

Chile Trip: August 6-22, 2026

By Ken Koch

As I had done a similar trip here a number of years ago, I was asked to take the trip leader role on this one, which was run by the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council.

Most of our group of 45 adventurous souls arrived in Santiago on Friday the 7th and amazingly, there were only a few whose flights didn't arrive when expected. Santiago has a beautiful, modern airport. We got through the formalities and to the buses easily and departed directly to Valle Nevado Ski Resort, about a 2 hour drive.

Everyone wanted “provisions”, so a stop at a major grocery store had been arranged & we all loaded up. They had an excellent selection of Chilean wines and other “beverages” that we availed ourselves of.

We were fortunate that the access road was clear, as the week before the Santiago region had experienced a major El Nino storm that caused major flooding in the lower elevations, dumping 11 feet of snow at the ski resort. It also closed the access road to the Portillo Ski Resort, that affected us later on.

The check-in process was a bit chaotic, but efficient and we all settled in. We stayed at the Hotel Puerto del Sol, one of the three main places to stay in VN.

Skiing began on Saturday and conditions could not have been better and Sunday as well. Bluebird sky, little wind, great snow. Then another system arrived bringing gale force winds at the top, and flat light. One hundred percent of Valle Nevado is significantly above the tree line, and there are no trees or other vegetation for orientation in flat light conditions. Only lift infrastructure. And rocks.

The next few days of skiing were challenging, and several small groups got stranded on the adjacent ski area, La Parva, as high winds had closed the access lifts back to VN. The situation resolved by end of day and all returned without further incident.

Valle Nevado is one of the three ski areas making up the Tres Valles, along with La Parva and El Colorado. The

resort itself is unlike what most were familiar with skiing in North America and Europe. There are no nearby ski towns or villages. It has been described as a cruise ship sitting on a mountain, which pretty well describes it.

There were three main restaurants which were all excellent and a buffet that we rotated through each night. Some visited the disco at the adjacent Hotel Tres Puntas, those that still had some life left in their legs after skiing all day. Many took advantage of the heated outdoor pool and spa facilities.

Santiago

On Friday 14th we checked out and bused it back the 60 narrow switchbacks (curvas, in Spanish) to Santiago, staying at the beautiful boutique Hotel Bidasoa in the Vitacura district. Saturday, we had one of the optional guided tours to numerous attractions in the city. While it rained on & off most of the day, it didn't dampen our spirits.

The last stop was the Pueblito los Dominicas artisanal market, where local craftsmen and artists have little shops set in an adobe village. Lapis Lazuli jewelry (Chile is the world's second largest producer of the semi-precious stone), handmade leather items, pottery and much more were offered. Several of us stayed on after the bus departed for lunch at a highly recommended local place, the specialty being Pastel del Choclo. Shepherd's Pie is the closet analogy, only made with seasoned ground beef, chicken, olives, raisins and layers of coarse corn and corn meal (Choclo is a Quechuan word for corn). It is a totally local dish and totally amazing. We left wanting more.

Others visited local museums, the Recoleta Cemetery and shopping venues. Santiago is a very modern city with excellent transportation options, including a Metro and Uber, which many of us used to get around.

The optional trip to the Portillo Ski Resort on Sunday had to be cancelled due to the access road still being closed after several weeks. It is one of the main transpor-

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When you read this, the summer of 2026 will be just a memory, I hope it was good for all. summer, anymore, is just something to endure, for me anyway. Give me cool temps, fall colors and the knowing that winter isn't far behind. I had an early taste of it, as noted in last month's article, having been on the EPSC Chile Trip for two weeks in early August. I went from 90+ degree days to single digit nights with total joy. The second week was spent on the Pacific Coast in Vina del Mar and Valparaiso, where we enjoyed spring like weather and winery tours. Perfect finale to a fantastic trip.

And then back to the heat....
And now, on to the good stuff.

Winter Trips

The winter trip line-up for the 2026-27 Ski Season is Mt. Bachelor OR and Palisades Tahoe. Palisades is a Fall Line sponsored trip and Mt. Bachelor is an Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council Winter Carnival trip.

Mt. Bachelor (Jan. 30 – Feb. 6) is the EPSC'S 2027 Winter Carnival and if you've not experienced a Carnival trip before, it is a blast. Carnival trips include a Welcome Reception, Mountain Tours, Club Race & race day lunch vouchers, a Themed Dinner Gala and more. And of course, there's the skiing on the 7th largest ski resort in North America, a dormant volcano with slopes on all sides for 360 degrees of skiing.

We are very close to selling out the spots we reserved but may be able to get more if they are available. So, if you are interested, don't wait or it will be the Wait List for you.

Palisades, Tahoe (Feb. 25 – March 4) will be the Fall Line trip for the season. Palisades was formerly known as Squaw Valley and includes the former Alpine Meadows ski resort. The combined resorts offer 6,000 skiable acres on 8 peaks and have a rich history, including sponsoring the 1960 Winter Olympics. The combined resort is huge and steeped in skiing history, including the fact that I tore my first ACL at Squaw Valley in the mid 90's.

Other Activities

Mike Houlihan's May 2027 motorized rafting in the Grand Canyon for 7 days with Hatch River Expeditions only has a few spots left for some adventurous adventurers. You can still sign up. Contact Mike for further information at: houliahanskier@outlook.com

Eagles Watching, Happy Hours, Movie Nights, and other activities are just some of the things to look forward to this coming month. Find further details in this Newsletter.

I hope to see you at our next Mixer Meeting at Marco's next Tuesday the 15th.

Ken Koch, President

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tation routes between Chile and Argentina, and with over 1000 trucks stranded at the border, our chances of reaching Portillo were slim. The upside was that everyone on that tour had an extra day to explore Santiago.

On Monday, a large group spent the day in the Maipo Valley visiting three wineries. This was one of the optional tours, the rest of us had another day in Santiago.

Tuesday, we departed for the next destinations; Vina del Mar and Valparaiso, stopping on the way for a winery tour and lunch with wine pairings. We stayed at the Sheraton in Vina del Mar, located on a local beach and a popular summer destination for Chileanos. There were sunsets over the Pacific and the lights of Valparaiso covering the hills in the distance at night were stunning. As there was no set itinerary, other than a tour of Valparaiso or a visit to the National Maritime Museum, people were free to do as they pleased or just relax, a welcome break at an incredibly beautiful place.

And finally, on Friday, we had a mercifully late departure from the Sheraton back to the airport, stopping at yet another lovely winery in the Casablanca Valley for a tour and tasting.

This trip was a year and a half in planning and was the first time for almost all participants to visit Chile, or South America for that matter. It was obvious from the beginning that no one was disappointed. Maxine of Alpine Adventures, our travel agent, did a fantastic job organizing and handling the expected glitches that inevitably occur. I want to thank Max and her local guides, Alvin and Gary, for all the extra work they put into mak-

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October 2026 Happy Hours

It's time to start thinking about pumpkin spice, falling leaves and everything that comes with the start of fall. It's also time to enjoy some time together as everyone returns from their summer activities. Hope you can join us at this month's happy hours.



October 2 - Harvest Seasonal Grill

400 Route 38

Moorestown, NJ (located in the mall)

3-6 PM. Available at the bar area and patio

<https://harvestseasonal.com/moores town-restaurant/>

Twenty percent off premium wines, local draft bottled beer- \$4, Seasonal Sangrias and house wines (7 oz pours) - \$5. Food includes individual sliders and tacos for \$6, Flatbreads and \$10 appetizers. Menu may change for fall! Harvest Seasonal Grill & Wine Bar features a local, farm-to-table menu with many items that are below 500 calories in an upscale casual atmosphere. This is a winner of Open Table's Diner's Choice Awards!



October 9 – Tortilla Press Cantina

7716 Maple Avenue

Merchantville, NJ 08109

3-6 PM

<https://tortillapresscantina.com/page/happy-hour-menu>

We've had a great time each time we visited this location! House margaritas for \$6, Red or white sangria for \$6.50, domestic drafts for \$4 and Mexican beers for \$5. Tacos, Nachos, Pork sliders and Chicken Flautas headline the happy hour food selection but there is also a full menu with many Mexican favorites. Let's check it out!



October 16 – Monterey Grill

558 Fellowship Road

Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054

4-6 PM in the bar area

www.montereygrill.com.

Another great location recently added to our happy hours. Come enjoy this upscale steak house at happy hour prices! \$8 house wines, \$6 draft beers and \$10 cocktails start us off joined by \$10 happy hour favorites such as Margherita Flatbread, Crispy Cheesesteak Rolls, Lemongrass Potstickers and \$14 appetizers including Wagyu Sliders, Spicy Garlic Shrimp and Crispy Calamari.

October 23 – Ryfe

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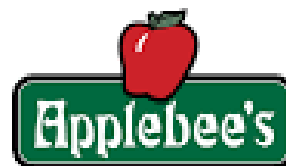
Moorestown, NJ

(Moorestown Mall between Firebirds and Maplewood)

3-6 PM

Last time we had a great time in the Tiki Hut so I will try to reserve that again for us (Try being the operative word!). The website advertises half price appetizers (including garlic shrimp skewers, Rosie's wings, horse-radish sliders and various flat breads to name a few) and \$4.99 cocktails and beer & house wine. Stick around for music bingo starting at 6:00 pm!

October 30 – Applebee's



1102 NJ 73

Mt. Laurel, NJ

3-6 PM

www.applebees.com

Applebee's has become a Fall Line favorite but everyone was busy in August so perhaps October will be better! This Applebee's has a long table in the bar area that hopefully we can occupy. Coors Light Pints, Sam's seasonal drafts, Margaritas, Sangrias, selected ½ price appetizers, and seasonal drink specials are among the offerings. Happy hour is only available in the bar area, so we need to get there early to get the table we want.

<https://restaurants.applebees.com/en-us/nj/mount-laurel/1102-route-73-south-77056/happy-hour>

Final note: Please remember that these happy hours are planned over a month in advance and Fall Line has no way of knowing when (or if) menus, prices or hours of operation will change. Check the restaurant websites for any updates. Also, the hours listed are the posted hours for happy hour. Most Fall Liners start arriving around 4:00 pm. As always, please drink responsibly.

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Eagles Watch Parties: October 2026

By the time you read this newsletter, our Eagles will have played at least two games this season: Home vs. Washington on September 13 and away at Tennessee on September 20. Here's hoping they were both WINS!!

The NFL regular season got off to a fun start: A rematch of this year's Super Bowl teams on Wednesday 9/9 provided the Seattle Seahawks with another WIN over the NE Patriots, this time 13-10. The score doesn't reflect some very memorable plays that occurred: Seahawks starting QB Sam Donald left the game in the first quarter with a hip injury; ex- Eagles and NE WR AJ Brown limped off in the third quarter with a high ankle sprain; NE QB Drake Maye threw three INTs...with the game sealing steal by ex-Eagle CB Josh Jobe who took the ball away from another ex-Eagle NE WR Mack Hollins with 25 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter. This gave Seattle back-up QB Drew Lock the win!

Thursday September 10 brought us the second NFL game of the season with the SF Forty Niners crushing the LA Rams 27-7 in the first ever international game in Australia (Melbourne). Over 100,000 fans cheered on both teams... and ex-Eagles QB and Super Bowl LII MVP Nick Foles provided pre-game and half-time commentary on the Netflix panel. (I'm not crazy about pro-sports broadcasting on streaming services, how about you?) While the Rams have been the early-season frontrunners to represent the NFC in next year's Super Bowl LXI, they have a long way to go after being embarrassed in Australia.

So, what do our Eagles have in store for us in October? FOUR games, with remarkably three at HOME! The fourth is an international game in LONDON. Check out the dates and times here:

Week	At	Date	Time	VS	Where
4	Home	Sunday: 10/4	1:00	LA Rams	Marco's
5	Away London	Sunday: 10/11	9:30 am	Jacksonville	Marco's
6	Home	Sunday: 10/18	1:00	Carolina	Debbie Cary's
7	Home	Monday: 10/26	8:15	Dallas	Miller's

So, what can we expect from the Eagles in October? Let's see....



Sunday 10/4/26 1:00 pm HOME vs. the LA Rams

We'll be returning to Marco's for this MUST-SEE game!! As mentioned above, the Rams lost BIG in Australia. And remember last season when the Eagles defense standouts #98 Jalen Carter and #90 Jordan Davis blocked TWO Rams field goal attempts? The second one sealed the Eagles WIN... as Jordan Davis batted the ball down... then recovered it and RUMBLED down the field and scored the GAME WINNING TOUCHDOWN! This was most likely the BEST and MOST REMEMBERED PLAY of the season!! So, it wouldn't be surprising if the RAMS come to Philly with HUGE chips on their shoulders... and maybe even revenge in their hearts? We shall find out on October 4.

The Eagles will be coming off back-to-back road games...and a short week after a Monday night game at Chicago on 9/28. Here's hoping the team is sharp and strong facing the Rams only 6 days later after traveling home to Philly either late Monday night or early Tuesday morning. (I absolutely hate short weeks!)

The Eagles offense will be tested by the Rams stalwart defense, especially with the return of previously "retired" DE #99 Aaron Donald who was the NFL Defensive Player of the Year THREE times! The Rams D-line will be anchored by another beast of a player: OLB #95 Myles Garrett who was traded to LA after a long tenure with the Cleveland Browns. By the way, Garrett has been the NFL Defensive Player of the Year TWICE already. The Eagles OL needs to come up big and win in the trenches: containing the attack by the Rams defense, opening holes for RB Saquon Barkley, and providing QB Jalen Hurts a strong pocket and time to get off completed passes to the Eagles WRs (especially #6 DeVonta Smith) and TEs (#88 Dallas Goedert and others).

The Vic Fangio defense will need to contain Ram SB MVP QB #9 Matthew Stafford, along with WR # 12 Puka Nacua and RB #23 Kyren Williams. All three had standout performances last season!

I'll be cheering for another Eagles WIN... how about you?



Sunday 10/11/26 9:30 AM ... in LONDON vs. the Jacksonville Jaguars

London is like the second home to the Jaguars who have played more games there than any other NFL team! They even have fans there announcing Jaguar draft picks at the annual NFL draft. If what the football writers have said this far is true, Jacksonville may be an improved team this year under second year head coach Liam Coen. One key will be whether QB #16 Trevor Lawrence continues to play at (or above) the level he reached near the end of last season. And how the only true "two-way"

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player in the NFL (Jacksonville WR and CB #12 Travis Hunter) has a breakout year. He's listed in both places on the Jags depth chart!

Here's to another Eagles WIN!!!



Sunday 10/18/26 1:00 pm ... at HOME vs. the Carolina Panthers.

Eagles fan and FLSC member Debbie Cary is inviting everyone to watch the game at her home. She's an awesome host...and this will be a change of pace from being at a bar. Details will be provided closer to game time.

Hopefully the Eagles will be ready to go after playing in and then flying back from London the previous week. Carolina will be led by QB #9 Bryce Young, whose career has been up and down since he joined the NFL. His back-up this year is ex-Eagle back-up Kenny Pickett who grew up in New Jersey and played college ball at Pitt. WR #13 John Metchie III was with the Eagles in training camp in the past and didn't make the roster. However, LB #5 Jaelen Phillips played a HUGE role on the Eagles defense when he was traded from Miami in October of 2025. He left after one season for a four-year contract with Carolina.

Carolina went 8-9 last season and aren't expected to be much better this year. So, this game is there for the Eagles to win!!



Monday NIGHT 10/26/26 8:15 pm ... at HOME vs. the Dallas Cowboys.

Lincoln Financial Field will be RAUCOUS as the hated Cowboys come to town on Monday Night October 26. Our FLSC group will be watching at Millers Ale House which expects a lot of fans for this game, even though it's a night game! And since it's the only game being played, it will be televised on ALL TVs at Millers... which makes watching the game that much more fun!

What can I say about the Dallas Cowboys that you haven't already heard? Yes, QB #4 Dak Prescott is back... along with two great WRs in #88 CeeDee Lamb and #3 George Pickens. Their running game has been strengthened through a trade that brought RB #33 Javonte Williams to the team. And the Cowboys always seem to have a TE that plays well against the Eagles (#87 Jake Ferguson this year???). They were one of the highest scoring offenses in the NFL last season.

However, the Dallas defense was one of the worst! The biggest change in Dallas has been the expected strength of what in the past few seasons has been a very porous defense!! Last season's unit ranked among the worst in franchise history! Their new Defense Coordinator Christian Parker was promoted away from our Eagles... and he inherits a defense that the Cowboys invested in big time in the offseason. It remains to be seen whether the newly shaped defense will be clicking by week 6.

Eagles vs Cowboys is always another MUST-SEE GAME... so come out to Millers and cheer on our Eagles to a BIG WIN vs. Dallas!!

In addition to being posted in Fall Line's weekly blast, Marianne Sladzinski will be sending out an email prior to each game inviting you to these Eagles watching parties. Please text (310-741-1091) or email (msdelphi136@gmail.com) her if you plan to attend so that she can plan for enough seats!

And here's a sneak preview for November... if you want to add more Eagles games to your calendar:

Week	At	Date	Time	VS	Where
8	Away	Sunday: 11/1	8:20	Washington	Miller's
9	Home	Sunday: 11/8	1:00	NY Giants	Marco's
10	Bye: No game!				
11	Home	Sunday: 11/22	4:25	Pittsburgh Steelers	Miller's
12	Away	Thursday: 11/26	4:30	Dallas Cowboys	None: Thanksgiving Day

Here's to another Awesome Eagles season. Go BIRDS: WIN!!!



Fall Line Ski Club Book Club

Oct 5, 2026, The Taproom

427 Crystal Lake Ave

Haddonfield, NJ

(Ask at the front desk, as you walk in where we are seated)

If nice out, we will be sitting outside.

6pm

The book for the month of Oct 2026, will be: Claire McCardell: The Designer Who Set Women Free

Named one of The New York Times's 100 Notable Books of 2025

The riveting hidden history of Claire McCardell, the most influential fashion designer you've never heard of.

Claire McCardell forever changed fashion—and most importantly, the lives of women. She shattered cultural norms around women's clothes, and today much of what we wear traces back to her ingenious, rebellious mind. McCardell invented ballet flats and mix-and-match separates, and she introduced wrap dresses, hoodies, leggings, denim, and more into womenswear. She tossed out corsets in favor of a comfortably elegant look and insisted on pockets, even as male designers didn't see a need for them. She made zippers easy to reach because a woman "may live alone and like it," McCardell once wrote, "but you may regret it if you wrench your arm trying to zip a back zipper into place."

After World War II, McCardell fought the severe, hyper-feminized silhouette championed by male designers, like Christian Dior. Dior claimed that he wanted to "save women from nature." McCardell, by contrast, wanted to set women free. Claire McCardell became, as the young journalist Betty Friedan called her in 1955, "The Gal Who Defied Dior."

Filled with personal drama and industry secrets, this story reveals how Claire McCardell built an empire at a time when women rarely made the upper echelons of business. At its core, hers is a story about our right to choose how we dress—and our right to choose how we live.



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For more information call Jeannie Nelson 856-889-5100.

Grand Canyon Rafting & Hiking Trip

May 2027

Fall Line Ski Club is heading to the bottom of the Grand Canyon for a non-skiing adventure! This adventure will sell fast as this trip is open to the first 29 to sign-up. We'll start taking deposits on June 16th at Fall Line's Member Meeting at the Pennsauken Country Club (Marco's Restaurant). This is an All-Inclusive adventure for 7 days on the Colorado River starting 15 miles below Glen Canyon Dam in Northern Arizona. You will travel in one of two motorized rafts from Lees Ferry to Whitmore Wash -188 miles. You will experience whitewater rafting, hiking, exploring, viewing wildlife & scenery, learning canyon history, plus swimming & relaxing in a place few people will ever see or visit. Your adventure begins in Las Vegas where a chartered bus will whisk our group to the Cliff Dwellers Lodge in Marble Canyon, Arizona. This is your first night where you'll enjoy exploring, relaxing, dinner at the Lodge and then off to bed to rest up for the van trip to Lees Ferry and the Colorado River!

If you enjoy camping, hiking, and the outdoors, this trip is for you. You'll experience the Grand Canyon the way few people do—from below, looking up. It's the kind of adventure you'll remember (and probably tell friends and family about). Everything is included and some items you get to keep: A dry "day" bag & "night" bag, life preserver, insulated mug, cot with sheets, pillow & ground cloth, tent & utensils/plates, and camp chair. You will be well fed with 3 meals each day including snacks & drinks. Each day you'll enjoy 3-4 hours on the water, guided hikes and exploring, etc. Join Fall Line Ski Club for an unforgettable getaway!

Contact your Group Leader, Mike Houlihan: houlihan-skier@outlook.com for more details, pricing, and how to sign up or go to: www.FallLine.org. Space is limited, so please don't wait long.

For anyone wondering: the average age on this trip is 58, and 15% of guests are over 70. You're not too old so come raft with Fall Line!

Dates: May 15th (pre-trip lodging) and May 16th –22nd, 2027 (on the river).

Sign-Up Forms at www.FallLine.org

NEW ENGLAND SKI TRIPS 2027

Fall Line is offering two East Coast Trips for 2027! Both are of the drive-yourself variety. It is the Club's hope to offer members alternatives to Western US trips regarding the time commitment, cost & convenience. You'll find both to be packed with things to do beyond skiing, especially the first trip. Here is the line-up: Indian Head Resort, NH & Sugarbush, VT.



Trip #1 is to the Indian Head Resort in Lincoln, New Hampshire. The trip starts on January 10th which is a Sunday to the 15th, 2027, which is a Friday. The cost is \$720/person, double occupancy. You will enjoy 5 nights at this 3-star resort in the White Mountains of central New Hampshire. There are 4 ski resorts in the area. Starting with the closest first: Loon (Ikon), then Cannon, Waterville Valley & Bretton Woods. Included with this trip are a daily buffet breakfast & 3 buffet dinners. Many room types are available with the cost: Single (\$990); Double (\$720; Triple (\$630); & Quad (\$585)/person.

Contact me, Michael Houlihan (houlilhanskier@outlook.com), to add your name to the sign-up list and for any questions. Big Pocono Ski Club is running this trip. I can get you registration info or you can go to the EPSC website. Sign-up requires a \$100 deposit, then 50% is due by 10/1 with the balance due by 12/1. There is plenty of room, but space is filling fast.



Trip #2 is to Sugarbush, Vermont. This trip starts on February 21st to the 26th, 2027. Again, this is a Sunday to Friday trip. You will stay at the Lodge at Lincoln Peak, which is only one mile to Sugarbush resort. Included for the cost of \$750/person (dbl occ) is daily breakfast, shuttle to the Mountain, Recreation Center access (indoor pool, hot

tub & sauna) and a Welcome Party. Sugarbush is also an Ikon resort. Still, plenty of room for Sugarbush!

Both trips are promoted on the EPSC website (<https://easternpaskicouncil.org/>). You can sign up for both trips with me, but you'll need to register through the aforementioned website. All payments will go to either Big Pocono Ski Club or EPSC.

Fall Line's aim is to get and/or keep you skiing & riding in 2027. I hope all of you are enjoying your Summer.

Cheers!

Michael Houlihan, Winter Trip Chair

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LONGWOOD GARDENS ILLUMINATED FOUNTAIN SHOW

On September 5th, 5 Fall Liners enjoyed the Illuminated Fountain Show. Nona Ostrove, Sue VanCola, Jack and Randa Royle and me had a lovely evening at the beautiful Longwood Gardens.

Our evening started with a delicious dinner at Antica, an Italian restaurant in Chadds Ford, Pa.

We arrived at Longwood Gardens at 6:30 and enjoyed a lovely walk around the gardens. There were so many plants in bloom as well as the amazing water platters in the water lily pools.

The fountain show began at 8:15 with the amazing fountains "dancing" to the music of Dolly Parton and being illuminated with many soft beautiful colors. What a great way to spend the evening and a wonderful memory to treasure.

ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER Questions? Comments? Ideas?

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www.FallLineSkiClub.org

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FLSC is now accepting
credit cards for payments
- 2.83% will be added as
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PALISADESTAHOE – SKI WITH FALL LINE

By Michael Houlihan, Trip Leader

PalisadesTahoe is the largest ski resort in California, boasting 6,000 skiable acres across eight peaks now seamlessly connected by the Base-to-Base Gondola. Formerly Squaw Valley Alpine Meadows, the more than 70-year-old resort celebrates a rich history as the host of the 1960 Winter Olympics, the definitive Spring Skiing Capital, and is home mountain to dozens of Olympic and World Cup athletes across multiple snow sports. With an average annual snowfall of 400 inches, PalisadesTahoe frequently operates the longest ski and snowboard season in Lake Tahoe. The Village at PalisadesTahoe offers year-round events and over 50 bars, restaurants and boutiques. In 2021, the resort changed its name, trading in a harmful slur for a name that better reflects its values and legacy.

Fall Line will be staying at the Everline Resort & Spa which offers rooms and suites complete with custom furnishings, slate entryways, ceramic-tiled bathrooms, granite vanities, and flat-screen TVs. Enjoy the resort's ski-in/ski-out access to PalisadesTahoe, ice-skating rink and heated swimming pools. The Everline Resort & Spa at Lake Tahoe offers guests a mountain home experience with luxury and full-service amenities.

This trip includes Air, which has not yet been finalized for arrival & departure, but we expect to nail down pricing this Summer. We will transport you from Reno Airport to the resort on chartered transportation for the group. Upon arrival an orientation has been arranged with more details to follow. We do offer two options: add daily breakfast for a fee + lift tickets if you do not have an Ikon Pass. If you would like to purchase an Ikon Pass, go to www.FallLine.org to purchase your pass. The base pass will work for this trip, as opposed to the Full Pass. The price is cheaper through Fall Line than if you went to the Ikon website directly.

Contact me at houlihanskier@outlook.com for information. To sign up, download our Week Sign-up form, complete and mail to me or come to our monthly member meeting to sign up in person. Check the information sheet for deposit info.

Cheers, Mike

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Fall Line Ski Club membership begins May 1 and ends April 30. Membership applications for renewals and new membership are accepted anytime during the year. The individual membership fee is \$25 and the family membership fee is \$55. The newsletter will be e-mailed to you. Add \$5 if you wish a paper newsletter mailed to you. Members have the privilege of attending all Fall Line Ski Club activities during the summer season as well as next ski season. Membership applications may be obtained at any Mixer Meeting, at our web site at www.FallLineSkiClub.org or through the mail by contacting:

FLSC

112 Stephenson Way, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006-2220

Phone: 215-357-2305 - eMail: Membership@FallLine.org

The membership application should be completed in a legible manner to ensure the proper forwarding of all club correspondence. Any member not receiving the newsletter should stop at the membership table during a Mixer Meeting.

Changes in address, e-mail address or phone numbers should be reported as soon as possible so that you may remain informed of all Fall Line events and activities.

MEETING INFORMATION

Mixer Meetings.....are held the third Tuesday each month, at Marco's at the Pennsauken Country Club, 3800 Haddonfield Road, Pennsauken, NJ. Meetings are from 7:30 pm until 9:30 pm for trip sign-ups, announcements, information and socializing. Please bring a friend, for newcomers are always welcome.

Board Meetings... are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month (via Zoom - PJ's allowed) and start at 7:00 pm. In order for the board to discuss all agenda topics in a timely fashion, members who wish to attend a meeting must contact the Fall Line President prior to the meeting. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Winter Trip Committee Meetings... are conducted by Michael Houlihan, board member and Winter Trip Chair, and occur monthly. Please call Michael (609-923-2434) if you are interested in attending or participating.

Events Committee Meetings . . . are conducted by John Kennedy, board member and Events Committee Chair. Please call John (856-761-2863) if you would like to participate in planning or leading an event for the club.



MT. BACHELOR 2027 SKI TRIP BEND, OREGON JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 6, 2027

By Jack Royle

Once again, the Eastern PA Ski Council (EPSC) has planned its 2027 Winter Carnival trip to an area I call home. I've known Bend and the Central Oregon area since 1973 when I went to the University of Oregon in Eugene and my parents moved to nearby Prineville. Central Oregon has always been an annual destination for seeing Grandma and Grandpa, skiing, fishing and visiting other family and friends. Our daughters' first skiing experiences were at Bachelor. Today, cousins and friends are scattered throughout the area. We've witnessed Bend's evolution from a hot, dusty cowboy and logging/mill town to a major 12-month vacation destination; hiking, camping, fishing, hunting, golf, boating, skiing and plenty more.

Mt. Bachelor is the 7th largest ski resort in North America and is unique in that you will have 360 degree skiing from the summit. Located on the eastern flank of Oregon's Central Cascades, Mt. Bachelor is known for its light, dry snow, diverse terrain, family-friendliness, and long seasons. With its vast terrain, incredible snow conditions, and friendly mountain culture, it promises to deliver an exceptional winter escape. The combination of world-class skiing and access to the vibrant nearby town of Bend, makes this an ideal destination for a well-rounded, unforgettable ski trip.

EPSC trips come with a lot of "extras": Welcome Reception, Group Mountain Tours, Midweek Après Ski Party, Lunch Coupon, and Themed Banquet. We are staying at the beautiful **Riverhouse Lodge** on the Deschutes River. Amenities include an indoor pool, spa tub, a fitness center, and ski storage. There is an onsite restaurant called Currents serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Bend is loaded with great restaurants and if you like beer, it boasts a dense concentration of craft breweries, with recent estimates highlighting roughly 27 breweries and tasting rooms. Known as a major beer

destination, the city features a high number of breweries per capita, making it one of the top craft beer cities in the US. Here's a few of the better known; Deschutes Brewery, McMenamins Old St. Francis School, Bend Brewing, Worthy Brewing, Ale Apothecary, Boneyard Beer.

Mt Bachelor ski area highlights:

- 4,233 acres skiable terrain
- 3,365 feet vertical
- Summit elevation: 9,065 feet
- Base elevation: 5,700 feet
- 124 trails
- 11 lifts: 8 fast quads + 3 triple chairs
- 15 Terrain Parks • 360-degree skiing & riding
- 410" Annual Snowfall
- Degree of difficulty percentages for trails:
beginner 15%, intermediate 35%, advanced 30%,
expert 20%

The trip price includes:

Transportation between Philadelphia and Redmond. No Air, deduct \$547.

- ♦ Round-trip coach transportation between Redmond Airport and The Riverhouse Lodge.
- ♦ 7 nights lodging at The Riverhouse Lodge
- ♦ Welcome Reception
- ♦ Group Mountain Tours
- ♦ Mid-Week Après Party
- ♦ Lunch Coupon
- ♦ Gala Banquet
- ♦ Trip Souvenir
- ♦ Single Supplement: \$1,276

Daily breakfast at Riverhouse included; price is \$2,250 including air (American Airlines through Phoenix to Redmond, Oregon) not including lift tickets. A deposit of \$400 is due to sign up. If visiting more than one Ikon resort, it may be worth it to purchase an Ikon Base pass (5 day limited access at Bachelor). www.sportsamerica.com/ikon-fallline

Sign-up sheets and info sheets will be available on the Fall Line Web site, and the sign-up sheets are fillable. You can complete them on your laptop, print them, and bring them to the meeting or mail them to me. **You must be a current member of Fall Line or a member of an EPSC club to sign up. Members of Fall Line get priority.** Note: If you are not a FLSC member, non-members will be bumped if trip fills up with a waiting list. (Become a member to avoid being bumped.) Sign-up forms are available at our website: www.FallLine.org

Please email me with any inquiries. If you can't attend our monthly mixer, glad to communicate via email and let me know if you want to talk live with me at the following: jhroyle1@gmail.com or 973-723-5683.

October 2026 Fall Line Ski Club Social Activities

(Or things to do while wondering what Star Wars costume you haven't used yet for Halloween)
If you have ideas for activities and would like to help this great club,
send your ideas to johnkennedy0880@comcast.net)

Date	Event	Leader	Details	Price
Weekly Events				
October 6, 13, 20, 27	Movie Nights at AMC Marlton 8 or AMC Voorhees 16 or AMC Cherry Hill 24	Text Nona Luce at 856-522-9867 for info	Times and locations vary	OYO
October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Happy Hours, starting times vary.	Email Nona Ostrove at nonaostrove@gmail.com for questions or suggestions	10/2: Harvest Grill 10/9: Tortilla Press 10/16: Monterey Grill 10/23: Ryfe 10/30: Applebees	OYO
October 4, 11, 18, 26	Eagles Watching	Text Marianne Sladzinski at 310-741-1091	10/4: Rams at Marco's, 1 PM 10/11: Jaguars at Marco's, 9:30 AM 10/18: Panthers at Deb Cary's, 1 PM 10/26: Cowboys at Miller's, 8:15 PM	
Not Weekly Events				
October 5	Book Club discusses "Claire McCardell: The Designer Who Set Women Free" by Elizabeth Evitts Dickinson	Jeannie Nelson (jeannien@msn.com)	The Taproom, 427 W. Crystal Lake Ave., Haddon Twp, NJ, 6:00 PM.	OYO
October 20	Fall Line Mixer	Spaces may be available for Palisades, Mt. Bachelor, and our Grand Canyon trip	Marco's (downstairs), 3800 Haddonfield Rd., Pennsauken, NJ 7:30 PM	





Happy Halloween



Fall Line Ski Club

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**Please Visit Fall Line Ski Club's Website @
www.FallLine.org**

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Fall Line Ski Club – 2027 Trip Schedule

All FLSC trips exclude lift passes. Ikon Passes can be purchased at: sportsamerica.com/epic-FallLine

All trips include air and ground transportation, except where noted. Lodging is two per room.

Airlines, Airports & Prices are Subject to Change

DATE	LOCATION	TRIP LEADER	LODGING	SOME FEATURES	OPENING DATE	PRICE
Jan 30 th to Feb 6 th	Mt. Bachelor, Oregon EPSC Winter Carnival	Jack Royle jhroyle1@gmail.com	Riverhouse Lodge	Round trip between Philly & Redmond airport; 7 nights lodging; 2-bedroom hotel; Hot Tubs; Welcome reception; Gala, Races and more! FLSC luggage tags.	Open	Hotel Rooms \$2,250
Feb. 25 th to March 4 th	PalisadesTahoe California	Michael Houlihan Houlihanskier@outlook.com	Everline Resort & Spa	Round trip between Philly & Reno; 7 nights lodging; hot tubs, pools, restaurants, ski-in/out FLSC luggage tags.	Open	Hotel Rooms \$1,750
May 15 th to 22 nd	Grand Canyon, Arizona	Michael Houlihan Houlihanskier@outlook.com	Cliff Dwellers Lodge (5/15/27)	Charter bus from Las Vegas to Marble Canyon, AZ. 1 night at Cliff Dwellers Lodge & 7 nights camping. Helicopter & Plane ride back to Las Vegas.	Open	\$4,200

***If you are not an FLSC member, you will be bumped if the trip fills up. Become a member! Membership applications & more information can be found at: www.FallLine.org. Questions: Contact Winter Trip Chair, Michael Houlihan at HoulihanSkier@outlook.com**