

Goshen Volunteer Service Weekend – Fall 2024

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Schedule

Friday, September 27, 2024	
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Check In / Cracker Barrel at Olmsted Dining Hall
Saturday, September 28, 2024	
8:00 am	Breakfast at Olmsted Dining Hall
8:45 am – 12:00 pm	Service Weekend Projects – Group Breakouts
12:30 pm	Lunch at Olmsted Dining Hall
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Service Weekend Projects – Group Breakouts
6:00 pm	Dinner at Olmsted Dining Hall
TBD (evening)	Information Campfire – Camp Post Gray's Lodge
Sunday, September 29, 2024	
8:00 am	Breakfast at Olmsted Dining Hall Clean Up and Departure
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Optional: Continued Service Weekend Projects

Project List (Including Recommended Tools)

Although not required, attendees are encouraged to bring various tools and materials with them? Below is a guide for anticipated tool requirements for the 2024 Spring Service Weekend.

Project	Recommended Tools
Building Panting (Marriott Commissary and Baird Trail)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paint Rollers - Paint Brushes - Paint Trays - Paint Clothes - Ladder
Camp Olmsted Boat Rack Repair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Posthole diggers - Shovels - Tamping Bar - Circular Saw / Miter Saw - Power Drill - Impact Driver
Camp Site Sign Installations (Ross and Olmsted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Posthole diggers - Shovels - Tamping Bar - Power Drill - Impact Driver
Replace Marriott Trading Post Screen Door	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Power Drill - Impact Driver
Stabilize and Repaint Olmsted Scout Law Signs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Posthole diggers - Shovels - Tamping Bar
Campsite Tent and Picnic Table Repair, Campsite Clean Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Power Drill - Impact Driver - Circular Saw - Measuring Tape - Socket Set - Crowbar - Bolt Cutting Tool (Oscillating Saw, Bolt Cutters, Angle Grider, etc.) - Work Gloves
Annual Post-Camp Inspection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Good hiking boots!

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. When should I arrive?

We recommend arriving Friday evening, beginning at 5:00 pm, although some arrive early Saturday morning. There is no formal check-in process, but there will be a small Cracker Barrel available Friday night to meet other participants (dinner not served). The Service Weekend officially begins at 8:00 am, Saturday morning.

2. Where do I sleep?

Participants are encouraged to “camp out” for the weekend in their own tents at Camp Post or Camp Olmsted, however limited housing is available in the Gray’s Lodge Bunk Room and select Camp Post cabins.

3. Where should I go when I arrive?

If arriving Friday night, please check in at the Camp Olmsted Dining Hall. Check In will be open until 9:30 pm.

If arriving Saturday morning before 9:00 am, please join us at the Camp Olmsted Dining Hall to receive your project assignment and meet your work group. Breakfast is at 8:00 am!

If arriving anytime Saturday morning after 9:00 am, please go to the Olmsted Dining Hall and contact the Reservation Director, Elisabeth Warren, who can assist in pairing you with a work group.

4. Where / when do people eat during the

weekend? The following meals will be served:

Friday: Cracker Barrel (5:30 – 9:30 pm)

Saturday: Breakfast (8:00 am), Lunch (12:30 pm), and Dinner (6:00 pm)

Sunday: Breakfast (8:00 am)

5. What is a typical itinerary for a Work Weekend?

Please see the Volunteer Service Weekend Schedule on page 1 of this document.

6. What tools should I bring?

Please see the “Project List (Including Recommended Tools) page for recommendations for tools to bring to assist with specific work weekend projects.

Other commonly used tools include:

Drill sets, Impact drivers, saws and sawzalls, bolt cutters, socket and ratchet sets, safety glasses, work gloves, work boots, ear protections, paint rollers, paintbrushes, measuring tape, carpenter’s pencil, weed whacker.

Note: Do not bring a chainsaw unless you are BSA chainsaw certified and have arranged with the coordinators.