

2012 Fun Guide

Dixon Park District



Programs offered in this *Fun Guide* may be cancelled if funding and staffing become unavailable.

Over 1100 acres of recreation space and natural areas, including century-old Lowell Park where the late President Ronald Reagan served seven summers as lifeguard during his teen-age years.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Dixon Park District to maintain a high standard of leadership and competency in the promotion of sound environmental practices and lifestyles, and to maintain a creative and efficient park and recreation system.

Youth Policy

It shall be the policy of the Dixon Park District to provide opportunities for all youth, regardless of race, sex, handicap, or abilities, to experience positive sports and recreation activities through programs of the Dixon Park District.

ADA

The Dixon Park District, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, requests that persons with disabilities who require certain accommodations to allow them to observe and/or participate in meetings and/or activities with the Dixon Park District or have questions about the accessibility of meetings or facilities, contact the ADA Coordinator at (815) 284-3306 to allow the Dixon Park District to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

Office Hours:

Mon. — Fri. 9 am — Noon and 1 — 4pm
804 Palmyra St., Dixon, IL 61021
www.dixonparks.com

Park Office284-3306
Fax.....284-4950
Maintenance Garage.....284-9134
Nature Center.....288-5209
Woodcote.....284-0844
Tennis Courts.....284-2785
Sports Line (after hours).....284-3306
E-Mail.....dixonpark@grics.net

Non-residents of the Park District boundaries (coterminous with City of Dixon boundaries) pay no park taxes and will be charged a small N/R fee. Thank you for supporting the Dixon Park District through your taxes, donations, and fees. N/R fee based on age: Youth 0—18 yrs., Adult 19 & older.



- Half-price for third child in same program, same session.
- Dixon Park District has a **youth** fee assistance program for qualified families. Call our office for details, 284-3306.

**We are pleased to serve you as
Full-time and Part-time Staff:**

Debra Carey, Executive Director

Duane Long, Maintenance Director
Terry Hambley, Maintenance Foreman

Terry Shroyer, Recreation and Safety
Emma Hubbs, Tennis
Christi Rhea, Programming

Rose Drane, DeAnn Williams, Office Staff

Marcia Coan, Bookkeeper
Knutte & Associates, Park District Auditors



Sauk Valley Inline Hockey

- divisions for ages 6 - adult
- \$40 per participant
- movie night
- trip to Rockford Icehogs
- challenges and competitions
- music and lights
- loaner gear for new players
- Sponsor Appreciation Day

Print a registration form at svhockeyclub.com
or dixonparks.com -- \$40 per player. Season
begins April 15.

www.svhockeyclub.com

www.dixonparks.com



**Boys'
Koufax League**

- for boys ages 13 and 14
- teams will have 10 home and 10 road games
- home games at Reynolds Field, Dixon
- Tuesday and Thursday evenings, May, June and July
- register as a team

Youth Soccer

Please register at the Dixon Family YMCA.
You need not be a member of the Y to participate.

Practices and games will be held at Meadows
soccer fields, 1550 Washington Ave.

Dixon Family YMCA
110 N. Galena Avenue 288-9622

Youth Fall Baseball



- ages 9 - 11 and 12 - 14
- games at Reynolds Field, Dixon
- Sundays at Noon and 2 pm, for 10 weeks in Aug., Sept., and Oct.
- register as a team

Special Recreation Association

**A partnership of Dixon Park District,
City of Dixon, and Kreider Services.**

You need not be a Kreider client; if you are recovering from illness or surgery, or have any issues with mobility, these outings and events are for you!

**For a list of the activities or to make
arrangements for any event,
please call Kreider Services
288-6691 ext. 270 (Lisa)**

Farmers' Market
Local Produce, Plants, Crafts!

Wednesdays and Saturdays
7 am - Noon
May 5 through November 17

Want to be a Farmers' Market vendor?
Call us for details. 284-3306

Jumble Market
Tag Sale Items!

Fridays
7 am - 7 pm
May 5 through November 17

Want to be a Jumble Market vendor?
Call us for details. 284-3306

Dixon Park District's

Murphy USA Splash Pad
Custer Ave. & 3rd St.

Open Daily, Seasonally

The splash pad typically opens
when school is dismissed
for the summer.



Dixon Park District / Elks' Lodge
Annual Easter Egg Hunt

At Meadows' Soccer Fields
Washington Ave., next to Wooden Wonderland
Age Divisions



Begins **promptly** at 1 p.m.
Saturday, April 7, 2012

Reservations are taken **after** the first of the year for park shelters for the upcoming season and are taken on a first come/first served basis. (Stone shelters at Lowell Park are free of charge and will not be reserved.)

Persons are invited to rent the historic Reagan Bathhouse in Lowell Park — with a kitchen counter, fridge/freezer, a grill, 6 - 9 picnic tables, and huge roll-up windows to a river view!

NEW!

Now booking 2013!



Woodcote

...a stone and timber cottage in Lowell Park

Built of native limestone in 1909, Woodcote was once home to the park's keeper. Today, Woodcote's 6 bedrooms, full kitchen, and 2 1/2 baths are available for your:

- Corporate, business, or civic meetings
- Small weddings and receptions
- Bridal or baby showers
- Art, garden, or antique shows
- Family or church activities
- Bird and wildlife watching
- Family or class reunions

Inquire about touring Woodcote before making your plans, 284-3306.

Free!

Golf Camp for Kids, Ages 9 - 13

Register your child for a chance to win a free golf camp. Hosted by Dixon Park District and Dixon High School, Golf Camp staff includes Pat Lessner, DHS Head Golf Coach, and DHS Golf Team students.

Register through the last day of April at 4 pm.

Tuesday, May 1, ten names will be drawn.

Camp will be held at

Dixon Park District's Driving Range,
1010 Washington Avenue.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday,

July 10, 11, 12, 13

10 - 11:30 am



Sponsored by:

Dixon Police Department

KSB Hospital

Now Care

Dixon Park District's
Golf Center
1010 Washington Avenue

- driving range
- putting green
- 24-hr.ball machine



Open April 14 - September 30
Closed every Tuesday and Wednesday
including the ball machine.

Bus Trips to Wrigley Field

- **Wed., Apr. 25.....vs. Cards.....\$40**
- **Wed., June 27.....vs. Mets.....\$55**
- **Thurs., Aug 30.....vs. Brewers.....\$50**
- **Sat., Sept. 22.....vs. Cards.....\$75**

NEW!

Girls' Fast-pitch Competitive Softball League

Location.....Reynolds Field or Ballou Park

When.....Wednesdays in May, June, July

Times.....6:15 or 7:30 pm

Ages.....12 & under or 14 & under

Team fee.....\$450. (minimum of 4 teams)

First game.....May 23

Deadline to register your team.....May 14

Flag Football, Volleyball, Basketball

- Register your team for flag football in July.
- Register your team for volleyball or basketball in Oct.

View league information and print a blank roster
from our website at www.dixonparks.com.



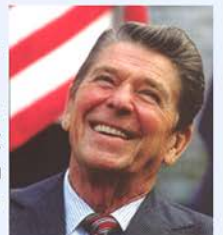
Reagan Run

Saturday, July 7, 2012

Kids Run.....7:30 am

Adults Run.....8 am

Forms may be picked up
from and returned to Dixon Park
District office or Dixon Main
Street office, 115 S. Hennepin
Ave.



*“Good coaching is about leadership and
instilling respect in your players. Dictators
lead through fear -- good coaches do not.”*

John Wooden



George Reid

Softball Leagues

Summer Adult Leagues

(18 years & older)

ASA and Dixon Park District Rules Apply.
Leagues & tournaments held at Reynolds Field

Deadline.....last day of April or when full
All League Fees.....\$475.

Men's D League.....Mon., begins May 14
Women's League.....Thurs., begins May 17
Co-Ed.....Fri., begins May 18

(number of games contingent on number of teams involved)
Number of teams limited, register EARLY for placement.
Captains' meeting, Wednesday, May 9.

Fall Adult Leagues

(18 years & older, no high school students)
ASA & Dixon Park District Rules Apply.

Deadline.....Mon., Aug. 13 or when full
All League Fees.....\$450.

Men's.....Tues., begins Aug. 21
Co-Ed.....Thurs., begins Aug. 23

(number of games contingent on number of teams involved)
Number of teams limited, register EARLY for placement.



Captains, coaches, and players may view league info and print a blank roster from our website at www.dixonparks.com

Softball Tournaments

- Men's Early Bird.....May 19 & 20
- Co-Ed.....June 16
- Men's Hot Shot.....July 14



Girls' K - 8th Grade Slow-pitch Softball

Learn the basic fundamentals, or compete in a fun and low-pressure atmosphere. Beginners welcome!

Register individually for the league that corresponds with your current grade level for the 2011-2012 school year. Late registrations will be put on a waiting list.

Games begin June 12 for six to eight weeks at Reynolds Field on Tuesday evenings. Practices will be one or two evenings per week.

Players may be placed in the annual players' draft if: first year player, did not play the previous year, moved into a new division, last year's team no longer exists, or player registers after the deadline.

Coaches' mtg. and draft date will be held Tues., May 8. Players will be contacted by their coaches after May 8 for the team and practice information.

Interested in coaching or sponsorship information? Contact Dixon Park District at 284-3306 before May 8.

Fee.....all grades.....\$20. per player
Registration.....March and April
Deadline.....last day of April

Free Instructional Camp will be held June 6, 7, 8 Grades K—4.....Instructional Camp, Learn the fundamentals of softball.....donation only Register before.....Fri., May 18

Join us at a cook-out, Saturday, April 21, to help raise funds for girls' slow-pitch! Call for details or to volunteer, 284-3306. Oliver's Corner Market is the place for barbecued pork chops and more!



"A good coach will make his players see what they can be, rather than what they are."

Ara Parashegian

"Doing your best is more important than being the best."

Shannon Miller

FREE

Family Events at Lowell Park Nature Center

Bring the kids!

We have activities and snacks planned to celebrate events such as:

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| Valentine's Day | Toasted Marshmallows |
| Festival of Owls | Honey-tasting |
| First Day of Spring | St. Patrick's Day |
| Vitamin C Day | Picnics and Campfires |
| Apple-Tasting | Candy Month Fudge Day |
| Blueberries Day | Watermelon Day |
| Warbler Walk | Nat'l. Rec. and Parks Day |



Call us for all the fun details!

Meadows Monster

Dual in the Dark.....April 28

Dual at Dawn.....October 27

Each event is a 2-mile run followed by a 10-mile bike followed by a 2-mile run. The paths will take you through the best scenery: Lowell Park and the Meadows and the Lowell Parkway biking/hiking path.



Photos, details, and a registration form can be found at www.meadowsmonster.com

Lowell Park Nature Center is taking two day-trips in 2012. Join us for either or both of these enjoyable and informational trips.

- **Horicon Marsh National Wildlife Refuge**
Van Trip with Boat Tour
Thurs., June 21, 8 am departure
small fee and limited seating
- **Necedah National Wildlife Refuge**
Van Trip
Thurs., Aug. 9, 8 am departure
small fee and limited seating



Forms, details, photos,
game schedules, and more!
www.dixonparks.com

Are you interested in having a nature-related program presented to your organization? We can match a program to fit your needs and audience; call the park office at 284-3306.

Park 4 Paws Dog Park

The dog park is open to paid (\$50) members only. To become a member, contact Dixon Park District.



Join us at Oliver's Corner Market (corner of Brington and Bradshaw) on Saturday, July 21 for a barbeque fundraiser that will benefit the dog park.



Dixon Park District Bow-Hunt Program

Wild Turkey and Deer in the Meadows
October (weekdays only),
November & December 2012

Call the office, 815-284-3306, for details of this program. Registration in April, orientation and proficiency test in September.



We are proud to offer **Tennis** programs are under the direction of **Emma Hubbs** with over 50 years of teaching experience. Pre-register one week prior to the first class. Dixon Park District is not responsible for missed classes.

Accommodations will be made for make-up lessons in the event of rain days; no refunds.

Please bring a new can of tennis balls to each session.



**No classes the week of
the Hubbs Tournament
July 23—27**

Tennis Tournaments

* 28th Annual KSB Petunia Festival Tournament

Youth.....July 3, 5
Men's Doubles.....July 7
Women's Doubles.....July 7
Mixed Doubles.....July 8

* 22nd Annual Hubbs Classic.....July 23-27

Family / Alumni Night, July 27;
all former students and instructors invited!

For play times and registration information, pick up brochures to these tournaments at the tennis courts or Park Office, both on Palmyra Street.

Interested in becoming a tennis booster?
Call the Park District office, 284-3306
or the Tennis Courts, 284-2785.

Summer Lessons

Early Bird.....Tues. & Thurs.

Ages.....16 yrs. and older
 Fee.....\$55 / \$65 N/R fee
 Days.....Tues. & Thurs., 7:45—8:45 a.m.
 Session I.....June 5—21
 Session II.....June 26—July 12
 Session III.....July 17—Aug. 9

Tiny Tot.... Mon., Wed., Fri.

Ages.....3—5 yrs.
 Fee.....\$50 / \$55 N/R fee
 Days.....9—9:45 a.m.
 Session I.....June 4—22
 Session II.....June 25—July 13
 Session III.....July 16—Aug. 10

Junior.....5 days/wk.

Four skill levels offered through this program.

Ages.....6—18 yrs.
 Fee.....\$60 / \$65 N/R Fee
 Beginner.....9—10 a.m.
 Adv. Beginner.....10—11 a.m.
 Intermediate.....11 am—Noon
 Advanced.....Noon—1:00 p.m.
 Session I.....June 4—June 22
 Session II.....June 25—July 13
 Session III.....July 16—Aug. 10

Evening.... Mon. & Wed.

(for working adults and kids of working parents)

Ages.....8 yrs. through Adult
 Fee for 18 and under.....\$50 / \$55 N/R fee
 Fee for 19 and up.....\$55 / \$65 N/R fee
 Time for 18 and under.....6—7 p.m.
 Time for 19 and up.....7—8 p.m.
 Session I.....June 4—June 20
 Session II.....June 25—July 11
 Session III.....July 16—Aug. 8

"The main purpose of a park is to preserve, restore, develop, and make accessible natural scenery. A park is not primarily a place for play, but rather to feed one's soul."

~O. C. Simonds

-renowned designer of Dixon's Lowell and neighborhood parks



Non-Park District Programs

Al Morrison Baseball League

Mike Venier.....288-6080

Dixon Area Girls' Fast-pitch League

Steve Aurand.....535-5219

Dixon Junior Dukes Football

Seth Tegeler.....973-2369

River Bandits

Dan Newman.....973-5571

Turkey Trot 5K

St. Anne's School.....288-5619

Your Dixon Park District elected Board of Commissioners meets the third Wednesday of every month, 6 pm at the park office, 804 Palmyra Street. The public is always welcome.



DIXON PARK DISTRICT



Registration Form

Complete the registration form and sign where indicated. Make checks payable to the DIXON PARK DISTRICT.

(Please ***DO NOT*** mail cash.) NO REFUNDS AFTER CLASS STARTING DATE

Mail this form to: DIXON PARK DISTRICT, 804 Palmyra St., Dixon, IL 61021

Name _____ Phone: Hm. _____ Bus. _____
 Home Address _____ City _____
 Date of Birth _____ Present Grade & School (if applicable) _____
 Program _____ Location _____
 Session _____ Shirt Size _____
 Fee _____ Non-Resident Fee: _____
 Cash _____ Check # _____ Date _____

For good and valuable consideration, the undersigned hereby releases the DIXON PARK DISTRICT; all of its cooperating agencies; and the elected commissioners, administrative officers, and instructors and agents of said parties, from any and all claims of whatever nature for any injury, loss, damage, accident or expense arising from or out of the participation in the DIXON PARK DISTRICT RECREATION PROGRAM, and further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless all of said parties above enumerated against claims and for all costs and reasonable attorney's fees arising out of or in any way connected with the participation in the recreation program.

The undersigned hereby releases and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless all of said parties above in regards to person or persons the undersigned includes or invites to participate with them in any activity.

SIGNED _____

(Parent and/or Guardian if under 18 years)

E-mail address for news/notices/updates _____