top of the mountain has no trees, you can actually ski around the top of the mountain, circling the volcano crater. Mount Bachelor boasts 72 runs with something for everyone. The back side has top expert runs for the best skiers. For those of us who like to cruise there are plenty of intermediate blue runs. Snow boarders are treated to several terrain parks located throughout the mountain. Mount Bachelor operates 12 lifts including 7 express quads, and 56 kilometers of groomed cross-country trails. And the mountaintop is not so high at 9,065 feet. To learn more checkout the On the Snow article [here](#) or the Mt. Bachelor webpage [here](#).



On your day off from skiing, you can find plenty to do in the picturesque town of Bend, Oregon. Choose to try snowshoeing, dog sled riding, beer tasting, wine tasting and even cider tasting. For those who like museums you can visit the Deschutes Historical Museum, or the High Desert Museum. Or, you can just relax at the Hilton's Newberry Hotel pool. To learn more about what to do in Bend, Oregon visit the visitor bureau's website at <https://visitbend.com/>. See page 9 for more information.

Mt. Bachelor is on the Ikon pass, please check the Ikon webpage for the best prices Click [here](#) for information about Ikon passes. Be sure to compare the black out dates to our trip dates of January 23 to 30, 2027.

Summer Meeting Return to Spirits in Willoughby!

-Now Under new Ownership



Hi Rise had been looking for a new summer home over the past few summers. This summer we are returning to Spirits in Willoughby. Oh, you might or ugh, there again. When the idea was brought to the board, board members had the same reaction. Then we learned that it has a new owner, Kirk Swanson, with a proven track record in Willoughby and Northeast Ohio. "Spirits in Willoughby is now guided by Kirk, a name many in Willoughby already know well. His journey started in the heart of Downtown Willoughby with the Chagrin River Diner, where he learned the rhythm of early-morning regulars and built the kind of community that only comes from showing up day after day."

Spirits maintains its sport bar flavor and hosts bands on weekends. On Wednesdays, our meeting nights, Spirits hosts trivia nights. So, you can test your trivia knowledge against your Hi Rise friends and other bar patrons. Another new addition in the adjacent train car is a quaint wine bar in a train car. It offers a fine dining experience with a nice selection of wines.



Most importantly, the service is a higher quality. Here is what others are saying: One month ago, a patron said, "Great place really cool atmosphere super nice staff very clean highly recommend fantastic food!!" 5-stars. Another guest said this one week ago, "Good food and service. Came to hear Charles Geil & his Ghost Band playing on indoor patio. Food was good. I had a prime rib French Dip with fries and my wife had the white cheddar Mac n Cheese..." 5-stars.

So, plan to on attending Hi Rise meetings this summer at Spirits in Willoughby. Our first summer meeting at Spirits is May 27th at 7:30 p.m. Come early and have dinner with your friends and test your trivia knowledge. To learn more about Spirits in Willoughby click [here](#).



Cinco de Mayo at Casa Agave

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with us at Casa Agave on May 6 - a day late, but that's OK. Casa Agave offer authentic Mexican food in a lively atmosphere.

The name agave comes from the desert plant agave and is native to Mexico. It is also known as the century plant because one variety bloom only once and may live for 100 years. It is often grown on farms because of its many uses. It provided fiber for cloth, used as a sweetener, and its nectar is the main ingredient in tequila! So, Agave is an appropriate name for a Mexican restaurant.

We hosted Cinco de Mayo at Casa Agave several years ago and we look forward to visiting again. So, be sure to sign up at the April meetings or contact our host, Arnie for reservations. Happy Cinco de Mayo! Click [here](#) for their menu. See [page 6](#) for more details.

Sushi is on the Menu for the June Dinner of the Month!

Calling all Sushi lovers. The June dinner of the Month on Wednesday, June 3rd is at Young's Sushi in downtown Willoughby on Spalding Avenue across from City Hall. This neighborhood restaurant has great atmosphere and doo foo.



If you prefer cooked food, they serve this, too. Click [here](#) to see their menu. Join us for some summertime fun.

Arnie is hosting this event. Please call or text him at (440) 520-3576.

See [page 7](#) for more information.

We Return to Johnny Gringo's this July



For the July dinner of the month, we return to Johnny Gringo's in Painesville. We had a great time on their secluded patio enjoying an authentic Mexican dinner, so we are back again!

They offer Mexican dishes, tacos, quesadillas and American favorites such as burgers, wings, ribs, fish & seafood. They also have a full bar & a signature drink menu. Click [here](#) for a complete menu.

Join us for drinks at 6:30 p.m., and for dinner at 7:00 p.m. To register call or text Arnie Rodriguez at (440) 520-3576. See [page 8](#) for details.



Updates from Your Board

- The newsletter is usually emailed on the first Wednesday of the month. If you do not get your copy in your regular email, please check your spam folder.
- The 2027 ski trip to Mount Bachelor is confirmed for January 23 to 30. See pages 1 and 9 for more information.
- Bob is working out the details for possible second trip.
- Hi Rise directories are available at our meetings. If you have any corrections, please email Nate Deiderich at diedernn@gmail.com
- To learn about events for the Cleveland Metro Ski Council (CMSC) click [here](#).
- The Hi Rise fiscal year for 2027 begins May 1 and membership renewals are due now. Please see page 12 for the membership form. If you do not renew your membership, you will be charged the nonmember meeting fee.
- Due to ongoing construction at Green Ridge Golf Course, we are cancelling the Spring One Club Golf Outing. Watch for the announcement for the Fall One Club in upcoming newsletters.
- **Don't be scammed** - Hi Rise logo merchandise is promoted online. Do not purchase anything through these sites. They are a scam, and you will lose your money.



The fiscal year begins June 1, so it is time to renew. Please see the application form on page _____. Please complete this form even if you are a former president and are exempt of annual dues. We'd like to keep our contact information up to date.

Your 2025-2026 Hi Rise Ski & Sports Club Board

Bob Akamine - Board Chairman
Bob MacLauchlan - President
Trish Carleton - Vice-president
Jessie Anderson - Treasurer
Guy Nerren - Secretary
Arnie Rodriguez Dennis Rosa
Ray Patacca Nate Diederich



Upcoming Events

Dinners of the Month

Dinners of the month have become quite popular over the years. We need your help with ideas for new and interesting places to dine. If you have a favorite spot, please tell one of the board members and we'll be happy to plan the event. We look forward to your input. May Dinner of the month is May 6 at Casa Agave, June Dinner of the Month is at Young's Sushi, and July Dinner of the Month is at Johnny Gringo on July 1.

Be There or Be Square Events Bike Riding & Summer Concerts



Summer are on the way! We can look forward to some summer concerts and group bike riding events with local biking groups. We look forward to the upcoming season. We'll share dates for bike outings and community concerts next month.



Talk to your Hi Rise friends to gather at these wonderful events. They are what makes summertime special! See pages 11 to 15 for event schedules for concerts as bike tours.

Hi Rise is Looking for Ideas!

We need your help!!!!

Our ski club is as much a social club as it is a ski club. Many members do not even ski. We need your ideas for social events. If you have an idea for an event, please tell one of your board members. We can facilitate the event. However, if you'd like to organize and run an event, we are most grateful.



We are also in need of an official social chairman. You do not need to be on the board to be a social chairman. Again, please tell one of your board members if you are interested. This position is most rewarding. Thank you for your interest and participation in Hi Rise Ski & Sports Club.

Upcoming Meeting Themes

- 5/13/26 Mexican Night
- 5/27/26 First summer meeting Spirits in Willoughby
Trivia nights are sponsored by Spirits

May Dinner of the Month

Wednesday, May 6th

Casa Agave

1531 Mentor Ave, Painesville, OH 44077

Join us for a unique dining experience at Casa Agave in Painesville. We'll feast on Mexican cuisine and delight in some lively Mexican music! Arnie Rodriguez is hosting this event.

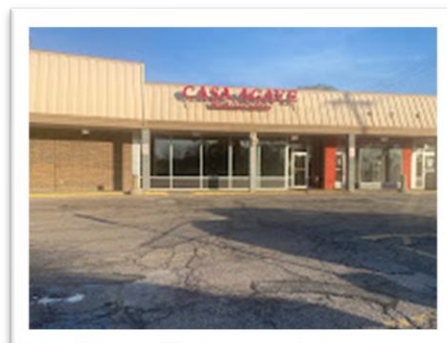
Meet at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.



[Click here for Casa Agave menu.](#)



To reserve your spot,
text Arnie at
(440) 520-3576



June Dinner of the Month Young's Sushi in Willoughby



Wednesday, June 3rd

Young's Sushi

12 E. Spalding

Willoughby

Drinks at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Both raw and cooked food are served.

Click [here](#) for their menu.

Reserve your spot. Contact your host
Arnie Rodriguez.

Call or text (440) 520-3576

JULY DINNER OF THE MONTH

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1ST

Johnny Gringo

11 Center Street

Painesville, OH 44077

The former Fish Bar



Click [here](#) to check out their authentic Mexican menu.

Reserve your spot. Contact your host
Arnie Rodriguez.

Call or text (440) 520-3576

Drinks at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner at 7:00 p.m.





Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club Presents

Mt. Bachelor, Oregon

January 23-30, 2027

\$1,539 (non-members \$1,599)

The details:

- 7 nights at Hilton's Newberry Hotel in Bend, Oregon
- Located in downtown Bend
- Daily breakfast
- Transfers to and from airport
- Round trip air via United to Redmond, Or.
(30 minutes to airport)
- Transfers to and from hotel to the mountain
- Welcome reception, mid-week party, and farewell bash
- All taxes included (There is no State sales tax in Oregon)



On your day off, you can tour local breweries and wineries, or try snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and more. Participants must make their own reservations for these activities.

Interested?

Contact: Bob Maclauchlan 440-622-1283 bobmaclauchlan@yahoo.com

All trips subject to Hi Rise Trip Agreement

Pricing on air is subject to any surcharges

\$500 due at sign up, \$500 due September 1st, balance due November 1st



3,683 skiable acres, 1,600 groomed acres daily
15% green, 25% blue, 35% black, 25% double black, 71 runs
3,365' vertical, base at 6,300', top elevation 9,065'
www.mtbachelor.com



Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club Membership Application

New
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

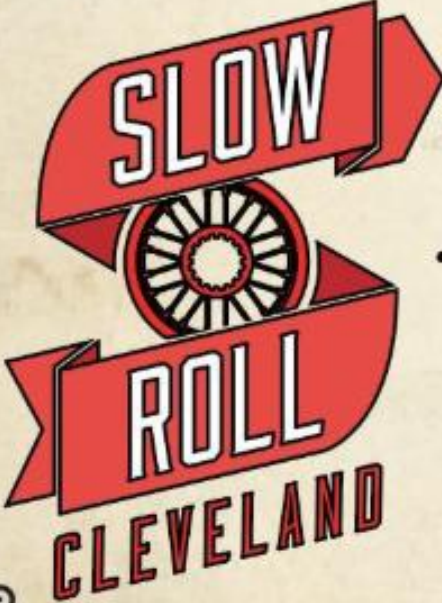
NOTICE: By signing and/or accepting any membership benefit, and/or by participating in any club activity, applicant-renewer releases Hi Rise Ski Club, Inc., its officers, board members, chairpersons, and members from any and all liability or claim including theft, property loss, accident, injury, death 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

Be There or Be Square



2026 RIDE
SCHEDULE

MEET: 6PM / RIDE: 7PM
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Date	Neighborhood
May 4	Ohio City
May 11	Asiatown
May 18	Kamm's Corners
May 25	OFF
June 1	Buckeye-Shaker
June 8	Detroit-Shoreway
June 15	Lee-Harvard
June 22	Old Brooklyn
June 29	Collinwood
July 6	OFF
July 13	Jefferson
July 20	Woodland Hills
July 27	Clark-Fulton
August 3	University Circle/Glenville
August 10	OFF
August 17	Downtown
August 24	Lee-Miles
August 31	Tremont
September 7	OFF
September 14	Kinsman
September 21	Bellaire-Puritas/Hopkins
September 28	Hough
October 5	OFF
October 12	The Flats
October 19	St. Clair-Superior
October 26	Ohio City

If you are interested in riding with Slow Roll are required to sign their waiver. Click [here](#) to sign it. Please note the tab for the form is at the top of the page.

Be There or Be Square



The Mentor Senior Center hosts weekly biking event. Each week the group travels to local bike trails for a two-hour ride. After the ride the group meets for lunch. Rides are held on Wednesdays beginning at 10:00 AM.

Bicycle Helmets required. You must register with the group leader to ride. If the ride is cancelled due to weather Arnis Zvejnieks will contact you via email the morning of the ride. To register contact Arnie at arzvejniek@aol.com.

Rides begin at 10: 00 AM,

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| June 3 | Western Reserve, Austinburg to Rock Creek I90 East, exit 223 Rte45, south to Rte 307 east Bar b que Lunch |
| June 10 | Bike & Hike Trail Peninsula, Rte 8 south, exit 303 Lunch at Fishers |
| June 17 | Maple Highlands Mtn Run to Tinkers Creek, bring your own picnic lunch at Tinkers Creek, ride is 30 miles |
| June 24 | Cleveland Metro Parks Rocky River, 18900 Metro Park Dr to Olmstead Falls Lunch at Don's Lighthouse |
| July 1 | Geneva on the Lake Park Lodge, Rte 534 Lunch at Firehouse |
| July 8 | Cuyahoga Valley Towpath Peninsula, 1630 Mill St, Cuyahoga Valley Railroad station, ride north towards Independence Lunch at Fishers |
| July 15 | North Chagrin Reservation Strawberry Lane Parking Lot, Lunch at Wright Place 34300 Chardon Rd. |
| July 22 | Western Reserve Orwell, 165 Penniman Rd, ride north to Rock Creek Lunch at Los Verdes 513 E Main St. |
| July 29 | Madison Twp Park, 6717 Lake Rd, park off Hubbard Lunch at Sammy K 4706 N. Ridge Rd Perry |

Be There or Be Square

Willoughby 2026

Summer Concert Series

The City of Willoughby is excited to announce the 2026 Summer Concert Series in Downtown Willoughby and at Osborne Park!



OSBORNE PARK – Concerts are 6:30pm – 8:30pm on Wednesdays | June 10, July 15, July 22 and August 12
Food Trucks, Beer/Wine tent, and Vendor Pop-Up Market will be open at 5:30pm

Vendor Pop-Up Market includes bath & body items, herbal body butters, breads/cookies, candles/melts, jewelry, teas, polymer clay art, seashells/driftwoods, laser wood signs, hair pieces and more.

DOWNTOWN WILLOUGHBY – Concerts are Thursdays from 6:30pm – 8:30pm | June 18 – August 13

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and join us for a summer of music!

Date	Band	Genre	Location
Wednesday, June 10	Rumours	Fleetwood Mac Tribute	Osborne Park
Thursday, June 18	Hair Supply	'70s Soft Rock / '80s Pop	DTW
Thursday, June 25	Motor City Gold	Motown / Oldies	DTW
Thursday, July 2	Ace Molar	Danceable rock from '60s-'90s	DTW
Thursday, July 9	Van Sailin'	Yacht Rock	DTW
Wednesday, July 15	Disco Inferno	Disco	Osborne Park
Thursday, July 16	Yosemite Slim	Nashville Country	DTW
Wednesday, July 22	Carlos Jones and the P.L.U.S. Band	Reggae	Osborne Park
Thursday, July 23	Swamps of Jersey	Bruce Springsteen Tribute	DTW
Thursday, July 30	Burning River Band	Rock / Classic Rock	DTW
Thursday, August 6	China Grove	Doobie Brothers Tribute	DTW
Wednesday, August 12	Soul Shake & the Eastside Horns	Classic Rock / Soul / Blues	Osborne Park
Thursday, August 13	Dirty Deeds	AC/DC Tribute	DTW

Be There or Be Square

The poster for 'The Grove Concert Schedule' features a vibrant, abstract background with streaks of purple, pink, and yellow. At the top, the text 'TRUE VARIETY & ENTERTAINMENT' is in small white letters, followed by 'THE GROVE' in large, bold, yellow-outlined letters, and 'CONCERT SCHEDULE' in bold yellow letters below it. In the center, there is a photograph of a stage with a large archway and a crowd of people. To the right of the stage, a pink brushstroke contains the text 'FRIDAYS 6:30-9:30P' and 'unless otherwise noted'. The schedule is organized by date, with each date in a large, bold, blue font. The bands and their descriptions are listed below each date in black text. The dates are: JUNE 30, JULY 1, JULY 7, JULY 14, JULY 21, JULY 28, AUG 4, AUG 11, AUG 18, and *AUG 24.

TRUE VARIETY & ENTERTAINMENT
THE GROVE
CONCERT SCHEDULE

FRIDAYS
6:30-9:30P
unless otherwise noted

JUNE 30
Carlos Jones and The P.L.U.S. Band
Rockin' the house with their unique brand of high energy "put yer dancin' shoes on" reggae

JULY 1 *4th of July Special Performance**
Jersey Beats
Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons Vegas Style Tribute. Take a step back into the past listening and singing along to the sounds of one of the best vocal groups of its time
**Saturday Show*

JULY 7
Faction
With over 200 songs in their rotation, Faction provides the versatility necessary to unite, satisfy, and involve everyone regardless of the demographics.

JULY 14
Out of Eden
Returning to Mayfield for an evening of Eagles, Joe Walsh and Don Henley solo hits. Ohio's best Eagles Tribute.

JULY 21
New Wave Nation Band
Creating the look and feel of an 80s arena style rock concert, while performing the greatest anthems of the generation of excess!

JULY 28
Jump
America's Van Halen Experience! Experience an embodiment of the David Lee Roth era of Van Halen.

AUG 4
Freedom Road
a Tribute Band playing the fantastic songs of John Cougar Mellencamp in True Concert

AUG 11
Hard Day's Night
Nationally touring tribute, faithfully recreating the Beatles' hits in a full-catalogue

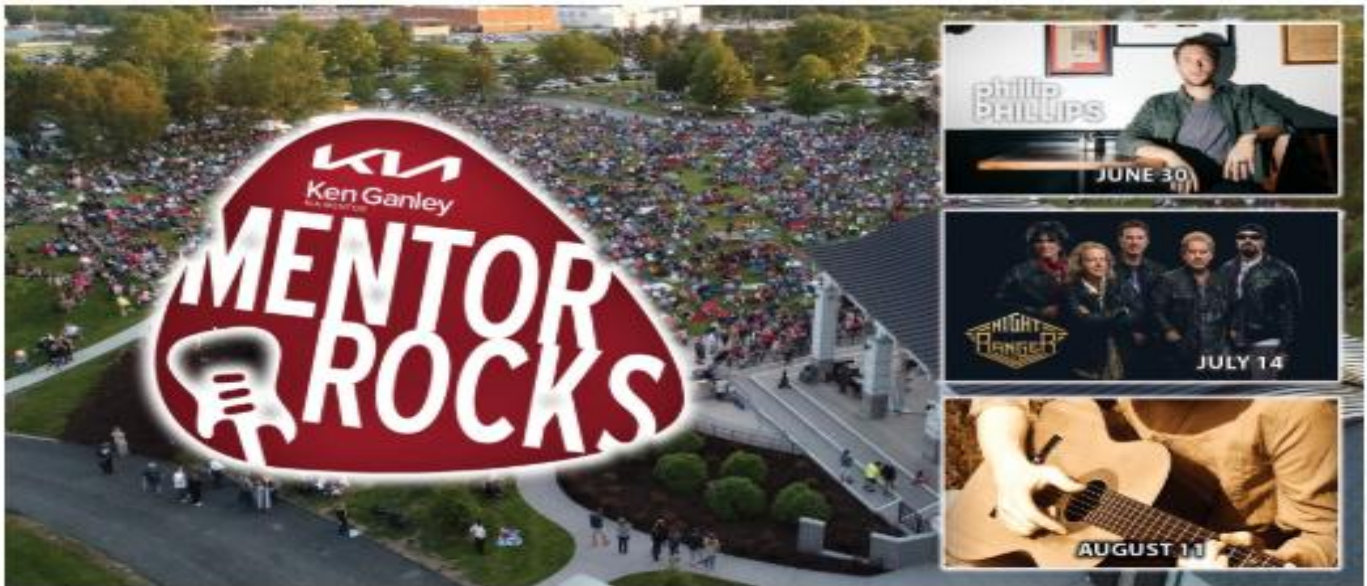
AUG 18
Back and Forth
A Tribute to the mighty sound and energy of the Foo Fighters!!

***AUG 24**
Saturday Night Live
A Tribute to Saturday Night Fever and the Music of the Disco Era
**Thursday Show*

Rules at the Grove

- All shows are open to the public and seating is on first come basis.
- There is no permanent seating at the Amphitheater. Please bring blankets or lawn chairs. In order to provide unobstructed views of the stage for all of our guests, tents and canopies are not permitted.
- Pets are not permitted on the main Amphitheater grounds during events.
- No smoking is permitted within the facility, only in designated areas on premises.
- No candles or open flames.
- No glass of any kind.
- All trash must be placed in the trash and recycling cans on site at the end of the performance.
- Guests are welcome to bring their own food and beverages. Coolers are permitted. A variety of foods are available for purchase from food trucks which are the grounds.
- Please call the Mayfield Village Information and Weather Hotline at 440.471.1070 for the latest information.
- The Grove, 425 N Commons Blvd, Mayfield, OH 44143
- For more information about these concerts and other concerts offered by Mayfield Village, click <https://recreation.mayfieldvillage.com › the-grove>

Be There or Be Square



The City of Mentor is pleased to announce the schedule for the 2026 **Mentor Rocks** summer concert series. Mentor Rocks is held Tuesday evenings from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Mentor Civic Amphitheater with bonus performances scheduled on other dates.

This year's featured national recording artists include platinum recording artist **Phillip Phillips**, multi-platinum rock icons **Night Ranger**, and a rising country artist who will be announced at a later date.

The 2026 Mentor Rocks Schedule is as follows:

- June 2 – **FOREVER SEGER** (Bob Seger tribute)
- June 9 – **Tennessee Whiskey & Ultimate Eric Church** (Chris Stapleton & Eric Church tributes)
- June 16 – **Fleetwood Gold** (Fleetwood Mac tribute)
- June 23 – **Crazy Train** (Ozzy Osbourne tribute)
- June 30 – **Phillip Phillips** (National Recording Artist)
- July 4 – **Hotel California** (Eagles tribute) Independence Day
- July 7– **New World Men** (Rush tribute)
- July 14 – **Night Ranger** (National Recording Artist)
- July 21 – **Red Not Chili Peppers** (RHCP tribute)
- July 28 – **Creep & Hollow** (Stone Temple Pilots & Alice in Chains tributes)
- August 4 – **REO Survivor** (REO Speedwagon / Survivor tribute)
- August 11 – **Rising Country Artist** (National Recording Artist)
- August 14 – **Just Like Pink** (Pink tribute) CityFest Friday
- August 15 – **7 Summers** (Morgan Wallen tribute) CityFest Saturday
- August 18 – **Abba Revisited** (Abba tribute)
- August 25 – **ESCAPE** (Journey tribute)

**Hi Rise Standing Committees
& Chairpersons**

Trips – Bob Maclauchlan

Meetings - Arnie Rodriguez

Social – We need your name here!

Banquet – Dennis Rosa

Social media – Greg Schmid

Webmaster – Nate Diederich

Database – Nate Diederich

Membership - Nate Diederich

CMSC – Larry Crookshanks

Racing – Guy Nerren

Newsletter – Ray Patacca

Summer Activities – open

Miscellaneous Goods – Arnie Rodriguez

Marketing – Dennis Rosa

Advertising – Bob Maclauchlan

Fundraising – Arnie Rodriguez

Historian – Trish Carleton

**If you have ideas for social activities, please
tell a board member.**



Thank you to Bob Mac and Trish
for your contributions to this
newsletter.

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Calling all business owners!

If you would like to place an ad in the
newsletter, please contact:
Bob Maclauchlan, 440-622-1263.