Welcome to Geauga Park District’s Judge Lester Taylor Lodge in Claridon Woodlands. This facility may be reserved from 6 AM to 11 PM by phone or in person on a first-come, first-served basis.

In order to ensure the facility is well maintained for all who use it, we ask that you observe these guidelines:

- Adhere nothing to walls, ceiling, windows or signs. Do not place signs or balloons on road signs.
- A keypad lock secures the lodge’s reservable space. A back door provides access from four parking spots behind the lodge but must remain locked all other times. After a reservation has been made, a code will be provided to you which will unlock and lock the facility. YOUR RESERVATION PERMITS ACCESS TO THE LODGE ONLY ON THE DAY AND TIME SLOT OF YOUR RESERVATION. YOU MAY NOT SET UP THE SPACE EARLY.
- Before leaving, return the lodge to the condition in which you found it: cleaned, furniture in original positions, windows closed and trash in covered indoor containers. Upon departure, please remember to reset the push lock by entering the provided code.

Amenities inside

- Maximum capacity: 99 people.
- Eight conference-sized tables with seating for 64 (dining chairs with backs), three high-top/serving tables with seating for 12 (stools, no backs), and two lounge chairs with a coffee table in front of the fireplace.
- Indoor restrooms with running water inside the building.
- Free wi-fi. Do not plug in more than 3 items per outlet to avoid overloading circuit. Most lights are on sensors and will turn on when there is movement.
- Ceiling fans and openable crank windows on one side.
- Water, refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, sink and ample counter space with outlets. Cleanup required. No cooking facilities available inside.
- Alcohol is permitted within the lodge only. Alcohol is not permitted in areas adjacent to the lodge such as trails, parking lot or roads.
- Heat is available at the lodge. A utility fee is charged year round, and a heat surcharge October 15 through April 15. Preferred method of payment is credit card (Visa or MasterCard). Patrons may also opt to have heat during other months and pay per session at the time the reservation is made. Late requests for heat require a 3-day notice.
- Fireplace. Please bring your own firewood. A limited amount of firewood may be provided, however, cannot be guaranteed.
- Smoking and pets are not permitted in the lodge.

Amenities outside

- Six bistro sets outside the lodge, each with seating for 2.
- Please note that your reservation does not include the open shelter with fire pit, grill and three picnic tables across the field. Restrooms inside the lodge are also available to all park visitors.

FIREPLACE OPERATION
Starting the Fire:
1) Use paper and kindling.
2) Do not use flammable liquids such as lighter fluid, charcoal starter, gasoline, etc. on the fire or in the fireplace.
3) Keep the fire small.
4) Add a few logs at a time.
5) Do not overfill the fireplace.
6) Do not cook in the fireplace.
7) Close the screen in front of the fireplace at all times.

Leaving the Fire:
1) Allow the fire to burn down.
2) Coals may be left in the fireplace.
3) Do not extinguish the fire with water as it will crack the stone structure.
4) Close the fireplace screen in front of the fireplace before leaving the lodge.

Reservations must be made at least 3 days in advance. To receive a fee refund, cancellation must occur at least 7 days prior to the reservation date. Fees are nontransferable.

In the event of an emergency, call 911. For non-emergencies or assistance, call the park office at 440-286-9516. After business hours, call Geauga County Sheriff’s Office at 440-286-1234 for a ranger.