

The Gordon Parks and Receptions Committee is diligently working to develop a family oriented focus within our community. We would like to offer various recreational areas and events that will encourage families, from near and far, to enjoy the lifestyle imagined of a small, rural town in Northern Wisconsin.

There are many times as citizens we take our local parks, playgrounds, baseball diamonds and trails for granted and currently the luxury is not ours. Unfortunately the price of progress, the closing of our local school, changed things in our town. With nearly twenty years of residents moving away for schooling, better jobs and no one to carry on with the preservation of the spaces that we do have – things silently fell into poor repair and the parks/recreational opportunities in Gordon went dormant until recent times. The Gordon Parks and Receptions Committee was reformed and has been active for the past two years. The population of families with children has quickly increased along with the need for improved facilities. We are striving and thriving to make our community one complete with a park, green spaces and to provide our children with healthy options for entertainment. The pride and community (local/surrounding) effort to develop our parks and outdoors space has jumped back to life!

To further jumpstart our commitment to develop fun and safe recreational features for our families, seasonal guests and friends, we are hosting a second annual benefit day on Saturday, January 30, 2010. Our day of fundraising has been appropriately named “Winterfest.” Winterfest offers a full day of activities to include skating, contest and games for kids, Chinese auctions for children and silent auctions for the adults.

There are chances to win cash prizes through raffle ticket sales. In addition there are foods, beverages and a talented band to swoon our guests during the later part of our day.

Because we are such a small community with little in the way of shops, restaurants and conveniences we rely much on outlying neighborhoods for daily consumption and necessities, this is why we are outsourcing to adjacent communities and are requesting your help. We’re in the process of collection merchandise for the event and I’m writing to request your assistance in making the Winterfest fundraiser event a success. By donating your items, you’ll be making a tax-deductible contribution that will help Gordon Parks and Receptions continue to help make our community better.

Additionally, you’ll benefit for exposure of your company’s name to those who attend the event. Donors will be listed on the event program and the merchandise you give will be on display throughout the event. As a donor, you will receive complimentary tickets to our affair and receive the opportunity to meet prospective customers and even possibly find a few bargains of your own. Your company name and donated item will also be posted on our event webpage.

Gordon Parks and Receptions is hoping that you will take our request into consideration and help us along with our goals and wishes for our youth. We welcome any questions and would be happy to provide you with any additional information or to arrange for pick up of said donation at your location. We can be contacted a numerous amount of ways...office number 715-376-2693, cell 218-391-7004, and/or email: [reeannmohs76@yahoo.com](mailto:reeannmohs76@yahoo.com), or via post at Gordon Parks and Receptions, C/O Town of Gordon, PO Box 68, Gordon WI 54838.

Without the support of our local and surrounding areas this event would not be possible. Thank you for your time and any consideration you may give us.

Sincerely,

Ree Ann Hoyt

Chairperson