

# NEWSLETTER

## JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2026



## On Season Holiday Periods

# MEMORIAL DAY

- Actual Holiday May 25, 2026 (Monday)
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: MAY 21 - 26**
- Anyone without a Holiday reservation must be off by 12 noon on Wednesday, May 20th.

# 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY

- Actual Holiday July 4, 2026 (Saturday)
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: JUNE 30 - JULY 6**
- Anyone without a Holiday reservation must be off by 12 noon on Monday, June 29th .

# LABOR DAY

- Actual Holiday September 7, 2026 (Monday)
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: SEPTEMBER 3 - SEPTEMBER 8**
- Anyone without a Holiday reservation must be off by 12 noon on Wednesday 2nd

# OUR HALLOWEEN

- Actual Holiday October 10th 2026 (Saturday)
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: OCTOBER 6 - OCTOBER 12**
- Anyone without a Holiday reservation must be off by 12 noon on Monday, October 5th

## **Off Season Lodging Holiday Periods**

# EASTER

- Actual Holiday April 5, 2026
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: APRIL 4 - APRIL 6**

# THANKSGIVING

- Actual Holiday November 26, 2026
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: NOV. 25 - NOV. 27**

# CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY

- Actual Holiday December 24 & 25
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: DECEMBER 23 - 26**

# NEW YEARS EVE & NEW YEARS DAY

- December 31 & January 1, 2026
- **HOLIDAY PERIOD: DEC 30 -JAN 2**



# BRIAN'S REPORT

JANUARY 20  
FEBRUARY 26

Our mission at Waldenwoods is to "Improve our members' quality of life," and 2025 has been extraordinary. We have had some great times together and made some key improvements. Our overall customer satisfaction is still at 3.6/4.0 (from 2,392 feedbacks). We try to create a place and atmosphere that enables you to build family experiences and lifelong memories. Doing this requires that we listen and act upon your feedback. Ultimately, we must make investment decisions based on what adds the most value based on your feedback, through our feedback system in the Portal, and financial constraints of the budget. So, while everything can't get done overnight, we are constantly investing and improving Waldenwoods for you. Overall, our feedback demonstrates consistent improvement over the last 3 years moving from 3.4 to 3.5 to 3.6 with an increase in the number of feedback from 150 four years ago to almost 2148 in 2025. Thank you for utilizing this system as a primary method for getting your feedback to our management team.

I hope you'll agree that we also got a lot done in 2025. Some of our key accomplishments were building the Parkstore Lakeview Cafe's patio and seating, replaced Parkstore A/C unit, added additional Wi-Fi Towers and upgrade some Wi-Fi antennas in cottage and H-row, upgraded internet bandwidth, installed new basketball hoops, new Waldenwoods signs at front entry, new gate mechanism on entry, new pavement for Waldenwoods entry roads to campground and parking at Cromaine, revamp of gravel roads and campsites with commercial grading tools, new X-Mark Zero turn mower, new John Deere Gator, upgrade to lithium batteries in 2 golf carts - and the list goes on.

May your 2026 be a blessed year! We're so excited to see Waldenwoods bring quality of life enjoyment to you and your family all year long!

*Brian C. Crouse,  
President*

# BRIAN'S REPORT

JANUARY 20  
FEBRUARY 26

## JANUARY 2026

### COINS IN THE COLD WEEKEND

Saturday 1/3/26

12 PM – 2 PM Make and Take Piggy Bank \$5 or Free with a \$10 food purchase from Lakeside Cafe. RSVP @ 810-632-5889

Sunday 1/4/26

12 PM – 2 PM Snow Fort Making and snowball fight to follow. Indoor forts and snowball fights if there is no snow outside. Where your warm gear & we will provide the rest.

Sat & Sun

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather permitting)

Sat & Sun

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11

Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with cabin rental

### BIRD WEEK

Saturday 1/10/26

12 PM – 2 PM Make and Take Pinecone Birdhouse. Enjoy Lunch at BOGO ½ OFF at Lakeside Cafe.

RSVP

Sunday 1/11/26

12 PM – 2 PM Make and Take Winter Bird Craft. Enjoy Lunch at BOGO ½ OFF at Lakeside Cafe. RSVP

Sat & Sun

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather permitting)

Sat & Sun

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11

Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with cabin rental

### MYSTERY WEEK

Saturday 1/17/26

6:30 PM Masquerade Murder Mystery @ Waldenwoods Cromaine Event Venue. \$85 Per Person Tickets Available on Eventbrite.com Call 810-632-6401 to learn more.

6 PM – 9 PM LOCK- IN Ages 10 & UP ONLY. Enjoy the Masquerade Murder Mystery and know your 10 and UP Children will be having a fun Lock-IN night at the Family Center. Games, Crafts, Karaoke, Trivia, Snacks, and more. Lock-in is a FREE event if you lodging guests attending the Masquerade or price is \$10 per child. RSVP IS REQUIRED by 1/15/25 (810).632-5889

Sunday 1/18/26

12 PM Disney Mystery Movie- HOLES. Free Popcorn for members.

Sat & Sun

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather permitting)

Sat & Sun

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11

Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with cabin rental

### FOOTBALL WEEK

Saturday 1/24/26

12 PM – 2PM Make and Take Football Craft – Free with RSVP

Sunday 1/25/26

12 PM – 2 PM Snow Flag Football or Football skills and drills.

Sat & Sun

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather permitting)

Sat & Sun

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11

Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with cabin rental

### PRE-VALENTINES CRAFT WEEK

Saturday 1/31/26

12 PM – 2 PM Make and Take Valentines Wreath \$10 or FREE with \$10 Lakeside Cafe Purchase.

RSVP by 1/28 @ 810-632-5889

Sunday 2/1/26

12 PM – 2 PM Make and Take Valentine Shirts. \$10 or Free with \$10 Lakeside Cafe Purchase. RSVP sizes @ 810-632-5889. (shirt sizes are limited to 1st come 1st serve)

Sat & Sun

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather permitting)

Sat & Sun

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11

Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with Cabin rental

## FEBRUARY 2026

### GALS & PALS WEEK

Friday 2/6/26

Galantines @ Cromaine call (810) 632-6401

Saturday 2/7/26

9 AM – 11 AM Breakfast @ Lakeside Cafe or Delivery for lodging guests.

12 PM – 2 PM Floral Brick Art (Lego style) \$5 or FREE with a \$10 Lakeside Cafe Purchase. RSVP by 2/3/26 @ 810-632-5889 Perfect Valentines gift idea.

Sunday 2/8/26

12 PM – 2 PM Superbowl Pregame fun- Pre-game show on the big screen with fun football trivia and food available from Lakeside Cafe. Cool Football Trivia Prizes will be awarded.

Sat & Sun

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather permitting)

Sat & Sun

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11  
Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with Cabin rental

## HEARTS, FLAPJACKS, AND FROST WEEK

**Friday 2/13/26**

Valentines at Cromaine, Dinner & Dancing -TIME  
TBA

call (810) 632-6401

**Saturday 2/14/26**

10 AM – 11 AM – \$5.00 Valentines Pancakes  
at Lakeside Cafe (Carry out Available to  
Waldenwoods Onsite Guests/Members)

1 PM – 6 PM Hartland Family WINTERFEST 2026  
Ice Carving, Games, Bingo, Live Music, Sledding,  
FIREWORKS & MORE

@ Harland Heritage Field 12439 Highland Rd,  
Hartland, MI 48353

Visit Waldenwoods Activities table at the Hartland  
Activities tent 1 PM – 6 PM

**Sunday 2/15/26**

12 PM – 2 PM

10 AM – 12 PM Breakfast @ Lakeside Cafe with  
Morning Valentine Craft. 12 PM – 2 PM Outside  
Valentine Scavenger Hunt & Valentines Special  
BOGO Warm Brownie Sundae. Pre- Order  
required for BOGO SPECIAL.

**Sat & Sun**

ALL DAY- Snow sledding and Ice-skating (weather  
permitting)

**Sat & Sun**

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11  
Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with  
Cabin rental



WALDENWOODS WINTERFEST WEEK

**SATURDAY 2/21/26**

10 AM – 11:30 AM Pancake Buffet- ONLY \$5.00 (NO Sharing or Carryout's)  
(meat, juice, eggs, French toast and more available at extra cost)

10 AM – 3 PM Campfire @ the Lake

10 AM – 4 PM Sledding and Ice Skating (weather permitting)

10 AM – 4 PM Ice block sledding in any weather.

10 AM – 3 PM Bocce ball, Corn hole, and Lader ball at the Lake

\*11AM – Frozen Fish Toss

\*11:30 AM – Winter Games – Hammer & Nail Stump, Archery, Build a fire, and more. TEEN and Adult  
FUN.

\*12:30 PM- Indoor Live performance by multi-talented entertainer (TBA)

\*1:30 PM – 2nd Indoor Live Entertainment

3 PM – 4 PM – BINGO w/TRIVIA \$1 per game.

Drink specials and food specials all day. (MUST HAVE ID & NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL ALLOWED IN THE  
FAMILY CENTER)

**Sunday 2/22/26**

10 AM – 12 PM Breakfast at the Family Center with craft options.

11 AM – 3 PM Sledding and Ice Skating (weather permitting)

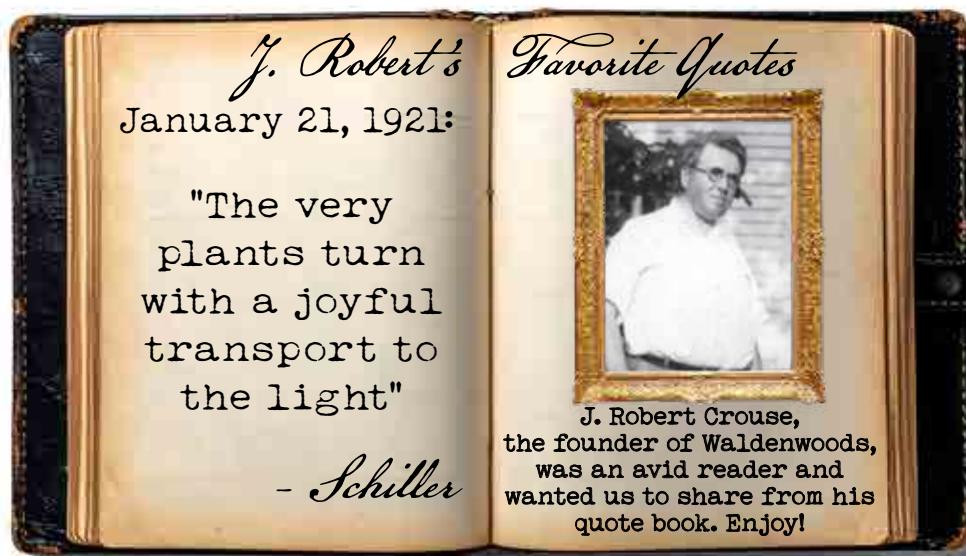
11 AM – 2 PM Ice Block Sledding in any weather

12 PM – 2 PM Snow Hill Carving and Painting. Bring a small shovel and join the fun in making an  
oversized snow art piece for all to enjoy.

12 PM – 2 PM Indoor Movie with lunch available at the Family Center

**Sat & Sun**

1 PM & 3 PM Open Swim @ Hartland Aquatics - \$11 Tickets available at Lakeside Cafe or FREE with  
Cabin rental



WET AND WINTER WEEKEND

**Saturday 2/28/26**

1 PM – Join us at the Hartland Area Aquatics for a fun  
afternoon at WATERPARK FUN. Water Slide, Lazy River,  
Swimming Pool, and Hot Tub for only \$11.00.  
Light refreshments will be available for Waldenwoods  
Lodging guests and members.

**Sunday 3/1/26**

11 AM – 2 PM Ice Fishing with Dad. \$1 Registration at  
11 AM. Free Hot Cocoa or Coffee for each registration.  
Heaviest & Longest fish caught between 11 AM – 2  
PM will earn a free Basket Meal from Lakeside Cafe &  
Bragging Rights.



**WALDENWOODS**  
2975 Old US-23  
P.O. Box 248  
Hartland, MI 48353  
[www.waldenwoods.com](http://www.waldenwoods.com)

## VILLAGE MANOR RETIREMENT



Retirement living and close to Waldenwoods! It sits on the south side of our property and is offering great rates for the parents of Waldenwoods Members. Independent living with Activities, Gourmet Meals and Assisted Care (located ½ mile west of US23 on M59). *Call Susanne Bianchette at the Village Manor at 810-632-6200.*

[www.VMRetirement.com](http://www.VMRetirement.com)

**REFER  
&  
EARN**

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](mailto:sales@waldenwoods.com) and they'll be your referral for the next 2 years.



### 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.

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## DIRECTORY & HOURS OF OPERATION

[www.waldenwoods.com](http://www.waldenwoods.com) • 810-632-6400

### Cromaine Banquet Center:

9am to 5pm Daily • (Tour by appointment only)  
[banquets@waldenwoods.com](mailto:banquets@waldenwoods.com) • 810-632-6401

### Member Services & Lodging Office:

9am to 4pm Monday through Saturday  
Closed Sunday  
[memservice@waldenwoods.com](mailto:memservice@waldenwoods.com) • 810-632-6402

### Sales Office:

9am to 5pm Wednesday through Sunday  
Closed Monday and Tuesdays  
(Tour by appointment only)  
[sales@waldenwoods.com](mailto:sales@waldenwoods.com) • 810-632-6420

### Bellringer:

Only open for Special Events

### Lakeside Cafe & Park Store:

Friday 2PM -5PM & Saturday and Sunday 10AM -3PM  
Closed for Holidays - (Times & location may vary for activities due to events/holidays. Please see the activities schedule for more info.)

[Activities@waldenwoods.com](mailto:Activities@waldenwoods.com) • 810-632-5889

### Family Activities Center:

Weds - Friday 11 AM - 3 PM Open for adult use  
Sat & Sun- Activities scheduled 11 AM -3 PM  
(NOT STAFFED - NO unattended children)  
[activities@waldenwoods.com](mailto:activities@waldenwoods.com) 810-632-5889

**Marina:** Closed for the season

**Pool/Jacuzzi/ Sauna:** Closed for the season

## 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](mailto: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](http://smile.amazon.com), it'll become a fantastic way to make a real difference in our community.

### JANUARY - MENTOR MONTH

Right now, 1 in 3 youth are growing up without a mentor of any kind, yet we know that young people who have a mentor are much more likely to participate in after-school activities, be leaders in clubs and teams, volunteer, and go on to college. Your gift helps increase our country's capacity to provide quality mentoring relationships to more than 9 million young people who are still in need of a positive caring role model outside of their family. Help us close the mentoring gap in America by donating today. [www.mentoring.org](http://www.mentoring.org)

### FEBRUARY - 2/14/26 - 1 PM - 6 PM

### HARTLAND FAMILY WINTERFEST 2026

### ACTIVITIES BOOTH WITH WALDENWOODS RESORTS

If you would like to volunteer at the activity's booth, please call the Activities manager, Ms. Parker at 810-632-5889