The 50-acre grounds of the Wood County Historical Center include a variety of areas for reunions, ceremonies, picnics, and special events. This lush and unique backdrop is often used by photographers for senior photos, family gatherings, or artistic projects. Popular rental areas include:

- Herb garden
- Boomtown & Oil Derrick
- Lyle Fletcher Arboretum
- Log Cabin
- Center or East Wing Porches
- Corn Barn (coming soon)
- Shelter House (coming soon)

Many original outbuildings still adorn the property including the Lunatic Asylum, Pestilence House, and Ice House. These buildings provide a unique and lovely backdrop, and can be open for viewing during business hours.

Grounds Rules & Regulations:
- The grounds are a public park maintained by the Wood County Park District and are open daily 8 AM until 30 minutes past sunset.
- Reservations are necessary to avoid conflicts with Museum and Park events.
- One handicap-accessible portable rest room is located in Visitor Parking Lot.
- Please do not stand or sit on the Brandeberry stone wall surrounding the property. This wall is an original structure built in the early 1900s.
- Please do not pick any flowers, plants, or herbs from the grounds. Leaf collection is permitted.
- Please dispose of any trash in one of the many trash cans throughout the site.

Prohibited:
- Firearms.*
- Open flame* (candles, fire pit). Grills are acceptable.
  * Special arrangements can be made for reenactment and scout groups that camp on the grounds.
- Tape, nails, tacks or anything attached to Museum walls or ceilings. Picture rail and hooks are available.
- Live plants inside museum.
- Animals inside museum. Service animals permitted.
- Smoking.
- Food and drink must be confined to the meeting rooms or kitchen and is prohibited in the museum.
- Alcohol is not permitted on the grounds or inside museum.
- Museum & Society Staff reserve the right to contact the Wood County Sheriff’s Office or Wood County Park District Police for any infraction or disruption.

Hold Harmless and Indemnification
In consideration of the Wood County Commissioners granting permission to have a ceremony, reception, or other function performed at the Wood County Historical Center, the organization/guest on behalf of themselves, and all their guests in attendance agree to indemnify and hold harmless Wood County, its Board of County Commissioners, board members and employees of the Wood County Historical Society, and all Wood County employees, agents, heirs and assigns from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses including reasonable attorney’s fees in the event that they or any of their guests, family, relatives and all other persons attending said ceremony, receptions, or other function would have cause to bring an action arising out of bodily injury, illness, death or property damage while on Wood County property.
**RENTAL FEES**

**Indoor or Outdoor**

**Weekday Business Hours:** Mon-Fri 9am-5pm  
**Weekend Business Hours:** Sat-Sun 1pm-4pm

**DEPOSIT:** $100  
- Deposit is due within 14 days of making a reservation.  
- Failure to pay deposit within 14 days will forfeit the reservation.  
- Deposit will be returned to you within 14 days of your event if the facilities are left in proper condition and all expectations are met:  
  * Arrive and leave on time.  
  * Vacuum all areas used (if applicable).  
  * Wipe off tables.  
  * Leave room or grounds in same condition as when you arrived.  
  * Clean up any kitchen (if applicable).  
  * Remove any tables, chairs, or accessories that you brought with you.

**RENTAL FEES:**

**WITHIN BUSINESS HOURS:** $50/hour  
- Minimum 2-hour Rental  
- Rental payment is due in full 45 days prior to event.  
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**BEFORE or AFTER BUSINESS HOURS:** $75/hour  
- Subject to staff availability.  
- See above for additional information.

**Additional Information:**  
- Make checks payable to WCHS.  
- We also accept credit and debit cards, or cash  
- Discounts are available for select Wood County agencies during business hours. Please call for eligibility.

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**AMENITIES**

Any rental of the Historical Center will include these amenities at no extra cost:

- Inside Tables and Chairs *(includes set-up)*  
- Garbage and Recycling Containers  
- Use of museum kitchen including refrigerator, freezer, oven, microwave, sink, and countertops  
- Wi-fi *(must provide own laptop)*  
- Podium *(floor or table-top)*  
- American Flag  
- ADA-accessible restrooms  
- Wheelchairs *(2)*  
- Projection Screen  
- 110 Electrical Access *(inside or outside in select locations)*. For 220 electric, there is a $25 fee.  
- Visitor and Handicap Parking

**ALSO AVAILABLE:**

Additional amenities are available for additional rental costs:

- Projector *(must provide own laptop)* ...$25  
- Sound System & Microphone .................. $25  
- Television & DVD .......................... $25  
- 30-minute Staff Presentation ................ $25  
- Electric Claranova Piano .................. $25  
- Outdoor 220 Electrical Box ............... $25  
- Outdoor Chairs *(120)* and benches ......$50

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**Meeting Room:**

- **Room Size:** Approx. 17-1/2’ wide by 60’ long  
- Seats 66 at round tables; 72 lecture style  
- Tables and chairs provided, includes set-up and tear-down  
- Room is carpeted and has 4 large windows  
- External and internal doors

**Tables:**

- *(12)* card tables *(seats 4)*  
- *(12)* round tables *(seats 6)*  
- *(6)* 6’ rectangular tables *(seats 8)*

**Chairs:**

- **Indoors:** *(72)* metal folding chairs and set-up included with rental  
- **Outdoors:** *(120)* metal folding chairs available for additional $50, set-up not included.

**You are responsible for:**

- Extension cords, power cords  
- Dollies, carts, & help with loading and unloading  
- Plates, Cups, Napkins, Silverware, Glassware  
- Coffee, Coffee Pot, Warmers  
- Food and Beverage  
- Tablecloths, linens

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**PAYMENT & CANCELLATION POLICY**

- See DEPOSIT and RENTAL FEES for fee structure and due dates.  
- Any cancellation made prior to 48 hours of the start of your event will receive a full refund of deposit and rental.  
- Any cancellation made within 48 hours of the start of your event will forfeit the deposit, but full rental fee will be returned.
**Rentals, Tours, and Programs**

**RENTAL CONFIRMATION** - Please print, complete, and submit with deposit.

Name of Organization: _________________________________________________________

Contact Person: ________________________________________________________________

Address:   ___________________________________________________________________

(phone, if returned, will be sent to this address. Include City, State, and Zip Code)

Phone:  ___________________________________________________________________

E-mail:   ___________________________________________________________________

Event Date(s): _________________________________________________________________

Rental Start/End Time: _______________   Event Start/End Time:   ___________________

(Include time allotted for set-up and tear-down)

Number of People: _____________________________________________________________

Age Range:   ___________________________________________________________________

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For Educators:  School:  _____________________________

Grade(s):  _____________________________

Subject:  _____________________________

I have read the rules and regulations of the Wood County Historical Center & Museum’s Rental Policy and will abide by the rules for the duration of my stay.

Signed: ________________________________________________________________________ Date: __________________

Museum Representative:  ________________________________________________________ Date: __________________

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