



Newsletter

MARCH - APRIL

2024

WALDENWOODS
CROMAINE HALL

BRUNCH WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

MARCH 30TH, 2024
9-11AM

BUFFET INCLUDES:
Scrambled Eggs, Buttermilk
Pancakes, Berries & Cream
French Toast Bake, Ham & Swiss
Casserole, Bacon, Cheesy
Potatoes, Fresh Fruit Salad,
and Refreshments of Coffee and
Orange Juice

COME AND MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!
BRING A BASKET AND JOIN US FOR THE GREAT EASTER
EGG HUNT ON THE FRONT LAWN OF CROMAINE AND
THE PETTING ZOO!

\$22
PER PERSON
PLUS TAX & GRATUITY

\$17
AGES 2-12
PLUS TAX & GRATUITY

PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED (810) 632-6401
NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS AFTER MARCH 23RD

WALDENWOODS CROMAINE HALL (810) 632-6401

SAINT PATRICK'S DINNER

MARCH 17TH
5:00-10:00PM

\$25
PER PERSON
PLUS TAX &
GRATUITY

INCLUDES SODA BREAD WITH
WHIPPED BUTTER, IRISH FLAG SALAD,
AND CHOCOLATE GUINNESS CAKE
WITH IRISH CREAM FROSTING

MENU

TRADITIONAL CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE
SERVED WITH BOILED CARROTS AND WHIPPED
COLCANNON

GUINNESS NITRO BEER-BATTERED FISH
& CHIPS
SERVED WITH SEASONED FRENCH FRIES AND
COLESLAW

DUBLIN CODDLE
TRADITIONAL IRISH STEW WITH BANGERS,
BACON, ONION, POTATO, AND SAUSAGE SERVED
OVER WHIPPED COLCANNON

VEGETARIAN SHEPHERD'S PIE
WHIPPED COLCANNON AND VEGETABLE SAUCE
WITH SAUTEED GARDEN VEGETABLES



**FEATURING
SHANNON
IRISH
DANCERS**

PERFORMANCES AT
5:30 & 6:30

CASH BAR AVAILABLE

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Waldenwoods Banquet and Conference Center Presents:

Wine

March 9th
6:00pm
to
9:00pm

2024 Tasting

Location:
Cromaine Hall
2975 Old US 23, Howell, MI
48855



Join us for our 16th annual Waldenwoods Wine Tasting. Representatives from some of Michigan's finest wineries will be present to answer questions and make recommendations.

Wine offerings will be paired with hors d'oeuvres crafted by Waldenwoods own in-house Chef for a savory tasting experience. Bottles of your favorite wines will be available for purchase at the events. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Visa, MasterCard, and Discover accepted. Tickets will be mailed to you.

To Purchase Tickets for this event, Please Call:
(810) 632-6401

Must be 21 yrs old to attend this event
Ticket & Valid ID required for entry

\$58

Members

\$68

Non-Members



MAR 31, 2024

Waldenwoods
Cromaine Hall

12:00-2:30pm

Easter Dinner

All You Can Eat Buffet

Artisan Dinner Rolls
Garden Salad
Broccoli Salad
Green Bean Jackson
Macaroni & Cheese
Roasted Redskin Potatoes
Maple & Bourbon Glazed Ham
Lemon Garlic Chicken with Asparagus
Vegetarian Shepherd's Pie
Dessert Bar

Cash Bar Available

Members: \$36 | Non-Members: \$40
Children 2-10: \$20 | Children 1 and Under: Free
plus tax & gratuity

Pre-Paid Reservations Required Call (810) 632-6401





MARCH - APRIL

NATIONAL CRAFT MONTH

MARCH

Saturday 3/2/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30AM - 1PM Make and take Pinecone Zinnias centerpiece

Sunday 3/3/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30AM - 1:00PM Nature bloom scavenger hike around the lake.

Saturday 3/9/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30AM-1:00PM \$5 Make and Take Easter egg Wreath

Sunday 3/10/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
Dad and Me Afternoon
9AM-11AM Doughnuts with Dad (and other breakfast choices)

Saturday 3/16/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30AM- 1:00PM \$5 Make and Take Saint Patrick's Day Gnome planters St. Patrick's Day

Sunday 3/17/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM- 1:30 PM St. Patrick's Day Party -Wear green and be ready to hunt down a leprechaun's pot of gold.
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Make and take leprechaun slime.
12:30 PM-1:30 PM Outdoor hunt for leprechaun's pot of gold
12:30 PM-1:30 PM Rainbow scavenger hunts hayrides. (Weather permitting)

Saturday 3/23/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM-1:30 PM Make and Take Easter Egg tree (bring one dozen eggs) or \$3

Sunday 3/24/24

10 AM- 11 AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Teen & Adult Only -Easter Scavenger Hunt around Waldenwoods Lake - Up to 3 miles of Hunting. The Scavenger Hunt will start at noon with registration starting at 11:30 AM (Weather permitting)

Saturday 3/30/24

9:00 AM-11AM Brunch with the Easter Bunny & Easter Egg Hunt @ Cromaine RSVP @810-632-6401
Sunday 3/31/24
Closed Easter Sunday

APRIL 2024

Saturday 4/6/24

10AM-11AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM- 12:30 PM Make and Take Kites
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Fly Kites

Sunday 4/7/24

10 AM-11 AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel

12 PM- 2 PM Bingo at the Bellringer
Saturday 4/13/24

10 AM- 11 AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Fork tulip Painting
1:00 PM - 2 PM Origami Paper Tulips

Sunday 4/14/24

10 AM- 11 AM Adult Work out
11 PM- 5 PM Bingo Lunch @Bellringer (Heartland Area Project Fundraiser)

Saturday 4/20/24

10AM- 11PM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel.
11:30AM - 12:30 PM Make marshmallow launchers.
1:00 PM - 2 PM Marshmallow launcher target shooting

Sunday 4/21/24

10 AM-11 AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel.
11 AM -12 PM - learn how to play pickle ball 10 & up. @Tennis court.
12 PM - 2:00 PM JR RANGER TASK Hike around Waldenwoods spring cleanup.

Saturday 4/27/24

10 AM- 2 PM Adult Work out area open
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM -12:30 PM Beginner Tye Dye with Baby Wipes (Elementary age & up) Free
12:45 PM - 1:45 PM Medium to advance Tye Dye SHIRTS (Middle School age & up) \$10 includes T-shirts and snacks.

Sunday 4/28/24

10 AM-11 AM Adult Work out
(Instructor lead) Aerobics and Strength training abs and legs. Bring Yoga mat or towel
11:30 AM-1:30 PM JR RANGER TASKS- Plant a flower/ Vegetable Garden & Beach Cleanup. Free Ice Cream Reward.

WALDENWOODS

HOLIDAY PERIODS

2024



MEMORIAL DAY - MONDAY, MAY 27TH

Anyone **without a Holiday reservation must be off by 12 noon on Sunday, May 19th**. Members without Holiday reservations **may come in on May 29th**.

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION - SATURDAY, JULY 6TH (Celebration and Fireworks on the 6th)

Anyone **without Holiday Reservations must be off by noon on Sunday, June 30th**. Members without Holiday reservations **may come in on July 8th**.



LABOR DAY - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

Anyone **without Holiday reservations must be off by 12 noon on Sunday, August 25th**. Members without Holiday Reservations **may come in on September 4th**.

WALDENWOODS HALLOWEEN - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

Anyone **without Holiday reservations must be off by noon on Sunday, October 6th**. Members without Holiday Reservations may come in on October 14th.



- You must have a reservation to utilize a campsite.
- If you don't have a reservation, you will be asked to leave.
- You can make a reservation 30 days in advance of the first day you want to camp.
- You will be able to make your reservations on the portal or by calling the Member Service Office at 810-632-6402
- When calling, please have your member number and dates for your reservation ready.
- We receive many calls during this time, having your info ready helps speed up your call.



Brian's Report

Waldenwoods Resort & Conference Center celebrates its centennial anniversary this year, marking a remarkable 100-year journey. Waldenwoods was first established by J. Robert Crouse, his father J.B. Crouse, and Henry A Tremaine, who decided they needed a place much more extraordinary than

Association Island in New York for retreats for their businesses in the lighting, dairy, and refrigeration industries! The property's origins date back to 1834 when it was first established by Robert Crouse. However, it was the combined efforts of his son, J.B. Crouse and grandson, J. Robert Crouse that led to the acquisition of the surrounding land around the lake. This expansion laid the foundation for the establishment of Waldenwoods in 1924, along with the creation of Cromaine, Sunshine, Friendship, and several charming cottages.

The passage of a century is a remarkable journey to contemplate. The responsibility of managing this cherished resort transitioned through generations, embodying a profound legacy. J. Robert Crouse Jr., known as Bob Crouse, assumed leadership in 1946 as the firstborn son. Subsequently, Phil MacBride (son-in-law) assumed the helm in 1952, followed by Bob MacBride (grandson) in 1958 who led the resort for 30 years. The legacy continued with Frank Crouse (grandson) in 1984 that established the modern resort and continued with his son Brian Crouse for the last 19 years. Passed down through the generations was not only the property but the business philosophy of getting great people to put their heart into the work they do, guaranteeing great things will happen, a legacy that carries on. Importantly, generation after generation of Crouse family members continued to support the enterprise, the leaders they chose and stayed in it for the long haul. 100 years later and we're still all about "Friendly Association for Wholehearted Service." So glad you are a part of our family and legacy!

Brian C. Crouse, President



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.



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.





WALDENWOODS

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



Village Manor Retirement:

Retirement living and close to Waldenwoods!
www.VMRretirement.com

It sits on the south side of our property and is offering great rates for the parents of Waldenwoods Members.

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

Independent living with Activities, Gourmet Meals and Assisted Care (located 1/2 mile west of US23 on M59).

Until March 31st

Come out and enjoy staying in one of our Historic Cottages or Sunshine Lodge and get half off!

Standard Member Rates. Two-night minimum.



J. ROBERTS FAVORITE QUOTES

January 21, 1922:

“ Society is, and must be, based upon appearances, and not upon the deepest realities.

- Hamerton ”

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

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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.

JANUARY - Continue Hat and Glove Drive for Hartland Area Schools. Donations can be made at the Family Center.

FEBRUARY - Winter Fest 2/17 Fozen Fish Throw Charity Event. Proceeds from the Fish Throw will go to benefit the olocal food bank. \$5 Entry Fee or a minimum of two cans of food per entry.

MARCH - Join the March Change Challenge www.themarchchange.com

APRIL - Bingo Hartland Area Fundraiser 4/14/24

Waldenwoods Family Recreation Resort

Directory & Hours of Operation, March - April 2024

www.waldenwoods.com • 810-632-6400

Park Store:

Saturday and Sunday, 9 am to 2pm (Subject to construction)

Member Services Office:

Monday through Saturday 9 am to 5pm • Sunday 10am to 4pm
memservice@waldenwoods.com 810-632-6402

Cromaine Banquet Center:

9am to 5pm (tours by appointment only)
Banquest@waldenwoods.com 810-632-6401

Bellinger Bar & Grille:

Please check Waldenwoods website, Member Portal or Facebook for updates.

Family Center:

Saturday and Sunday, 10am to 2pm
activities@waldenwoods.com 810-632-5889

Sales:

Daily 9am to 5pm Wednesday -Sunday Closed Monday & Tuesdays
(Tours by appointment only)
sales@waldenwoods.com 810-632-6420

Marina:

Closed for the season

Pool, Jacuzzi & Sauna:

Closed for the season

PRESIDENT: president@waldenwoods.com

PARK MANAGER: parkmanager@waldenwoods.com

MAINTENANCE MANAGER: maintenance@waldenwoods.com

RANGER MANAGER: ranger@waldenwoods.com