



Winter Camp Park

A Community Gathering Place

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Established 2015

A Special Welcome to New Woods Homeowners!

For all the newbies - Welcome to the Woods Community! If you are wondering “Where is Winter Camp Park?”, it is at the end of Wintercamp Trail, winding up the “mountain” at 1888 Wintercamp Trail. With more than 120 new households in our community in 2021, we invite you to enjoy Winter Camp Park. The over 7 unrestricted acres were purchased by a small group of Woods homeowners in 2015 to protect and preserve the land for community use. It is available, for free, to all Woods homeowners, residents, and guests, but is sustained and improved by voluntary contributions from the community. Winter Camp Park is not part of PVP, The Woods Club or WHOA - Woods Homeowners’ Association. Please go to our website [WCP](http://www.WinterCampPark.com) to read about our park projects and its history.

Upgrading the Park 2022-2024

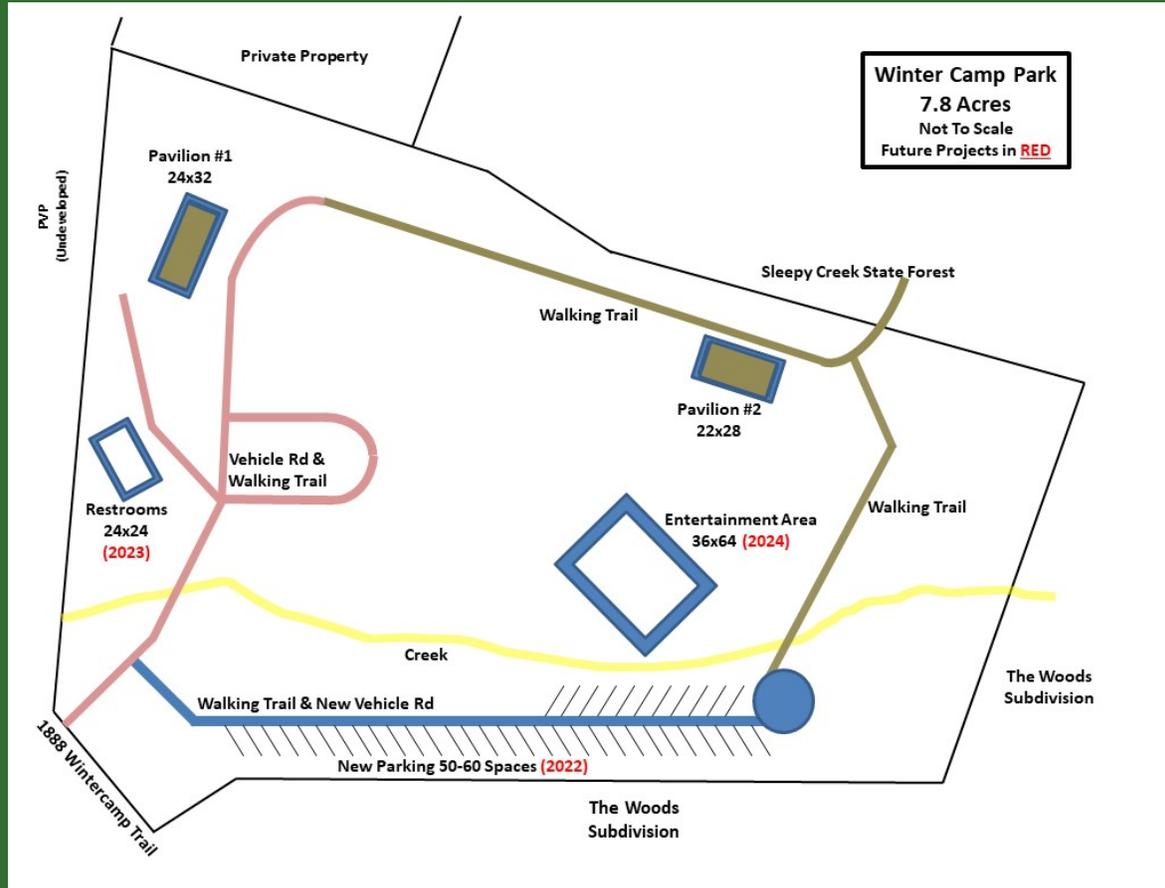
The generous contributions from neighbors and friends have allowed us to begin work and planning on several park improvement projects. Last year we cleared the area for our future restroom. We are currently in the process of running water and sewer lines from the park entrance to the restroom area and the water to Pavilion #1. The cost of the restrooms is estimated at \$25-\$30K. The timing of the construction will be dependent on contributions received. We

hope to start construction in 2022/2023.

This year, through a significant donation of equipment and funds from one of our partners, we will be adding 50-60 additional parking spaces on the right side of the park between the stream and the hillside.

In 2024, we would like to focus on an “Open Deck” floor (36’ x 64’) for our summer concert and social events which could also be used for dancing.

The following sketch depicts location(s) of our projects and a picture of our proposed restroom.



Opening of Wednesday Social Get Togethers and a NEW Friday Social

Wednesday, April 6th, will be the kick-off for our weekly social when neighbors, friends and their guests can come and meet other Woods families. This event occurs every Wednesday, rain or shine, under the large pavilion. We start at 5PM for about 2 hours or until dark. Folks normally bring their own drinks and often food to share. You can optionally bring hot (we have electric) or cold appetizers or main dishes, salads, desserts, soups, chili, chips, etc. to share. We provide all paper products and hope to have water to the pavilion soon.

Because many Woods folks are part timers, we have decided to start a "Friday Potluck" for those who are unable to attend during the week with the same aspects as Wednesday get togethers. This event will start on Friday, April 8th. Volunteers are needed for Friday night to help setup and cleanup. If you can help, please email Jane Elliott ([here](#)), who has volunteered to be the coordinator for the new Friday event.

Park Cleanup - Volunteers Needed!

Soon, snow will melt, and the time will be approaching for our yearly park cleanup. We have scheduled it for Monday, 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 set up the volleyball net in the center area.

If the weather becomes a problem, the cleanup will occur on Wednesday, March 30.

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

Park & Pavilion Activities

Yes, the pavilions in the park are available to be reserved by Woods homeowners and residents for personal use, as was used many times this past year. In addition to the weekly Wednesday Socials, 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, painting group gatherings, and a wedding reception.

Two of our corporate sponsors held a Bluegrass Festival for the entire community with free food on Labor Day weekend. There was a great turnout of folks who enjoyed the music and relaxed with friends and neighbors.

The fabulous WHOA Fall Festival closed out the season with music provided

by our talented community musicians, crafts for sale by some of our artistic residents, and hot beverages and a BBQ food truck.

Back by popular demand, several of our Corporate Friends will be holding a 2-day music festival over the Labor Day weekend (3-4 Sept 2022). More information will be forthcoming.

If you would like to reserve one of the pavilions, please use the [Reserve Pavilion form](#) on the website. There is electricity in the first pavilion along with lots of tables and serving tables, and there is a volleyball net in the center field (bring your own equipment). Propane grills are available if requested, and a Porta Potty is available from April thru October. Reservations can be made for dates from April through October. Normally the last week of March and the first week of November are used for the spring opening and winter preparation of the park.

Friends of Winter Camp Park



We invite all our previous Friends to rejoin us as a 2022 Friend of Winter Camp Park this year! The 2022 stickers are here, and we would be delighted for you to have one. We also invite all other homeowners and residents to join the program. 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 very generous monetary contributions from our neighbors in 2021 were phenomenal! They allowed us to make huge improvements to the park. With those funds, we removed 11 large dead trees that were surrounding the main pavilion and the power lines. The middle grassy area was significantly improved by removing diseased trees, adding truckloads of gravel and dirt to flatten the area, and planted grass. This work greatly enhanced the area where we normally setup a stage for summer musical events. Additionally, we cleared an area for the future bathrooms and storage building and began work with the county about water and sewer hookups.

Corporate Friends of Winter Camp Park

Three 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 have been sent to those, asking for renewal, and to other businesses which support the Woods community to participate in this program

for a yearly donation of at least \$250. As you click on the corporate sponsors' logo it will take you to their respective website or email address. Check out the [Supporters](#) page on how you can help. If you use any of our supporters, mention that you saw their ad in the WCP Newsletter and thank them for their support.



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