Waldenwoods Family Resort
NEWSLETTER
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BRIAN'S REPORT

January - February | 2025

At Waldenwoods, you can still feel that cool "Up North" breeze and yet we're so close to home. Join us at Waldenwoods to escape to a unique historical retreat and your own cottage in the woods. We are continuing to invest in this beautiful place, to preserve its historical character and develop its resort amenities. Most of all we are focusing on the member experience and making sure that you get the most of your precious vacation time.

We hope you are enjoying:

- *The New Lakeside Cafe and Parkstore*
- *Marina Store Improvements*
- *New Fishing Dock*
- *New Paved Entrance Road*
- *Improved Wifi and Fiber Optics*
- *On-Line Guest Pass Tool*
- *New Road Grading Tools*
- *New Dog Park*
- *New Golf View Campsites*
- *Fresh Picnic Tables*

and So Much More.

We appreciate you being a part of Waldenwoods and our 1924-2024 100-year celebration. A lot has happened just this past year but if it wasn't for the contributions of everyone who cares about making Waldenwoods great, it would not be possible.

I hope you will take the time to visit the restored Waldenwoods entrance sign and memorial for my father Frank Crouse who designed and built the modern Waldenwoods Resort. Our efforts have expanded on Dad's vision and we continue to build a place where generations of families will be drawn together. 2025 begins our next hundred years, and we look forward to our growth and your enjoyment of the resort.

While much has happened here, our success still depends on you. Please stay involved at Waldenwoods by participating in family activities whenever you can (Winterfest is coming up next!). Take time each year to invite friends or family you'd like to camp next to by referring them to Waldenwoods. These are important member responsibilities that help us get better.

Brian C. Crouse, President

WALDENWOODS
Family Recreation Resort

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

GALENTINE'S DAY
FEBRUARY 7TH 2025

VALENTINE'S PAINTING
FEBRUARY 8TH 2025

SUPERBOWL
FEBRUARY 9TH 2025

WINTERFEST
FEBRUARY 15TH 2025

VALENTINE'S
DINNER & DANCE
FEBRUARY 15TH 2025

WINE TASTING
MARCH 15TH 2025

BRUNCH WITH THE
EASTER BUNNY
APRIL 19TH 2025

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 membersare free to post on our Facebook page.

J. Roberts Favorite Quotes

January 19, 1922:

"Hearts may be attracted by assumed qualities, but the affections are only to be fixed by those that are real."

- DeMoy



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

ACTIVITIES

JANUARY

saturday	sunday
4 **11 AM – 2 PM** **Make and Take Piggy Bank** $5 or Free with a $10 food purchase. RSVP	**5** Lions VS Vikings Watch Party **TBD** @ Bellringer
11 **11 AM – 2 PM** **Make and Take Bird House** $5 or FREE with a $10 food purchase. RSVP	**12** Wildcard Football Watch Party **TBD** @ Bellringer
18 **11 AM – 2 PM** **Make and Take Wood Cars-** Free with RSVP	**19** NFL Divisional Round Watch Party **TBD** @Bellringer
25 **11 AM – 2 PM** **Make and Take Mask –** Free with RSVP	**26** NFC Conference Championship Watch Party **TBD** @Bellringer

FEBRUARY

friday	saturday	sunday
	1 **11 AM –2 PM** Make and Take Valentines Wreath $10 or FREE with $10 food Purchase. RSVP	**2** PM Movie with Lunch Available @ Family Center
7 **SUPERBOWL WEEKEND** (Make if a fun weekend reserve lodging 810-632-6402) **Galentine's Bash @ Cromaine** Pre-paid RSVP@(810)632-6401	**8** **12 PM** **Valentines Painting** RSVP	**9** SUPERBOWL Watch Party **TBD** @ Bellringer
WINTERFEST 2025 (Make it a fun weekend add lodging 810-632-6402)	**15** **10 AM –3 PM** ▪ Campfire @ the lake ▪ Sledding and Ice Skating (weather permitting) ▪ Ice block sledding in any weather. **11 AM** Frozen Fish Toss **11:30 AM** Winter Games – Hammer & Nail Stump, Archery, & Build a fire. **12 PM** Indoor Live performance by multi-talented entertainer (TBA) **1 PM –3 PM** Mobil Gaming Unit (Play 1st Mobil Gaming) Enjoy an afternoon gaming inside a warm gaming trailer. **2 PM – 3 PM** Trivia Bingo **5 PM –7 PM** Dinner **7PM –11PM** Valentine Dinner & Dancing @ Cromaine Pre-Paid RSVP @ (810)-632-6401 (Make it a fun weekend add lodging)	**16** **9 AM – 11 AM** Breakfast at the Family Center with craft options **11 AM – 3 PM** Sledding and Ice Skating (weather permitting) **11 AM – 3 PM** Ice Block Sledding in any weather **12 PM – 2 PM** Indoor Movie with lunch available at the Family Center
CHEER WEEKEND	**22** **12PM – 1:30 PM** Day 1 - Cheer Clinc with our very own Varsity Cheerleader RSVP @810-632-5889	**23** **12PM – 1:30 PM** Day 2 - Cheer Clinc with our very own Varsity Cheerleader RSVP @810-632-5889

MEMORY MAKERS











WALDENWOODS
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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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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:
11am 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.