



# Winter Camp Park

*A Community Gathering Place*

## November 2019 Newsletter

### End of Year Recap



Pavilion #1 2016



Acquired 2015



Woodstock50 2019

### 2019 Happenings



During April/May 2019, it was time to start the post winter cleanup. We scheduled 3 cleanup days and, with many volunteers, we were able to get the park ready for the upcoming season. Numerous trees fell during the winter and with the help of residents, the trees were cut up and taken to their respective homes for firewood. We also removed around a dozen trees that were dead. Culverts and the creek were cleaned of debris. When all the downed limbs were collected, we joined the Woods Firewise Chipping program where Tree Works spent an hour chipping our piles. After working throughout the community, Tree Works has been dumping their chips/mulch in the park for us to use for walking trails in the park.

In September, we removed an additional 12 dead trees and used a partner's chipper to mulch the branches. Next year we will focus on improving the trail to the right of the park and across the creek and spreading wood chips on that part of the trail. Depending on the donations received, we would like to lay additional gravel on existing roadways.

The Wednesday Social event started in April and ended in October. Turnouts were great, food was good and meeting new neighbors and friends was always the highlight of the event.



The park held their usual potlucks on Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day. The attendees enjoyed meeting new friends and neighbors and as always, great food.

We had 10 pavilion and park requests for birthday parties, reunions, farewells, golf association get togethers and lastly, even a wedding!



Band



Attendees



DJ

The biggest event we held this summer was celebrating the 50th anniversary of Woodstock. Woodstock50, as we called it, was held on the same weekend of the original festival (50 years ago). Prior to the event, we added a second electrical meter in the grassy area, had volunteers join us in cutting and trimming the grasses and moving tables and chairs and even building stages for the performers. Woods residents stepped up and even formed a band for the event. Between the band and the DJ, folks could not tell who was playing as they were leaving the event (that's how good the band sounded). The event brought out over 200 neighbors who were dressed for the occasion. With the amount of food that all brought, the event far surpassed our expectations. For 2020, we are considering holding another Musical Era event, a Chili cook-off, or Oktoberfest.

## Friends of Winter Camp Park



The outstanding support of our Friends of Winter Camp Park participants is a major factor in the success of the park. The Friends of Winter Camp Park was launched in 2018 to help defray the annual expenses including taxes, insurance, electric, temporary restroom, IT and others, and to enhance the beauty of the Park. To date we have over 50 Friends who each have donated from \$100 –

\$400. Some even contributed with the convenience of monthly PayPal contributions. Besides helping to defray the annual expenses, these funds have helped fund picnic tables, a shed, and paper and plastic products for the social events. In the spring of 2020 we will be sending out reminders to our existing Friends to solicit their 2020 continuing support. New 2020 decals will be sent out to all continuing and new Friends of Winter Camp Park. We hope you will join in!

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## **NEW! 2020 Corporate Friends of Winter Camp Park**

We have received requests from businesses serving Woods residents acknowledging the benefit they have received by working with Woods residents and indicating their interest in supporting the Park's further development. In response, we have created the "**Corporate Friends of Winter Camp Park**" program.

Companies who become Friends will receive the following:

1. Acknowledgement on the Winter Camp Park website;
2. Acknowledgement in the Winter Camp Park newsletter email throughout the year;
3. Ability to have a small advertisement, with contact information, on the bulletin board at the entrance to the Park;
4. Ability to have handout material at all large Winter Camp Park activities, and
5. Four decals for company vehicles recognizing status as a "Friend of Winter Camp Park".

Letters have been sent to a list of companies, but we welcome all companies' participation in this Program for a yearly donation of at least \$250.

Since issuing the letters in Nov 2019, we have received corporate sponsorship from the following companies:





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## Personal Thank You

As one of the partners of Winter Camp Park, I would like to personally thank all the volunteers who have come and helped with all the work during the 2019 year. Between taking down trees, cutting and trimming the grasses and whenever I needed assistance, you came and made my life a little easier. We could not have a place for all to enjoy without your assistance!

If you or anyone you know has a front loader and/or backhoe and is willing to donate their services for the Spring 2020 effort, please email [WCP](mailto:WCP). Thanks, Dan Forte!

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## Looking Ahead

In early 2020, planning will commence for park operations for the coming season, including social activities and additional site improvements. If there are things you would like to help with, please email us at [WCP](mailto:WCP).

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN THE PARK THIS COMING SPRING!**

Please check our website - [www.wintercamppark.com](http://www.wintercamppark.com) for updates to the park status!

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