

Swine Creek Lodge • 16004 Hayes Road, Middlefield/Parkman Townships

GUIDELINES FOR USE

Welcome to **Geauga Park District's Swine Creek Lodge in Swine Creek Reservation**. 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:

- Please leave the lodge in the same condition you found it.
- Return the picnic tables to original positions.
- Remove all traces of decorations, including staples and tape, and all signage before leaving, especially signs left at the park entrance. Do not place signs or balloons on entrance signs leading to the park.
- Bring your own water for drinking or clean up.
- Trash - Please leave trash and containers inside the lodge for maintenance staff to pick up. There are no outside containers near this lodge.

Amenities inside

- Maximum capacity: 75 people.
- Eight picnic tables and counter for serving.
- Electrical outlets. Please do not plug in more than 2 items per outlet to avoid overloading the circuit.
- Fireplace. Please bring your own firewood. A limited amount of firewood may be provided, however, cannot be guaranteed.
- Alcohol is permitted within the lodge/picnic structure only. Alcohol is not permitted in areas adjacent to the lodge such as trails, the parking lot, roads or the restrooms.
- Smoking is not permitted in the lodge.
- 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.

Amenities outside

- Charcoal grill and picnic area under the lodge overhang.
- Restrooms are located in a separate building away from the lodge. They do not have flush toilets or running water.

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) Keep 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) Replace 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.



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