



Newsletter

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER
2024

TURKEY TROT 5k

100 Years Celebration

5K RUN/WALK - Goodie bag - EVENT SHIRT
\$1,700 Social membership award for top male and female runner.

November 3rd, 2024 - Early Registration \$30
\$30 until Oct 20th, \$35 until Nov 1st, & \$40 day of race.

RACE STARTS @ 10 AM

Waldenwoods Resort
2975 N Old US 23
Howell, MI 48855

Proceeds benefit the Hiiland Area Project
Established in 1929

<https://runsignup.com/race/MI/Howell/WaldenwoodsTurkeyTrot>

Signup link

Waldenwoods Presents

Thanksgiving Dinner

November 28, 2024
11am-1pm

All You Can Eat Buffet

- Stuffing Salad & Rolls
- Roasted Turkey
- Grilled Pork Loin with Cherry Chutney
- Fresh Cranberry Sauce
- Whipped Potatoes with Turkey Gravy
- Cromaine Stuffing
- Sweet Potato Casserole
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Broccoli Florets with Herbs and Butter
- Pumpkin Pie, Apple Pie, and Cherry Pie

Adults \$40 - Children (2-10) \$28
2 & Under Free

20% Gratuity and 6% Sales Tax applied at the time of reservation
Pre-Paid Reservations are required and are non-refundable
Visit wthanksgiving.eventbrite.com or call (810) 632-6401

Cromaine Hall
2975 Old US-23 Howell, MI 48855

2ND ANNUAL MOMMY & ME PAINTING CLASS

November 30
1:00 PM

HOLIDAY Fun

December 8th

11AM-1PM
Brunch with Santa
BREAKFAST @ CROMAINE
2975 N Old US 23

FREE CARNIVAL
1PM-3PM

STOP BY THE FAMILY CENTER AFTER BRUNCH
FOR FREE CARNIVAL GAMES

WALDENWOODS PRESENTS

Christmas High Tea

Join us for a festive tea service featuring scones, and a 3-course meal with salad, entrée, and dessert prepared by Waldenwoods in-house chef set in our historic Cromaine Hall

SUNDAYS	THURSDAYS
December 1st, 2024	December 12th, 2024
December 22nd, 2024	December 19th, 2024

Seatings at 11am and 2pm

ENTREE SELECTION (ONE PER GUEST)

- SICILIAN BEEF SHORT RIBS WITH SEASONED GREEN BEANS & ROASTED GARLIC RED SKIN POTATOES
- CHICKEN FLORENTINE WITH SEASONED GREEN BEANS & ROASTED GARLIC RED SKIN POTATOES
- CAVATAPPI PASTA TOSSED IN GARDEN VEGETABLE PALOMINO SAUCE (VEGETARIAN)

\$70
INCLUDES TAX AND GRATUITY

Reservations can be made by visiting wchristmastea.eventbrite.com or by calling (810) 632-6401
Pre-paid reservations are required

WALDENWOODS CROMAINE HALL

Brunch with Santa

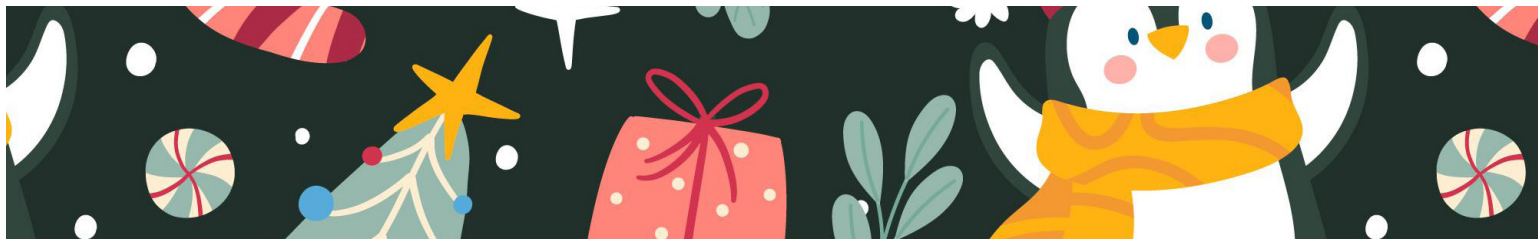
DEC 8TH, 2024
11:00AM - 1:00PM

ENJOY STORYTIME WITH MR. AND MRS. CLAUS AS WELL AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET A PHOTO IN A PICTURE-PERFECT SETTING! FUN CRAFTS AND COOKIE DECORATING AT YOUR TABLE.

ADULTS \$22
KIDS 1-10 \$17
KIDS UNDER 1 FREE
+ TAX & GRATUITY

BUFFET INCLUDES
CHERRY CORDIAL FRENCH TOAST BAKE, WESTERN OMELET BAKE, SCRAMBLED EGGS, BUTTERMILK PANCAKES, HASH BROWN PATTIES, FRESH FRUIT SALAD, BACON, MUFFINS, ORANGE JUICE, COFFEE

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED (810) 632-6401
NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS AFTER 12H



SAT 11/2

1 PM Pre-Turkey Trot Movie-
McFarland USA
Free Popcorn & Food/drinks
available for purchase.

SUN 11/3

9 AM Late registration and pick up
of packets
10AM Start time for 2nd Annual
5k TURKEY TROT fundraiser
for the Hartland Area Project
* Campfire
*Free Goodie Bags
* Free Hot Cocoa
*T-shirts & Awards
Sign up at [https://runsignup.com/race/MI/Howell/Waldenwoods Turkey Trot](https://runsignup.com/race/MI/Howell/Waldenwoods%20Turkey%20Trot)

SAT 11/9

12 PM - 3 PM - \$5 Make and take
Ceramics lunch craft.
Purchase lunch at Lakeside
Cafe on 12/7 and get craft for
FREE!

SUN 11/10

8PM End of Game
Lions game at the Bellringer

SAT 11/16

12PM -3PM - \$2 Make and take
Cookies lunch craft.
Purchase lunch at Lakeside
Cafe on 11/16 and get craft for
FREE!

SUN 11/17

1:00 PM- End of Game
Lions game at the Bellringer

SAT 11/23

1PM -3PM Thanksgiving Free Junior
Ranger Party
*Free Hotdog, ice cream, and
drink
* Free Craft
*Free games and prizes

RSVP Required by calling
(810) 632-5889 or scan QR on
flyer.

SUN 11/24

1PM - End of Game
Lions game at the Bellringer

THURS 11/28

11AM -1PM Thanksgiving Dinner
at Cromaine.
\$40 Pre-paid RSVP required.
(810) 632-6401

SAT 11/30

1PM - \$10.00 Mommy and Me
Painting Class with Alexcis
The class includes all painting
supplies, step-by-step
instructions, and 1 free ice
cream cone per attendee. RSVP
by calling activities
at (810) 632-5889, at Lakeside
Cafe, or on Signup Genius. (See
QR in flyer)

SUN 12/1

11AM -2PM Christmas High Tea at
Cromaine.
\$70 Pre-paid RSVP required.
(810) 632-6401
2PM -4PM \$2 Winter Make and Take
Craft at the Family Center
Purchase lunch at Lakeside Cafe
on 12/1 and get craft for FREE!

SAT 12/7

1PM -3PM \$5 Make and Take
Gingerbread house at the
Family Center
Purchase lunch at Lakeside Cafe
on 12/7 and get craft for FREE!

SUN 12/8

11AM -1PM- Brunch with Santa at
Cromaine.
Adults \$22, Kids 1-10 \$17, &
Under 1Free. Pre-paid RSVP
(810) 632-6401
1PM -3PM- Free Christmas Carnival at

the Family Center.

THURS 12/12

11AM -2PM Christmas High Tea at
Cromaine.
\$70 Pre-paid RSVP required.
(810) 632-6401

SAT 12/14

1Pm -3PM - Make and Take Christmas
Ornaments

SUN 12/15

4PM - End of the Lions game at the
Bellringer

THURS 12/19

11AM -2PM Christmas High Tea at
Cromaine.
\$70 Pre-paid RSVP required.
(810) 632-6401

SAT 12/21

1PM -3PM Outdoor Winter Fun
*Campfire marshmallow
roasting
*Sledding (Snow permitting)
*Snow or Sand Pie Tag
*Winter Kite flying (available
for purchase at Lakeside Cafe)

SUN 12/22

11AM -2PM Christmas High Tea at
Cromaine.
\$70 Pre-paid RSVP required.
(810) 632-6401

SAT 12/28 -Closed Happy Holidays

SUN 12/29 -Closed Happy Holidays

*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 2years.

 **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 members are
free to post on our Facebook page.



HALLOWEEN CAMPSITE CONTEST WINNERS:

- 1st Place - F62 Gonzalez
- 2nd Place - C45 Zevchak
- 3rd Place - C8 Holland

DOGS COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS:

Funniest - Walking Tacos

Coollest - Bat dog

COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS:

12 & UNDER

Best Costume
Baby Chicken

Coollest Costume
½ Angel ½ Devil

Scariest Costume
Pig Killer

13 & UP

Best Costume
Jesus

Scariest Costume
Beetlejuice



Brian's Report

2024 has been a great and challenging! 100 years and going strong thanks to you. The original Waldenwoods entrance sign restored on L47 will stand as testament to our efforts today for the next 100 years. We also added the Lakeside Cafe at the Park store which has been hugely popular since the grand opening. While this was a huge investment, we know your experience with us will be that much more enjoyable. Have you tried the new milk shakes? So good! A big thank you goes out to Melissa Parker, our Activities Manager, and David Wooster, our Facilities Manager for making this happen! Another popular addition to the resort is the two section (big dog / little dog) dog park is getting a steady stream of dog joy. And I'm sure at least a couple of you have noticed, the Wi-Fi has been expanded and gotten better than ever by extending the fiber locations, adding Wi-Fi towers, and upgrading the aggregation switch where it all comes together.

Let 2025 be the start of our next 100 years of bringing families together! Thank you for being a big part of making us Southeast Michigan's best family resort!

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 or through the portal and they'll be your referral for the next 2 years.

Brian C. Crouse, President



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).



J. ROBERTS FAVORITE QUOTES

January 20, 1921:

“Cheerfulness is just as natural to the heart of a man in strong health as color to his cheek.”

- Ruskin ”

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

FEBRUARY - Winter Fest 2/17 Frozen 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

MAY - Donations Drive for Military Care Packages. Looking for packaged snacks (jerky, nuts, cookies, non-melting candy) and health care items (lip balm, travel size deodorant, foot powder, sunblock, soap, baby wipes, etc.) www.operationgratitude.com

JUNE - National Cancer Survivor Day honored with a 9 am walk/run around Waldenwoods aLake - \$5. Proceeds to benefit the Nation Cancer Survivors Foundation ncscd.org

JULY - Blankets/towel collections for animal shelters

AUGUST - Fill the Pool for Hartland Schools (School Supplies Donations) Donations can be dropped off at the Family Center during open times.

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OCTOBER - Food Bank collection for local families in need.

NOVEMBER - 5K Turkey Trot <https://Runsingup.com/race/MI/Howell/Waldenwoods> Turkey Trot

DECEMBER - Toys for Tots Drop off at Lakeside Cafe.

Waldenwoods Family Recreation Resort

Directory & Hours of Operation for September - October 2024

www.waldenwoods.com • 810-632-6400

Lakeside Cafe Store:

Saturday & Sunday
9AM - 5PM
(Closed for the Holidays)

Member Services/ Lodging Office:

Monday through Saturday 9 AM - 5PM
Sunday 10AM - 4PM
(closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve,
Christmas Day & News Years Day)
memservice@waldenwoods.com
810-632-6402

Cromaine Banquet Center:

9AM - 5PM Daily
(tours by appointment only)
Banquest@waldenwoods.com
810-632-6401

Bellringer Bar & Grille:

Only open for Special

Sales:

9am-5pm Wednesday-Sunday closed
Monday & Tuesday
(Tours by appointment only)
sales@waldenwoods.com
810-632-6420

Family Center Activities/ Workout Area:

Saturday & Sunday 12pm -5pm
(closed for Holidays)
(Times & location may vary for activities due to events/holidays. Please see activities schedule for more info.)
activities@waldenwoods.com
810-632-5889

Pool, Jacuzzi, Sauna & Marina:

Closed for the off season.

PRESIDENT:

president@waldenwoods.com

PARK MANAGER:

parkmanager@waldenwoods.com

MAINTENANCE MANAGER:

maintenance@waldenwoods.com

RANGER MANAGER :

ranger@waldenwoods.com