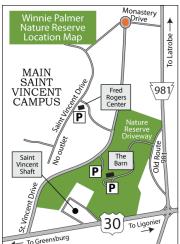
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From Harrisburg, Philadelphia, New Jersey and Points East: Take the PA Tumpike, I-76 west to exit 91 (old exit 9) Donegal. Travel Rt. 711 to its junction with Rt. 30 in Ligonier. Turn Left onto Route 30 west, about 8 miles at the intersection of Route 30 and 981 (furniture store on your right), make a right onto Route 981N. On your right is a Dairy Queen, make left-you will see a WPNR sign. Travel about 100 yards and you will see the Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve Entrance on your right. Follow the split rail fence to the Environmental Learning Center Barn. Parking is available at the Barn.

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From Baltimore, Washington, Points South: Take I-70 West to its junction with I-76, the PA Turnpike. Exit at gate 161 (old gate 12) Breezewood. Proceed on I-76 west to exit 91 (old exit 9) Donegal. Take Route 711 North to its junction with Rt. 30. Make Left onto Route 30 west, about 8 miles at the intersection of Route 30 and 981 (furniture store on your right), make a right onto Route 981N. On your right is a Dairy Queen, make left-you will see a WPNR sign. Travel about 100 yards and you will see the Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve Entrance on your right. Follow the split rail fence to the Environmental Learning Center Barn. Parking is available at the Barn.

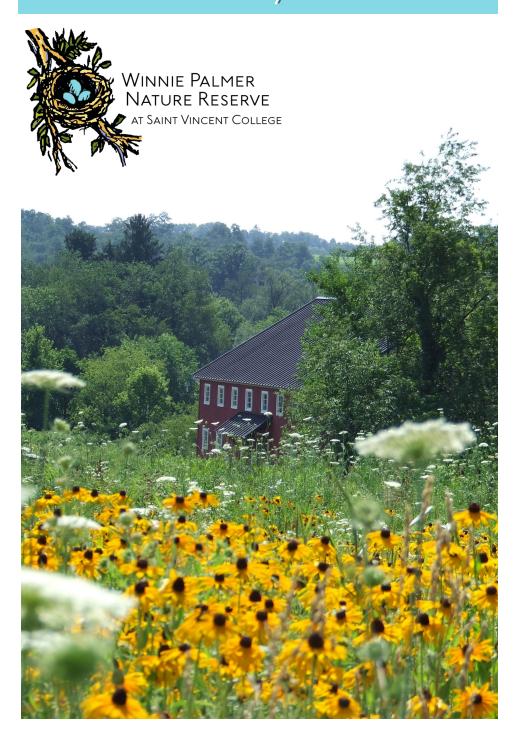


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Reserve A Little Space in Nature



History of the Reserve



The Winnie Palmer Nature
Reserve is an educational/
environmental center and
recreational area created
through a collaborative effort
between the family and friends of
the late Mrs. Arnold (Winnie)
Palmer and Saint Vincent
College, where she served as a
member of the Board of Directors.
The Reserve captures Winnie

Palmer's vision to protect the scenic view of the Saint Vincent College campus from development along the busy Route 30 corridor, and serves as a lasting tribute to a woman who wanted to preserve the landscape she knew and loved.

Established in 2000, the Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve is comprised of the initial Reserve area, land adjacent to Saint Vincent College, and land contributed by the Archabbey. The focal point of the reserve is the relocated and reconstructed 1879 barn that now serves as the Environmental Learning Center for the Reserve. The barn is carefully situated to enhance the property and was reconstructed using 99% of its original barn materials. It offers large open spaces and smaller meeting rooms, offices, comfortable seating, educational resources, and handicapped-accessible restrooms. Outdoor plantings include butterfly, wildflower, and seasonal gardens, an area to raise crops for research and demonstration, and native meadowland, trees, and plants that will encourage wildlife and wetlands. Winding trails provide a unique location to reach out to the community through nature, recreation, culture, and history as the WPNR provides a variety of educational programs and activities.

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The historic 1780 Lochry Blockhouse was discovered on the site and restored with the help of area community members, including students from Latrobe and Derry Area schools.

Food Service and Catering

<u>Catering</u>

- The catering service for the Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve is Parkhurst Dining Service at Saint Vincent College.
- Catering needs including menus, drink options, linens, and tableware. All catering needs are all coordinated through Saint Vincent College Events and Conferences.
- No outside food is permitted.
- Buffet option or boxed lunch options only.
- No sit down dinner options provided.

<u>Informational Program at the Reserve</u>

The Reserve staff and students would be happy to provide your group with an informational program of the Barn, Blockhouse and Gardens for a \$3/person fee. Arrangements must be made at least 2 weeks prior to the event to ensure staff is available.

Rental Details

- 1. Nature Reserve grounds and the environmental learning barn is opened to the public during regular business hours year round, regardless of group rentals.
- 2. Reserve rental is on a per hour basis only. Rental Fee will be charged for set up and tear down for the event.
- 3. Groups and organizations which use the space must adhere to the Reserve and Saint Vincent College's regulations regarding the number of persons allowed in the building at any given time. The numbers shall not exceed 80 people.
- 4. Outside alcoholic beverages and smoking are not permitted on Reserve premises.
- 5. The space shall be left in the same condition in which it was found, including the placement of chairs and tables.
- 6. The Nature Reserve maintains the right to charge for any additional custodial services that may be required if the room is not left in the same condition in which it was found. (i.e. if more than 20 minutes is needed to clean up, an additional \$85 will be charged to the renting group.
- 7. Groups shall be held responsible for any damage to the room and/ or furnishings. Failure to adhere to these conditions may result in loss of future privileges in the use of facility and a fee to restore/replace
- 8. Recycling is required at the Nature Reserve. Bins are available on both floors for Paper and Plastic and Metal.
- 9. Please take note that our Reserve is an Academic Facility—students and Faculty maybe present on Reserve grounds for academic work and research at any given time.

FOR RENATL RESERVATIONS PLEASE CONTACT:

SAINT VICNENT COLLEGE EVENTS AND CONFERENCE SERVICES PHONE: (724) 532-5030 FAX: (724) 532-5019

What the Space Has To Offer

The Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve is an excellent place to hold your meetings. The Nature Reserve has an Environmental Learning Barn and Historic Lochry Blockhouse that can be rented for use.

The Barn

The Environmental Learning Center Barn is equipped with wireless internet, two large open areas, a library with comfortable seating, educational resources that can be borrowed, handicapped-accessible restrooms, projectors, screens, laptops and wireless microphones.

The Blockhouse

The Historic Lochry Blockhouse located next to the barn is available during April through October. The Blockhouse has a fireplace, table and chairs, and minimal lighting.

The Patio behind the barn is a beautiful Flagstone Patio with amphitheater style hillside seating. The Patio includes an artistic sculpture in honor of Winnie Palmer. There is a small barn overhang with lights and ceiling fans.

The Grounds are rich with gardens of native plantings, walking trails, and an observation platform with seating overlooking the barn and SVC Campus.

The reserve is equipped with: 25 rectangle tables (2-1/2 ft x 5 ft) 80 folding chairs LCD projector (mounted and movable) **DVD** player Wireless handheld and lapel mikes Small dry ease board Screen (2) 14 round tables (4 ft)

Rental Information

OPERATING HOURS

Tuesday—Friday 10:00am—4:00pm Select Saturdays

All rental fees must include set up and clean up time.

FEES

Group 1

a. A Saint Vincent College Community Group.

FREE during operating hours
\$20/Hour during non-operating hours

Group 2

a. An organized club or special interest group that has been granted IRS Code 501(c)(3) non profit status with open membership.

\$40/Hour during operating hours **\$60/Hour** during non-operating hours

Group 3

a. Other public or private civic, cultural, educational, charitable or political groups not previously mentioned.

\$60/Hour during operating hours **\$80/Hour** during non-operating hours

Excess Clean Up Fee

If more than 20 minutes of clean-up labor is required after your rental, your group will be charged an additional \$85.

The Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve is not rented for Weddings, Wedding Receptions, or Social Events.

For Commercial Photographers: Professional, commercial photographers (and any person who seeks to utilize photographs taken at the Reserve for a fee or for commercial purposes) must obtain an annual property/site permit for \$300.00, and adhere to the Rules for Photography and General Policies of the Reserve.

Visit www.wpnr.org/policies/photography

Room Information

Main Exhibit/Gallery Area

- Main Floor of the Barn
- Rustic atmosphere
- Lots of natural light
- Small library area
- Children's corner
- Handicapped Accessible Restroom

Capacity

Lecture 80 folding chairs Luncheon 60 – 4/table (30x60) Luncheon 70 – 5/table (4 Ft Round)

Classroom 30 – 2/table (30x60)

Sound System is available in the Exhibit Area.



Classroom (Downstairs)

- Lower Level of the Barn
- Rustic Atmosphere
- Concrete Floor
- Projector
- Screen
- Laptop hook up

Capacity

 Lecture
 80 folding chairs

 Luncheon
 40 – 4/table (30x60)

 Classroom
 60 – 4/table (30x60)

 Classroom
 30 – 2/table (30x60)

<u>Lochry Blockhouse (April—October Only)</u>

- A short walk from the Saint Vincent Drive Park and Walk Lot
- Restored Historic Blockhouse
- Fireplace
- Table and Chairs

Capacity

Meeting 8 rustic chairs around 1 table.

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