

There are many ways to unwind in Columbus. These include wholesome family attractions like movies, skating rink, bowling, square dancing, etc. There are two dirt racing tracks here. The [Columbus Speedway](#) and [Magnolia Motor Speedway](#) offer regular racing most weekends in the spring, summer and early fall.

There are many businesses including restaurants, coffee shops and so forth throughout Columbus and Lowndes County that have evening entertainment including watching sports on television, listening to music, karaoke, dancing or just hanging out with friends to enjoy a beverage.



Like every community, many nationally-affiliated civic groups, service organizations, and social clubs meet regularly in Columbus. Some of these include, (but are not limited to) AARP, Air Force Association, Alpha Kappa Alpha, American Legion, Boy Scouts, Civitans, Daughters of the American Revolution, Exchange, Girl Scouts, Jaycees, Kiwanis, Lions, One Hundred Black Men, Rotary, Toastmasters, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Check the national organization's website for local contact and meeting information.

The local institutions of higher learning offer many athletic and cultural activities for the entire family. The [Lifetime Enrichment Program](#) at the Mississippi University for Women is open to those over 18 who wish to pursue interests and learn about a wide variety of topics in a fun and relaxed setting.

There are dozens of support groups which meet regularly. Examples of these include support for a health-related condition, aging, grief, and so forth. To find more information about the different types of support groups, please visit [Baptist Memorial Hospital](#). If they can't help you, then [contact the LINK](#) or a national association for your particular interest or need.

[The United Way of Lowndes County](#) maintains an active Volunteer Center which coordinates organizations working in association with United Way for special projects. Contact United Way for finding your place in the community. They can also provide information about organizations such as Helping Hands (the community food pantry), etc.

Columbus is a community of people of many religious beliefs. Their houses of worship may be large, small, or in-between. In your exploration of the area, if you do not find a particular group you are seeking, [contact the LINK](#).

Other news and information sources are the local television station, [WCBI](#), which is a CBS affiliate, and three newspapers – The [Commercial Dispatch](#) (daily) and two weeklies – the [Columbus Packet](#) and the [Real Story](#).