



Waldenwoods Family Resort NEWSLETTER

march - april 2025

WALDENWOODS
17TH ANNUAL

Wine Tasting



SATURDAY
MARCH 15, 2025
06:00PM - 09:00PM

\$68

Join Us to sample some of our favorites from Michigan's finest wineries.

Wine offerings are paired with Hors D'oeuvres prepared by Waldenwoods' in-house Chef. Bottles of your favorite wines will be available for purchase.

Not ready for the night to end? Ask for more information about our on-site lodging options.

To purchase tickets,
Please Call: (810) 632-6401

Tickets must be purchased in advance.
Must be 21 years old to attend this event.
Tickets along with valid ID must be present for entry.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

FEATURING SHANNON IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
PERFORMANCES AT 5:30 & 6:30
and Irish Music throughout the evening

Join us for a night of fun as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day! All dinners include homemade soda bread with whipped butter, tossed salad, and an Irish mint brownie for dessert.

March
16th
2025



5pm
to
10pm

Adults: \$32
Children 2-10: \$20
Children under 1: Free

CHOICE OF ONE ENTREE:

TRADITIONAL CORNED BEEF CABBAGE

Served with Boiled Carrots and Whipped Colcannon (GF)

GUINNESS NITRO BEER BATTERED FISH & CHIPS

Wild-Caught Atlantic Cod dipped in our own Nitro-Guinness beer batter, served with housemade Tartar Sauce, and Housemade Chips

VEGETARIAN SHEPHERDS PIE

Whipped Colcannon blankets a savory vegetable sauce packed with Sautéed Garden Vegetables (VG, GF)

- CASH BAR AVAILABLE -

Call us at (810) 632-6401 for Reservations
No Cancellations

Waldenwoods Resort

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL 2025

CELEBRATE THE SPIRIT OF IRELAND

Lodging Special
50% OFF Standard Member Rates
Call (810) 632-6402

10AM - 3PM
• Cornhole
• Ladder Ball
• Beach bocce ball
• Camp Fire
• & more

MARCH 15th & 16th

March 15th - Wine Tasting & Hors D'oeuvres (6PM - 8PM) \$88

March 16th - (5PM - 10PM) St. Patrick's Day Dinner-Dessert- Featuring the Irish Dance Academy- Adults \$32- Children (2-10) \$20 @ Cromaine RSVP (810) 632-6401

March 16th - 12PM - 2:00PM St. Patrick's Gnome Planters (craft is advanced & RSVP is required for supplies) \$5 fee
11:30AM - 2PM Free small craft for all ages

March 16th - (10AM - 3PM)
10AM-11AM Tattoos and Leprechaun Jewelry making
11:30AM-12:15AM Leprechaun Slime
12:30PM - 1:30PM Leprechaun (teams) hunt for gold. Prizes for top winners. Please RSVP to ensure gold and prizes.
2:00PM - 3:00PM Bingo/St. Pats Trivia \$1 per bingo/trivia card
12:30PM - 2:30 PM Rainbow scavenger hunt hayrides @ Family Center RSVP @ (810) 632-5888

March 16th
\$5 wristband or
\$1 per event

Brunch WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

APRIL 19, 2025
9-11AM

	\$23 PER ADULT \$18 PER CHILD (2-10) FREE CHILDREN UNDER 1 *TAX & GRATUITY	
BRING A BASKET AND JOIN US FOR THE GREAT EASTER EGG HUNT!		BRING A CAMERA AND GET READY TO MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!
INTERACT WITH CUTE ANIMALS AT THE PETTING ZOO!	WALDENWOODS RESORT	
	BUFFET MENU: Scrambled Eggs, Ham + Cheese Egg Scramble, Buttermilk Pancakes, French Toast Bites, Bacon, Sausage, Hashbrown Patties, Fruit Salad, Coffee, Orange Juice	

PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED- CALL (810) 632-6401
NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS AFTER APRIL 5TH

WALDENWOODS PRESENTS

APRIL
20TH
2025

1200 PM
TO
230 PM

\$40

*TAX & GRATUITY
Children 2-12 \$24
Children Under 1 - Free

BUFFET MENU

Chili-Infused Honey Glazed Ham,
Lakeview Lemon Chicken,
Garden Vegetable Cavatappi with Palomino
Sauce (VG),
Seasoned Green Beans,
Au Gratin Potatoes,
Mediterranean Pasta Salad,
Garden Salad,
Parmesan Garlic Knots
Dessert Bar
Cash Bar Available

Prepaid Reservations Required- Call (810) 632-6401
No Cancellations

EASTER DINNER



BRIAN'S REPORT

March -
April

2025

Who glues their old shoes back together? Well, I do. I glued the soles back onto all my shoes. Who does that? Yes, that's right. I asked this question to my beautiful wife, and she sweetly laughed. My very functional view of shoes may be unique, but I'm sure there are a bunch of you out there right with me. For others, it's "fashion before comfort." For me, I take pride in wearing things out, taking great care of them, putting them back together when necessary, and living the life out of them. Of course, there is a time for all shoes to find their way to the dumpster, but not these shoes and not today if I can help it. I simply love old things.

Life isn't about being perfect or getting the best, but mostly it's about making the best of what we've got. I consider myself blessed, but I treasure a find at the Salvation Army or my grandfather's attic. Family relics are the best, though. I remember dusting off old drawings, crumbling books, and even an old Chinese silk robe. No one else wanted these things after my grandfather passed. I still have them all. None have any value but to me.

Is Waldenwoods any different? Not really - except we all Love Waldenwoods.

It's old? Yep.

It's fun to explore? Absolutely.

There's been a lot of glue and duct tape used over the years? No doubt.

It's far from perfect, but damn, does it have character!

At Waldenwoods, you're walking in the footsteps of American history. People just like you have been bringing their families to the edge of the lake. They camped in the woods, built campfires, told stories, and made new friends. So let's keep preserving the small things in life and cherishing the big things—love, family, and the shared history of Waldenwoods. See you out there!

Brian C. Crouse, President



WINTER lodging special

Coordinate your stay with one of our wonderful events at Waldenwoods!

ALL MEMBERS WHO RESERVE A COTTAGE FOR THESE WALDENWOODS EVENTS RECEIVE

50% OFF STANDARD MEMBER RATES

WINE TASTING MARCH 15TH 2025	ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER MARCH 16TH, 2025
BRUNCH WITH THE EASTER BUNNY APRIL 19TH 2025	WALDENWOODS EASTER DINNER APRIL 20TH, 2025

FOR MORE DETAILS OR TO BOOK A COTTAGE, CALL MEMBER SERVICES AT (810) 632-6402

WWW.WALDENWOODS.COM/COTTAGES

VILLAGE MANOR RETIREMENT

Retirement living and close to Waldenwoods!

It sits on the south side of our property and is offering great rates for the parents of Waldenwoods Members. Independent living with Activities, Gourmet Meals and Assisted Care (located ½ mile west of US23 on M59).



www.VMRetirement.com

Call Susanne Bianchette at the Village Manor at 810-632-6200.

BRING SOME FRIENDS OVER AND SIGN THEM UP FOR A TOUR!

Our referral program pays you for letting us know who you want our next members to be. Submit your referrals to sales@waldenwoods.com and they'll be your referral for the next 2 years.



FACEBOOK:

Speaking of family and friends, amazingly we've reached over **10,000 likes**

on Facebook and hope you'll share your pictures and stories with us there. All of our members are free to post on our Facebook page.

J. Robert's Favorite Quotes

January 21, 1921:

"The very plants turn with a joyful transport to the lights."

- Schiller



J. Robert Crouse, the founder of Waldenwoods, was an avid reader and wanted us to share from his quote book. Enjoy!

ACTIVITIES

MARCH

NATIONAL
CRAFT MONTH

saturday

sunday

12 PM - 2 PM
Make and Take
Pinecone Zinnias Centerpiece
Free with RSVP @ 810-632-5889

1

12 AM - 1 PM
Nature Bloom Scavenger
Hike Around The Lake

2

8

12 AM - 2 PM
Free Make and Take Pinecone
Animals

**Dad and Me
Afternoon**

9

10 AM
\$2 Doughnuts with Dad
(and other breakfast choices)
at menu prices.
12 PM - 2 PM
Dad and Me Lunch & Birdhouse
building on the back deck.
\$10 Includes:
Hot dog with fries and a birdhouse.
RSVP is required @ 810-632-5889
12 PM - 2 PM
Free make and take toilet paper
superheroes.

15

12 PM - 2 PM
\$5 Make And Take Saint
Patrick's Day Gnome Planters
RSVP @ 810-632-5889

11:30 AM -2:00 PM
Free Make And Take
St. Pats Small Craft

**St. Patrick's
Party**

16

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Make And Take
Leprechaun Slime
12:30-1:30
Outdoor Hunt For
Leprechaun's Pot Of Gold,
prizes and fun for all.
Please RSVP to insure prizes
and gold 810-632-5889
12:30 - 1:30
Rainbow Scavenger
Hunt Hayrides
(weather permitting)

22

12 PM - 2 PM
\$2 Make And Take
(2) Sock Bunnies

12 PM -2 PM
Free Easter Paper Plate Masks

11 AM - 12 PM
Bingo/Trivia

23

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
Hayrides
(weather permitting)

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12:00 AM- 2:00 PM Make
and Take Easter Egg tree
(bring one dozen real eggs) or
\$3 RSVP @ 810-632-5889
12:00 AM -2:00 PM Free
Easter Paper Plate Bunnies

30

11 AM -12 PM Learn to Jump
Rope
12:30 - 1:30 Hayrides
(weather permitting)



APRIL

EASTER
FUN MONTH

saturday

sunday

12 PM - 2 PM
\$5 Make and Take
Easter Egg Wreath
RSVP @ 810-632-5889

5

11 AM - 12 PM
Learn how to
play euchre & play
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
Hayrides (weather permitting)

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12

12 PM - 2 PM
Easter Scavenger Hunt
around Waldenwoods Resort -
The Scavenger Hunt for prizes starts
at noon. The scavenger hunt without
prizes is available from 3/23/25 at 1
PM - until Easter. Scavenger Hunt
"Map" will be available on FB and at
the Family Center.

13

11 AM - 12 PM
Free -Palm Sunday
Paper Plate Donkey and Palm
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
Hayrides (weather permitting)

19

9 AM - 11 AM
Brunch with the
Easter Bunny & Easter Egg Hunt
@ Cromaine
RSVP @810-632-6401

20

Easter
-CLOSED-

26

12 PM - 2 PM
Medium to advance Spring Tye
Dye SHIRTS
\$10 includes T-shirts.
RSVP w/size @ 810-632-5889

27

11:00 AM -12:00 PM
JR RANGER TASKS-
Plant a flower/Vegetable Garden &
Beach Cleanup.
Free Ice Cream Reward.
12:30PM - 1:30 PM
Hayrides
(Weather Permitting)

MEMORY MAKERS





WALDENWOODS

2975 Old US-23
P.O. Box 248
Hartland, MI 48353
www.waldenwoods.com

Holiday Periods 2025

Memorial Day May 26th Holiday Period:

May 22th to May 27th • (If you don't have a Holiday reservation you must be off at noon on May 21st, you can come back in May 28th at noon)

July 4th Holiday Period:

June 30th to July 7th • (Fireworks on July 5th. If you don't have a Holiday reservation you must be off at noon on the 29th, you can come back in July 8th at noon)

Labor Day September 1st Holiday Period:

August 28th to September 2nd (If you do not have a Holiday reservation you must be off at noon on August 27th, you can come back in on September 3rd at noon)

Halloween October 11th Holiday Period:

October 6th to October 12th (If you do not have a Holiday reservation you must be off at noon on October 5th, you can come back in on October 13th at noon)

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BRIGHTON, MI
PERMIT NO 320

Directory & Hours of Operation

www.waldenwoods.com • 810-632-6400

Cromaine Banquet Center:

9am to 5pm Daily • (Tour by appointment only)
banquets@waldenwoods.com • 810-632-6401

Member Services & Lodging Office:

9am to 4pm Monday through Saturday • Closed Sunday
memservice@waldenwoods.com • 810-632-6402

Sales Office:

9am to 5pm Wednesday through Sunday
Closed Monday and Tuesdays (Tour by appointment only)
sales@waldenwoods.com • 810-632-6420

Lake Side Café:

10am to 3pm Saturday and Sunday
810-632-5880

Family Activities Center:

10am to 3pm Saturday & Sunday
activities@waldenwoods.com • 810-632-5889

Bellringer Bar & Grille:

Only open for Special Events

Pool/Jacuzzi/ Sauna Marina:

Closed for the season

HARTLAND AREA PROJECT



**"Friendly
Association
for
Community
Service"**

Help us...help others. Do you know a local outreach program or community program that needs help? We are always looking to reach out & help drive community service. Let us know about other programs that we can all work as a team to help provide leadership in the areas of health & welfare (W), education & culture (C), economic development (D). Contact the activities department by calling 810-632-5889 or email activities@waldenwoods.com. Please join us at the Family Fitness Center at 3pm on the 1st Friday of every month in our planning meeting where we will develop our plans for the coming year. It is through this project and our "Friendly Association" through Waldenwoods that we hope to have a big positive impact on Michigan and our local community. Waldenwoods cares about being a good citizen, and through the Hartland Area Project, we've continued to support the local community in achieving improved health and welfare, education and culture, and economic development. If all our members get involved with smile.amazon.com, it'll become a fantastic way to make a real difference in our community.

JANUARY: Food Drive for Gleaners. Drop off donations to Family Center any weekend or at Kroger's on January 26th on Highland Rd.

FEBRUARY: National Cancer Prevention Month. Visit Cancer.org to donate and learn more.

MARCH: March of Dimes visit www.marchofdimes.org to donate & learn more

APRIL: Volunteer Month. - www.livingstonhabitat.org Waldenwoods Resort, Habitat for Humanity volunteer date TBA.