City Of Prairie du Chien

Parks · Recreation · Forestry

Activity Guide

Spring/Summer 2026

WELCOME TO OUR SPRING & SUMMER ACTIVITY GUIDE!

Spring and summer are wonderful times to get outside, stay active, and enjoy everything our community has to offer. We are excited to present this season's Activity Guide, filled with programs, events, and recreational opportunities for community members of all ages.

Our Parks & Recreation Department is proud to provide a wide variety of activities—from youth sports and summer programs to fitness classes, community events, and outdoor adventures. Whether you're trying something new, spending time with family, or continuing a favorite tradition, we hope these programs help you stay connected, active, and engaged throughout the season.

Our parks, trails, and recreational facilities are here for everyone to enjoy, and we encourage you to make the most of them this spring and summer. None of this would be possible without the support of our dedicated staff, volunteers, instructors, and community partners who help make these programs successful year after year.

Thank you for being part of our community. We look forward to seeing you in our parks, at our programs, and around town this season!

Morgan Crary
Aquatics & Rec Manager

Mike Wallace
Parks, Rec. & Forestry Director

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

(L-R) Lydia Thies, Beth Wagner, Nick Pedretti, Kayla Ingham, Cody Mainwaring, and Katherine Achenbach (Chair).

LA RIVIERE PARK BOARD MEMBERS

L-R: Dave Troester (Chair), Dee Baker, Suzy Cooley, Patricia Olijnyk, and Mike Mara

JOB/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Applications are accepted year-round for a variety of volunteer/part-time positions, including score keepers, instructors, lifeguards, officials and front desk. If you have talents that you're willing to share and would like some extra income, contact the Park & Rec Department at 608-326-7207.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION IS SIMPLE!

OPTION #1:
Online Registration begins May 1st
Go to https://pdc.recdesk.com/community/home to sign up for easy registration.

OPTION #2:
Some programs are drop-in/pay on site the day of.

Swim Lessons: Registration is online beginning May 1st.

City of Prairie du Chien

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It takes a lot of dedication and hard work to keep our city such a great place to live and enjoy. We thank our Volunteers and Employees for all they do!

You are Outstanding!!!

http://pdc.recdesk.com/community/home
608-326-7207

COME JOIN THE FUN!

KIDS FISHING CAMP

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17 (RAIN DATE JUNE 24)
TIME: 5:30- 6:45 PM

This hands-on workshop is geared toward beginners of all ages interested in learning how to fish or getting a few extra tips on how to catch more fish. Sharing fish stories, tall tales, and fun! Parents are encouraged to attend. All equipment and bait are provided if needed.

LOCATION: Washington Street Park Shelter

COST: FREE, HOWEVER, PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

REGISTER ONLINE
http://pdc.recdesk.com/community/home

For information on Fishing Outings like this for youth clubs, organizations, or special events, please call Musky Mike at 608-412-4556

THE CITY OF PDC MAY UTILIZE PICTURES OF INDIVIDUALS IN PROGRAMS FOR ADVERTISING PURPOSES.

Follow us on Facebook @pdcparks for updates and information

JR. GOLF PROGRAM

CO-SPONSORED BY THE PDC PARKS & REC DEPT. & THE PDC COUNTRY CLUB.

Open to Boys & Girls ages 7-14. (8 week program) Beginning June 15/16 ending August 3/4

Ages 7-10:
Mondays - 9am -11am

Ages 11-14:
Tuesdays - 9am-11am

Includes, instruction, games, snack & on course play. All kids receive a free tee shirt & bag of range balls.

FEES: $50 RES. • $60 NON-RES.
FOR MORE INFO: JAMEY PEDRETTI: 608-326-6707.

TOT LOT

This pre-school program is geared for ages 2-5 with parent/guardian. Emphasis on story time, physical activity, simple arts & crafts & fun!

Begins June 17-July 22 every Wednesday from 9-9:45am at Lochner Park Large Shelter.

RES. FEE: $15 • NON-RES. FEES: $25
MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 15 YOUTH

HOLD-YOUR-HORSES HORSE RIDES

Held at the Childrens Ranch on Monday nights starting June 1, 15, July 6, 13, 27, August 3, 10, 17 from 5pm-6pm.

Ideal for ages 3-12 years old. Each child that attends will have the opportunity for 2 horse rides. Horses are led around in an enclosed arena. Helmets required & provided.

The Childrens Ranch is located at 61011 Sebastian Lane.
Cost $3 per child/session or $20 for a season.
Call Gracie Ferries at 608-790-7104 for more information.

T-BALL BASEBALL

(FOR BOYS & GIRLS)

Begins June 10 - July 15, Including July 4th week Wednesdays from 8-9am at Lochner Park

This 6 week fun program is for ages 5-6 with an introduction to game skills using a safety ball. Participants will learn basic throwing, catching, and batting skills, with modified game play. Players need to bring their own gloves.

Res. Fees: $15, Non-Res Fee $25

BUS TRIP

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22nd, 2026
1:10 PM GAME TIME
MILWAUKEE BREWERS vs. NEW YORK METS

American Family Field • $60.00 per person. This includes round trip coach bus and Loge Bleacher ticket. This is a family friendly trip geared for kids, so no alcohol on bus. Youth must have an adult chaperone. Bring your own food and drinks for trip, as well as money for souvenirs and snacks at the game. The bus will depart promptly at 8am from Hoffman Hall Recreation Center parking lot and will arrive back at Hoffman Hall at approximately 8pm. Seats will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Sign up and pay at City Hall, Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm.

5th Annual

Prairie du Chien Parks and Recreation Department's

Charlie Everts Memorial Youth Fishing Derby

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD

4:00 – 6:30 PM, WASHINGTON STREET PARK SHELTER (Across from the boat harbor)

OPEN TO:	Youth Ages 17 & Under
DIVISIONS:	7 & Under, 8 – 11, 12 – 17
ENTRY FEE:	Free
REGISTRATION:	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM ON-SITE
DERBY BEGINS:	5:00 PM
DERBY ENDS:	6:30 PM
PRIZES/FOOD:	Immediately following, enjoy hot dogs, chips and beverages!
SITE:	Washington Street Shelter

Poles and bait will be provided however you may bring your own!
This is a great way to get started and have fun with the entire family!

Sponsored By:
Charles Evert Memorial Youth Fishing Program & Starks Sport Shop

For more information please contact Sherry Slife 608-306-2864 or Mike Wallace 608-326-7207.

KIDS IN THE GARDEN

FREE Summer Garden Program.
Sponsored by: Crawford County Master Gardeners, City of Prairie du Chien Park & Rec Department.
Location: Memorial Gardens, St. Feriole Island.

Free for kids 5-14.
Parent or adult required to stay with children.

WEDNESDAYS 9:30am - 11am

Each Session Includes a Great Story Walk.

June 17 - Constructing a Bug Condo.
Plus planting seeds in our garden.

July 1 - Let's talk about Robins. Our Wisconsin State Bird.

July 15 - *Miniature Gardens.
Create a miniature garden to take home to nurture and enjoy.
**Preregistration required! Call Donna to register.*

July 29 - Frogs & Toads.

August 12 - Apples! Apples! Apples! Lets learn about apples and taste some too.

MASTER GARDENER
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
DIVISION OF EXTENSION

Call Donna with any questions at (608) 412-4661

CHESS BOARD TABLE

Kevin Stout from the Eagle Scout Troop 320 built and donated a Chess Board Picnic Table for the community to use. It is located on Blackhawk Ave. at Lucky Park. This table has two built-in boards with chess pieces provided. Enjoy the view of the river while playing chess. This project was funded by donations from the George Family Foundation and Deckorators.

GROW YOUR OWN GARDEN PLOTS

Available early March thru the end of October. $10 for approximately 100 square feet. Located in the Michigan Street park.

For more information, to read the guidelines or to reserve your space, simply visit City Hall. Signup begins in March and the gardens close the end of October. No toxic chemicals are allowed at the garden plots (other than standard fertilizers).

OCTOBERFEST BUTTON DESIGN CONTEST

This contest is based on the best design that symbolizes our celebration of German heritage. Ideas could include German food, clothing, drinks, music, family, or any other thing related to Oktoberfest! Open to youth ages 17 and under.

Drop off or send your submission to Prairie Catholic School by May 1, 2026. The winner will be notified following the design selection and will receive a Grand Prize Gift Basket, a picture in the newspaper, and multiple web pages.

Get Started
It's never too early to start saving!
"Stop living in the past, and start living in the future. Open an account today!"
PEOPLES STATE BANK
608-326-3500
peoplesfinancial.com
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HOFFMAN HALL RECREATION CENTER

SUMMER SCHEDULE: MAY 26 - AUGUST 30
1600 S. Wacouta Ave., Prairie du Chien, WI
608-326-2985
https://pdc.recdesk.com/Community/Home
https://www.facebook.com/PdCParks

HOFFMAN HALL SUMMER SCHEDULE

Monday, Thursday, Friday: 10am - 2pm
Tuesday: 10am - 3pm Wednesday: 10am - 4pm

FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE

MONDAYS	Cardio Mix: 5:15-6:15pm
TUESDAYS	Body Sculpting: 5:15-6:15pm
WEDNESDAYS	Yoga: 5:00-6:00pm
THURSDAYS	Pilates: 5:15-6:15pm
SATURDAYS	Cardio Mix/Step & Sculpt 8:00-9:00am

PRICING

	Monthly Pass	Non-Res. Monthly Pass	Annual Membership	Non-Res. Annual Membership
Family/Senior Couple	$60.00	$80.00	$420.00	$520.00
Adult (Ages 19-62)	$50.00	$65.00	$375.00	$450.00
Senior/Youth/Student	$40.00	$50.00	$325.00	$375.00
Corporate (10 or more)	$40.00		$325.00	

DAILY PASS

Family	Resident $10.00	Non-Resident $12.00
Adults	Resident $5.00	Non-Resident $6.00
Senior/Youth/Student	Resident $3.00	Non-Resident $4.00

WALKING PASS ..... Daily $2.00 ..... Monthly $20.00

PUNCH PASSES

Adult	Resident $50.00	Non-Resident $60.00
Senior/Youth/Student	Resident $30.00	Non-Resident $40.00

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

Hoffman Hall offers corporate memberships for businesses or institutions within the city of Prairie du Chien that have 10 or more employees. Employees will need to show proof of their employment at the time of registering at Hoffman Hall's front desk.

DISCOUNTED FEES: $40/monthly or $325/annual (This is good for you and your children in one immediate family, one household only.)

Enjoy the tennis & pickleball courts all summer! Tennis & pickleball racquets available for use if reserved at least 24 hours beforehand. Call Hoffman Hall to reserve.

RENTAL PICKLEBALL EQUIPMENT

You can rent pickleball equipment for a fee. Please contact Hoffman Hall at 608-326-2985 for more information.

Get Your Recreation A.S.A.P.

ACTIVE SENIOR & ADULTS PROGRAM

at Hoffman Hall Recreation Center

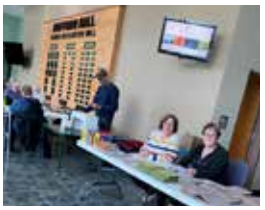
The City of Prairie du Chien Parks & Recreation Department is committed to enhancing the quality of lives of Active Seniors & Adults over the age of 55 by providing recreation and leisure activities/programs to complement and improve your independent lifestyle while having fun!

The activities are provided with the collaborative efforts from the City of Prairie du Chien Parks & Recreation Department, the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Crawford County, Crossing Rivers Health, and Southwest Wisconsin Technical College.

ALL SESSIONS FREE TO THE PUBLIC!

ADRC MEAL SITE AT HOFFMAN HALL

Meals served Monday through Friday at 11:30am
Call 608-326-0235 for reservations at least 24 hours in advance.
Suggested donation is $4.00 - $6.00.



BINGO

Every Wednesday 1:30pm -3:30pm.
Spring Session ends May 27.
Summer Session runs June 3-Aug 26.
Offering a fun & friendly bingo experience for adults of all ages. Supplies are available & our volunteers are eager to help you learn the ropes. Check prizes, hard cards, paper specials.

AT HOFFMAN HALL REC CENTER.
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 608-326-2985

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Crawford County Alzheimer's / Dementia Support Group:
Meets the 4th Tuesday of each month, from 10am – 11:30am
Family care partners come together to share information, experiences, and support. Skilled and knowledgeable volunteers facilitate groups. This is free and open to the public year-round. **For more information, please get in touch with Jeanne Jordie at 608-306-2486.**

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Come join us at Hoffman Hall every Monday from 1pm – 3pm to explore, challenge, and hone in on your watercolor painting. Bring your own supplies. No cost. (We support each other with positivity.)

INDOOR PLAY ZONE

Children under the age 1 are welcome, but please be aware that the equipment is most appropriate for ages 1-5. Adult supervision is required.

Open Play Time: Monday–Fridays: 10am-2pm

Hoffman Hall's INDOOR Play Zone, is designed for children kindergarten-age and younger to play under parental/guardian supervision. A community partnership between the Prairie du Chien Park & Recreation Department, Crawford County Extension, Crossing Rivers Health, and PdC Rotary Club offers young children a safe, clean play space to burn off energy and have fun. In addition, parents and their kids can share in activities, meet with existing playgroups and make new friends.

Admission: $2 per child per day

WACOUTA AQUATIC PARK

POOL OPENS JUNE 6TH @ 12 pm

POOL ADMISSION

DAILY PASSES:	Resident	Non-Resident
Family/Senior Couple	$10.00	$12.00
Adult	$5.00	$6.00
Senior/Youth (Ages 3-17) /Student:	$3.00	$4.00
Youth (Ages 0-2)	Free	

ANNUAL PASSES:	Resident	Non-Resident
Individual	$65.00	$100.00
Family	$90.00	$140.00

PUNCH PASSES:

Adult: Resident - $50.00
Non-Resident - $60.00

Senior/Youth/Student: Resident - $30.00
Non-Resident - $40.00

- Family includes yourself, a spouse, and your children in one immediate family, one household only. Children 18 and older cannot be considered for a Family Membership unless they are in college and can show a current registration receipt/ID.
- Seniors are considered age 63 and over.
- Full-time college students (12 credits undergraduate/6 credits graduate) will be required to show a recent report card or registration receipt/ID.

Pool Passes will be sold online or at Hoffman Hall Front Desk beginning May 1st.

POOL CLOSING

Regular pool hours are established in advance; however, the Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to modify the schedule or close the pool for any reason, including inclement weather or low attendance. *Pool closings will also be posted, when possible, on our Facebook page.*

POOL SCHEDULE

June 6-August 16

POOL CLOSED JULY 4TH

LAP SWIM

Early Bird (M-F) 7-8:15am
Evening (M-TH) 5-6pm
Sat & Sun 12Noon-1pm

OPEN SWIM

M-F 1-5pm
Sat & Sun 1-4pm

FAMILY FUN SWIMS

Reasonably sized inflatables & toys allowed. No squirt guns.
Tuesdays & Thursdays .. 6-8pm
Sundays 4-6pm

WATER AEROBICS

Morning (M-F) 8:15-9am
Evening (T, & Th)..... 5:15-6pm

DEEP WATER AEROBICS (W)..... 5:15 - 6pm

SWIM LESSONS

Following an 8-lesson format over a two-week period. Lessons will be held Monday - Thursday with Fridays as a rain date. From 9-11:15am (Times vary based on level.)

Session 1: June 15-26 Session 2: July 6-17
Session 3: July 27-August 7

REGISTER ONLINE: Beginning May 1st
https://pdc.recdesk.com/Community/Home

POOL PARTIES

Join us from 1pm-3pm
For These Special Events!

SAVE THESE DATES!

June 27, July 18, August 8

Themes will be announced prior to each party.

SWIM TEAM

Join the Prairie du Chien Waterhawks Swim Team! Our season runs from June 8th to July 25th. Practices are held Monday through Friday except on Meet Days. Improve your swimming strokes and technique while having fun and making new friends.

Ages 8 & Under and 13-18 practice 11:15am-12:10pm

Ages 9-10 & 11-12 practice 11:55am-12:45pm

Participants must have passed Level 3 swimming lessons and a deep-water test.

Open to all area communities. Cost: $45/swimmer plus must purchase a season pool pass.

Follow the Prairie du Chien Waterhawks Facebook page for more information about the upcoming season.

In-person registration will be on April 15th 4:30pm-6pm at Hoffman Hall Lobby.

POOL RENTAL TIMES

Fridays – 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Rentals must be made 1 week before the date.

FREE SWIM NIGHT

Sponsored by Peoples State Bank
August 6 – 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

FREE SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

CONCERTS ON THE RIVER

We will be offering free concerts with the area's top musical talents. Those planning on attending are encouraged to bring family and friends with blankets, lawn chairs, and snacks as you'll really enjoy these casual evenings of entertainment Thursday Nights 6:30-8pm at Lawler Park Gazebo South. For more information contact the PDC Parks & Recreation Dept. at 608-326-7207.

SPONSORED BY:

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(608) 326-6416

GREAT LOCAL MUSICIANS INCLUDE...

JUNE 4: YESTERDAY'S TODAY - Is a band from Southwest Wisconsin playing your favorites in Classic Rock and new to old Country. The goal is to provide great entertainment at a reasonable price. Check out their website for booking information, schedule, band details, and pictures.

JUNE 11: DYLAN HARRIS & GOOD COMPANY - We all know Dylan Harris from introducing our bands and sponsors here at Concerts on the River. Many of us also know him for hosting the open jam here in town at The Tavern every Thursday night. With Good Company to back him up, the music will have your toe tapping and your soul shining. Country classic, rock deep cuts, local favorites, and let the good times roll. Cha cha cha!

JUNE 18: GTP ROCK - Get ready to ROCK with this three-piece band from Iowa, as they bring you music, you're sure to know from the 70's, 80's, and 90's! You won't be able to resist jumping up and dancing as they crank it up and play your favorites!

JUNE 25: 16 STRINGS AND A STICK - Crisse is back with her fiddle and Mark "Tunes" Glassbrenner with his guitar, and they will get your toes tapping and your hands clapping playing a mix of Country, Celtic, Bluegrass, and Gospel!

JULY 2: WAPSI RIVER RAMBLERS - Midwestern southern rock outlaws with soul. Playing Americana, roots, rock, blues, country, folk, funk, etc. In short, a collective of songwriting musicians.

JULY 9: ONE MORE SHOT - Many will remember Greg as the lead singer with the Back Home Boys, which he did for over 2 decades. After the group disbanded, he took a break from music for several years. Now he's back as a solo artist and is entertaining folks with favorites from many different genres of music.

JULY 16: ELECTRIC GRAVY - A proud local band known for their high energy, great harmony, and amazing sound. They feature classic rock, kickn' country, blues, and more. Their diverse music repertoire guarantees a lively and enjoyable experience for all! Their shows are filled with Rock, Blues, Country, and Americana.

JULY 23: KRIS LAGER BAND - Based out of Omaha, Nebraska. Kris and his band have fused together their passion for blues, soul, funk, country, and almost every other American roots music there is into a refreshing musical experience. Traveling coast to coast, they are one of the hardest-working bands on the road today.

JULY 30: ABBEY LANE - Singer, songwriter, artist, guitarist, bringing a unique blend of current classic rock, pop, country, and folk with a soulful passion that will leave you hooked from the first note. Playing everything from the '50s to the present.

AUGUST 6: DRIFTLESS MAGNOLIAS -formed in June 2023, this duo consists of Chellanie and Tisha. This duo plays covers and original music, including old and new country, and interacts with the crowd.

AUGUST 13: TED & ALICE MILLER - An award-winning husband and wife Folk/Americana songwriting duo that hails from Northeast Nebraska. Living in the Midwest countryside lends itself to songwriting inspired by the native landscape and nature as much as it does the ebb and flow of life in rural communities.

AUGUST 20: ONE HEADLIGHT - This 5-piece band from southwest Wisconsin brings you their favorite songs to play from their over 150 years of combined performance experience. From classic rock standards to toe-tapping country favorites, and everything in between.

CANOE/KAYAK CLASSES

Geared for recreational users 10 & older. Two hour clinics teach essentials of boat fitting, maneuvering, paddling skills and techniques. Ideal for new paddlers. No roll experience needed and no roll instruction provided. Must be a competent swimmer. **All sessions run on Thursdays, 4-6 pm at Washington St. Park. August 13th or 20th. Res. Fees: $20 • Non-Res. Fees: $25.**

KAYAK, CANOE & BIKE RENTALS

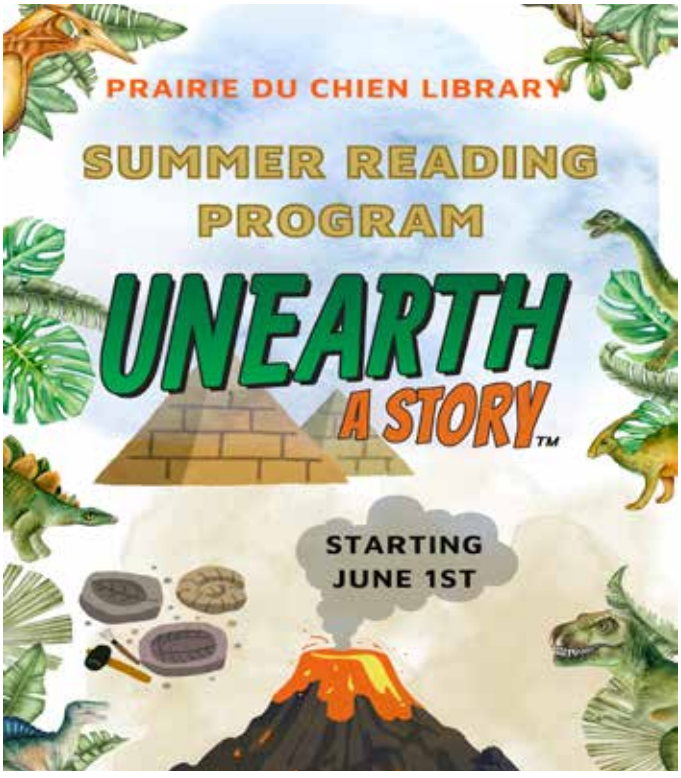
Located at the Outdoor Recreation Center, Washington Street Park (North Main & Washington St.) Beginning June 20, rentals of kayaks, canoes & bikes will be available at Washington Street Park.

Open Saturdays & Sundays, 12-4pm

- Single kayak or canoe with paddle & PFD is $10 for 2 hrs.
- Bike & helmet (required).
- Up to 4 bikes is $5 for all / 2 hrs.

ROTARY DISC GOLF COURSE

As a result of the generosity of the Rotary Club of Prairie du Chien, an 18 hole disc golf course is now available on St. Feriole Island. No cost to utilize the course. Don't forget to check in at the Rotary Disc Golf Course on Facebook! **For more information call 608-326-7207.**



COOL PARK STUFF / VACATION FUN

CITY PARK SHELTERS

Park shelter reservations may be made for dates between May 1 & Oct 31.

Prairie du Chien Park Shelters 2026

Park Shelter Name	Address	Resident	Non-Resident	Number of Tables
Fire Association Shelter	Blackhawk Ave. & Villa Louis Rd	$75	$85	20+
LaRiviere Park Barn	62036 LaRiviere Lane	$75	$85	10+
LaRiviere Park Shelter	62036 LaRiviere Lane	$75	$85	6
Fort Fun Shelter	1401 E. Wells St.	$40	$50	10
Fourth Ward Shelter	Fisher St. & Villa Louis Road	$40	$50	8
Jaycee Shelter	419 5th St.	$40	$50	12
Lawler Park Rock Building	430 N. Water St	$40	$50	0
Lawler Park South	430 N. Water St	$40	$50	10
Lawler Park North	430 N. Water St	$40	$50	8
Lessard Shelter	900 W. Blackhawk Ave.	$40	$50	10
Lochner Park Large Shelter	906 S. Wacouta Ave.	$40	$50	10
Lochner Park Small Shelter	906 S. Wacouta Ave.	$40	$50	5
Washington Street Park Shelter	401 N. Main St.	$40	$50	10
Island Gardens Gazebo	298 N. 4th St.	$30	$40	0
Frable Ulrich Shelter	N. Water St.	$30	$40	6
Peoples State Bank Shelter	N. Water St.	$30	$40	6
Leamy Shelter	520 N. Villa Louis Rd.	$30	$40	6
O'Brien Park Shelter	1100 E. Fowler St.	$30	$40	6

Reservation Procedure

Contact the receptionist in the City Hall office (608-326-6406) to reserve a shelter. The fee is per shelter per day and must be paid one week after making the reservation.

TREE CITY USA

We are proud to be recognized as one of 3000 communities in the country to hold this status. Thanks to efforts from city staff, many donors, and volunteers we continue to be able to offer a healthy sustainable urban forestry program. We are committed to keep our community environmentally healthy through education, innovative programs, and increased emphasis on planting and caring.

MEMORIAL PICNIC TABLE PROGRAM

The City of Prairie du Chien Parks and Recreation Department provides the opportunity to honor a loved one with the purchase of a picnic table and plaque. If you are interested in purchasing a picnic table, please call 608-326-7207 for more information.

FORT FUN PROJECT

The Fort Fun Playground has been part of the Prairie du Chien community for 28 years and will be replaced with your support. We are in the process of fundraising and need $500,000 to complete the project. This is an ongoing project, and we are encouraging you to help by participating in our local fundraisers or donating to the future of our playground.

If you have more questions or you would like to donate to this project, please contact Mike Wallace at mwallace@prairieduchien-wi.gov or call at 608-326-7207.

SUMMER VACATION TICKET DISCOUNTS

ATTRACTIONS IN WISCONSIN DELLS

A great way to start your summer vacation while saving lots of money! Tickets can be purchased between 8am-4:30pm at City Hall (214 East Blackhawk Avenue). Cash only with exact amount appreciated. Call 608-326-6406 for questions.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY ZOO

A zoo of renown with a reputation as a leader in animal management, conservation, research, and education with a wholesome recreational environment.

Season: Open most days of the year. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas & New Year's
Adult Ticket Gate Price: $22.75, We Sell At: $15.50, Customer Saves: $7.25 Child Ticket (3-12) Gate Price: $19.75, We Sell At: $12.50, Customer Saves: $7.25, Free Tickets for ages 2 & under.

MT. OLYMPUS THEME & WATER PARK

Unlimited go-karts, rollercoasters, water attractions, including America's Tallest waterslide, kiddie rides, and more!

Season: May 22, 2026 - September 7, 2026. Ticket Gate Price: $38.00, We Sell At: $17.75, Customer Saves: $20.25, FREE Tickets for ages 2 & under.

NOAH'S ARK WATERPARK

America's largest waterpark with over 50+ attractions including two wave pools, two lazy rivers, a water coaster, multiple children's play areas and 2.5 million gallons of heated water!

Season: May 23, 2026 - September 7, 2026
Adult/Child Ticket Gate Price: $59.99, We Sell At: $37.35, Customer Saves: 22.64. FREE tickets: Children under 36"

PIRATE'S COVE ADVENTURE GOLF

Argh Mateys! Your treasure is at Pirate's Cove Adventure Golf in Wisconsin Dells, mini-golf at its finest. 5 different courses - 91 unique holes. Clean putting greens and beautiful landscaping. A gift store is in our lower ticket booth.

Season: Open Mid-March Through Late October, Weather Permitting. Ticket Gate Price: $11.50, We Sell At: $9.00, Customer Saves: $2.50
FREE: Age 4 and under are free.

LAND OF NATURA

America's largest floating water park. Experience the natural side of the Dells, for all ages through both active, fun, and refreshing relaxation in a beautiful and sustaining environment.

Season: May - September
Adult/Child Ticket Gate Price: $45.00, We Sell At: $20.00,
Customer Saves: $25.00

LA RIVIERE PARK - A HIDDEN GEM IN PDC

We invite you to visit one of the most natural and scenic parks the City of Prairie du Chien has to offer, which is located only a few minutes outside of town, off Vineyard Coulee Road.This unique park was donated to the City of Prairie du Chien in 1976 by Dan LaRiveire as a public park and recreational area to benefit present and future generations that may have the pleasure of visiting and enjoying the area of wooded hills and wildlife living therein. The 300 acre park features over 6 miles of excellent hiking trails and approximately 10 miles of adjoining Horse Trails. The park is a mix of hardwood forest, grasslands and native prairies, but on a closer look, you will see much more.

LaRIVIERE HORSE PARK

During the summer of 1987, Dan Boom, a LaRiviere Park Board member and a good friend of Dan LaRiviere, invited equestrian riders to use the park for horse riding. Many Sunday afternoons were spent riding horses, developing trails, using the park, and enjoying nature. All of this would have brought a smile to Dan LaRiviere's face. In August of 1988, the first Large Horse Ride was held and has been done each year since. Additionally, in 2007 the LaRiviere Riders, Inc. was formed and signed a lease with the City of Prairie du Chien, with the goal of providing a fully operational free horse campground with equestrian trails within the park. This 100-unit Horse Park is one of the largest in the nation which is run by volunteers and entirely subsidized with donations. For more information, please call 608-412-1924 or check out the website at http://lariviereriders.mycanva.site.

LaRiviere PARK SPECIAL EVENTS

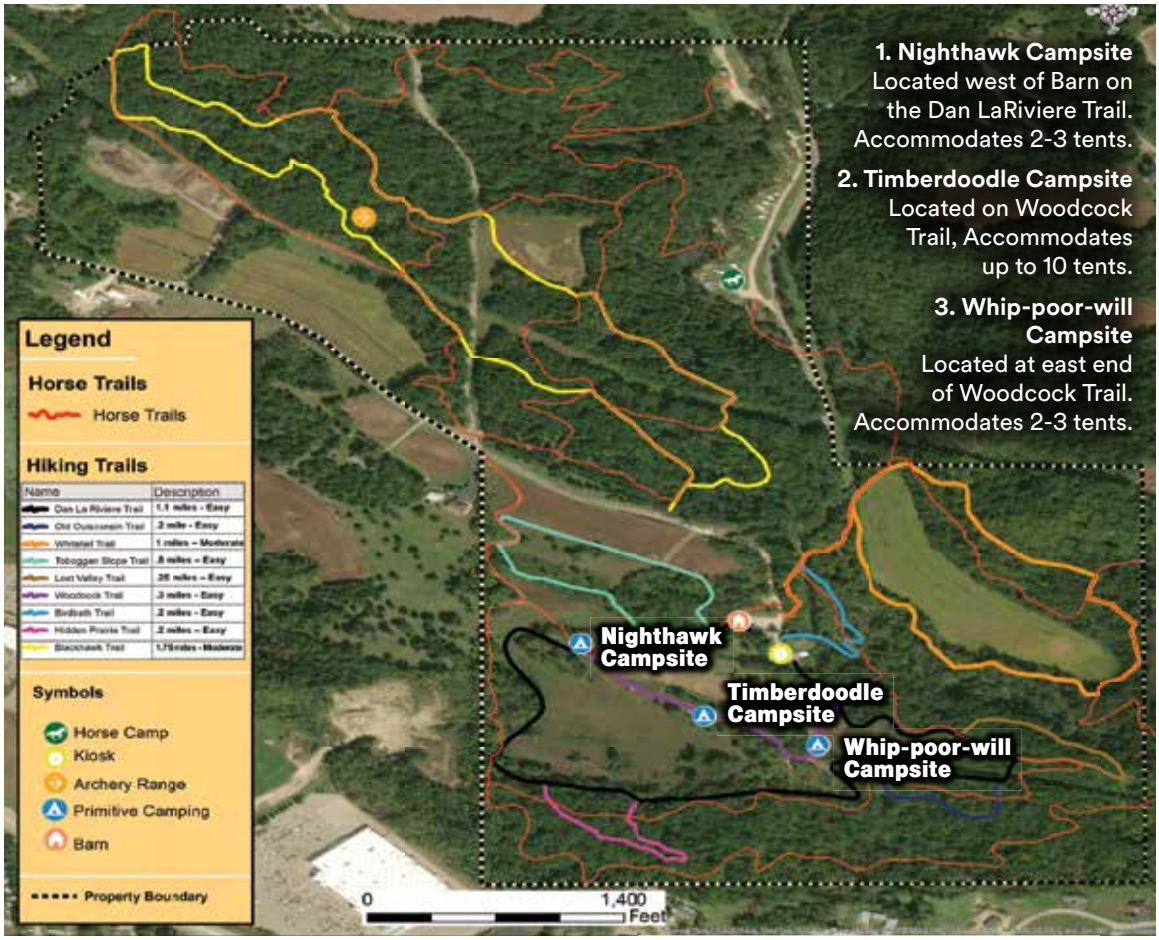
Horse Park Open.....April 15
Horse Park Educational Day..... May 23
Horse Riders Appreciation Weekend ..... June 19-21
Timberdoodle Dance ..... By reservation 608-326-2718
World Migratory Bird Day Walk/Activities .....May 2 @ 8am
Visit The Park in the Dark.....TBA
Horse Riders Park Appreciation Ride..... September 4-7
PdC Middle School Cross Country Races .....September 21

FREE FIREWOOD PROGRAM

The City of Prairie du Chien allows the removal of firewood subject to conditions and restrictions. Permits can be obtained for free at City Hall. (214 Blackhawk Ave.) Permits are good for one year and must be carried with you. Only downed trees may be cut during daytime hours and conducted in assigned areas. **For specific details on location and designated routes, please call 608-326-7207 or 608-326-2525.**

LA RIVIERE PARK PRIMITIVE CAMPING

Primitive camping only is allowed in the 3 walk-in designated sites. Camping is free, however, you must register prior to setting up by calling 608-326-6406. All campsites have fire rings & picnic shelters. Campers must carry in/and out all items. Reservation names/dates will be posted at the Barn. This registration period will expire at 3pm on the final day of camping. Camping periods exceeding one week are not allowed unless given written permission from Park Board/ Director. Violation of any city/state laws or rules of the park by campers is grounds for removal from the park. The City of Prairie du Chien reserves the right to limit camping capacity in order to protect other campers as well as the natural resources. Campsites include:



THE PARKS OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN

ST. FERIOLE ISLAND

Our busiest park! This park is the site of the earliest settlement and activity in Prairie du Chien.

- Site of the Battle of Prairie du Chien during the War of 1812 and of the First Fort Crawford, where three important Indian treaties were signed.

• Fourth Ward residential neighborhood, until it was relocated following the record flood of 1965.

• Home of the Villa Louis, the Dousman family estate built on the site Fort Crawford.

• Contains Lawler Park, the riverfront, Mississippi River Sculpture Park, St. Feriole Island Garden & St. Feriole Island Ball Park and President Trees.

• Host to annual events including the Prairie Villa Rendezvous, PdC Fire Assoc. Flea Market, Prairie Dog Blues Fest, and Villa Louis Carriage Classic, Oktoberfest and so much more!

• Ideal for walking, biking & fishing.

• Good location for watching ducks and eagles in season.

• Boat landings & picnic areas.

• Two approaches to the island at Blackhawk Ave. & Washington St.

• 18 hole disc golf course.

Enjoy what the Island has to offer!

MISSISSIPPI RIVER SCULPTURE PARK

Located on historical St. Feriole Island along the Mississippi River and adjacent to the Villa Louis. This park includes life size bronze statues of Chief Blackhawk, Voyager Julian Coryer, and Emma Big Bear to name a few. Walking tours are available. Check out the new augmented reality where each sculpture comes alive and tells a story.

For more information call: 608-326-7207

ST. FERIOLE ISLAND GARDENS

Prairie du Chien's most picturesque and serene garden area emphasizes the natural beauty within the Memorial Gardens. The gardens consist of ten acres of various perennial and annual flowers that adorn the pocket parks, multiple walking paths, memorials and over 50 species of historical trees. Also included are the Children's Activity Gardens, Shade Gardens, Patio Garden and Harmony Park.

Located at 200 N. 4th St. on St. Feriole Island.

For more information, call 608-412-4661.

THE TRAIL OF PRESIDENTS

Very few small towns can say they have had 23 presidents that lived or visited their communities. We have researched each United States President and have formed a list of the 23 Presidents that have visited Prairie du Chien. The Oak tree is America's National Tree. Oak trees are being planted because individual oaks have played a part in historical events. In the annals of military history "Old Ironsides," the U.S. Constitution, took its nickname from the strength of its live oak hull, famous for repelling British cannonballs. President of Mexico, Vicente Fox was educated at the former Campion Boys School. Come visit this one-of-a-kind park to find out more!

PDC SKATE PARK

The Children's Advisory Board along with many supporters have added a great skateboard park to the Prairie du Chien Park system. With input from the young people of Prairie du Chien, a design was developed to meet the needs of local skaters. There is no admission charge to the new park and it is open during park hours to skateboards, Rollerblades and BMX style bikes. It is located in the the Aquatic Park/Fort Fun complex.

PDC'S DOG PARK 400 West Lockwood

This is a 1.9-acre dog park for all furry friends aged 6 months and older. The park features a fenced area with an agility course to provide extra comprehensive physical exercise and mental stimulation for the dogs. Please take a moment to review the posted regulations and enjoy this new addition to our city parks! The agility courses were kindly donated by the George Family Foundation.

HOFFMAN HALL DONORS

Because of the support of various businesses, organizations, and individuals, we have been able to raise over $1.8 Million to date for the improvements to Hoffman Hall Recreation Center. Because of this incredible support, we look forward to offering more quality activities and special event programming in the future. If you would like to get more information of how to assist with Hoffman Halls upgrades, please call Parks & Recreation Director, Mike Wallace at 608-326-7207.

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Because of their generous support, the community will be proudly providing a new Dog Park for years to come! We appreciate their pawsitive support in raising $36,000 to make this happen!

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FRYDENLUND FAMILY DONATES TO LA RIVIERE PARK

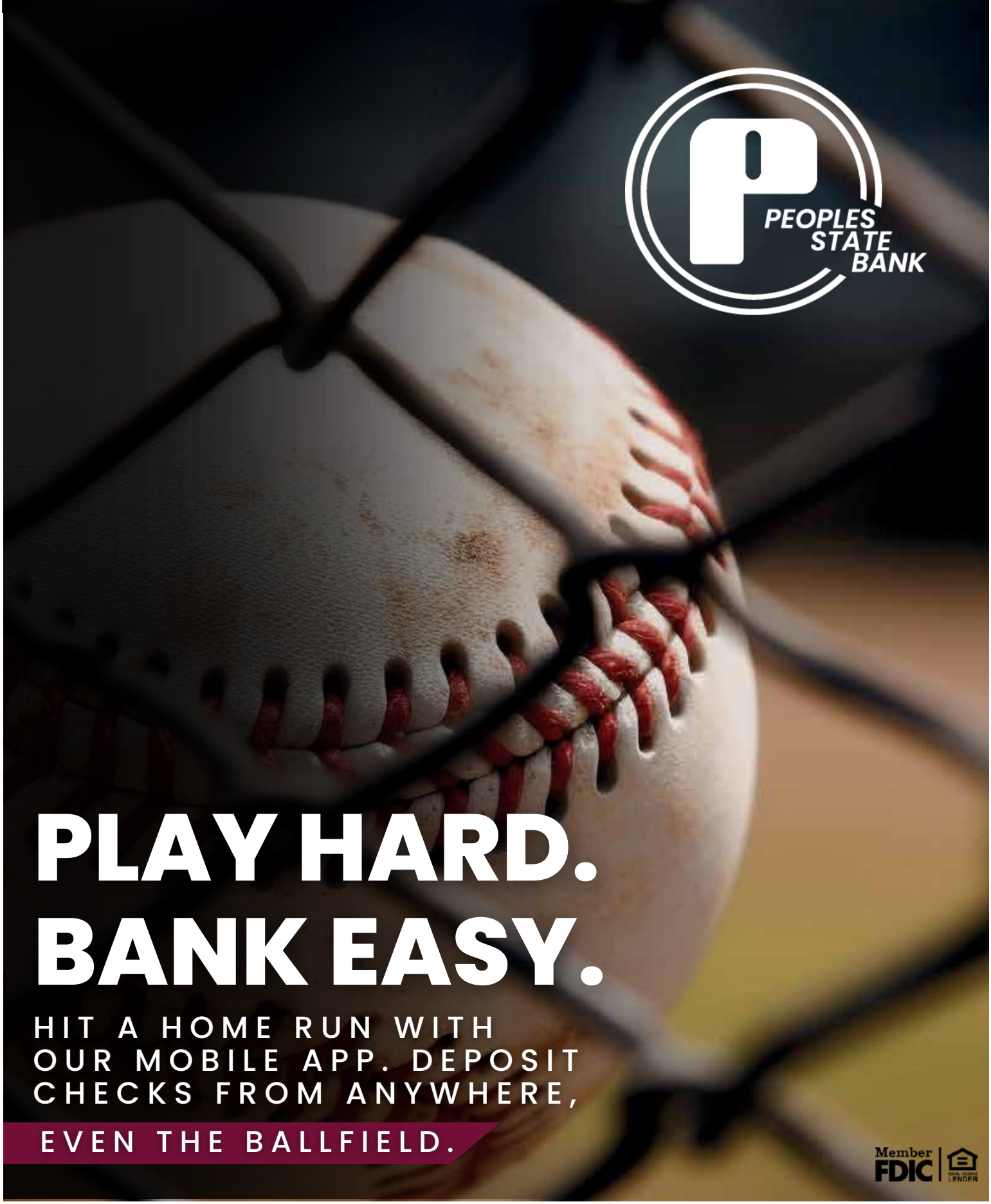
The Frydenlund family recently presented a gift to the Prairie du Chien La Riviere Park Committee in memory of their parents, Art and Elaine Frydenlund, longtime members of the community.

The donation was used to construct a new welcome kiosk, which features park information, history, trail map, and a memorial plaque. La Riviere Park is intertwined with Frydenlund Family history and their passion for Prairie du Chien and its quality of life.

CECIL SMITH BALLFIELD RENOVATIONS

With $41,000 in upgrades installed at Cecil Smith Ballfields, the park looks "Major League"! These renovations could have not been done without many people, businesses, and organizations involved including:

The PdC Little League, The Childrens Advisory Board, The PdC Kiwanis Club, Crossing Rivers Health, Peoples State Bank, Wisconsin Distributors, 3M, Prairie Sand and Gravel, Steger Fencing, Sports World, the PdC Rotary Club and many of the city of PdC Staff.



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