



Winter Camp Park

A Community Gathering Place

January 2024



Established 2015



Newest Addition - Completed 2023

Winter Camp Park is being built and maintained solely with contributions of funding, time and talents of neighbors within The Woods community. The park is open to all Homeowners, Residents, and their Guests.

NO MEMBERSHIPS, NO FEES!

Our goal is to continue to create and maintain it solely with volunteer funding.

It is privately owned by some homeowners and is NOT associated with

WHOA, PVP, or The Woods Club.

Donations are greatly appreciated!

Park & Pavilion Activities

Yes, the pavilions and the event stage in the park are available to be reserved by Woods homeowners and residents for personal use, as was used many, many times this past year. The pavilions were reserved for: birthday parties, farewell parties, band practices, church potlucks, committee meetings and discussion groups, family reunions, golf group gatherings, hiking club events, and a wedding and reception.

If you wish to reserve the pavilion(s) or the event stage, please go to our **[Reserve Facilities Form](#)**. Before filling out the form, please check the **[Calendar](#)** first to ensure availability on the day and time you want it. Please read the Facilities form carefully. Donations for using the facilities are greatly appreciated and critical to the maintenance, operation, taxes, insurance, IT

support, and upkeep of the park, including electric/water bills, grass cutting, etc. Remember that nothing is free! We have had folks reserve the park and we have received nothing in return; this is not fair to the rest of the users!

Events and Plans for 2024

- Annual Labor Day Music Festival - 31 August.
 - As funds become available:
 - Add concrete pad under Pavilion #1.
 - Add concrete pad and walkway for restroom.
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Opening Date for the Wednesday Social

Wednesday, April 3rd, will be the kick-off for our weekly social when neighbors, friends, and their guests come and meet other Woods neighbors. This is a wonderful way to meet neighbors you might not meet otherwise. This event occurs every Wednesday, rain or shine, under the large pavilion. It starts at 5PM and lasts under 2 hours. Folks normally bring their own drinks and often food to share. You can bring hot (we have electric) or cold appetizers or main dishes, salads, desserts, soups, chili, chips, etc. to share, or just come and socialize. All paper products and utensils are provided.

As a background, this is a **no host** social which was started in 2017 by one of our neighbors. Originally everyone brought appetizers to share, but it has evolved to a true potluck. This was because no one wanted to go home and cook after the social. Now, no one goes home hungry!

Even though this is a very casual event, it does need help to get it set up and cleaned each week. So, we need one or two individuals to organize volunteers for this weekly task. Thanks go to Maryann Valcourt for organizing these the past two years, and the Fortes and Selepaks for doing it for four years before that. **So, we need one or two new individuals to organize volunteers for setting up each week.** The volunteers only need to arrive a little early, wipe the tables and chairs, and place the paper products on the buffet tables, then put everything away at the end. Setting up takes about 15 minutes and tearing down is quicker, because everyone helps. With 20 to 50 people attending the socials, there are lots willing to take a turn. If you interested in becoming our Social Hour Chairperson, want to learn more, or want to help with the weekly chores, email us at wintercamppark@wintercamppark.com.

Park Cleanup - Volunteers Needed

The time will be approaching for our yearly park cleanup which is scheduled for **Thursday, March 28 at 9AM**. Volunteers with gloves and gas or battery-powered hand-held or backpack blowers are needed (there will be significant leaf blowing to be performed). We are not taking down any trees but bring your chainsaw in case we need to cut up fallen branches. We will also re-stage all the picnic tables and chairs, setting up the volleyball net and adding the sails to the event stage.

If the weather becomes a problem, the cleanup will occur on Friday, March 29 at 9AM.

If you can volunteer, please email us [here](#), so we can have an idea of who is coming!

Neighbors and Friends of Winter Camp Park



We continue to invite all Woods neighbors to join us as a Friend of Winter Camp Park! With the continued support of our community, we will be able to further enhance the Park for the whole Woods Community to enjoy. For more details on becoming a “Friend” check out our [Contribute](#) page.

The park is open for use by the Woods Community and their Guests. When we decided to start this endeavor, our intent was to fund the initial purchase and cleanup of the area and to “request” donations from the community to operate and increase the park’s capability. When you reserve any of our facilities, we politely ask that you consider a donation to the park. Just like any other recreational facility, we have bills to pay. Our estimated expenses for **2024** will be around **\$12,000**.

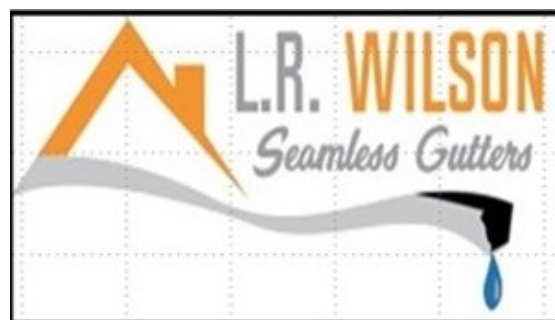
What are the funds used for?

Description	Estimated Expenses
Utility (Electric/Water/Sewer)	\$840
Accountant/Tax Services	\$2400
IT Support	\$1100
Lawn Care	\$1200
Operating Supplies	\$700
Real Estate Taxes	\$1600
Property Insurance	\$1800
Park Maintenance	\$2500

Corporate Friends of Winter Camp Park

Four years ago, we started the Corporate Friends initiative asking businesses that serve the Woods residents to become a yearly corporate sponsor of the

park. Letters are sent to those, asking for renewal, and to other businesses which support the Woods community to participate in this program for a yearly minimal donation of \$250. As you click on the corporate sponsors' logo below, it will take you to their respective website or email address. If you use any of our supporters, mention that you saw their ad in the WCP Newsletter and thank them for their support. If you or a company you know of are interested in being a corporate sponsor, please contact us. Additionally, you can view the [Corporate Form](#) here and print it out and just hand it to your contractor.





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