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### Activities

May 21	Kernels game
June 4	Spring picnic @ Meadow-lark Shelter
June 10-12	Quad Cities bike adventure weekend
July 16	Takes to the River @ Jim & Kathy Takes Farm
July 30-Aug 6	MN Fishing Trip
Aug 20	Corn Roast @ Sally William's residence
Sept 5-11	Kentucky/Tennessee trip
Jan 21-28	Snowmass/Aspen Ski Trip
Feb 20-26	Copper Mountain Ski Trip

### BOARD MEETINGS

The next board meeting is May 18.

Members and non-members are welcome.

Time and location of the next board

Meeting can be obtained from **Ruth Van Tol**

### EISC INFORMATION:

For more information about the EISC contact: [members@eastiowaskiclub.com](mailto:members@eastiowaskiclub.com)

Annual Membership: Single - \$30 | Household - \$60

### MOVED/MOVING:

Send address change to:

East Iowa Ski Club, PO Box 843

Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-0843

### DEADLINE:

The deadline for the June Skiddoo is May 27.

Contact **Cathy Dick**.

EISC Financials are available on request.

**[WWW.EastIowaSkiClub.com](http://WWW.EastIowaSkiClub.com)**

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## **President's Message**



Greetings EISC Members – the new EISC board of directors met April 20<sup>th</sup> to elect and select positions or jobs for this upcoming year. There was a surprise nomination and election for the board president – thank you and I am looking forward to an exciting new year. I would like to thank Ruth Van Tol, who has served as board president these past two years and now moves into the role of Trip Coordinator. Marty Stimson was elected vice-president and will continue to be on the Trip committee as the lead for non-ski trips. I plan to continue to assist on the Trip committee along with Tim Gull and James Toothaker. Tim will be helping with House & Clinics and

James will be the new Communications administrator. Lois Kabela Coates will be organizing the Special Activities and Mary Day volunteered to be the board Secretary along with continuing Membership. Everyone on the board tends to contribute where needed to keep things moving forward. The board relies heavily on the support of our skilled experts including Kim Betts, the webmaster, Cathy Dick, the Skiddoo editor and Janet Stimson, our favorite club Treasurer.

The April Review and Recognition gathering and potluck at the KC Hall on Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> was a lot of fun. It was good to see everyone – there was a big crowd & much visiting. Thank you to Marty for smoking the pork and to Ruth for putting together the slide show chronicling the past couple of years' activities.

Thanks to all that brought in the different side dishes and especially all of those desserts. During the program, all of the official activities were listed and the board members and trip and

event leaders were thanked, but I want stress again the ongoing need for volunteer trip leaders.

We all need to appreciate and thank the members who lead our trips & make everything run as smoothly as possible. The essential role of our trip leaders cannot be over stated. Volunteer trip leaders are required for both our ski and non-ski adventure trips. Please consider serving as a trip or event leader this season and let our volunteers know we appreciate their efforts.

We have a busy summer planned. I hope to see our members at the EISC Night at the Kernels baseball game on May 21<sup>st</sup> and the Spring Picnic on June 4<sup>th</sup>. The Spring Picnic will be the start of selling our 2023 Snowmass/Aspen and Copper Mountain ski trips, see where we are on the Kentucky/Tennessee tour; confirm rides for the August Lake of the Woods fishing trip and finalize plans for the June Great River Trail bicycle ride weekend. Looking forward to a fun summer with the EISC.

~Steve Cummings

### **May Birthdays**

Cathy Dick (7th); Barbara Muenster (8<sup>th</sup>); Sondra Lamb (14th); Steve Cummings (18th); Doug Gustafson (19th); Jeff Owen (20th); Ann Robinson & Julie Gilmore (26th); Bridget Gustafson (27th).

### **Family News**

Our condolences to Chris Kalmar who lost his brother Joel to a sudden illness. Joel Kalmar was 60 years old and lived in California.

David Nicholas was posthumously inducted into the College of Electrical and Computer Engineering Hall of Fame at Iowa State University.

## FUTURE EVENTS

### **EISC Night at the Kernels - May 21**

Join 17 of your friends at the Cedar Rapids Kernels. \$21 entitles you to one admission to the Kernels Game and Fireworks, one sandwich (hamburger, cheeseburger, hot dog or brat, one snack (chips or popcorn), one drink (beer, pop, or water). First pitch is at 6:35, so pick up your ticket by 6:15. If you didn't sign up at the April 23 meeting and want to attend, contact Mary Day at: [Mary@easttowaskiclub.com](mailto:Mary@easttowaskiclub.com) or 319-270-3828. The deadline for signup is May 10th.

~ article by **Mary Day**

### **Spring Picnic - Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm, Meadow-lark Shelter, Wanatee Park**

**Don't forget, the winter Ski Trips go on sale** at the picnic so come early to get your spot. Sign up will start at 4:00. Come early and bring your lawn or table games that you can enjoy with others.

Bring your own burger, brat or steak to grill along with your favorite dish to share, and don't forget your own beverage. The club will provide pop and water. There are plenty of tables in the shelter but you might want your own lawn chair. The grill will be fired up around 5:30. We hope to see you there.

~ Article by **Marty Stimson**

### **Quad Cities Bike and Adventure Weekend, June 10-12**

Previous issues of the Skiddoo have had a long list of things that you would be able to do in the Quad Cities either biking or exploring what the area has to offer.

Hotel group rates **END ON FRIDAY, MAY 13** at the Radisson John Deere Plaza in Moline. You can reserve a room by calling the hotel directly at 309-764-1000, or do it on-line at [www.radissonhotelsamericas.com/molineia](http://www.radissonhotelsamericas.com/molineia) and use the Promotional Code EAI SKI.

For those of you who want to camp, there may be a few tent only sites at Fisherman's Corner campgrounds. If you plan to camp, get your reservation made at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov).

The new pedestrian/bike lane on the I-74 bridge opened on April 27 and I have seen a lot of social media posts about what a great experience it is.

Bikers may want to check out [www.greatrivertrail.org](http://www.greatrivertrail.org) or [www.qctrails.com](http://www.qctrails.com) for trails they may want to ride and explore. Adventurers can google "Things to do in the Quad Cities" and find a long list of places to explore and things to do.

It should be a great weekend with plenty to see and do!

~article by **Ruth Van Tol**

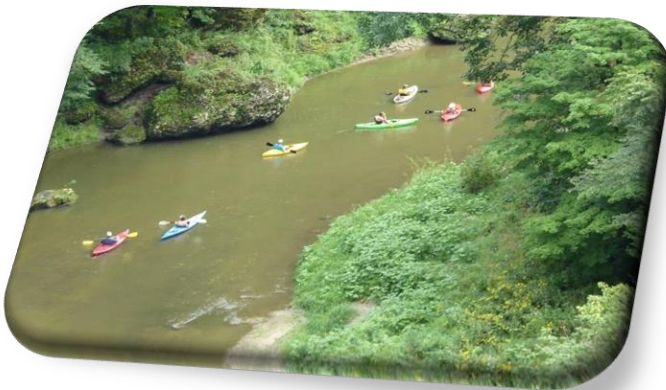
## **Takes to the River - Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, Cascade**

**Kathy and Jim Takes** are once again hosting their annual "Takes to the River" event on Saturday, July 16th. Anyone interested in kayaking should plan to be there between 1:00 and 1:30 to shuttle to the starting point in Cascade. It's a two to three-hour float that will end at the farm. The plan is to eat at about 5:30. **Kathy** and Jim will provide their own Angus beef burgers and French fries, and make sure you're there in time for some of **Jim's** famous homemade onion rings. Bring a dish to share and your own beverages and eating utensils!

Stick around after supper to enjoy the bonfire and to share a few stories. It's always a good time, so if you don't have anything on your calendar that weekend,

head to Kathy and Jim's and explore their neck of the woods! Hope to see all of you on the 16th of July.

If you don't wish to kayak, bring a chair and your drink of choice and visit with friends under the big oaks. **The farm is located about 2 miles east of Cascade/Bellevue Rd. 3985 245th St., Cascade, IA 52033.** If you have questions, please feel free to call Kathy Takes at 563-599-2819.



~article by **Marty Stimson** | photo from EISC 2019 TTTR Event

**Fishing trip to Lake of the Woods: July 30 - August 6,**  
**2022 Sportsman's Lodge-Baudette, Minnesota**  
**\$1580/person double occupancy**

**Final payment: \$474 due March 18, 2022**



**Trip is FULL. We do need a waiting list as openings do happen.** This is a full week trip with four days of guided fishing, lodging in the main lodge, and all your meals.

Lounge on your days off, golf on the nearby 18-hole courses or go bike riding on the nearby trails. Quite a bit to offer in this complete lodging, fishing, and meals included trip. The only thing you need to do is drive yourself to Baudette, Minnesota. This may be the easiest and best trip you could come across to fish and explore one of the most scenic lakes in northern Minnesota – Lake of the Woods. All you need is to pack a suitcase and “drive” to Baudette, Minnesota – an easy 500-mile day trip.

Go on line to [www.sportsmanslodes.com](http://www.sportsmanslodes.com) and check out their Rainy River location. Let Denny know if you are interested, and we will see if we can still get you in.

Any questions, contact **Denny Bossard** at 319-310-7320

~ Article by **Denny Bossard** | photos by **Marty Stimson** with permission from the resort

## **Kentucky/Tennessee Motor Coach Trip-September 5 - 11 - A full week for only \$1495 per person (2 per room)**

**First Payment: \$495 due at signup | Second payment: \$500 due June 4  
Final Payment: \$500 due July 16 | Cancellation date: May 15**

Join 24 fellow club members on an adventure to historic and fun areas. Enjoy some musical entertainment, maybe find a new favorite libation, and try the barbecue in Memphis.

There is still room on the motor coach, but reservations need to be confirmed. A slight change in the itinerary is already necessary. On the way back, we will be spending the night at a casino in St. Louis, instead of downtown by the arch.

**Day 1:** we depart at 7:00 am from Cedar Rapids for our ride to Louisville, Kentucky. We will do a quick lunch along the way (on your own) so we can arrive at our hotel at a decent time to enjoy the Whiskey Row district of downtown Louisville where we will be staying. Whiskey Row once served as home to the first bourbon industry in Louisville. Many distilleries, shops and restaurants are within walking distance. Dinner will be on your own the first night.

**Day 2:** starts with breakfast at the hotel (included) before we load up all our stuff and take off for Churchill Downs, home of the Kentucky Derby. We get a tour of some of the grounds plus a little time to shop in the museum store. We are then off to Nashville with a distillery stop and tour along the way.

There will be a quick lunch stop (on your own) so we can get checked in to our hotel and ready for dinner at the Santa Fe Company Steak House (dinner included). After dinner is the Grand Ole Opry show (tickets included).

**Day 3:** in Nashville, starts with breakfast at the hotel (included) before we take off with a driving tour of some highlights of Nashville. Late morning our driver will drop us off in the downtown area where we will have the choice of many spots to hit – Country Music Hall of Fame, Johnny Cash Museum, Ryman Auditorium, Tootsie's Orchid Lounge, Glen Campbell Museum, have a couple beers or line dance at the Wild Horse Saloon. These are all within walking distance. Lunch and admissions are on your own. Wednesday night is dinner at the Wild Horse Saloon in Downtown Nashville (tickets included).

**DAY 4:** starts with breakfast again at the hotel (included) before we take off for Memphis. On the way we stop at the Jack Daniels distillery for a tour and tasting. And then find a lunch stop along the way to Memphis (on your own). We should be in Memphis in plenty of time to get checked in to our hotel and freshened up before we spend the evening on the Mississippi River Paddle Boat Dinner Cruise (included).



**DAY 5:** is in Memphis starting off with breakfast at the hotel (included) before we visit Graceland (tickets included). We'll find a place for lunch (on your own) and then tour the Sun Recording Studio. After that our driver will drop us off on the famous "Beale Street" where we can spend the rest of the day sight-seeing and taking in live music, great BBQ, bars, shops and saloons. Dinner is on our own. Our driver will pick us up at a time we decide and take us back to our hotel.

**DAY 6:** is one more breakfast at the hotel (included) before we load up and travel to St Louis. Saturday afternoon we will visit and tour Grant's Farm,

home of the Budweiser Clydesdale's. The tour is included but lunch is on your own. We will be spending the night at a casino in St. Louis.

We are on our own to wander the many pubs, shops and restaurants in the downtown arch area, or kick back in the hotel bar for free appetizers and drinks for happy hour.

**DAY 7:** we head back home. Breakfast is in the hotel (included). There will be time Sunday morning if anyone wants to do the Arch tour (on your own) before we take off. There will be a "stretch your legs" stop at the Hannibal Missouri Park Museum.

Contact **Diane Reinertson** 319-210-3000 or **Becky Gordon** 319-389-0315

~ Article by **Diane Reinertson**

## EISC Summer Golf Outing

This season the board decided to play the Gardner Cedar Rapids city course and schedule the outing during the week of July 18<sup>h</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> based on the weather and course availability. We will use the EISC Golf forum to communicate the details and block as many tee times as needed based upon interest. If anyone is interested in running the EISC Golf outing in the future and has a course in mind to host the event, please contact a member of the board. It has been a fun annual event and we would like to get this outing back on our books for a Saturday event next year.

We would like to thank the crew of volunteers (Nancy Thorkildson, Sarah Wittnebel and Kathy Healy) who did a great job of running the golf outing at Wildcat Golf course in Shellsburg over the past several years.

~ Article by **Steve Cummings**



## SKI.com Ski Pass Special

In 2023 the EISC is planning to travel to two ski resorts that are part of the IKON ski pass system. We will be offering five out of six-day lift ticket packages on both ski trips, so the 2022/23 IKON pass isn't needed for the two EISC trips. This article is for the members who want to ski more than the trips the EISC is offering at IKON Pass resorts. The IKON pass is similar to the Epic pass with different price and resort access levels. The full IKON pass should cover both of the resorts we are planning on visiting, if you are interested. SKI.com is running a special on both IKON and Epic passes again, so we thought we would pass on the details. Below is from SKI.com:

SKI.com is running the same Ski Pass promotion again and with IKON, there is a special group member pricing option for your club members by using the link since they are members of East Iowa Ski Club. The Full IKON online is \$1079 but when using the group link below, we can offer it at \$999 and Ikon base is \$769 online and with the special group member pricing, it comes down to \$729. Your club members will see the special group member pricing after they click the buy now tab. You can't advertise these special prices except on your secure private club correspondence. (so you couldn't post it on an open Facebook account but if it is a private group you can.) There is a \$30 credit when the IKON pass is used on an EISC trip, the same as last year. Details on what resorts are covered can be found on the IKON website.

<https://epicikon.events.ski.com/>

	<u>2022/23 Special Group Pass Pricing</u>			
	[Adult]	[Youth]	[Child]*	[4 & under]
Ikon Base Pass:	\$729	\$549	\$199	\$99
Ikon Pass:	\$999	\$739	\$239*	\$149

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<p>ADULT ADULT IKON PASS. BOOK BY MAY 10; FOR REGISTERED GROUPS ONLY. RESTRICTIONS APPLY.</p> <p>Unlimited access at 14 destinations Up to 7 days at 35 destinations</p> <p>VIEW DETAILS ^</p> <p><b>\$999.00</b> Per Person</p>	<p>ADULT ADULT IKON BASE PLUS PASS. RESTRICTIONS APPLY.</p> <p>Unlimited access at 13 destinations 5 days each at 36 destinations</p> <p>VIEW DETAILS ^</p> <p><b>\$969.00</b> Per Person</p> <p>0 <input type="text"/> <b>\$0.00</b> Total</p>	<p>ADULT ADULT IKON BASE PASS. BOOK BY MAY 10; FOR REGISTERED GROUPS ONLY. RESTRICTIONS APPLY.</p> <p>Unlimited access at 13 destinations 5 days each at 30 destinations</p> <p>VIEW DETAILS ^</p> <p><b>\$729.00</b> Per Person</p>
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## Snowmass/Aspen Trip, Jan 21 – 28, 2023

The Snowmass trip is priced at:

**Adult Full Package (condo / 5 of 6-day lift ticket) = \$1607 (Sign-up \$535; Sept 536; Oct \$536)**

**Senior (65+) Full Package (condo / 5 of 6-day lift ticket) \$1437 Sign-up \$479; Sept 479; Oct \$479)**

**Condo Only package (w/o lifts) \$1087 Sign-up \$363; Sept 362; Oct \$362)**

The East Iowa Ski Club is pleased to announce the club's first West trip of the 2023 season will be to the Snowmass/Aspen ski areas, Jan 21 – 28, 2023. We have room for 24 lucky members staying at the impressive Top of the Village complex in four 3br/3bth ski-in/ski-out condos. The club stayed in the TOV condos in 2014, during a visit to Snowmass/Aspen and we are anxious to return. The great skiing at Snowmass is always enjoyable and the convenient, free shuttle service to the 3 other mountains Aspen, Aspen Highlands and Buttermilk make this a special destination. This trip has been priced as a drive yourself/carpool trip like other Colorado destinations. However, the club has worked out a round trip airline ticket option into the Aspen airport at an extra cost, for those who would prefer to fly instead of drive. Your Trip Leader will have pricing and additional details.



*Ajax Bar - Brenda, Steve & Bill-the skiers with skill*



*Quite a motley bunch eating their lunch*

We are very happy to have **Kathy Takes** and **Kari Wheeler** as our volunteer Trip Leaders on this great adventure. The EISC is fortunate to be able to have experienced Trip Leaders like Kathy and Kari, who make sure all of the ski trips they lead are a lot of fun. The readers of SKI magazine rated Snowmass/Aspen the # 3 ski resort destination in the West. "The four mountains that make up Snowmass/Aspen are the gold standard for American skiing. Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk, and Snowmass each have their own character, which is

why some skiers visit a different mountain each day of their visit. Aspen is just far enough from the ever-growing Colorado Front Range that it remains noticeably quieter than every ski resort on I-70, even during peak holidays. First-time visitors who expect a snobby culture are always delighted to find welcoming, nearly European hospitality throughout the upper Roaring Fork Valley, and while not cheap, the skiing and general prices are at (and even below) some of its rival Colorado resorts. Add in the Ikon pass option, unbeatable events plus an ever-expanding list of premier dining and culture outlets, and there's no place in the U.S. that can come close to this iconic destination."



*Dave, Brenda, Kim & Steve-skiers off the lift, who knows where they will drift*

Snowmass is covered with perfect Colorado powder, and massive enough to offer up every type of terrain from serene to extreme. Snowmass has 3,332 acres of terrain, 94 trails, 21 chairlifts and access to your choice of cruisers, glades and steeps. At 4,406 vertical feet, Snowmass has the most in the country. Seven on-mountain



*Janet having a beary good time*

restaurants offer places to pause and rest, which you'll need after trails that stretch as long as five miles. No other mountain offers the variety of experiences you'll find at Snowmass. Look for more information on Snowmass and the other 3 mountains that make up Snowmass/Aspen in future Skiddos!

The Top of the Village is the ultimate in ski-in ski-out condo lodging. Spacious condos surrounded on three sides by mountains and forests. You will experience a network of trails directly outside of the door and can literally ski right onto the slopes. The excitement of the mountain comes alive through the floor to ceiling living room view. Each unit has a fully equipped kitchen, fireplace, washer-dryer, gas grill, and private balcony or

patio. The TOV offers an outdoor heated pool, two outdoor hot tubs, fitness room and sauna. Covered parking, elevators, and complimentary shuttle service within the village is provided. The Top of the Village has a full-service front desk, concierge service, over-night ski tuning and many other amenities. The other 3 mountain resorts are very accessible. The Roaring Fork Transit Authority (RFTA) provides a FREE and extensive bus service within Aspen villages until 2 a.m.

The Snowmass/Aspen trip will go on sale at the EISC Spring Picnic, Saturday, June 4 at the Meadowlark Pavilion in Wanatee Park.

~ Article by **Steve Cummings** | photos from 2014 EISC Snowmass/Aspen trip



## Copper Mountain trip, Feb 20 - 26, 2023

The Copper Mountain trip is priced at:

**\$1164 | Adult full pkg. | condo and 5 of 6-day lifts (Sign-up \$582 / Sept \$582)  
\$750 | w/o lifts | condo only (sign up \$375 / Sept \$375)**

The East Iowa Ski Club is pleased to announce Copper Mountain as the location of the 2<sup>nd</sup> West trip of the season. The club has room for up to 32 members, staying in Mountain Plaza complex in the Center Village. We have 8 condos, 2br/2bth in this walk-in/walk-out location - across the plaza to the lifts (3-minute walk). The club last visited Copper Mountain in 2015 and is excited to return.



We are still looking for Trip Leader volunteers for this Copper Mountain adventure. This EISC expedition is scheduled as a 6 night, Monday through Sunday, Feb 20 – 26; drive yourself/carpool trip. We have the option to park at the resort early Monday (2/20/23), ski all day and check in that afternoon. This should work out great for those who want to travel to the Denver area on Sunday, then drive into Copper Mountain for skiing on Monday morning and avoid the weekend traffic. The club got special group pricing on the condos with this unusual schedule and five of six-day lift tickets.



The readers of SKI magazine rated Copper Mountain the 11<sup>th</sup> best in the West ski resort. The strengths were lifts, terrain and access. “Copper has a huge variety of terrain spread across this large resort, so there are plenty of options for every level. Great, long groomers in both lower-intermediate and upper-intermediate ranges. Limited truly extreme terrain, but even some pockets of deserving double-dia-

monds in several locations. And much more and better tree skiing than most people know.

Copper does lots of things well: The 2,507-acre resort has an excellent variety of naturally differentiated terrain that gets more challenging from west to east, and a seriously underrated high alpine filled with adventure terrain—plus a free Snow-cat ride to maximize your time there.

For those wanting to improve their skiing, Copper is one of the best resorts to learn to ski thanks to stellar learning programs, (slightly) lower prices, and a down-to-earth vibe that makes you want to hang a little longer.

The vibe at Copper is somehow simultaneously hip and refreshingly old-school: Go have some damn fun. Copper sees—and markets—itsself as the rebel force to the corporate imperial army down the road. It works. “It is the great alternative,” says one reader.”

Copper Mountain is just 75 miles from Denver with 2,507 acres of skiable terrain and a village that feels more like a neighborhood. Copper's guests enjoy steps away lodging, apres ski entertainment, naturally divided terrain, exciting events and a welcoming, knowledgeable staff. The base elevation is 9,712 feet and the summit is at 12,441 feet. There are over 140 marked trails (21% beginner, 25% intermediate, 36% advanced, 18% expert) and 24 chairlifts making Copper one of the largest ski resorts in Colorado.

For years, guests have enjoyed staying at the Mountain Plaza complex for its spacious and comfortable accommodations conveniently located at the base of the American Eagle Lift in the Center Village. On-site indoor and outdoor hot tubs, sauna, dining and a lobby warmed by its gas fireplace make Mountain Plaza a good choice to enjoy a relaxed mountain environment, while being steps away from skiing. The building, built in 1979, features complimentary wi-fi, heated underground parking and laundry facilities. 1 vehicle per unit with a kitchen receives garage parking. Additional vehicles may park in the free outlying lots or choose to pay for parking in the interior village lots.



*2015 EISC Copper Mountain trip*

Copper Mountain is on the Ikon Pass. Pass holders get unlimited access to the resort. The dinner pick is - C.B. Grille, still the go-to for fine dining; hit Ten Mile (where Endo's used to be) for casual fare. For a lunch spot the Mountain Melt is a creative take on the world's greatest comfort food:

mac and cheese. Lobster mac, buffalo chicken mac, bacon cheeseburger mac... You get the idea.

We hope to name a Trip Leader volunteer soon and have the Copper Mountain trip go on sale at the June 4<sup>th</sup> Spring Picnic at the Meadowlark Pavilion at Wanatee Park.

We had several members ask about becoming trip leaders at the April meeting, but all were still trying to decide. Please contact one of the board's Trip Coordinators if you are interested in leading exciting adventure.

~ article by **Steve Cummings** | group photo by **Kim Betts** | Copper Mountain photos courtesy of dreamstime.com

## YOU MIGHT HAVE MISSED IT...

### April 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting - Year in Review and Recognition Saturday, 5:00 pm at the KC Hall, 1620 E Avenue NE



If you missed the April meeting, you missed a lot. This was the biggest turnout since Covid started with 69 members in attendance. Seeing so many ski club friends made for a great evening and year end celebration and recognition event. It was especially good seeing "**Geno**" **Fruendt**

who we haven't seen since the Derecho hit. We may have started a new tradition for our year end party with so many good potluck dishes and excellent smoked pork. Definitely quite the feast.



A slide show of photos highlighting events of the past three years was a welcome reminder on how resilient our club is. Five ski trips, two adventure trips, four overnight biking trips, meetings in the park, a car rally, a winery event, and a host of other activities is proof the East Iowa Ski club is here to stay. A huge thank you goes out to all who ran, helped, or participated in any trip or activity.



One last recognition goes to **Janet Stimson** for her 30 years as Treasurer. Well done, Janet!

~ article by **Marty Stimson** | photos by **Ruth Van Tol**



*Ruth and Janet*