

Chronological Order of WLF and WLC History

- 1956:** Resolution passed to purchase the Camp with 240 acres purchased for \$18,000
-Opening session for Campers who are Blind or Visually Impaired – 26 attended
- 1957:** Formal dedication of the Camp
-Dining Hall built
-Maples, Birches, Oakes, Traders, Explorers, Frontiers, Lakewoods, and Pioneers Cabins built
- 1959:** Elms and Trailblazers Cabins built
- 1960:** Property Manager's house and garage built
- 1961:** Memorial Building built
- 1964:** First year of Adult Campers who are Blind or Visually Impaired
-40 acres purchased on the south side
-Director's Cabin built
- 1966:** First year of Campers with Intellectual Disabilities or Educational Autism
-Totem Pole #1 installed
- 1967:** Boys' and girls' bathhouses built
- 1969:** First year of Campers who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing
-20 acres purchased on north side
-Duplex containing Crafts/Health Lodge built
-Hemlocks and Pines Cabins built
- 1971:** Willows, Hodags, Pathfinders, and Ravens Cabins built
-100 acres added to the north and west of main Camp
- 1974:** Tamaracks Cabin built
- 1976:** Program began off Camp Trip
- 1977:** Off Season Rentals made permanent part of Camp Program
- 1978:** Recreational Shelter built
- 1979:** Environmental Education Program added
- Swimming Pier purchased for \$17,000
-Paddleboats donated
- 1980:** Program began for Danish counselors
-Lumberjacks cabin used as 11' boys' cabin
- 1981:** Indian Hollow developed by Campers who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing
-Leadership Program developed
-Renovation of Health Lodge and Crafts building
-Additional boys' bathhouse built
-Hodge House built
- 1983:** Nature Center built
-Totem Pole #2 installed ("Na-wak-wa" I)
- 1984:** Dry storage building built
- 1986:** Pinewood Lodge built
- 1987:** Swimming area expanded
-Ropes course program added
-New Trading Post built
-Dining Hall expanded
- 1988:** Pinewood Lodge lower level completed
-New main entrance gate built
- 1989:** Phase 1 Lions Lake dredging
-Nature Center expanded
- 1991:** Memorial Building office renovated
- 1992:** Memorial Building bathrooms renovated
-Wood Shed built

- 1994:** 40 acres purchased on the south side
-Regional Eyeglass Recycling Center built
- 1997:** First and second of nine year-round duplex cabins built
- 1998:** Third and fourth of nine year-round duplex cabins built
- 1999:** Climbing Tower built
-Friends and Honors Memorial Garden built
-Fifth and sixth of nine year-round duplex cabins built
-Trading Post expanded
- 2000:** New Rope Swing installed
-Seventh and eighth of nine year-round duplex cabins built
-First year of Campers with Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes
-Maintenance Shop/Storage built
- 2001:** Ninth of nine year-round duplex cabins built
-Totem Pole #3 installed (“Na-wak-wa” II)
- 2002:** Wisconsin Lions Foundation, Inc. moved office above Eyeglass Recycling Center
- 2003:** Sturm Memorial Dining Hall renovated
- 2004:** High & Low Challenge Course renovated
- 2005:** New Low rope elements added
- 2006:** Rope Swing replaced
-Camp and Foundation celebrate 50 Year Anniversary
-Performing Arts Program added
-Health Lodge resolution passed, construction began
- 2007:** Health Lodge built
- 2007:** First year of Adult Campers 18-25 with Intellectual Disabilities or Educational Autism
- 2008:** New elements added to both High and Low Ropes Course
- 2009:** Indian Hollow project completed – electricity and handrail added
- 2010:** Memorial Roof project – flat roof removal and re-shingling
- 2011:** Totem Pole #3 removed due to deterioration
- 2012:** Storage Shed rebuilt – destroyed by windstorm
-Temporary 18 ft. Totem Pole installed (“Misch-kee-kee”)
- 2014:** Totem Pole #4 installed (“Na-wak-wa” III)
- 2015:** Storage Shed rebuilt-destroyed by fire
- 2016:** Camp and Foundation celebrate 60 Year Anniversary