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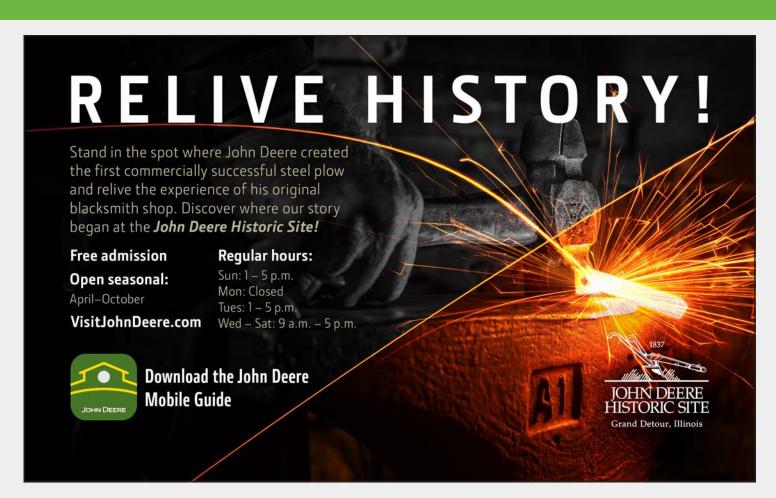


















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In the rolling hills and old-growth forests of beautiful northwest Illinois, Blackhawk Waterways is a world away from your regular day. This region encompasses the four counties of **Carroll, Lee, Ogle** and **Whiteside** – 2,700 square miles of genuine smiles, outdoor adventure and charming villages that dot a landscape watered by the Rock River and the mighty Mississippi. Scenic byways, rich history and outstanding special events make Blackhawk Waterways a preferred destination for hundreds of thousands of visitors each year.

So, whether you're searching for a family outing, a great escape or a romantic getaway, you'll discover hidden treasures and unique pleasures in this special place in the pines.



Diane Bausman, Executive Director

BLACKHAWK WATERWAYS CVB

Promoting tourism in the counties of Carroll, Lee, Ogle and Whiteside.

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ABOUT THE BLACKHAWK WATERWAYS REGION

The Blackhawk Waterways region is filled with opportunities for wildlife viewing, hiking and biking, boating and fishing, shopping and antiquing, and exploring our nation's rich history, or just sitting in an old-growth forest and reading a book. Blackhawk Waterways is packed with history and mystery – 2,700 square miles of woodlands and wonderful attractions, charming small towns and villages, unobstructed views and pastoral settings that will have you returning to visit.

If nature's your thing, you'll discover a region rich in outdoor opportunities, from 10 state parks and a 2,200-acre state forest to exceptional golf courses and 125 miles of beautiful boating and great fishing courtesy of the Rock and Mississippi Rivers. The streams, rivers, and lakes offer anglers the ideal settings for their next big fish story, including catfish, muskie, and trout.

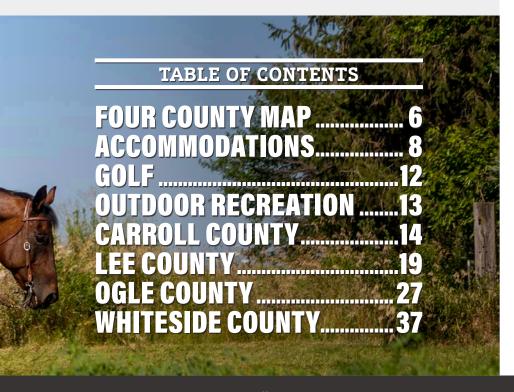
Retail therapy enthusiasts applaud the shopping opportunities that abound in the Blackhawk Waterways, offering everything from eclectic hand-crafted gifts and quaint art galleries, to antique treasures and coveted collectibles. You'll always be greeted by friendly shopkeepers who still understand the art of authentic hospitality.

History lovers find a new home in the Blackhawk Waterways, where

a treasure trove of museums, monuments and historical sites capture the imagination. Experience the birthplace and boyhood homes of President Ronald Reagan. Travel stretches of the original Lincoln Highway and the Great River Road National Scenic Byway. Tour the John Deere Historic Site, Learn more about the bloody battles of the Black Hawk War of 1832 that pitted half of all federal troops of the U.S. Army (as well as 9,000 volunteers from the Illinois Militia, including future President Abraham Lincoln) against Black Hawk, a war chief of the Sauk, Fox and Kickapoo nations, and his British band of warriors.

Whether you're seeking a day trip or a week-long adventure, discover excellent restaurants and diverse lodging choices that range from primitive campsites and rustic cabins to pampering B&Bs, comfortable country inns and award-winning hotels – all just 90 minutes from Chicagoland.

For some, the real beauty of Blackhawk Waterways is found in its natural wonders, which give pause from a workaday life. For them, the simplicity of a falling autumn leaf, a browsing deer, or a crackling fire, are the magnets that draw them to this special place – a getaway like it used to be!





#REALGETAWAYSILLINOIS #NWILLINOISIRL

Picturesque sunsets, meandering rivers, rolling hills, amazing wildlife, and old-fashioned charm, are treasures often overlooked in the unconscious routine of life.

It's easy to settle and wish away the days, expecting tomorrow to be no different than today. But, if we stop and remind ourselves just how powerful life's little treasures can be, how they can enrich our lives, how they can recharge our souls — wouldn't we take pause from our daily routines and seek out those very treasures. Travel to destinations that inspire us. Perhaps stop living vicariously through our family and friends who boast endlessly about their last great escape all over social media. Become the envied rather than the envious.

With this in mind, we crafted a new push for our visitors to Northwest Illinois called **Real Getaways in Illinois** and **Northwest Illinois In Real Life**. We encourage our travelers to capture their memories and post to social media using the hashtags **#RealGetawaysIllinois** and **#NWIllinoisIRL**.

The Real Getaways campaign embodies the concept of not putting off travel until tomorrow, of not living life vicariously through social media, and of seizing adventures that lie right outside our front doors. A real getaway in real life.

It's about being a participant, not a spectator. It's also about the stark contrast between relaxing rural and stress-filled urban. We want the young, and the young at heart; Those active individuals who seek out adventure and enjoy the contrast between living and active, social life and online social interaction.

Let Northwest Illinois be a beacon for those individuals yearning to not let life escape them and experience adventure at Real Getaways InRealLife.

COUNTY MAP







ACCOMMODATIONS

Whether you're seeking a day-trip or a week-long adventure, discover excellent restaurants and diverse lodging choices that range from primitive campsites and rustic cabins to pampering B&Bs, comfortable vacation rentals and award-winning hotels - all just 90 minutes from Chicagoland.

CARROLL

BED & BREAKFASTS/ **COUNTRY INNS**

Historic home located in the heart of Savanna. Families and pets welcome. 4 BR, 2 baths, LR, DR. kitchen

inn-at-1883-house.business.site Savanna • 623 Chicago Ave. 779-861-4245

The Inn at Molly's
Our historic, restored 1865 building features two 600 sq. ft. suites, combining rural charm with contemporary amenities and style. Guests are treated to a delicious continental breakfast featuring baked goods from Molly's Kitchen & Bar. Spend the day exploring the historic buildings and architecture of Mount Carroll, then come home to cocktails and a delicious meal downstairs at Molly's. Note: our suites in this historic building are located on the second floor, accessible by stairs only.

mollysmountcarroll.com Mt. Carroll . 110 W. Market St.

Two Wheel Inn

Located above the Iron Horse Social Club, a Vintage Motorcycle Museum & Bar and offers a unique overnight destination. We're on Main Street in downtown Savanna along the bluffs of the beautiful Mississippi River. Come enjoy the camaraderie - awesome museum, great people, great music and ice cold beer.

Savanna • 314 Main St. 815-273-2661 | FB

CABINS/COTTAGES

Hickory Hideaway

Escape to our wooded property in either a cozy cabin or cottage equipped with all the comforts of home including whirlpool tubs, fireplaces and bonfire pits. We are located a short distance from state parks and Mississippi River.

hickoryhideaway.com Shannon • 24366 Payne Rd. 815-864-2099

The Nest at Palisades Cabins

1 bdrm., private cabins, wooded acreage above the Mississippi. Jacuzzi, gas, wood stove, satellite TV, VCR/CD/DVD. Complimentary bicycles. Savanna • Scenic Ridge Rd. 815-273-7824 | FB

Rustic River Cabins

Log cabins in the Bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River. Each cabin can sleep up to 6; kitchenette with fridge & microwave, central heat + air, spacious loft, 50 inch flat-screen TV & private deck.

Airbnb.com Savanna • 1000 Calhoun Street 708-906-4516

Seven Eagles Cabins

3 log cabins, AC, TV, microwave, refrigerator, private baths. Linen, towels and firewood included. Free WiFi.

goseveneagles.com Savanna • 9734 IL Rt. 84 815-273-7301

Timber Lake Resort

New 1 & 2-bdrm. cabins sleep 6, full bath, kitchenette, AC, TV, porches, view. timberlakeresort.com Mt. Carroll . 8216 Black Oak Bd. 815-244-1600

The Tiny House Cabin

The Tiny House Cabin is located at the vintage Spring Lake Campground on the lake offering beautiful views. Enjoy all the campground has to offer such as canoe/ kayak rental, bonfires & direct access to the Great River Bike Trail.

airbnb.com/rooms/50570867 Savanna • 8048 IL-84 563-468-1411

CAMPGROUNDS

Fin & Feather Campground

7 acres riverfront camping, hunting, fishing on backwaters of Mississippi River. Boat, motor, canoe rental & access. Bait shop & concessions.

Thomson • 6284 Riverview Rd. 815-273-3302

Lake Carroll Campground

Private ownership campground featuring 135 sites situated on 113 acres. Complete with full service electrical and water hook-up options, a newly renovated playground, a spacious shower house, camper storage, a pavilion for group events, and waste station. Seasonal, Daily/Weekly, and Overflow sites are available to members

golakecarroll.com Lanark • 15-960 Plumtree Blvd. 815-493-2552

Mississippi Palisades State

241 campsites, 110 sites with electricity. Water, 2 dump stations, showers/toilets in 3 buildings open May 1 – Oct. 31. Convenience store open during summer.

www.dnr.illinois.gov/Parks/Camp/Pages/ MississippiPalisades Savanna • 16327A IL Rt. 84 815-273-2731

Seven Eagles RV Resort & Campground

Open year round. Located next to Great River Bike Path and Spring Lake Wildlife Refuge. Camping, RV sites, Log Cabins & Motel. In-Ground Pool, 6-in-1 sports court, playground, clubhouse, Free Wi-Fi, private fishing, miles of hiking trails around wildlife refuge. Close to Mississippi River and Boat Ramps.

goseveneagles.com Savanna • 9734 IL Rt. 84 815-273-7301

Spring Lake Campground

Privately owned lake front campground featuring 30 amp electric/water hookups, boat launch, fishing, bait & tackle, ice, canoe/kayak rentals, pavilion, and camp store. Direct access to the Great River Bike

campspringlake.com Savanna • 8048 Rt. 84 S. 563-468-1411

Timber Lake Resort

New facilities, 100+ campsites, RV sites with water, sewer, electric hookups. Log cabin rentals, lakeside rustic camping. 800 sq. ft. pool, group pavilion rental, recreation center, general store, lakeside deck, two spring-fed lakes & Timber Lake Playhouse.

timberlakeresort.com
Mt. Carroll • 8216 Black Oak Rd. 815-244-1600

U.S.A.C.E. Thomson Causeway **Recreation Area**

131 sites located on 64 acres on a backwater island of the Mississippi River. RV, tenting, shower houses, dump station, fishing, hiking & biking paths & boat launch area. Open Apr. - Oct.

www.recreation.gov/camping/ campgrounds/233651 Thomson • Lewis Ave. 815-259-2353

HOTELS/MOTEL

The Bridgewater Inn 1886 Historic Boutique Hotel in downtown Mount Carroll. Restaurants and shopping within walking distance. Mississippi Palisades State Park nearby. RMS have private baths, mini fridge, microwave and free

WIFI. Sorry, no pets.

ourbridgewaterinn.com

Mt. Carroll • 116 E. Market St. 815-244-0201

Executive Inn

40 rooms, microwave, refrigerator, laundry. Whirlpool suite available. New restaurant/bar, Free WiFi, Pets OK.

executiveinnthomson.com Thomson • 800 One Mile Rd. 815-305-6688

La Hacienda Inn

30 theme rooms, including the Deer Hunting room, jungle room, motorcycle room, and fishing room. Conveniently located at the intersection of Hwy 52 and Oakton Rd, midway between Dubuque, Iowa, and the Quad Cities, 35 miles from Galena and just minutes away from the Mississippi River. Pet friendly. lahacienda-inn.com

Savanna • 2000 Oakton Rd. 563-599-3447

Savanna Inn & Suites

Indoor pool, hot tub, continental breakfast, electrical outlets for boats & travel trailers. New fitness room! Conference room for 15. Jacuzzi/fireplace/celebration/business suites; microwaves, refrigerators, coffee. Free WiFi. Pets ok.

savannainnandsuites.com Savanna • 101 Valley View Dr. 815-273-2288

Seven Eagles RV Resort & Campground

Microwave, refrigerator, coffee, patio, grill, laundry, heated outdoor pool, new theater room. Free WiFi.

goseveneagles.com Savanna • 9734 IL Rt. 74 815-273-7301

SureStay by Best Western 44 rooms including King suites with kitchenettes. We also offer a 9 hole golf course and The Sand Trap Bar & Grill. bestwestern.com/Thomson Thomson • 5020 IL Rt. 84 815-902-6063

Trailside Inn

12 rooms, TV, AC, refrigerator, microwave, hair dryers, jacuzzi/fireplace rooms. General Store, Gift Loft, mini golf. Panoramic views.

trailsideinc.com Lake Carroll • 2178 Lake Carroll Blvd. 815-493-8484

VACATION RENTALS

420 Damage ControlThis 1 BR, 1 bath newly remodeled spacious apt is located on the Mississippi River side of Main St in downtown Savanna. You have all the access with none of the noise. Stunning river views from your own private deck.

airbnb.com/rooms/49781119

BluRiver CanopyBluRiver Canopy is a 2nd floor apartment located close to the downtown and Mississippi River and has two BR, kitchen/ living room layout, bath and more! Check out website for details.

csavanna.club airbnb.com/rooms/21345998 Savanna • 34 3rd St. 815-905-1227

BluRiver Nest

Vacation rental lodging near the hearth of downtown Savanna and just minutes from the Great River Bike Trail and the Mississippi River. We offer a main level 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom apartment with a full kitchen and

dining and living rooms.
airbnb.com/rooms/31238313
Savanna • 34 3rd St.

Butterfly CottageJust a couple blocks off Main St. and close to Mississippi River, Great River Bike Trail & downtown. 2 BR LR, private backyard and a full kitchen with all the amenities

airbnb.com/rooms/49631878

Center Hill 3

Vacation rental apartment with 2 BR, 1 bath, an open kitchen/living room, deck and walk-in closets and all the amenities to make your stay comfortable. Located ½ way between Mt. Carroll and Savanna and close to Mississippi River, Palisades State Park and the Great River Bike Trail.

Airbnb.com/rooms/35494658 Mt. Carroll • 10110 Getz Rd.

Center Hill 8

This newly remodeled vacation rental offers 2 bedrooms, 1 bath and an open concept kitchen/living room. The kitchen is fully furnished and walk-in closets in the bedrooms offer extra space. Located ½ way between Mt. Carroll & Savanna and close to Mississippi River, Palisades State Park & Great River Bike Trail.

airbnb.com/rooms/53260819 Mt. Carroll • 10110 Getz Rd.

Cottage on Cooley
1 BR/1 bath vacation rental home located on a low traffic street on partially wooded hillside with off-street parking. New screen porch, A/C queen-size murphy bed and completely furnished for your weekend retreat. Easy 2 block walk to main street activities and 3 blocks to the Mississippi

airbnb.com/rooms/628858790278937567 Savanna • 803 Cooley Ave.

Cozy Cottage Getaway

This is a cozy cottage with use of deck and grill, LR, dining area, full kitchen with all amenities, 2 BR plus washer & dryer. River and marina 1 block away. Easy walking to downtown, Mississippi River and bike trail. airbnb.com/rooms/43388063

Savanna 815-975-8496

Cozy Hilltop Home

Located just 1/2 mile from Savanna & on a very secluded private hilltop overlooking downtown with a backdrop of the Mississippi River. relax in the spa tub or enjoy a glass of wine on the private deck. LR and Kitchen with all amenities. It can sleep four with a king size bed on the second floor and a queen futon on the main level.

airbnb.com/h/cozyhilltophome Savanna • 529 N. 4th St. 630-930-2509

The Dragonfly
The Dragonfly is a historic, 19th century gem
that's been newly renovated & offers 2 BR
& 1 bath main floor unit with contemporary comfort throughout. Located close to

downtown and Mississippi River. airbnb.com/rooms/50292754 Savanna • 115 Jefferson St.

The Driftless Muse

2 BR & 2 bath, LR, kitchen and small art studio located on a quiet street just 2 blocks from downtown. Enjoy a pleasant walk on the beautiful brick paved streets to find coffee & lattes, great food, antiques, local music, a haunted house and a 10 minute drive from

the Mississippi River. Airbnb.com Mt. Carroll • 104 N. Carroll St.

708-334-4978

East Haven Guest House

Quaint Victorian home 2 blocks from Mississippi River waterfront & close to downtown bars and restaurants. 3 BR, 3 baths, LR, DR, kitchen with all amenities. airbnb.com/rooms/49047768

Hillside 702

This wooded hillside location has over 1/2 acre and is an easy walk to the Mississippi River water front & downtown Savanna. 2 BR's, 1 bath, and kitchen & LR.

Airbnb.com/rooms/32742681 Savanna • 702 Cooley Ave.

Hillside 711

One BR, one bath ranch home on a hillside location with off street parking, garage for motorcycles, large deck, covered porch. There are also stairs next to the home to access Main Street dining, shopping and river front. Completely furnished. Close to Palisades State Park, Great River Bike Trail and 30 minutes to Galena and Chestnut Mountain Ski Lodge are approx. 25 miles north.

Savanna • 711 N. 4th St. 815-238-2414

Main Street Place in Mt. Carroll

Beautiful home on a residential brick street. Only 5 min. walk to the downtown. Updated decor with beautifully restored hardwood floors. All the amenities you need for your stay in this historic community. 45 min. drive to Galena & 10 min. to Palisades State Park, Great River Bike Trail and Mississippi River. airbnb.com/rooms/642802193324831694 Mt. Carroll • 102 N. Main St. 630-885-8722

The Mill Street House

Located at the edge of historic Mt. Carroll on a large private lot, this historic home has 5 bedroom, 1.5 baths, LR, DR, large kitchen, large private deck & screened front porch. Perfect for family vacations, guests from outof-town, family & class reunions and more! Fully equipped and ready to welcome you!
airbnb.com/rooms/42982270 Mt. Carroll • 415 S. Mill St.

Missi-Vanna

This Savanna apartment is within walking distance to stores, Mississippi River, Palisades State Park, Great River Bike Trail, restaurants, and town night life. Apartment has full kitchen, LR, 1 BR, 1 bath and 3 dbl beds so it could sleep up to 4.

airhnb.com/rooms/51199819

Savanna • 321 Bowen St.

Momma's Burnout Airbnb

420 Friendly, this newly remodeled 1 BR apartment is located on the Mississippi River side of Main St in the heart of downtown Savanna. Stunning river views from your own private deck.

airbnb.com/h/420damagecontrol Savanna • 309 Main St. 815-908-0515

Savanna Vista

3 BR, 3 baths, LR, DR, kitchen. Enjoy beautiful views of Savanna, the Mississippi River, and sunsets all from the front room of this home. The Palisades State Park is only a short 5-minute drive. The trailhead of the 62-mile Great River bike trail begins 7 blocks

Airbnb.com/rooms/27677569 Savanna • 720 N. 4th St.

SNL Getaway LLC

Well maintained, cozy home with loads of character. Located high on a hill overlooking Savanna, it has a large family room, mair level BR, 1/2 bath, and laundry. Beautiful woodwork and doors throughout and new landscaping makes it perfect for outdoor

entertaining. snlgetawayllc.com Savanna • 200 Van St. 815-266-9166

The Tiny House Cabin
The Tiny House Cabin is located at the vintage Spring Lake Campground on the lake offering beautiful views. Enjoy all the campground has to offer such as canoe/kayak rental, bonfires & direct access to the

Great River Bike Trail.
airbnb.com/rooms/50570867
Savanna • 8048 IL-84 563-468-1411

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BED & BREAKFASTS

Lincoln Way: A Destination Inn Located on the historic Lincoln Highway in

Franklin Grove, the Lincoln Way Inn features five locally themed rooms, each with a unique design and décor.

lincolnwayinn.com

Franklin Grove • 409 N. State St. 815-456-7700

CABINS/COTTAGES

Franklin Creek Cabin Franklin Grove • 1484 Old Mill Rd.

Woodcote

1909 stone/timber cottage in historic Lowell Park for corporate retreats, weddings,

receptions, showers, events.
dixonparkdistrict.com/rentals/woodcote Dixon • 2114 Lowell Park Rd. 815-284-3306

CAMPGROUNDS

Green River Oaks Camping

225 sites, 11 trailer rentals, water, electric, some sewer hook-ups. Swimming pools, fishing, basketball, tennis, mini golf, shuffleboard, horseshoe pits, volleyball, softball, store, snack bar, LP gas sales. Weekend rec programs Memorial Day-Labor Day. Reservations required.

greenriveroaks.com Amboy • 1442 Sleepy Hollow Rd. 815-857-2815

Mendota Hills Camping Resort

Large lakefront & wooded sites available Secluded sites, sanitary station, modern restrooms, showers, store, firewood, laundry, boat rental, hiking, game room, family

mendotahillscampground.com | FB Amboy • 642 U.S. Rt. 52 815-849-5930

O'Connell's RV Campground

Tent camping, hookups, cabins, fully-equipped units. Fishing, 3 heated pools, spas, kiddie pools, beach, waterslide. Mini-golf, game room, arts/crafts, hay wagon rides, karaoke, dances.

rvonthego.com/illinois/oconnells-rv-

campground Amboy • 970 Green Wing Rd. 877-570-2267

Pineview Campground

Family-style camping, two lakes, swimming, fishing. Electric, water & sewer hook-ups, shower, flush toilets on wooded sites. Open May 1 – Oct.

pineviewcampgrounds.com Amboy • 1273 Sleepy Hollow Rd. 815-857-3964

Woodhaven Lakes

Private, gated recreational camping resort located in the heart of North Central Illinois, just two hours west of Chicago. Woodhaven does not offer seasonal, weekly or monthly rentals. In order to use the many amenities and services of Woodhaven you must be a property owner.

woodhavenassociation.com Sublette • 509 LaMoille Rd. 815-849-5209

HOTELS/MOTELS

Quality Inn & Suites - Dixon Full hot breakfast, heated indoor pool,

waterslide, whirlpool, fitness center, free WiFi, suites w/microwave, refrigerator & sleeper sofa available. Meeting/party space for up to 200 for events & business functions. Customizable food/beverage menu for breakfast - dinner.

cidixon.com Dixon • 136 Plaza Dr. 815-284-0500

Dixon Super 8 Motel

Award-winning motel. 41 renovated rooms, themed hot tub suite. Free continental breakfast, 24-hour coffee, hair dryers, irons & ironing boards. Free local calls, microfridges, cable TV, HBO, bus /truck parking, outlets. Free WiFi.

super8.com Dixon • 1800 S. Galena Ave. 815-284-1800

The Magnuson Hotel of Dixon

Free breakfast, wi-fi, cable, business center, in-room microwave, refrigerators & coffee makers. We also offer meeting space, outdoor swimming pool, jacuzzi suites and adjoining rooms. Located next to the Brandywine Banquet Facility and close to both Dixon and the Sterling / Rock Falls

magnusonhotels.com Dixon • 443 IL Rt. 2 815-677-9950

VACATION RENTALS

Franklin Creek Cabin

This spacious 3 bed 2 bath getaway sits adjacent to Franklin Creek State Natural area. Literally out your backdoor is access to hiking, trail running, birding, fishing and equestrian activities. The Franklin Creek Grist Mill is nearby & Nachusa Grasslands

airbnb.com/rooms/3164437 Franklin Grove • 1484 Old Mill Rd. 815-440-5609

King Family Homestead
This is a 4 bedroom, 2 bath cozy brick
bungalow that can sleep 8. It's nestled on 80
mostly wooded acres of recreational land.

vrbo.com/419882 Dixon • 1215 Institute Blvd. 608-233-9588

Lil' House on the Prairie

This country cottage is located on 2+ acres at the edge of Nachusa Grassland's 1,000acre south Bison pasture and features 2 BR, open concept main level, fully furnished kitchen, many amenities and 1 bath. Airbnb.com/rooms/29202794 Franklin Grove . S. Lowden Rd.

Millspring Cottage Located in the middle of the 900-acre Franklin Creek State Natural Area. It offers 2 BRs plus loft sleeping area, 2 baths, kitchen with all amenities, open concept kitchen, LR, DR and all the extras.

airbnb.com/rooms/51885565 Franklin Grove • 1480 Old Mill Rd.

OGLE

BED & BREAKFASTS

Barnacopia

Barnacopia is a farm museum, events venue and Bed & Breakfast featuring two fully appointed guest rooms with full bathrooms and hot tubs all located in a silo next to the barn and the top floor of the silo is a library.

barnacopia.com Polo • 2570 N. Westbranch Rd. 815-238-1417

Patchwork Inn

Casual elegance in a historic setting. Nine immaculate guest rooms with private baths, individual climate control and flat screen LCD/DVR television. Rates include a delicious homemade breakfast. No children

patchworkinn.com Oregon • 122 N. 3rd St. 815-732-4113

Rochelle Railroad Diamond

3 suites, caboose, picnic tables, no pets. railfanmotel.com Rochelle • 215 N. 9th St. 815-561-7076

CABINS/COTTAGES

Pine Creek Escape
The Cabins at Pine Creek serve as the perfect escape for any occasion. We offer three upscale cabins that have sleeping arrangements for 6-12 people, and modern amenities like wifi, TV, A/C, full kitchens, fireplaces & more.

pinecreekescape.com | FB Oregon • 6797 W. Pines Rd. 815-881-1180

White Pines Lodge Cabins

Authentic log cabins situated in the heart of the White Pines State Park. 13 standalone cabins; 6 quad cabins for groups and two romantic suite cabins with king canopy beds and olde fashioned soaking tubs. All cabins ca equipped with gas fireplaces, A/C, TV, bed linens and towels. Open March - Dec.

VisitWhitePines.com Mt. Morris . 6712 W. Pines Rd. 815-655-2400

CAMPGROUNDS

Grand Detour Camping Islands

50 acres Rock River islands, 200 campsites, access to river.

Grand Detour • 8195 IL Rt. 2 S.
815-595-4255 | FB

Hansen's Hideaway Ranch & Campground

Tents, pop-ups, RVs, camping sites: water, electric, swimming, nature trails, arcade, snack bar, playground, horseshoe pits, covered pavilion, restrooms, showers, sanitary dumping station, fire rings, firewood & ice available. Open Apr. 15 – Nov. 1.

hansenshideawaycampground.com Oregon • 2936 S. Harmony Rd. 815-732-6489 or 815-973-2920

Lake LaDonna Family **Campground & Cabins**

Beach lake, waterfall, rope swing, diving boards, slides, tire swing, lifeguards, store, playground, sports courts, horseshoes, showers, water/electric hook-ups, dump station, AC cabins.

lakeladonna.com Oregon • 1302 Harmony Rd. 815-732-6804

Lake Louise

Sand beach, 13-acre spring-fed lake, 300 campsites, slides, raft, kiddie beach, paddleboat, rowboat rentals, pool & hot tub, beach house offers food and gifts. Open Apr. – Oct.

lakelouiseusa.com Byron • 8840 N. IL Rt. 2 815-234-8483

Lowden State Park

Camping sites, limited electricity, shower building, dump station, summer refreshment

www.dnr.illinois.gov/Parks/Camp/Pages/ Lowden Oregon • 1411 N. River Rd. 815-732-6828

River Road Camping & Marina 30-acre campground, public heated pool, canoe rental, boat ramp & launch, gas, general store, volleyball, basketball, game room, playground, open Apr. - Nov.

riverroadcamping.com Oregon • 3922 River Rd. 815-234-5383

Rock River Christian Camp & Retreat Center

Open year round, planned programing for youth & adults, facility rentals, groups from 15 to 250, providing recreation & A/V equipment, housing, meals.

rockrivercc.net Polo • 16486 W. IL Rt. 64 815-493-6622

White Pines State Park

103 Class B/S campsites w/car access, Class C camping, 2 youth group areas, 6 wheelchair-accessible campsites. camp.exploremoreil.com

Mt. Morris • 6712 W. Pines Rd. 815-946-3717

HOTELS/MOTELS

Blackhawk's Trail Lodge 6-room lodge, all-season porch with fireplace, breakfast for groups, AC, TV, microwave, refrigerator, coffee, private boat ramp, open year round, pets OK blackhawkstraillodge.com

Byron • 10723 IL Rt. 2 N. 815-234-5544

Chateau Lodge

12-room lodge, renovated theme rooms.

chateauLodge.com Oregon • 1326 IL Rt. 2 N. 815-973-6195

Comfort Inn & Suites

2003 Silver Award Winner by Choice Hotels Int'l., 66 rooms, 27 suites, continental breakfast, business center, restaurant & lounge, indoor pool, full-service health club. Free WiFi, pets ok. hotelrochelle.com

Rochelle • 1133 N. 7th St. (Hwy. 251) 815-562-5551

Hillcrest Motel

10 rooms w/ new electric, heat & AC, reasonable prices, TV. Rochelle • IL Rt. 251 N. 815-562-8411

Holiday Inn Express

Voted BEST complimentary hot breakfast in town. Heated indoor pool and fitness center, FREE WiFi, 80 rooms, meeting space and more! Mention "Blackhawk Waterways" to receive a discounted rate on your next stay.

hierochellehotel.com

Rochelle • 1240 S. Dement Rd. 815-562-9994

Mt. Morris Motel

Our room rates are the most reasonable (as low as \$39/day for single occupancy plus tax). Free US/Canada phone calls, wireless, free small refrigerator and microwave upon

Mt. Morris • 3691 W. Rt. 64 815-734-4114

Paddle Wheel Inn

On the Bock River in Oregon, suites with a balcony offer panoramic views of the river and the famous Black Hawk statue Restaurant next door, continental breakfast, spa, sauna, meeting and banquet facilities. Microwave & refrigerator in each room.

paddlewheelinnil.com

Oregon • 1457 IL Rt. 2

815-732-0900

Quality Inn Rochelle 59 rooms, whirlpool suites, cable, movie channels, coffee, fridge, continental breakfast, large indoor pool, whirlpool, exercise room, patio area, meetings for up to 25. Free WiFi. Pets ok.

choicehotels.com/illinois/rochelle/

quality-inn-hotels/il594 Rochelle • 567 E. State Route 38 815-562-9530

Super 8 Motel

63 rooms, cable TV, HBO, queen/king beds, AC, reasonable rates. Free WiFi. www.wyndhamhotels.com/super-8/

rochelle-illinois/super-8-rochelle/overview Rochelle 601 E. Hwy. 38 815-562-2468

Village Inn Motel

12 rooms, reasonably priced, AC, cable TV, HBO, phones, small pets ok. Polo • 1007 S. Division Ave. 815-946-4066

RESORTS/RETREAT

Kilbuck Creek Resort

This secluded sanctuary is perfect for your wedding, family reunion, church or business retreat or romantic getaway. Our facility offers fully appointed Tennessee Log Cabin with sleeping space for up to 40 people; Gathering Hall; Poolside Den with Indoor pool and wrap around porch all on 200+ acres of woodlands, complete with groomed walking paths and creek flowing throughout.

kilbuckcreek.com Monroe Center • 6752 N. Kilbuck Rd. 815-393-3247

VACATION RENTALS

The Artists Garden Suites

Vacation rental suites located in the heart of downtown Rochelle. Lovely and full of urban elegance yet all set in a charming small-town setting. Amenities of a luxury boutique hotel, yet the low price of a standard room.

Airbnb.com Rochelle • 407 Lincoln Hwy. 630-673-8714

The River House

Description: Located along the Rock River this home offers 2 Br 1½ baths, LR, kitchen with all the amenities. Private patio with hot tub plus river access with private dock. airbnb.com/rooms/53043535 Oregon • 6439 N. River Dr.

Rock River Retreat

319-230-3587

This vacation rental boasts an INDOOR POOL, 8 BR, 5 full baths + 2 half baths and is the ultimate Airbnb for a staycation or getaway and can sleep over 20 guests. Located near downtown Oregon and walking distance to the Pride of Oregon Paddlewheel Boat and 2 restaurants, it features gorgeous views of Black Hawk Statue and the Rock River. Recently remodeled, this unique property has 6,500 sq ft of living space & includes 2 master suites, large DR, spacious living rooms, eat-in chef's kitchen and more! airbnb.com/h/rockriverretreatoregon rebecca@northernillinoisproperties.com

WHITESIDE

BED & BREAKFASTS

House in the Country B&B

Situated on 2.5 acres, this century old Victorian features four BR, 2 baths, kitchen, DR, LR, library, and parlor. Outdoor areas include fire pits, one of which is located inside an old silo. Full breakfast with baked goods included.

houseinthecountry18.com Sterling • 20213 Hickory Hills Road 815-970-0305

CAMPGROUNDS

Crow Valley Campground

Grassy shaded lots with gravel pad on Rock River. Electric & water or primitive sites, basketball court, playground, fishing, pool, bath facilities. Open Apr. 15 – Oct. 15.

crowvalleycampground.com Sterling • 23807 Moline Rd. 815-626-5376

Crystal Lake Recreation Park

RV park & campground plus a man-made lake for swimming, a go-kart track, aqua-golf range & more. Easy access from Exits 41 or 44 off I-88, the park is located adjacent to the Hennepin Canal Parkway and offers 70 miles of canoeing and kayaking in a slow current, along with a paved bike path that runs adjacent to the canal itself. We also offer canoe & kayak rental.

crystallake1.com Rock Falls • 600 E. 17th St. 815-499-0520

Erie Campground Inc.

200 sites on Rock River & lake, open to the public, electric, water, playground, restrooms, dump station, pavilion.

Erie • 9480 Erie Rd. 815-718-0851 | FB

Leisure Lake Campground

68 full hook-up sites, 32 pull-thrus 20-30 amp hook-up, 50-amp available, full laundry, next to 10-acre stocked lake.

Open Apr. – Nov.

leisurelakecampgroundil.com Rock Falls • 2304 French St. 815-626-0005

Moonlight Bay Marina & Campground

Camping w/ electric & water. Sterling • 1552 Mound Hill Rd. 815-625-1700 | FB

Morrison-Rockwood State Park

92 sites, electricity, grill, table, shower building, flush toilets. May 1 – Oct. 31, trailer

dump station.
www.dnr.illinois.gov/Parks/Pages/
MorrisonRockwood

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd. 815-772-4708

Prophetstown State Park

Prophetstown State Park, on the northeast edge of Prophetstown along the south bank of the Rock River in Whiteside County, is a scenic and historic area offering a variety of recreational facilities. It is an open, well-shaded area available for both tent and trailer camping. There are electrical outlets and a dump station, water hydrants and privy toilets. Once the site of an American Indian village, the 53-acre park derives its name from the Native American prophet Wa-bo-kie-shiek. The campground at Prophetstown is open from May 1st through October 31st annually.

www.dnr.illinois.gov/Parks/Pages/ Prophetstown

Prophetstown • 30 E. Riverside Dr. 815-537-2926

HOTELS/MOTELS

All Seasons Motel

31 deluxe rooms, individual AC & heating units, some w/ jacuzzis, refrigerators, microwaves. Free WiFi.

Rock Falls - 1904 1st Ave.
815-625-3700

Americann Hotel & Suites

Cozy 51-room hotel, 1 mile from the Mississippi River, spacious rooms & suites, complimentary hot breakfast, heated indoor pool & whirlpool spa. Free WiFi.

americinn.com Fulton • 1301 17th St. 815-589-3333

Country Inn & Suites of Rock Falls

Located off I-88 (Exit 41) & Rt 30. All rooms include 37" LCD Flat screen TV, microwave, refrigerator, complimentary breakfast, local phone, USA Today, indoor pool, jacuzzi, sauna, fitness center, guest laundry and business center. Whirlpool suites available. Free WiFi.

countryinns.com/rockfallsil Rock Falls • 2106 1st Ave. 815-380-6228

Days Inn by Wyndham

117 guest rooms, indoor heated pool, All American bar & grill, free local calls, cable TV, banquet & meeting facilities for up to 400, kids eat free, exercise facility. Free WiFi, small nets allowed.

small pets allowed.

Wyndhamhotels.com | FB
Rock Falls • 2105 1st Ave.
815-626-5500

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

This new Holiday Inn Express & Suites offers 68 rms, an exquisite indoor pool, a huge work-out room and a complimentary hot breakfast and free WiFi. Located right off the banks of the Rock River and close to both downtown districts in Sterling and Rock Falls. We're moments away from the Sinnissippi Dam Walkway and Hennepin Canal.

ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/ en/reservation

Rock Falls • 301 E. 2nd St. 815-622-4000

Parkview Motel

Cable TV, AC, kitchenette, refrigerator, microwave, direct-dial phone, truck parking, and low daily and weekly rates in a friendly environment.

Morrison • 630 E. Lincolnway 815-772-2163

Rock Falls Super 8

60-unit motel, 24-hour desk clerk, continental breakfast, HBO, fax & copy service, truck parking. Free WiFi.

super8.com

Rock Falls • 2100 1st Ave. 815-626-8800

VACATION RENTALS

H.A. Boyd Guest Room

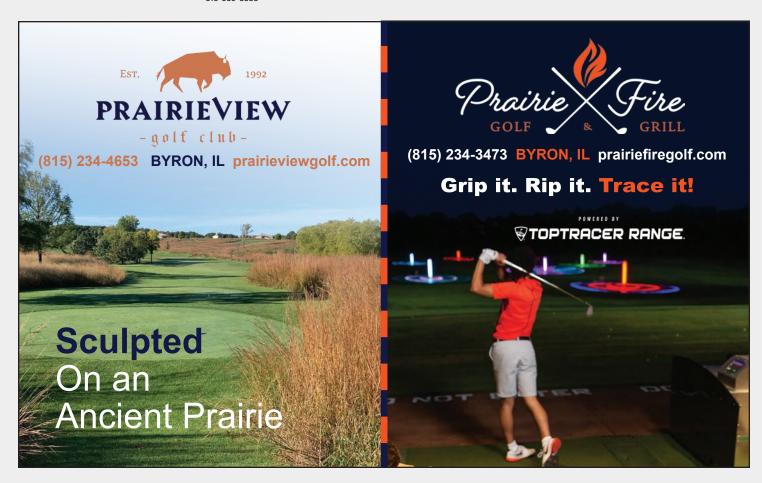
This unique property located above an art gallery offers Victorian elegance with many modern conveniences. Amenities include a full kitchen, washer/dryer, luxurious queen bed, full size pull-out couch, Roku Smart TV, and high speed wi-fi.

airbnb.com/rooms/31209379 Morrison • 112 E. Main St. 815-499-4885

North House

Enjoy the privacy of this historic guest house featuring a large front porch, 4 bedrooms and a 3-season sleeping porch. North House easily accommodates large groups of family and friends. Also, consider North House for meetings, reunions, receptions or any special occasion!

northhouseprophetstown.com Prophetstown • 102 Lafayette 815-590-1060





CARROLL

Lake Carroll Golf Course

18 holes Lake Carroll • 29-11 Ironwood Dr. 815-493-2808 golakecarroll.com

Palisades Golf Course

Savanna • 18280 IL Rt. 84 815-273-2141

palisadesgolfcourse.com

Sandburr Run Golf Resort

9 holes Thomson • 5020 IL Rt. 84 815-902-6063 sandburrrun.com

LEE

The Golf Room

Simulated Golf/Indoor Driving Range Dixon • 1010 Washington Ave. dixonparkdistrict.com/tgr

Lost Nation Golf Club

18 holes
Dixon • 6931 S. Lost Nation Rd.
815-652-4212
lostnationgolf.com

Shady Oaks Golf Course

18 holes Sublette • 577 U.S. Rt. 52 815-849-5424 shadyoakscc.com

OGLE

Fairways Golf Course

18 holes Rochelle • 533 S. 7th St. 815-562-6666 fairwaysgolfcourse.com

Prairie Fire Golf

Driving Range
Byron • 6734 N. German Church Rd.
815-234-3473
prairiefiregolf.com

Prairie View Golf Club

18 holes
Byron • 6734 German Church Rd.
815-234-4653
prairieviewgolf.com

Silver Ridge Golf Club

18 holes Oregon • 3069 Hill Rd. 815-734-4440 silverridgegolf.com

Skare Park Driving Range

Driving range Rochelle • Flagg Rd. 815-562-7813 rochelleparkdistrict.org

Sunset Golf Club

18 holes Mt. Morris • 216 Sunset Hill 815-734-4839 sunsetgolfmm.com

WHITESIDE

Deer Valley Golf Club

18 holes
Deer Grove • 3298 Hoover Rd.
815-438-GOLF
dvforegolf.com

Emerald Hill Golf Course

18 holes Sterling • 16802 Prairieville Rd. 815-622-6204 emeraldhillgolf.com

Lake Erie Golf Course

9 holes Erie • 900 Lakeside Dr. 309-659-2250 lakeeriecountryclub.com

Prophet Hills Country Club

9 holes Prophetstown • 4319 Bishop Rd. 815-537-5226 prophethills.com

Rock River Golf & Pool

18 holes Rock Falls • 3901 Dixon Ave. 815-625-2322 rrgap.com

X-Golf Sauk Valley

virtual driving range Sterling • 13464 Galt Rd. 815-629-4653 xgolfsaukvalley.com

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

CARROLL

Palisades State Park

The Native American pathfinders along the rock palisades of the Mississippi River did as present-day hikers do in coursing the bluffs — they took the paths of least resistance. The trails at Mississippi Palisades, especially the park's southern routes, put you in touch with the past. Walk them and you'll trace the footsteps of all those who came before you, some of whom came this way nearly a thousand years ago. Located near the confluence of the Mississippi and Apple rivers in Northwestern Illinois, the 2,500-acre Mississippi Palisades State Park is rich in American Indian history, as well as sheer natural beauty and tranquillity. MORE INFO: 815-273-2731

Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife & Fish Refuge

Thomson • 7071 Riverview Rd. 55,000 acres; fishing, canoeing,hiking, boat launches, wildlife observation area.

MORE INFO: 815-273-2732 WEBSITE: midwestfws.gov

LEE

Franklin Creek State Natural

Franklin Grove • 1872 Twist Rd.

992-acre nature preserve and park offers a variety of recreational opportunities: hiking, equestrian, snowmobile and cross-country skiing trails, fishing, hunting, picnic shelters, areas and the Franklin Creek Grist Mill. Home to 3 themed hiking trails. MORE INFO: 815-456-2878

WEBSITE: www2.illinois.gov/dnr/Parks/ Pages/FranklinCreek.aspx

Green River State Wildlife Area

This 2,565-acre wildlife area is popular among hunters, hikers, birders and other outdoor enthusiasts. The topography varies from flat to gently rolling. Swampy slough areas dominate nearly a third of the acreage, but the remaining portions are prairie restorations, open fields, cultivated areas or timberlands. Many of these areas have been specially planted and managed to provide more food and cover for a variety of wildlife species. Native prairie plants are found in the

Green River Area.
MORE INFO: 815.379.2324

Nachusa Grasslands

Franklin Grove

Home to Illinois' first conservation bison herd kept as wild as possible and virtually unmanaged by humans except for one day a year when they are examined by day a year when they are examined by veterinarians. The balance of the 1,500 acres is open to the public for hiking, bird watching. Includes dry gravel hill prairie, black oak and bur oak savanna, calcareous fen and seeps and sedge meadows. Owned

and managed by Nature Conservancy
MORE INFO: 815-456-2340 WEBSITE: nachusagrasslands.org FB | TW

OGLE

Castle Rock State Park

OregonLocated three miles south of Oregon on Hwy. 2, the park is centrally located in the Rock River Hills region. Its rolling topography is drained by the Rock River. Rock formations, ravines, and unique northern plants are found here. A sandstone bluff, adjacent to the river, gave the park its name

MORE INFO: 815.732.7329 WEBSITE: www.dnr.illinois.gov/parks/ pages/castlerock.aspx

Edward F. Vassallo Land & **Water Reserve**

Mt. Morris

The Edward F. Vassallo Land and Water Reserve borders the White Pines State Park and was designated in 2014 as a state Land & Water Reserve by the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission. It includes 130 acres of native wildflowers, plants, grasses, creek bottom, habitat for native wildlife, birds and insects and forest areas. No motorized vehicles allowed. Nature lovers welcome and walking paths can be accessed by

calling first.

MORE INFO: 312-343-7315 | FB

Elkhorn Creek Biodiversity

The Elkhorn Creek Biodiversity Preserve contains an impressive variety of geologic and hydrologic features, wetlands, hillside prairies and their associated plant communities which draw many species of birds, butterflies & wildlife. Great for bird & butterfly watching.
WEBSITE: www.nwilaudubon.org

Lowden State Park

Legend has it that Chief Black Hawk, as he left the area after the Black Hawk War, talked of the beauty of the area and admonished his captors to care for the land as he and his people had. The 207-acre park was established not only to care for the land but to allow visitors to share in the beauty as well. MORE INFO: 815-732-6828

WEBSITE: www.dnr.illinois.gov

Lowden-Miller State Forest

Oregon This 2,225-acre forest offers 22 miles of maintained trails for hiking and horseback riding. In the winter, snow transforms the trails into excellent cross-country skiing trails. 120-foot bluffs along the Rock River highlight this forested beauty

MORE INFO: 815-732-7329 WEBSITE: www.dnr.illinois.gov

White Pines Forest State Park

Located in the heart of the Rock River valley, this charming 385-acre park is the south boundary of the old Chicago-lowa Trail. History tells us that this was for years the principal route east and west across the northern part of the state. Today the park provides the perfect recipe for family getaways. There are plenty of outdoor recreation activities, such as hiking, fishing, camping and picnicking. Lots of serene, picturesque beauty, and modern lodge

facilities amidst a beautiful forest.

MORE INFO: 815-772-4708 WEBSITE: www.dnr.illinois.gov

WHITESIDE

Big Bend State Fish & Wildlife Area

Prophetstown

Just 4 miles west of Prophetstown along the Rock River, the area sports 1,188 acres of remarkable woodlands and native grasslands, as well as wetlands and marshes. Its convenient location, wide open spaces and quiet forests make it the ideal destination for sportsman.

MORE INFO: 815-537-2926

WEBSITE: www.dnr.illinois.gov

Hennepin Feeder Canal

The Hennepin Feeder Canal extends from Rock Falls to Sheffield IL and opens the door to the parkway with miles of bike and hiking paths, canoeing, fishing and historical sites along the way. At the mouth of the feeder is Rock Falls' Hydroelectric Plant completed in 1988 and is the first such constructed in Illinois since 1927. Enjoy biking, hiking, fishing, boating & canoeing

MORE INFO: 815-380-2300 WEBSITE: www.dnr.illinois.gov

Prophetstown State Park Prophetstown

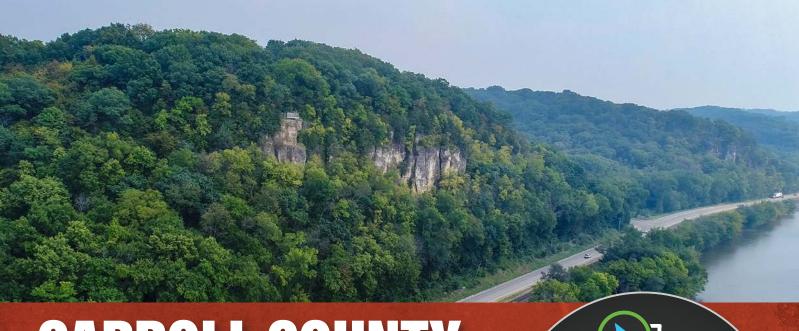
On the northeast edge of the city along the south bank of the Rock River is a scenic historic area offering a variety of recreational facilities: hiking, camping, fishing, picnicking, and more. On the site of an American Indian village, the 53-acre park derives its name from the Native American prophet Wa-bo-

MORE INFO: 815-537-2926

Rockwood State Park

A large sign in the shape of Illinois, fashioned from angle iron by a blacksmith, greets visitors at the entrance of this picturesque 1,164 acre park. Once inside, choose from a I,104 acre park. Once inside, choose from a variety of recreational opportunities. Beautiful Lake Carlton, a stream-fed reservoir, features an abundance of ducks and geese, and is considered a prime location for fishing. Or plan a family outing at the Lakeview picnic area, or just do some bird watching among the large variety of trees.

MORE INFO: 815-772-4708



CARROLL COUNTY

Towering over the **Mississippi River** with a commanding view of the valley and forests below, the **2,500-acre Palisades State Park** in Carroll County is a scenic wonderland and a hiking haven.

Steep cliffs, dense woodlands, free-roaming wildlife, nesting eagles, wild turkey, and numerous species of shorebirds and waterfowl combine to create a paradise for nature lovers and a great getaway that attracts thousands of visitors each year.

Outdoor enthusiasts are naturally engaged by Carroll County, where they discover miles of scenic biking and hiking on the Great River Trail or boating and fishing on the mighty Mississippi and its backwaters. Excellent dining, shopping and a professional summer stock theater are just some of the things you'll find along the brick-lined streets of Mount Carroll.

Other local villages, including historic Savanna, boast lodging, unique shops offering antiques and collectibles, and, in season, farmers markets featuring homegrown produce and vine-fresh melons. Visitors revel in a slate of special events throughout the year, ranging from Mount Carroll's Mayfest to Lanark's Old Settler's Days.

From a state perspective, Illinois remains rich in native wildlife and plants, with nearly 3,000 species of plants and 600 species

of vertebrates. In addition, dozens of species of birds pass through Illinois during spring and fall migration rituals, while others spend only winter months within the state. Many of Illinois' parks and conservation areas harbor more types of plants and animals per square mile than national parks such as Yellowstone or the Grand Canyon. The wildlife you'll see depends on the season and where you visit. Here is just a short list of the animals and creatures that you may see and encounter: waterfowl and shorebirds (dozens of species), striking pileated woodpeckers, wild turkey, eagles, hawks, buzzards/turkey vultures, deer, coyotes, gray and red fox, weasels, woodchucks, badgers, beavers, muskrats, amphibians and reptiles (lizards, snakes, salamanders, frogs, toads and turtles) and many species of fish.

The Ingersoll Wetlands Learning Center, just south of Savanna in Carroll County, is an ideal place to observe waterfowl, migratory birds and other wetland wildlife – plus there's an educational learning center and wildlife displays. Don't forget the remarkable eagle and wildlife viewing opportunities along or near our rivers, lakes and streams—

especially near the Mississippi River on the Great River Road National Scenic Byway.

REAL

GETAWAYS

Looking for a reason to get in the car to enjoy a splendid fall day in the country? Look no further than Carroll County. With so much to see, experience and do, there's no better reason, or season, to discover the hidden treasures and pleasures of the Blackhawk Waterways region than autumn. When summer slips into autumn, the 2,700 square miles that make up our region transform into some of Illinois' most spectacular visual fall offerings.

Travel the Great River Road National Scenic Byway. This historic treasure of a road travels a total of 557 miles through six states, but some of its most incredible beauty exists right here where it meanders its way for 35 miles along the Mississippi River, from Albany to just north of Savanna. Anytime is a good time to enjoy this journey, but autumn certainly offers up its own special style of scenic pleasures.

ATTRACTIONS

ADVENTURE SPORTS

cSavanna Adventures

Savanna 815-905-1227

james@csavanna.club csavanna.club | FB

Rentals by the hour or the day for kayaks, paddle boats, pontoons, jet skis & fishing boats. We also provide drop in and pick up

McMotoPark

Mt. Carroll • 13137 IL Rt. 78 815-238-1614

mcmotopark.com | FB

1 mile north of Mount Carroll. 40 acres of fun, challenging track of natural terrain. Elevation changes, jumps, obstacles for beginners

Rocket Axe Throwing

Savanna • 26 Main St. 309-361-5502

rocket-axe-throwing-hawg-dogs. business.site

ARTS & CULTURE

Majestic Skyscapes, LLC Lanark • 16164 Carter Rd.

815-275-6470 | FB

R.I. Originals

Lanark • 116 E. Carroll St. 815-291-3658 ri-originals.com

The Rhythm Section **Amphitheater**

Mt. Carroll • 13137 IL Rt. 78 815-238-1614 therhythmsectiononline.com | FB

The Sanctuary

Savanna • 115 4th St 217-621-8467

sanctuarysavanna.net

Timber Lake Playhouse

Mt. Carroll • 8215 Black Oak Rd. 815-244-2035

timberlakeplayhouse.org | FB

BIKING/HIKING

Arnold's Bicycle Shop

Thomson • 831 Main St. 815-259-8289

www.arnoldsbikesusa.com

Located near the Great River Bike Trail. Specializing in recumbent bikes & trikes sales & service and offering bike rental

Great River Trail greatrivertrail.org | FB

The Great River Trail recreational path extends 62 miles from the Quad Cities to Savanna, providing fantastic biking, hiking, running & walking opportunities.

BOAT/CANOE RENTALS

Fin & Feather

Thomson • 6284 Riverview Rd. 815-273-3302 Boat & canoe rental.

COMMUNITY PARKS

Marguette Park

Savanna • Wayne King Dr. 815-273-4487

1-acre park on the Mississippi River, restrooms, boat launches, fishing, canoe access, picnic tables & parking.

Old Mill Park

Savanna - Chicago Ave. 815-273-4487

85 acres. Restrooms, parking, concessions.

Point Rock Park

Mt. Carroll . S. Mill St.

800-244-9594

25 acres. Restrooms, parking, hiking, disc golf course.

Fat Jack Memorial Skate Park

Savanna • 1500 Portland Ave.

815-273-2722

Professional skate park. Open to all skaters, dawn to dusk daily. Helmets are mandatory.

Shannon Village Park

Shannon • Hickory & Bradshaw St. 815-864-2111

Lighted tennis & basketball courts, gazebo, picnic tables, shelter house, fireplace, historic Civil War cannon

FAMILY FUN/AMUSEMENT

Carroll County Farm Tours

See a hog or dairy farm in operation, or arrange a soil conservation farm tour. By reservation only.

Carroll County Virtual Barn

visitcarrollcountyil.com/virtual-tours See a Virtual Tour of some of the existing barns in rural Carroll County.

Ingersoll Wetlands Learning Center

Thomson • 7071 Riverview Rd. 815-273-2732

stewardsumrr.org

Interesting, hands-on exhibits, gift shop, dramatic view of the Mississippi River. Hours are 7:30a-4p Mon-Fri and Sat 9a-4p. Closed on federal holidays.

Mt. Carroll Bowling Center

Mt. Carroll • 206 Main St. 815-244-7467 **| FB**

Regular & cosmic bowling, arcade games, gambling machines, full bar & grill service and we specialize in stuffed crust pizzas. A great spot for parties & events

Raven's Grin Inn Haunted House

Mt. Carroll • 411 N. Carroll St.

815-244-4746

hauntedravensgrin.com | FB

A real haunted house, built in 1870. About one hour tour. No chainsaws or gore, Hide & Seek parties & special occasion tours available.

CITY OF SAVANNA

Savanna is a vibrant little river town nestled between the Mississippi River and the Bluffs of the Driftless area in Northwest Illinois. Settled in 1828 by explorers from Galena, Savanna is one of the oldest towns in Illinois. Savanna began as a steamboat stop for runs between Galena and St. Louis. It quickly grew as a logging and shipping port and eventually railroad hub. You can still watch the barges being loaded on our River Front as they are sent down the River.

Today, Savanna attracts visitors from all over the Midwest, United States and the World. Named #4 in the USA Today's 2020 "Best small towns for adventure." Savanna is readv for you to explore. If massive cliffs, stunning views, and the peacefulness of nature are your thing, it is hard to beat the 15 miles of trails at the **Mississippi Palisades State Park**. Take a walk along the Mississippi River in Marquette Park, kayak one of our many rivers or lakes, bike the Great River Bike Trail, or take a drive through the rolling hills of the Driftless Area. Don't want to bring your own equipment? Savanna has you covered, offering kayak rentals, bike rentals, and tubing adventures.

Looking for a slower speed? Take a step back in time and explore our historic downtown with buildings dating back to the 1800s. Browse our quaint shops, tour the **Savanna** Museum and Cultural Center, or enjoy world class live music every weekend. If you're looking for authentic and local cuisine, Savanna has you covered. From pizza and tacos, local diners and taverns, cozy coffee shops, old fashioned ice cream parlors, and enjoying wine and dinner overlooking the Mississippi River, Savanna has plenty of options for everyone.

Savanna is rich in history and natural resources, but its best asset by far is the people. It is a welcoming, friendly and diverse community. No matter your background, you will feel welcome in Savanna. So, plan your next weekend getaway and come see for yourself.

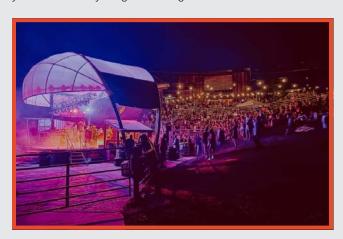




CARROLL COUNTY

Time spent outdoors in Carroll County, Illinois, will not disappoint. Start planning to craft your getaway today, and it will make you smile. Carroll County offers a variety of live entertainment, including outdoor music concerts, live theater, and wildlife in action in their habitat. Nothing beats the vistas and scenery from a kayak or floating in a tube along the river. You can also enjoy hiking the trails or cruising the country roads while chasing the perfect sunset. After a day of adventuring, your lodging accommodations, which may be a cozy cabin, a quaint B&B, or a historic hotel or motel, will be eager to provide you with a comfortable stay. You and your favorite travel partner can rest up and get ready to explore iust a bit more.

The folks in Carroll County look forward to your visit, where you can do everything or nothing at all.



Rocket Axe Throwing

Savanna • 26 Main St. 309-361-5502

rocket-axe-throwing-hawg-dogs.

business.site

Trailside Mini Golf

Lake Carroll • 2178 Lake Carroll Blvd. 815-493-8484

Set in a gentle slope, this 18-hole course is challenging & fun for all ages

HISTORY & HERITAGE

Carroll County Barn Quilt Trail Carroll County Barn quilts enhance the beauty of the

countryside and are enjoyed by those who pass by. Carroll County is very fortunate to have many "Barn Quilts" already in existence throughout its countryside. Our goal is to promote agri-tourism and attract visitors to our rural community. Visit our Facebook page BarnQuiltsofCarrollCounty for pictures & tour information

County Courthouse Mt. Carroll • 301 N. Main St. 815-244-0255

The northernmost & oldest section of the current courthouse built in 1843; on the National Register for Historic Places.

Dale Gardner Veterans Memorial Bridge

Savanna

Named in honor of Savanna native, Dale Gardner, a NASA mission specialist astronaut.

Lanark's Historic Business District

Lanark • Downtown 815-493-2307

Lanark's Paint the Town Project colored the 1880s era buildings to their unique architecture & hues

Monument Park

Savanna • Main St.

815-273-2722

This small area describing early settlement in Savanna hosts the monument commemorating the Aaron Pierce family, the first white settlers of Savanna.

National Register Historic

Mt. Carroll . Downtown 800-244-9594

Visit Mt. Carroll's Historic District. More than 30 different historic sites

Oakville Complex

Mt. Carroll Between Rts. 78 & 30 815-244-3474

Consists of an 1888 schoolhouse, two log cabins, a blacksmith shop and granary. Open by appointment.

Owen P. Miles Museum

Mt. Carroll • 107 W. Broadway St. 815-244-3474

This 1873 Italianate home depicts 1800s life.

Savanna Historical Museum

Savanna • 406 Main St. 815-273-0316

savannamuseum.com

Over 80 mannequins in authentic Civil War uniforms, native son & famous big-band musician Wayne King memorabilia, railroad artifacts.

Savanna Public Library

Savanna • 326 3rd St. 815-273-3714

100 years old, historic memorabilia & area's best children's libraries

Savanna Train Car Museum

Savanna • 25 Main St. 815-273-3292

Home to railroad artifacts & memorabilia for generations to explore & gain an understanding of history.

Savanna Veteran's Memorial Savanna • 1123 N. Main St.

savannaveteransmemorial.org

Created to honor and recognize the service of Savanna's veterans; past, present, and future. The Memorial features three large granite monuments honoring all branches of the armed services and double-sided paver walls displaying 700+ granite "memory bricks" with names and service information honoring veterans with a connection to

Shannon Water Tower Shannon • 1 E. Elizabeth St.

815-864-2735

Savanna

Built after the disastrous fire of 1892, this unique tower stands 82 feet high & holds 55,000 gallons of water

Soldiers & Sailors Monument & Annex

Mt. Carroll . Courthouse Lawn 815-244-0221

Monument by Lorado Taft dedicated in 1891 to commemorate the 1284 Carroll County men who lost their lives in the Civil War.

Thomson Depot Museum

Thomson • 907 Main St.

thomsondepotmuseum.webs.com

Built in the late 1800s. Exhibits, old photographs, newspapers, land grants, railroad memorabilia, furniture & clothing.

GUIDES

Rack & Wing

Lanark • 29232 Harvest Rd. 815-493-6443

rackandwing.com

Game bird preserve. NW Illinois hunts, whitetail, wild turkey & sporting clays.

MARINAS/BOAT RAMPS

Savanna Marina

Savanna • 1 Main St. 815-273-2955

Four launches, campsites, dry dock spaces with unlimited launching privileges, wet slips & winter storage. Concessions, restrooms, showers, gas, pump out, bait

T.U.S.A.C.E. Thomson Causeway **Recreation Area**

Thomson • Lewis Ln. 815-259-2353

64 acres. Restrooms, parking, boat launches.

Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife & Fish Refuge/Ingersoll Wetlands **Learning Center**

Thomson • 7071 Riverview Rd. 815-273-2732

midwest.fws.gov

55,000 acres: fishing, canoeing, hiking, biking, boat launches, wildlife observation

U.S.A.C.E. Big Slough

Thomson • Riverview Rd. 815-259-3628

Mississippi River boat launching, canoe access, fishing, restrooms & parking lot.

MISCELLANEOUS

MC Motopark

Mt. Carroll • 13137 IL Rt. 78 815-238-1614

mcmotopark.com | FB 1 mile north of Mt. Carroll.

40 acres of fun, challenging track of natural terrain. Elevation changes, jumps, obstacles for beginners to pros.

Rocket Axe Throwing

Savanna • 26 Main St. 309-361-5502

rocket-axe-throwing-hawg-dogs.

business.site RECREATION CENTERS

Answer Fitness & Tanning

Savanna • 319 Main St.

815-273-3747

fitness-tanning.com | FB

B-Fit Community Fitness Center - Mt. Carroll

Mt. Carroll • 855 S. Mill St. 815-499-4965

b-fittoday.com | FB

Hiher Ryde

Thomson • 2511 Market St. 815-499-3821 | **FB**

On The Move Community **Fitness Center**

Lanark • 125 W. Locust St. 815-493-8213

Cardio equipment, strength machines weights, group exercise classes, more,

STATE PARKS/FORESTS & NATURE PRESERVES

Mississippi Palisades State Park Savanna • 16327A IL Rt. 84

2500 acres. Beautiful scenery, restrooms, parking, dump station, boat launches, camping, canoe access, fishing, hiking, hunting, nature preserves, cross-country

Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife & Fish Refuge

Thomson • 7071 Riverview Rd. 815-273-2732

midwestfws.gov

55,000 acres; fishing, canoeing, hiking, boat launches, wildlife observation area.

SWIMMING

Mount Carroll Community Swimming Pool

Mt. Carroll • 505 E. Seminary St. 815-244-3483

Outdoor pool open to the public. Lessons for all ages offered at various times.

Savanna Community Swimming Pool

Savanna • 500 Cragmoor St. 815-273-3887

On rainy or sunny days, visit the indoor swimming pool.

FOOD & DINING

CAFES & DELIS

Big Miniature Farm

Mt. Carroll • 120 W. Market St. 815-906-0158 | **FB**

Shaw's Express-Subway

Mt. Carroll . 855 S. Mill St. 815-244-3739 | FB

Sunshine Restaurant

Savanna • 502 Main St. 815-273-0380 | FB

Tailored Brews

Thomson • 804 One Mile Rd. 815-902-6097 | FB

Tina's Ice Cream Shoppe

Mt. Carroll . 409 N. Main St. 815-906-0084 | FB

Uncle Sean's Marina Cafe

Savanna • 1 Main St. 815-273-2956 | FB

MULTICULTURAL

New China Restaurant

Savanna • 112 Chicago Ave. 815-273-1688 | FB

FAMILY RESTAURANTS

Brothers Inn Family Restaurant

Lanark • Hwys. 73 & 52 815-493-2555 | FB

The Crooked Roof

Lanark • 109 E. Carroll St. 815-493-6838 | FB

TIMBER LAKE PLAYHOUSE

In 1961, Timber Lake Playhouse (TLP) was established as a professional, non-profit summer theatre company. TLP entered into an agreement with Actors Equity Association in 2018, allowing TLP to bring back alumni who have gone on to make a name for themselves on Broadway and in regional theatres.

The Campus

The current theatre building (erected after a fire destroyed the original wooden-frame structure in 1974) houses a 45foot wide revolving stage and 371 seats — the property is also home to fourteen other buildings. The unique layout of facilities allows the Playhouse to present work on a much larger scale than many summer theatre companies.

Since its first opening night on June 28, 1962, the Playhouse has presented nearly 400 plays and musicals and over 4,500 performances. The theatre hosts annual educational workshops for children and teens in conjunction with the Magic Owl Children's Theatre's productions of plays and musicals for young people and their families. TLP's concert series brings bands from around the Midwest to entertain area music lovers.

The Resident Company

The Resident Company comprises 35-40 performers, technicians, and musicians. Numerous Equity (the actor's union) and guest performers, directors, and choreographers supplement the resident company each season.

Reputation for Excellence

Timber Lake is proud of its national reputation for excellence as a professional summer stock theatre. The theatre has served as a launch pad for theatre artists who have gone on to excellence in film and television, as well as on Broadway and stages all over the world.



Mount Carroll Cafe Mt. Carroll • 314 N. Main St. 815-244-1700 | FB

Poopy's Pub & Grub

Savanna • 1030 Viaduct Rd., Rt. 84 S. 815-273-4516 • 815-273-2363 poopys.com

Route 40 Café

Milledgeville • 14 S. Washington St. 815-225-5837 | FB

Shannon Café

Shannon • 29 E. Market St. 815-309-2233 | FB

Sunshine Restaurant

Savanna • 502 Main St. 815-273-0380 | FB

FINE DINING

Candle Light at Lake Carroll Lake Carroll • 99 Lake Carroll Blvd.

815-493-2810 golakecarroll.com

Circa 1888

Savanna • 305 Main St. 815-565-7294 | **FB**

Molly's Kitchen & Bar

Mt. Carroll • 110 W. Market St. 815-906-0052 mollysmountcarroll.com

Sunshine Restaurant

Savanna • 502 Main St. 815-273-0380 | FB

LIVE MUSIC

Sand Trap Bar & Grill

Thomson 5020 IL Rt. 84 815-902-6063 | FB

PIZZA/GRILLS/PUBS

Baggers Pub & Grub

Savanna • 405 Main St. 815-273-0558 | **FB**

Charlie's II Bar & Grill

Mt. Carroll • 123 W Market St. 815-244-0777

The Copper Cow

Mt. Carroll • 834 S. Jackson St. 815-244-0196 | **FB**

Dusty's Pizza Plus

Thomson • 817 Main St. 815-259-4511

Fella's Pizza

Lanark • 119 N. Broad St. 815-493-8888 | **FB**

Iron Horse Social Club

Savanna • 314 Main St. 815-273-2600 | FB

Manny's Pizza

Savanna • 211 Main St. 815-273-4259 mannyspizza.com

Mill Wheel Tavern

Milledgeville • 337 N. Main Ave. 815-225-7714 | **FB**

Mt. Carroll Pub & Gaming Mt. Carroll • 121 W. Market St.

815-906-0029 | FB

Mt. Carroll Bowling Center Mt. Carroll • 206 N. Main St. 815-244-7467 | FB

My Friends Place Bar & Grill

Savanna • 409 Main St. 815-273-0566 | FB

The Other Bar & Banquet Room Milledgeville • 436 N. Main St. 815-225-5650

tobmilledgeville.com

Poopy's Pub & Grub Savanna • 1030 Viaduct Rd. Rt. 84 S. 815-273-4516 www.poopys.com

Pub 225

Milledgeville • 310 N. Main St. 815-973-3981 | FB

Ridge Runners Bar & Grill

Savanna • 800 Main St. 815-565-7137 | FB

The Riverview Lodge

Thomson • 5403 Riverview Rd. 815-273-0289 | FB

Sand Trap Bar & Grill

Thomson • 5020 IL Rt. 84 815-902-6063 | FB

Sippi-Side Pub & Grill Savanna 701 Main St.

815-273-0563 | sippisidepub.com

The Thomson Hangout Thomson • 800 One Mile Rd. 815-902-6095 | FB

Wally's Playce

Millesgeville • 6 Washington St. 815-225-5565 | FB

QUICK-SERVICE FOOD

Bear's Drive Inn

Thomson • 1905 IL Rt. 84 815-259-2586 | FB

Shaw's Express/Subway Mt. Carroll • 855 S. Mill St. 815-244-3739

Shivers Ice Cream Parlor

Savanna • 720 Main St. 815-273-2824 | FB

MEETING/ WEDDING/ RECEPTION SPACE

Livengood's Barn

Chadwick • 21647 Thomson Rd. 815-499-5934

livengoodsbarn.com | FB

Manny's

Savanna • 211 Main St. 815-273-4259 | **FB**

Majestic Pines Event Center

Thomson • 11503 Three Mile Rd. 815-902-6076

majesticpines84@gmail.com | FB

The Sanctuary

Savanna • 115 4th St. 217-621-8467 sanctuarysavanna.net

SHOPPING

ANTIQUES

Frank Fritz Finds

Savanna • 324 Main St.

815-273-2661

We showcase unique collectibles & antiques for sale by Frank Fritz, co-star of the History Channel's American Pickers.

Heritage Market Antiques, Etc. Mt. Carroll • 107 W. Market St.

815-244-4054 Heritagemarket.business.site | FB

Ideas N Designs Antiques Mt. Carroll • 116 W. Market St.

815-244-7875 ideasndesigns.com | FB

Tina's Ice Cream & Antiques Mt. Carroll • 409 N. Main St. 815-238-7982 | FB

ARTISAN WORKS

Charlotte Arvelle Glass

Mt. Carroll • 118 W. Market St. 815-244-3554

charlottearvelle.com By appointment only

Majestic Skyscapes, LLC Lanark • 16164 Carter Rd. 815-275-6470 | FB

Photography by Connie Zink Savanna • 1723 Portland Ave. 815-565-0024

robertsroostcountryguesthouse.com By appointment only

R.I. Originals

Lanark • 116 E. Carroll St. 815-291-3658 | ri-originals.com

COUNTRY MARKETS

Argo Acres

Thomson • 16295 Argo Fay Rt. 815-259-2132 | FB

Center Hill Orchard & Apiary Mt. Carroll • 10415 Getz Rd.

815-238-9382

centerhillorchard.com

Fair Haven Fruit Farm

Thomson • 966 Creamery Rd. 815-213-6134 | FB

Lanark Farmer's Market Lanark • 101 N. Broad St.

815-275-4395 | FB Mount Carroll Farmers Market

Mt. Carroll • Courthouse Square 815-244-CALL

mountcarrollil.org | FB

Savanna Farmers Market Savanna • 708 Main St.

815-266-1345 | FB

Straddle Creek Gardens Lanark • 25269 Locust Rd. 815-275-7930

straddlecreekgardens.com

GIFTS/COLLECTIBLES

College Street Creations Mt. Carroll • 104 W. Market St. 815-908-8451 | FB

Country Peddler Floral & Gifts

Savanna • 353 Chicago Ave. 815-273-5020

countrypeddlerfloral.com

Dollinger Christmas Tree Farm Shannon • 23882 Payne Rd. 815-864-2437

dollingertreefarm.com | FB

Flower Fan-A-See Mt. Carroll • 904 S. Clay St.

815-244-1123 flowerfanasee.com | FB

Iron Horse Social Club Gift Shop & EXTreme Clothing

Savanna • 314 Main St. 815-273-2600 | FB

Poopy's Inc.

Savanna • 1030 Viaduct Rd. 815-273-2363 poopys.com | FB

River Valley Designs Savanna • 218 Main St. 815-273-2363

rivervalleydesignsbt.com | FB

Sassy Stems Savanna • 700 Main St. 815-273-7668 | **FB**

sassystemsfloralandgiftboutique.com

The Special Touch Lanark • 504 W. IL Rt. 64 815-493-6366 specialtouchflowers.net

Trailside General Store

Lake Carroll • 2178 Lake Blvd. 815-493-8484

SPECIALTY SHOPPING

Broad Street Beautique Lanark • 104 N. Broad St.

The Fika Boutique Mt. Carroll • 203 W. Market St. 815-541-2282 | FB

815-297-2627 | FB

Heart of the Creator Mt. Carroll • 113 W. Market St.

Inspired!

815-244-0150 | FB

Chadwick • 57 S. Main St. 815-590-4071 inspiredpaintingparties.com

Land of Oz Porcelain Dolls

Savanna • 1723 Portland Ave. 877-565-0024 — By appt only landofozdolls.com | FB

Majestic Skyscapes, LLC Lanark • 16164 Carter Rd. 815-275-6470 | FB

Mary's House of Soap & More Lanark • 125 N. Broad St.

815-590-9980 | **FB** armygirl1976.wixsite.com/website

Mirror Image Tattoo Savanna • 309 Main St. 815-908-0515 | **FB**

R.I. Originals Lanark • 116 E. Carroll St. 815-291-3658

ri-originals.com

Sassy Stems Savanna • 700 Main St. 815-273-7668 | FB

sassystemsfloralandgiftboutique.com

Savanna Surplus Savanna • 318 Main St. 815-273-1000 savannasurplus.com

Twice-Sold Tales Bookstore

Lanark • 504 W. IL Rt. 64 815-219-3367 | FB

LEE COUNTY



railroading history. Outdoor recreation opportunities abound at a **state natural area**, a state **wildlife area**, four different **full-service campgrounds**, a large private ownership campground and **3,800 acres of natural prairie** owned and managed by the Nature Conservancy that is home to **Illinois' first conservation bison herd**.

The Rock River makes Lee County an outdoor lover's paradise. It also helps to have 5 campgrounds, the Amboy Marsh Wildlife Sanctuary, Green River State Wildlife Area, Nachusa Grasslands and Franklin Creek State Natural Area, making it a destination for those who want to get back to nature.

But Lee County is also rich in history. A young Abraham Lincoln served at Fort Dixon during the Black Hawk War of 1832. Dixon is also the boyhood home of President Ronald Reagan. There are several

places where you can trace the roots of our 40th president.

At the **Ronald Reagan Boyhood Home**, 816 S. Hennepin Ave. in Dixon, you can see where the 40th president grew up. The site tells the story of his boyhood experiences and remarkable accomplishments. Out in the yard, a life-sized bronze statue pays tribute to Dixon's most celebrated resident.

The **Northwest Territory Historic Center** at 205 W. 5th St., the building where Reagan attended grade school, is home to more

Reagan memorabilia, a small theater, and a library and research center.

At **Dixon Heritage Crossing**, a pedestrianfriendly outdoor plaza in downtown Dixon, you'll find "Begins the Trial," a life-size bronze sculpture of a young Ronald Reagan. Heritage Crossing also has a pavilion, performance spaces, places to sit, places to walk and places to enjoy the view of the Rock River. From there, a short walk up Hennepin Avenue will lead you to many of the buildings and institutions that shaped his life in Dixon.

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DISCOVER DIXON!

A vibrant city on the Rock River with a rich history shaped by Abraham Lincoln, John Deere, Ronald Reagan, and Charles Walgreen. Dixon is a town located just west of Chicago.

Home to Lowell Park, a 200-acre park nestled on the river with access to boating, hiking, biking, playgrounds, cookout areas, and a beautiful view overlooking a vast foliage landscape. The Dixon area is a destination full of natural wonders waiting for you to discover while visiting. White Pines State Park, Lowden State Park, Castle Rock State Park, and Franklin Creek State Natural Park are all located nearby.

Whether you are coming for a day, a week, or a weekend, Dixon has plenty of activities to offer visitors. Experience the Boyhood Home of Ronald Reagan, Lincoln's military expedition during the Blackhawk War, and discover John



Deere's inventions in person or visit one of our many venues that contribute to our thriving downtown, vibrant community, unique history, and natural surroundings.

Have a relaxing weekend in Dixon and discover what's in your "backyard"!

ATTRACTIONS

FAMILY FUN/ COMMUNITY PARKS/ RECREATION CENTERS

Ballou Park

Dixon • 600 E. 7th St. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

Playground, picnic shelters & tables, softball diamonds, basketball courts.

Dixon Family YMCA

Dixon • 110 N. Galena Ave. 815-288-9622

dixonymca.org

Indoor pool, gymnasium, wellness center, fitness center, programs for all ages & lifestyles.

Dixon Welcome Center

Dixon • 87 S. Hennepin Ave. 815-284-3361

discoverdixon.com

Area tourist information, brochures and maps. Dixon gifts and souvenirs, Ronald Reagan history and gift items, and the Illinois Lincoln Highway Coalition interpretive

Dixon Water Wonderland Splash Pad

Dixon • 312 Washington Ave.

dixonparkdistrict.com

EC Smith Park

Dixon • 455 W. 7th St. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

Tennis courts, playground equipment, picnic area and a sledding hill.

The Golf Room

Dixon • 1010 Washington Ave. dixonparkdistrict.com/tgr

Grace Johnston Park

Dixon . S. Highland Ave. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

Basketball courts, picnic area, softball diamonds, playground.

John Dixon Park

Dixon • 515 N. Galena Ave. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

Dixon's oldest; playground, shelter.

Lowell Park

Dixon • 2114 Lowell Park Rd. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

240 acres, Nature Center, restrooms, parking, boat launches & Rock River access, fishing, hiking, nature preserve, cross country skiing, shelters, grills, playground & more

Lowell Park Ruth Edwards Nature Center

Dixon • 2114 Lowell Park Rd. 815-288-5209

dixonparkdistrict.com | FB

Nature Center has a variety of displays that bring awareness of the park surroundings. Also live animals to educate young & old in the intricacies of nature. Great exploration for

all ages. Admission is free **Meadows Park**

Dixon . Lowell Parkway 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

Biking/hiking trails; wooden playland area; soccer fields; mini golf complex; picnic areas; Rock River shoreline fishing access; snowmobile & equestrian trails.

My Play Village Dixon • 1347 N. Galena Ave. 815-677-9428 myplayvillagekids.com | FB





LeeCountyFun.com

815-288-1840

√ Camping

√ Entertainment

√ Fairs & Festivals

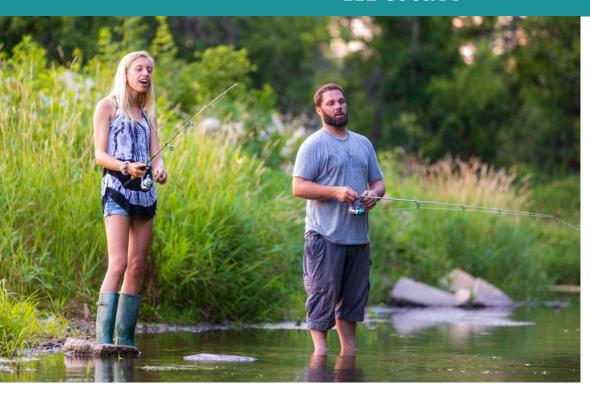
√ And Much More

√ Year-Round Events

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O'Connell's Yogi Bear Jellystone

Amboy • 970 Green Wing Rd. 815-857-3860

jellystoneamboy.com

3 heated pools, 3 kiddie pools, 5 bathhouses, double flume waterslide, paddle boats, kayaks, mini-golf & more.

Page Park

Dixon • 251 Custer Ave. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

45-acres next to Rock River, boat ramp, ADA dock, bank fishing, hiking, picnic shelters, ball diamonds, tennis courts.

Plum Hollow Family Center

Dixon • 1933 IL Rt. 26 815-288-7102

bowldixon.com

Bowling, laser tag, indoor rock climbing & more. Perfect for parties!

Vaile Park

Dixon • 251 Custer Ave. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

Picnic shelter, volleyball courts, playground,

BIKING/HIKING

Amboy Marsh Wildlife

Sanctuary Amboy • US Rt. 52 & Mormon Rd. 217-544-2473

illinoisaudubon.org

302 acres of wetlands offering a rare and fragile ecosystem which is open to the public 7 days a week for walking and bird-watching. No dogs are allowed. Located 3 miles south of Amboy near the intersection of U.S. Route 52 and Mormon Road.

Franklin Creek State Natural Area

Franklin Grove • 1872 Twist Rd. 815-456-2878

www2.illinois.gov/dnr/Parks/Pages/

FranklinCreek.aspx
992-acre nature preserve and park offers a variety of recreational opportunities: hiking, equestrian, snowmobile and cross-country, skiing trails, fishing, hunting, picnic shelters, areas and the Franklin Creek Grist Mill. Home to 3 themed hiking trails.

Green River State Wildlife Area

Harmon • 375 Game Rd. 815-379-2324

The Green River State Wildlife Area is a 2,563 acre wildlife restoration area popular among hunters, hikers, birders and other outdoor enthusiasts and offers rest rooms, parking, dump station, camping, hiking trails, horse trails and hunting in season.

Nachusa Grasslands

Franklin Grove • 2075 Lowden Rd. 815-456-2340

nachusagrasslands.org

This 3,800-acre nature preserve is home to 100+ bison and offers hiking & bird watching. It is a large remnant prairie with woodlands and wetlands being reconnected through habitat restoration to create one of the largest and most biologically diverse grasslands in Illinois.

Rock River Trail rockrivertrail.com

The Rock River Trail is a 320-mile trail through 11 counties in Wisconsin & Illinois and travels through Ogle, Lee & Whiteside counties. Go to website for routes with GPS maps and cue sheets so you can follow the beautiful Bock River Trail corridor, The Bock River Trail is a National Water Trail for you to drive, hike, bike or paddle!

HISTORY & HERITAGE

Amboy Depot Museum

Amboy E. Main St. 815-857-4700

amboydepotmuseum.org

A former depot built in 1876 served as division headquarters of the IL. Central Railroad in Amboy. Architecturally unique, the two-story building is built of brick.

Ashton Lincoln Highway Interpretive Mural

Ashton • 810 Main St. 866-455-4249

'Begins the Trail' Reagan Statue

Dixon • River St. 815-284-DIXON

discoverdixon.com

Local artist Don Reed's bronze statue of Ronald Reagan on his palomino horse is the centerpiece of the open-air plaza Heritage Crossing, on River St, downtown Dixon.

Chaplin Creek Village

Franklin Grove • 1715 Whitney Rd. 815-456-2695 | **FB**

An evolving, full-scale historical restoration project depicting a prairie settlement typical of the middle 19th century. Open during the Harvest Festival in August or by

The Dixon: Historic Theatre

Dixon • 114 S. Galena Ave. 815-284-2715 dixontheatre.com

One of the most beautiful theaters from Chicago to Des Moines, it recently underwent major restoration & again hosts concerts & acclaimed performances.

Dixon Lincoln Highway Interpretive Gazebo Dixon S. Galena & River St.

866-455-4249

Dixon's Railroad Street Arches Dixon • 1st, 2nd & 3rd St.

815-284-1134 leecountyhistory.com

On National Register of Historic Places, three limestone arches built in 1855 to support IL Central Railroad trains as they passed through Dixon.

First Carson Pirie Scott Store Plaque

Amboy • 55 S. East Ave.
In 1854, Samuel Carson left Ireland, found his way to Amboy, & opened a dry goods store called Carson Pirie & Company, it became the foundation of the retail department store

Franklin Creek Grist Mill & **Interpretive Center**

Franklin Grove • 1893 Twist Rd. 815-456-2718

franklincreekconservation.org

A reconstructed, timber frame, four-story 1847 grist mill located within the Franklin Creek State Natural Area. Watch a four-ton waterwheel as it powers pulleys and gears to turn the 4-ton millstone to grind corn like in the 1800s. Many other displays and a self-guided interpretive trail. Wheelchair accessible. Open April-October.

Franklin Grove Lincoln **Highway Mural**

Franklin Grove • 119 N. Elm St.

Heritage Crossing

Dixon • River St. 815-288-2308 Dixon's Riverfront Renewal project which turned two blocks of riverfront parking into a downtown open-air gathering place. Features walking & biking trails, performance space, restrooms, & life-sized statue of Ronald Reagan. Tent rentals for weddings, receptions, parties & events.

Historic Lee County Courthouse

Dixon • 112 E. 2nd St. 815-288-5676

Completed in 1901 & built on land donated by the founder of Dixon, "Father" John Dixon. A stone marker commemorates Abraham Lincoln's address to an assembly on the

Interpretive Center for the Lincoln Highway Association Franklin Grove • 136 N. Elm St. 815-456-3030 | FB

Originally built in 1860 by Abe Lincoln's cousin as a dry goods store, headquarters of the Lincoln Hwy Association, a museum

Lee County Historical & **Genealogical Society**

Dixon • 113 S. Hennepin Ave. 815-284-1134

leecountyhgs.org
Historical & genealogical information including complete burial records, census records, and over 1.2 million indexed microfilm records from 1851-present from Lee County newspapers. See website for days and hours of operation.

Lincoln Statue

Dixon • Lincoln Statue Dr. 815-288-1840

A statue of 23-year-old Lincoln as he served as a volunteer soldier in the Black Hawk Indian War of 1832.

Loveland Museum

Dixon • 513 W. 2nd St. 815-284-2741

lovelandcommunityhouse.org

Photos of Ronald Reagan, fossils, Civil War weapons, pioneer tools & interactive exhibits.

Lowell Park Nature Center

Dixon • 2114 Lowell Park Rd. 815-288-5209

Natural resource education & exhibits of native plants & wildlife; USFWS/IDNR-licensed live educational birds of prey.

Mills & Petrie Memorial Library Ashton • IL Rt. 38

millspetrielibrary.weebly.com

Named after a pair of Civil War veterans that "adopted" the town, the building houses city offices, the public library & meeting space.

Mormon Cemetery Amboy • Rocky Ford Rd. 815-857-3814

Contains the grave of one of Brigham Young's wives

Mormon Plaque Amboy • 59 S. East Ave. 815-288-3814

One of the first Mormon Church settlements, includes a memorial plaque on the early history of the Church of Latter Day Saints.

Northwest Territory Historic Center

Dixon • 205 W. 5th St. 815-288-5508 nthc.org

A History Research & Learning Center housed in President Ronald Reagan's boyhood South Central School; in his hometown of Dixon.

Old Settlers Log Cabin

Dixon • Lincoln Statue Dr. 815-284-1134

Built in 1894, the log cabin was relocated to the former site of Fort Dixon as a lasting tribute to the area's early settlers.

Ronald Reagan Boyhood Home & Visitors Center

Dixon • 816 Hennepin Ave. 815-288-5176

reaganhome.org

Boyhood home restored to 1920s era, when Ronald Reagan & family lived there. Guided tours; gift shop.

Ronald Reagan Trail

ronaldreagantrail.net 13 Communities in NW Illinois celebrating the legacy of President Ronald Reagan. Many historic landmarks, museums, & events honoring this great man.

Steward Depot

Steward • 206 Tyler Ave. stewardil.com

Built in 1896, it was deeded to the village in 1976 by the Burlington Northern Railroad.

Sugar Grove Church & School

Dixon • 352 Timbercreek Rd. 815-284-9881

Over 100 years old, it's been restored & used for social gatherings.

Veteran's Memorial Arch

Dixon • S. Galena Ave.
Lighted historic memorial arch has honored veterans of war since 1919.

Veteran's Memorial Park

Dixon • IL Rt. 2 W.

honorourvets.org

Dedicated to all veterans of military service. Fountain, flags, Lest We Forget arbor, & artifacts from war such as a 155 Howitzer, a Cobra AH-1F helicopter, & M-60 tank.

Reagan Peace Park

Dixon • Galena Ave. & 2nd St. Donated by a Bulgarian immigrant, the sculpture includes a full-size replica of a

section of the Berlin Wall, & recognizes President Reagan's efforts to attain peace

Wood Carvings at Amboy City Park

Amboy • E. Main St. 815-857-3814

More than 30 tree trunk wood carvings depict the lives of Reagan, Lincoln & Grant.

THEATRE/NIGHTLIFE

The Dixon: Historic Theatre

Dixon • 114 S. Galena Ave. 815-284-2715

dixontheatre.com

One of the most beautiful theaters from Chicago to Des Moines, it recently underwent major restoration & again hosts concerts & acclaimed performances.

Dixon Stage Left

Dixon • 306 W. 1st St. 312-420-8715 dixonstageleft.com

Rosbrook Studio

Dixon • 107 S. Peoria Ave. 815-973-4476 | **FB**

Sauk Valley Community College

Jerry Mathis Theatre Dixon • 173 IL Rt. 2 815-288-5511 svcc.edu

HORSE/EQUESTRIAN

Franklin Creek State Natural

Franklin Grove • 1872 Twist Rd. 815-456-2878

rrha.tripod.com/rrtha

12 miles of trails, shelter house, drinking water, rest rooms & outdoor show area. Go to website for events

Meadows Park

Dixon • Washington Ave. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

567 acres, restrooms, fishing, bike & horse trails, hunting.

HUNTING/PRESERVES/ GUIDES

Amboy Sporting Goods Amboy • 42 E. Main St.

815-857-2382 | FB

Green River State Wildlife Area

Harmon • 375 Game Rd.

815-379-2324 2563 acres, parking, dump station, camping, hiking, horse trails, hunting.

Rogers Hunting Club, Inc. Ohio - 727 Maytown Rd.

815-379-2427

rogershuntclub.com

Public hunting & memberships for pheasant, quail, chuckar partridge, Hungarian partridge, wild turkey, doves & deer in season.

LAKES/RIVERS

Lowell Park

Dixon • 2114 Lowell Park Rd. 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.org

240 acre Nature Center, restrooms, boat launches to Rock River, fishing, hiking, nature preserve, cross country skiing, shelters, grills, playground & more. Young Reagan saved 77 lives here as a lifeguard.

WOODHAVEN LAKES

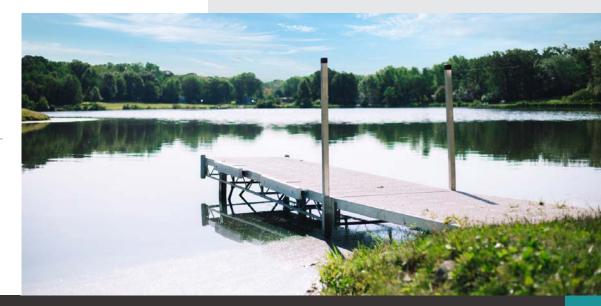
Nestled in rural Lee County, just a short trip from Chicago or the Quad Cities, you'll find a hidden treasure. Woodhaven Lakes is a private, gated, camp resort, where becoming a member means becoming family.

A perfect retreat from city life: 15 miles of trails, 7 lakes, 2 pools, a swimming beach, nature center, bait shop, mini golf and more! A full calendar of events ensures plenty of fun for the whole family. Or, strike out on your own adventure - drop a line in the lake, take a dip in the pool, make a campfire meal or simply enjoy the wildlife!

While there is so much to do, there is also plenty to see! An eagle swooping down to the lake, deer frolicking with their fawns, and beautiful native grasses, plants, and flowers. The towering pines invitingly line the entrance to welcome you to your home away from home.



Whether you're looking for peace and serenity, its many amenities, a weekend destination, or a summer retreat, they've got you covered! As an owner, you can come and go as you please-spend the night or the whole week. When you are at Woodhaven, there is no need to leave for essentials because they have a well-stocked general store, restaurant, gas station, and hardware store available. Check out their website at woodhavenlakes.com or call 815-849-5476 to schedule a tour today.



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History enthusiasts can learn about the early days of an American icon at the boyhood home of President Ronald Reagan in Dixon, then stroll down the street to the Northwest Territory Historic Center where you will learn about the War Chief Blackhawk and the Sauk Indians. Cruise over to Franklin Grove to the Lincoln Highway Association Interpretive Center, which tells the story of America's first transcontinental highway. Transport yourself a little further back in time to experience a working grist mill or tour the Amboy Depot Museum and see its impressive steam locomotive engine, caboose and freight house.

The natural areas are beyond compare. Fantastic trails at the Franklin Creek State Natural Area or the Amboy Marsh Nature Preserve and Gremel Wildlife Sanctuary will certainly lift your spirit. Continue the journey at Nachusa Grasslands where bison roam the restored prairie.

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Lowell Park Boat Ramp Dixon • 2114 Lowell Park Rd. dixonparkdistrict.org

Page Park Boat Ramp

Dixon • Page Park 815-284-3306

dixonparkdistrict.orgParking lot, boat launches, canoe access,

STATE PARKS/FORESTS

Amboy Marsh Wildlife Sanctuary Amboy • US 52 & Mormon Rd.

illinoisaudubon.org 272 acre of wetlands offering a rare

and fragile ecosystem, which includes endangered turtles, many birds and unique plant life. It is located near the intersection of U.S. Rt 52 and Mormon Road 3 miles south of Amboy. Open to the public 7 days a week for walking and bird-watching. No dogs allowed due to sensitive plant and wildlife.

Franklin Creek State Natural Area

Franklin Grove • 1872 Twist Rd. 815-456-2878

www2.illinois.gov/dnr/Parks/Pages/ FranklinCreek.aspx

992-acre nature preserve and park offers a variety of recreational opportunities: hiking, equestrian, snowmobile and cross-country skiing trails, fishing, hunting, picnic shelters, areas and the Franklin Creek Grist Mill. Home to 3 themed hiking trails.

Gremel Wildlife Sanctuary

Amboy • 1881 Lewis Rd.

395 acres owned by the Illinois Audubon Society located within two miles of the Amboy Marsh Nature Preserve. It expand critical wildlife habitat that was once part of the magnificent 100,000-plus acre complex of wetlands in Lee County.

SWIMMING

Dixon Water Wonderland Splash Pad Dixon • 1312 N. Washington Ave

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Water Wonderland opened up in early July 2019. There are 23 water features, beautiful landscaping with a fountain, picnic tables with solar powered chargers, newly paved and striped parking lot, and soon to be completed pavilion and restrooms.

Vaile Park Splash Pad

Dixon 215 Custer Ave. 815-284-3306

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FOOD & DINING

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Baker Street

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Dixon • 607 Depot Ave. 815-973-8129 | **FB**

Huddle Cafe

Ashton • 802 Main St. 815-453-2677 | **FB**

Lincoln Way Café

Franklin Grove • 137 Elm St. 815-456-2359

Railside Bar & Grill

Nelson • 207 S. Butler St. 815-251-4633

therailsidebarandgrill.com

Red Apple Family Restaurant Dixon • 1130 Franklin Grove Rd. 815-284-4549

River's Edge Inn Dixon • 2303 W. 1st St.

815-288-7396 | FB

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Amboy • 1578 US Rt. 30 815-857-3482

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Restaurant Dixon • 1135 N. Galena Ave. 815-288-1016

Wings & More

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815-285-1625

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Amboy • 55 SE. Ave. 815-857-3486

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Dixon • 114 N. Peoria Ave. 815-288-4448

Maria's Pizza

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Dixon • 92 S. Peoria Ave. 815-288-1234

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lovelandcommunityhouse.org

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815-857-3814

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Dixon • River Street/Riverfront 815-284-3361

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Dixon • Hay Market Square 815-284-3306 dixonparkdistrict.com

Paw Paw Farmer's Market

Paw Paw • Community Center 815-627-9404

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Ashton • 2511 Reynolds Rd. 815-915-7036

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815-849-5425 subletteweb.com

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815-200-4885 | FB renewgallery.com

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Ogle County is home to the region's most recognizable landmark - sculptor Lorado Taft's famous 50-foot tribute to Native Americans, commonly called the **Black** Hawk Statue. This 536,770-pound work of art, which originated from an 8-inch sketch, gazes across the Rock River from its eastern bank, perched 125 feet above the waterway. At its dedication on July 1, 1911, Taft noted that the statue, which he called The Eternal Indian, had essentially grown from the ground. And what a ground it is! Ogle County is home to many of the region's quintessential attractions, including White Pines Forest State Park, where virgin stands of pine, log cabins, lodge dining, live theater and natural beauty abound. Just 90 miles west of Chicago, the scent of towering pines permeates this place, where guests find solace on moss-covered hiking trails, in cozy one-room cabins, and around crackling campfires at night.

Just minutes from White Pines, visitors discover nature preserves, parks, go-cart rides, golf and mini-golf, canoeing and kayaking, specialty shops and historic sites. One of the most popular is the **John Deere Historic Site** in nearby Grand Detour, where the famous inventor built his family home in 1836 and revolutionized farming.

Throughout its small towns and villages, Ogle County celebrates its heritage with frequent family-friendly events ranging from Rochelle's Railroad Days and Lincoln Highway Heritage Festival to Oregon's Autumn on Parade and Candlelight Christmas Walk.

Rochelle Railroad Park is a "must see" for railroading fans young and old. With over 80 trains per day, it's an ideal spot for train watching. A raised platform allows viewers to experience and photograph two Class One rail lines crossing at the "diamond". Tune your radio to 106.9 FM to listen to radio transmissions from dispatchers to locomotive

engineers. The gift shop sells merchandise from Railroad Relics which includes items such as railroad timetables, dining car china, engineer data books, logoed items, books, commemorative spikes, railroad employee clothing, model train items, and many more railroad related items. Also available for sale are "Atlas" O, N & HO gauge trains. They also have an active ATCS display which shows locations of trains in the area so you can be ready for their arrival. Snacks, drinks and souvenirs are also available along with plenty of train displays and memorabilia. Open year round 10am - 5pm everyday except Tuesday.

Flagg Rochelle Historical Society Museum holds a large collection of antiques and genealogical information. One of the more important artifacts is the 1915 Partin-Palmer automobile built in Rochelle, the only known one in existence. Group tours available for a nominal fee. Call for hours and special events.

ATTRACTIONS

ADVENTURE SPORTS

Byron Dragway Byron • 7287 River Rd.

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Kathryn A. Hamas Kayak Launch

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Kayak launch and floating boat docks along the Rock River along with walking trails, playground, shelter and fishing piers

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Rrrmc.tripod.com / rrrmc.org | FB

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Mt. Morris • 122 S. Wesley Ave. encoremtmorris.com | FB

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Rochelle • 308 Lincoln Hwy. 312-885-7589

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Oregon Public Library **Eagles Nest Art Gallery**

Oregon • 300 Jefferson St 815-732-2724

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The Library's 2nd floor houses the Eagle's Nest Art Gallery permanent collection of more than 50 works from the original members of the Eagle's Nest Art Colony founded by Lorado Taft in 1898.

The Oregon Sculpture Trail

Oregon **815-732-1338**

discoveroregonillinois.com/

discoveroregon/art-legacy
Beginning in 1911 with Lorado Taft's sculpture, the trail's legacy of art has expanded to numerous pieces.

Polo Area Community Theatre

Polo • 117 N. Franklin Ave.
Polotheatre.org | FB

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White Pines Lodge Dinner Theatre

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BIKING/HIKING

Bike Ogle

bikeogle.org | FBOgle County bike trail routes & resources. These trails range from a local one that covers bike trails within the city limits to 40+ mile rides on bike-friendly back roads

Carnation Park

Oregon • 1 Webster St. 815-732-3101

Oregonpark.org | FB

Carnation Park consists of approximately 5.5 acres along the scenic Rock River. Amenities: Parking; Portable seasonal restrooms; Bike trail; Fishing; Observation deck

Elkhorn Creek Biodiversity **Preserve**

Forreston • Corner of W. Grove & Freeport

nwilaudubon.org/elkhorn-creek.asp

The Elkhorn Creek Biodiversity Preserve contains an impressive variety of geologic and hydrologic features, wetlands, hillside prairies and their associated plant communities which draw many species of birds, butterflies & wildlife

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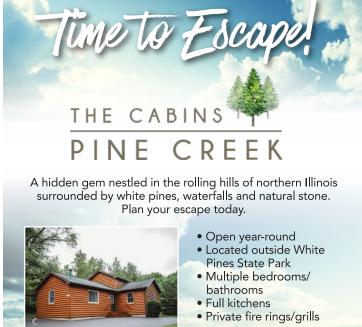


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COMMUNITY PARKS

Atwood Park

Rochelle • 1605 10th Ave. 815-563-7813

rochelleparkdistrict.org

Heavily shaded with band shell and walking path that connects to walking path

Birdland Skate Park

Polo • 112 E Mason St. | FB

Byron Park District

Byron • 696 N. Colfax St.

815-234-8435 Byronparks.org | FB

Administers programs for children & adults and includes 3 parks, indoor swimming pool & PE center, tennis courts, fitness rooms & skate park

Flagg-Rochelle Community **Park District**

Rochelle • 735 N. 2nd St. 815-562-7813

Rochellechamber.org/parkdist | FB Manages several parks & rec facilities

Fairgrounds Park

Oregon • 607 Fair Park Dr. 815-732-3101

Oregonpark.org | FB Playground, biking/walking trail, BB court, shelter house, restrooms.

Jacks Landing Oregon • 2nd & Lafayette St. Oregonpark.org/jacks-landing | FB

10 acre site with hiking trails and riverfront access for fishing and canoeing. A handicapped-accessible fishing pier features two benches as well as a large area to fish or enjoy the peace and quiet of the river.

Kathryn A. Hamas Memorial **Park**

Byron • 108 E Diamond St. 815-234-8435

Byronparks.org | FB

Kathryn A. Hamas Memorial Park contains new kayak launch and floating boat docks along the Rock River along with walking trails, playground, shelter and fishing piers.

Kiwanis Park

Oregon • 201 N. 2nd St. 815-732-3101

Oregonpark.org | FB

2 acre site along the riverfront at the west edge of the Oregon dam directly behind Conover Square shopping center. A popular fishing spot and viewing area. Fishing is available below and above the dam.

Lions Park Oregon • 809 Webster St. 815-732-3101

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Oregon • IL Rt. 2 S. 815-732-3101

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The Oregon Park District

Oregon • 304 S. 5th St. 815-732-3101

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Oregon Park East

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Oregon Park West

Oregon • Oregon Trail Rd. 815-732-3101

Oregonpark.org | FB
Tennis courts, lighted basketball courts, baseball diamonds, soccer fields, sand volleyball courts, horseshoe pits, playgrounds, cooking grills & picnic tables. Circling bike trail. Skate park

Ripplinger/Gouker/Etnyre **Preserve**

Byron • 1753 E. Townline Rd. 815-234-8535

Byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Skare Park

Rochelle • Flagg & Brooklyn Rd. 815-562-7813

Rochellechamber.org/parkdist | FB

320-acre park includes horse trails, hiking/biking trails, ball fields, grilling/picnic areas, horseshoe pits, playgrounds, shelters, & more. Includes Historic Skare Homestead

Weld Memorial Park

Stillman Valley • 5935 Weld Park Rd. 10-acre county park with hiking, recreation areas, parking, restrooms

Wiggly Field Dog Park Oregon • 810 S. 13th St. 815-732-3101 | oregonpark.org

acre dog park with fenced off & leash area with two separate entries. All users and dogs must have a permit from Oregon Park

FAMILY FUN/AMUSEMENT

Birdland Skate Park

Polo • 112 E. Mason St.

Blackhawk Model Railroad Club

Oregon • Conover Square Mall 201 N. 3rd St.

Blackhawkmodelrailroad.com | FB

Large HO scale layout. Free open to the public Sat. 10a-4p/Sun 1-4p/Wed. noon-3p. Groups by appt

Byron Dragway

Byron • 7287 River Rd. 815-234-8405

byrondragway.com | FB

The playground of power! 1/4 mile IHRA dragstrip

Byron Forest Preserve & Jarrett Prairie Center Museum

Byron • 7993 N. River Rd. 815-234-8535

byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Newly renovated natural history museum with interactive, hands-on exhibits featuring a large bull bison, life-size dioramas, an immersive theater, and more! You can design your own farm in our Prairie and the Plow computerized exhibit. Jewel, our resident corn snake, and Gigi and Pebbles, our box turtles are ready to say "hello" up close and personal if you like! Our honey bee observation hives are always busy whether you're looking or not! Enjoy a panoramic view of over 450 acres of prairie and woodlands from the third highest point in Ogle County.

Chicagoland Skydiving Center

Rochelle • 1207 Gurler Rd. 815-797-9272 skydivecsc.com | FB | IG

The best skydiving school in the US. Now located at Koritz Field in Rochelle. More first-time skydivers than any other skydiving center in Chicago & the Midwest. Brand new skydive aircraft & we maintain our safety record & reputation as the best

Journey Through Time Kayak Tours Oregon • 201 N 2nd St 815-200-8713

jttkayaktours.wixsite.com/letsgo

We offer historical kayak tours of the Rock River around Oregon, IL. You may bring your own kayak or rentals are available.

New Town & Country Lanes Mt. Morris • 4031 W. Mudcreek Rd.

815-734-7787

Bowling, food, pool, darts, air hockey, arcade games for all ages, party & banquet areas

On Any Sunday Motorcycle Museum Polo • 208 W. Mason St.

815-622-6870

90 motorcycles on display featuring European bikes from 1928 - 1978. Open by appointment only.

PrairieFire Golf & Grill

Byron • 6734 N. German Church Rd. 815-234-3473

prairiefiregolf.com | FB Located on the driving range at the Prairie View Golf Club, PrairieFire offers a yearround golf experience. Powered by Toptracer technology, it offers a variety of game modes for both golfers and non-golfers.

Pride of Oregon Paddle Wheel **Boat**

Oregon • 1469 IL Rt. 2 815-732-6761

maxsons.net | FB

Authentic 102-foot paddle-wheel boat. This 150-passenger vessel is docked at Maxson's Riverside Restaurant and offers luncheon & dinner cruises on the Rock River. Wheelchair accessible. Open April 1st - Nov 15th.

The Rink at Pine Creek

Mt. Morris • 6929 W. Pines Rd. 815-946-9988

skatingfun.com | FB

N IL' largest roller rink. Top 40 music, live DJ, snack bar, & arcade.

Rochelle Railroad Park & **Visitor Center**

Rochelle • 124 N. 9th St. 815-562-7031

rochellerailroadpark.org

Over 80 trains daily. Ideal spot to train watch from raised platform. Exhibits of railroading history plus gift shop & visitor information area. Authentic Whitcomb Locomotive is

Rochelle Rec Center

Rochelle • 802 Jones Rd. 815-562-2813

rochelleparkdistrict.org/rec

Rochelle Park District's REC Center offers a wide variety of services that are designed for all fitness levels and includes aquatic center, indoor turf, strength training equipment, indoor track, 4 court gym & more

Rustic Ridge Axe Throwing

Oregon • 117 N. 4th St. 815-881-8217

rusticridgeaxethrowing.com The Tabernacle of David Gardens

Monroe Center • 5389 Kilbuck Rd. 936-649-5062

Ha Mishkan David (the Tabernacle of David) Gardens is 8 acres of beautiful landscaping & gardens open for weddings and special ceremonies. Go to website for a full listing of services

T-Byrd Lanes

Rochelle • 1172 Lincoln Hwy. 815-562-4822

Tbyrdlanes.com | FB Bowling, restaurant & bar.



Uptown Lanes/Back Alley Bar and Grill

Byron • 106 W. 2nd St. 618-599-3251

Uptownlanesbyron.com | FB

Weiskopf Observatory

Byron 7993 N. River Rd. 815-234-8535

byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Located on the third highest point in Ogle County, view the skies through an 11" Celestron reflecting telescope. Portable telescopes are also available for use. Open all year-round with free public viewing every Saturday night, weather permitting.

HISTORY/HERITAGE

1870 Buffalo Grove Lime Kiln Polo • Galena Trail Rd.

815-946-4142 polohistoricalsociety.org

This lime kiln produced mortar, an indispensable building ingredient for early pioneers. Completely restored & placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2002

1878 Henry School

Polo • Rt. 26 815-946-4142

Was a school until 1957. Restored in 2001, displays of the 1832 Black Hawk War, Trail Tales & a Hemp Mill.

1918 Standard Oil Filling Station

Rochelle • 500 Lincoln Ave Enjoyrochelle.com | FB

First gasoline filling station in Rochelle & first one built along the Lincoln Hwy in IL. Restored to original design.

Atwood Park Veterans Memorials

Rochelle • 20th St. & 10th Ave. 815-562-7813

Enjoyrochelle.com | FB

Built by local Boy Scouts to honor local war veterans, these are unique as the only war memorials in the United States built by

Battleground Memorial Park

Stillman Valley • 218 W. Main St. 815-645-2603

Veterans of the Black Hawk War (1832) were buried here after the only war in Illinois.

Billy Barnhart Museum

Oregon • Conover Square Mall 201 N. 3rd

815-732-3950 | FB

Features rooms of vintage toys, collectibles, sleighs, farm equipment & relics.

Black Hawk Statue

Oregon - Lowden State Park 815-732-6828

Bard-inc.org | FB

Created by artist Lorado Taft & dedicated as a study in the character of the American Indian, the lighted figure stands 50 ft above the Rock River

Burns House

Polo • 201 N. Franklin Ave. 815-946-2108

visitnorthwestillinois.com

The first brick house built in Polo is now a tourist information center and home of the Blackhawk Waterways Convention and

Byron Museum of History & **Lucius Read House**

Byron • 110 Union St. 815-234-5031

Byronmuseum.org | FB

Featuring local history & Lucius Read house (circa 1843), exhibits include "Into the Outhouse", "Clamming on the Rock", information about local professional baseball player A.G. Spalding, the Underground Railroad & more.

Chana School

815-732-3101

Two-room schoolhouse, built in 1883, was recently restored. Living history programs, school artifacts & more

Civil War Cannons

Oregon • Ogle County Courthouse 815-732-1110

Two Civil War cannons grace the lawn of the

Creston Lincoln Highway Interpretive Mural & Gazebo Creston • 110 N. Main St.

Flagg Rochelle Historical Society Museum Rochelle • 518 4th Ave.

815-562-3040

flaggtownshipmuseum.org | FB

Holds large collection of antiques & genealogical information, including the last existing 1915 Partin-Palmer automobile built in Rochelle.

Forreston Veteran's Memorial

Forreston • Walnut St. & Cherry St. Honoring area residents who served & died

in wars from the Civil War to present.

Heritage Farm Museum

Byron • 8059 N. River Rd. 815-234-8535

byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Step back in time to discover life experienced by early settlers of Ogle County. Watch history come alive in the restored house and farm buildings owned by the same family for 5 generations

Jarrett Prairie Center

Byron • 7993 N. River Rd. 815-234-8535

byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Newly renovated natural history museum with interactive, hands-on exhibits featuring a large bull bison, life-size dioramas, an immersive theater, computerized exhibits

John Deere Historic Site

Grand Detour • 8334 S. Clinton St. 815-652-4551

johndeereattractions.com | FB

John Deere's restored pioneer home & a special archaeological exhibit of the original blacksmith shop.

Leaf River Historical Museum Leaf River • 203 E. 3rd St. Rt. 72

In a former church built in 1895, exhibits include a dog treadmill from the 1800s, military artifacts, farm & agriculture equipment, country school & railroad

Nash Home - Ogle County **Historical Museum**

Oregon • 111 N. 6th St. 815-732-7545

oglecountyhistoricalsociety.com | FB

Step back & enjoy memorabilia from the N Illinois area. From Lorado Taft's Eagles Nest to "Patriotic" room depicting Ogle County's

Official Illinois Freedom Bell

Mt. Morris . Wesley Ave. 815-734-6425

Liberty Bell replica. The Mt. Morris Kable Band summer concerts

Ogle County Courthouse

Oregon • Corner 4th & Washington St. 815-732-1110

Oglecounty.org

Built in 1892 & on the National Register of Historic Places.

Old City & Town Hall Museum Rochelle • 4th Ave. & 6th St.

815-562-7873

Founded in 1971 & enrolled on the National Register of Historic Sites in 1992, collection includes artifacts from Rochelle's history.

Oregon Depot Museum

Oregon • 401 Collins Oregondepot.org | FB

The Oregon Depot was built in 1913 and was in use until 1971. Go to website for a virtual tour of the depot and details on Oregon railroad history and ongoing restoration of the depot. Open Sat. 9 - noon.

Oregon Lincoln Highway **Interpretive Mural & Gazebo**

Mural: 103 W. Washington St. Gazebo: Rt. 2 & IL Rt. 64 courthouse square

Oregon Public Library

Oregon • 300 Jefferson St 815-732-2724

oregonpubliclibrary.com | FB

Public library and art gallery offering a variety of resources including print and electronic. The 2nd floor houses the Eagle's Nest Art Gallery which includes a permanent collection of more than 50 works from the original members of the Eagle's Nest Art Colony founded by Lorado Taft in 1898.

Oregon Sculpture Trail Oregon

discoveroregonillinois.com/

discoveroregon/art-legacy
Beginning in 1911 with Lorado Taft's sculpture, the Trail's legacy has grown to numerous sculptures located throughout Oregon. Go to website for a downloadable

Polo Historical Society/ **Aplington House**

Polo • 123 N. Franklin Ave. 815-946-4142 or 800-678-2108

Built in 1853, houses Polo artifacts, exhibits & pictures, a collection of Civil War hats, & extensive genealogical collection.

Polo History Museum

Polo • 113 N. Franklin Ave. 815-946-4142

polohistoricalsociety.org Vintage printing machines & military

memorabilia, surveying tools used to plot the Galena Trail in 1833, historic agricultural tools & many other vintage artifacts.



www.enjoyrochelle.com

Polo Public Library Polo • 302 N. Mason St.

815-946-2713

This classic revival-style structure was funded by the Carnegie Foundation, opened in 1904 & has been on the National Register

Rochelle Fire Department

Rochelle • 401 5th Ave. 815-562-2121

Contains beautifully restored 1924 fire engine called "Old Gertie" & other antique fire department equipment.

Rochelle Lincoln Highway **Interpretive Mural & Gazebo**

Mural: Downtown on Lincoln Hwy. Gazebo: 124 N. 9th St. Rochelle Railroad

Rochelle Public Library Building Rochelle • 619 4th Ave.

815-562-3431

Erected in 1912 by steel magnate Andrew Carnegie. Oak woodwork & large bay windows. On the National Register of Historic Places in 1973

Rochelle Railroad Park & **Visitor Center**

Rochelle • 124 N. 9th St. 815-562-7031

rochellerailroadpark.org | FB

Over 80 trains daily, ideal spot to train watch from a raised platform. Railroading history includes an authentic Whitcomb locomotive. Gift shop & area visitor info.

The Soldier's Monument

Oregon • Ogle County Courthouse Lawn 815-732-1110

Sculpted by Lorado Taft, serves as a permanent record & reminder of the contribution of the men of Ogle County who served in the Civil War.

HORSE/EQUESTRIAN

Diamond "G" Ranch & Western Store

Rochelle • 4564 Knoll Rd. 815-562-4050

Large western store stocked with everything for horse & rider. Indoor/outdoor arenas;

Horizon View Farms

Oregon • 2400 N. River Rd. 815-543-4243

horizonviewfarmsmp.com

We specialize in beginner & advanced horseback riding, training and lessons, and competitive horseback riding lessons. By Appointment Only

Plumcreek Stable

Rochelle • 7135 S. Locust Rd. 815-384-5031

Training, sales, teaching for beginner to advanced & boarding facility. American saddle-bred horses, Morgans & Arabians.

White Pines Ranch

Oregon • 3581 Pines Rd. 815-732-7923

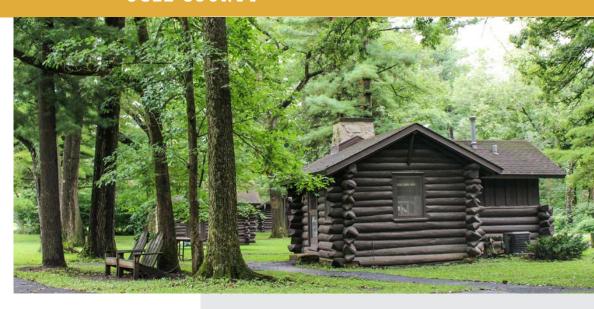
Whitepinesranch.com | FB A real dude ranch on 200+ acres! Offers a variety of horse riding experiences, youth summer camps & outdoor education programs. Bunk houses, swimming pool, great food; open all year.

Nardi Equine Prairie Preserve

Byron • 6651 N. River Rd. 815-234-8535

Byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Trails for horseback riding (bring your own horses), walking, jogging, and nature exploration



LAKES/RIVERS

He-Leo Two Rivers Preserve

Byronforestpreserve.com | FB

The entrance is adjacent to the Rockvale Township Building on III Rt 2 south of Byron and offers amenities for boating traffic. There are boat slips, restrooms, a picnic shelter with grills, and sand volleyball for boaters to take a break in the shade. Please note that this property is not a boat launch area.

Jacks Landing

Oregon • 2nd & Lafayette St.

oregonpark.org/jacks-landing
10 acre site with hiking trails and riverfront access for fishing and canoeing. A handicapped-accessible fishing pier features two benches as well as a large area to fish or enjoy the peace and quiet of the river.

Lyle Kunde Recreation Area / Lake Sule

Rochelle • 735 N. 2nd St. Rochelleparks.org | FB

90-acre recreation area: Lake Sule, boat launches, fishing, parking & restrooms.

MARINAS/BOAT RAMPS

Byron Boat Ramp

Byron • IL Rt. 2

Restrooms, parking, boat launches, canoe

Castle Rock Boat Ramp

Oregon • Rt. 2 South Parking & boat ramp only

He-Leo Forest Preserve Kayak Launch

Oregon • 6065 N. IL Rt. 2

815-234-8535 byronforestpreserve.com

Kayak launch and floating boat docks located at the confluence of the Rock River and Leaf River. 48 acre preserve with a picnic shelter, portable toilets, hiking trails, restored oak savannas and wetland areas. Wide variety of birds and other wetland

Lowden State Park Boat Launch

Oregon • 1992 N. IL Rt. 2

Boat launching ramp and boat docks located across the river from Lowden State Park, 1 mile north of the town of Oregon.

BAIT & TACKLE

Da Worm Wagon Bait & Tackle Byron • Rock River Boat Dock - River Rd. 815-871-2150

VISIT HISTORIC WHITE PINES LODGE!

White Pines Lodge is excited to be open once again providing the great meals, entertainment and cozy accommodation. Guests will be pleased that many of the popular items and employees that made White Pines a special getaway are still around.

If you haven't been to Mount Morris, Illinois, you now have a new reason to plan a trip there. One of life's joys is finding a hidden gem like this less than two hours from Chicago. The 1930s era Lodge is nestled deep in the forest of White Pines State Park. The restaurant is known far and wide for its delicious home-style cuisine, generous portions and friendly staff. Guests can enjoy delicious homemade dishes for breakfast, lunch or dinner in this treasured landmark. Whether you're stopping by for a family outing, a wedding reception, a business retreat, a Christmas party or an intimate night out for two, this well-known restaurant takes pride in ensuring that every guest who steps through the door has an experience to remember. The restaurant is also host to the Pines Dinner Theater, a live theater experience which has been providing musical and comedic entertainment for over thirty years. Adjacent to the landmark restaurant is a charming and rustic gift shop filled with nostalgic gift items and souvenirs which will become precious mementos.

Authentic, cozy log cabins provide overnight lodging just a stone's throw from the lodge. Natural beauty abounds with miles of hiking trails that crisscross over bubbling streams and along moss-covered limestone bluffs. This lovely destination is ideal for romantic escapes, family outings, corporate retreats, wedding receptions and weekend getaways. Be sure to visit at Christmastime, when you can take a horse-drawn wagon ride, visit with Santa, buy a freshly-cut Christmas tree and more!

Discover White Pines Lodge, where you'll find time to relax and unwind in this peaceful forest. Call 815-655-2400 or go to www.visitwhitepines.com for details.



FUN WITHIN RANGE

Take a short drive south of Rockford for a new and exciting way to experience golf at PrairieFire Golf & Grill in Byron! Located behind the clubhouse at PrairieView Golf Club, PrairieFire is a driving range facility featuring Toptracer Range®technology. The same ball tracing technology as seen on many PGA tournament TV broadcasts.

"We envisioned a place where golfers can play and compete year-round, day or night, while also attracting new or nontraditional golfers for the entertainment value," said Scott deOliveira, General Manager of PrairieView and PrairieFire.

Golf at PrairieFire combines live golf shots with the virtual games of Toptracer that are entertaining for people of all ages



and abilities. Toptracer offers game modes including points game, long drive, closest to the pin, virtual courses, and more.

The eight outdoor hitting bays are equipped with heaters, a fire table, TVs, and lounge furniture. The interior of PrairieFire has a modern, earthly feel with a custom-

made coppertop bar and additional lounge areas. "PrairieFire is a great place for everything from a date night to small gatherings of family and friends," said Nick Schoenhard, PrairieFire Manager. "In addition to traditional golfers, we see a lot of birthday parties, bachelor/bachelorette parties, and small company events at PrairieFire."

The menu at PrairieFire includes sharable items such as sliders, traditional apps, and signature items such as loaded PrairieFire fries and Bison Bites. The bar features an extensive selection of beer, wine, and spirits. "When coming to play with friends and family, we really felt the food and drinks should complement the activity and atmosphere," said Schoenhard.

To learn more about PrairieFire or reserve a bay online, visit prairiefiregolf.com.

RECREATION CENTERS

Byron Park District Byron • 696 N. Colfax St. 815-234-8435

byronparks.org

Aquatic programs & lap/open swim times. Fitness & weight room, indoor jogging track & courts, golf/batting cages, racquetball/

Nash Recreation Center

Oregon • 304 S. 5th St 815-732-3101

oregonpark.org

25-meter indoor pool, whirlpool, locker rooms, 2 racquetball courts, a double gym, adult fitness center, indoor track, snack bar, children's center, multi-purpose rooms.

On The Move Fitness Center

Polo • 317 N. Jefferson Ave. 815-946-2883

onthemovecfc.com

Cardio equipment, strength machines, weights, group exercise classes, more.

Reign XT

Oregon • 404 W Washington St 815-505-5827

Rochelle Rec Center

Rochelle • 802 Jones Rd. 815-562-2813

rochelleparkdistrict.org/rec

Rochelle Park District's REC Center offers a wide variety of services that are designed for all fitness levels and includes aquatic center, indoor turf, strength training equipment, indoor track, 4 court gym & more.

STATE PARKS/FORESTS

Bald Hill Prairie Preserve Mt. Morris • 5502 N. Silver Creek Rd

815-234-8535 byronforestpreserve.com | FB

A 380 acre preserve offering spectacular views of the surrounding countryside. Several rare gravel hill prairie and savanna plants plus rare migratory birds can be seen here. Also found is the biggest tree in the State of Illinois, a huge Eastern cottonwood that is 28.5 feet in circumference and 122

Castle Rock State Park

Oregon • IL Rt. 2 S. 815-732-7329

2,000-acre park rock w/ formations, ravines, unique plant life & marked hiking trails. Picnic amenities: tables, shelters, grills, toilets, drinking water, playground equipment & a public boat ramp/parking facility.

Edward F. Vassallo Land & **Water Reserve**

Mt. Morris • 7578 W. Pines Rd. 312-343-7315 The Edward F. Vassallo Land & Water

Reserve borders the White Pines State Park and was designated in 2014 as a state Land & Water Reserve by the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission. It includes 130 acres of native wildflowers, plants, grasses, creek bottom, habitat for native wildlife, birds and insects and forest areas, No motorized vehicles allowed. Nature lovers welcome and walking paths can be accessed by calling

Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve

Rockford • 12749 Weldon Road 815-234-8535

byronforestpreserve.com

281 acre preserve features rolling hills made up of mature oak-hickory woodlands. Limestone bluffs or dells are found along the clear-running Hall Creek which flows through the entire length of the preserve Many rare birds and plants can be found

Jarrett Prairie Nature Preserve

Byron • 7993 N. River Rd. 815-234-8535

Byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Founded to protect 120 acres of rare dolomite prairie, this preserve is made up of 420 acres of rolling hills of rare dolomite tallgrass prairie, oak savannas and woodlands. The Jarrett Prairie Center houses the national award-winning Jarrett Prairie Center Museum and a 2,600 square ft Prairie Overlook Deck. The preserve also has the Weiskopf Observatory, the Keller Education Center, three picnic shelters, a playground, sledding hill and miles of hiking trails. The preserve is adjacent to the District's Prairie View Golf Club, Prairie Fire Golf & Grill and a Toptracer year-round driving range facility.

Lowden State Park

Oregon • 1411 N. River Rd. 815-732-6828

207-acre state park: restrooms, hiking trails, dump station, boat launches, camping, fishing, nature preserves, & more; Lorado Taft Black Hawk Statue.

Lowden-Miller State Forest

Oregon • Nashua Rd.

815-732-7329

2225-acre state forest with scenic marked trails: hiking, biking, horseback riding, crosscounty skiing & hunting.

White Pines Forest State Park

Mt. Morris • 6712 W. Pines Rd.

385-acre state park: scenic Pines Creek, fishing, towering White Pines, concessions, hiking, picnic areas, shelters, & more.

SWIMMING

Nash Rec Center Indoor Pool

Oregon • 304 S. 5th St. 815-732-3101

Oregonpark.org | FB

Polo Public Swimming Pool Polo • 303 E. Webster St. 815-946-3406 | FB

Splash Canyon Spray Park

Oregon • Oregon Trail Rd. 815-732-3101 Oregonpark.org | FB

Spring Lake Aquatic Park Rochelle - Ave. B & 8th St. 815-562-6659

Rochelleparkdistrict.org | FB

Outdoor Olympic-size pool,150-foot water slide, two diving boards & large wading pool.

FOOD & DINING

BAKERIES

Jen's Artisan Breads

Mt. Morris • 500 Evergreen Ln. 815-978-3185 jensbreads.com | FB

Magnolia Sweets & Co. Oregon • 113 N. 4th St. magnolia-sweets.com | FB

The Noble Cakery

Oregon • Conover Square - 201 N. 3rd St. 630-484-6969

Thenoblecakery.com | FB

Sweetbean Café' & Bakery Byron • 114 S. Franklin Ave.

815-234-4989 www.sweetbeancafe.net | FB

The Village Bakery

Oregon • 101 N. 3rd St. 815-732-3830 Villagebakery.org | FB

CAFES/DELIS

Artists Garden/Acres Bistro Rochelle • 407 Lincoln Hwy. 630-673-8714 | FB

Campus Cafe

Mt. Morris • 101 S. Wesley St. 779-545-0001

The Cypress House

Rochelle 718 10th Ave 815-562-4159 Cypresshouse.net | FB

E's Corner Deli Rochelle • 430 W. Lincoln Hwy.

Hazel's Café

Oregon • 307 Washington St. 815-732-7017 | FB | IG

Rich's Kitchen at The Polo

Polo • 712 N. Division St. 815-946-2886

Sweetbean Café & Bakery

Byron • 114 S. Franklin St. 815-234-4989 sweetbeancafe.net | FB

The Village Bakery Oregon • 101 N. 3rd St. 815-732-3830

Villagebakery.org | FB

Wicked Nutrition

Oregon • 312 Washington St. Suite B 815-881-8239

MULTICULTURAL

China Wok

Rochelle • 233 May Mart Dr. 815-562-8879

Costa's Italian Ristorante Byron • 133 E. Blackhawk, Rt. 2 815-234-4707

Costasbyron.com | FB

Dos Amigos - Byron Byron • 523 W. Blackhawk Dr. 815-234-8567

Dos Amigos - Oregon Oregon • 198-100 N. Hastings Ave. 815-732-4444

815-561-6872 | FB

China King Oregon • 509 W. Washington St. 815-732-0887

El Senor de los Tacos Rochelle • 1001 N. 7th St.

Rochelle • 509 4th Ave. 815-562-1851 | **FB**

El TapatioRochelle • 1310 N. 7th St. 815-561-6590 | **FB**

Hector's Cocina

Oregon • 201 N 3rd St. (Conover Square) 815-881-8338 | FB

La Esmeraldas

Polo • 108 N. Franklin Ave. 815-946-1010 | FB

New China Buffet

Rochelle • 444 W. IL Rt. 38 815-562-8012

Restaurant Tecalitlan

Rochelle • 1071 N. Caron Rd. 815-561-7576

ESPRESSO/COFFEE BARS

The Cypress House Rochelle • 718 10th Ave.

815-562-4159 cypresshouse.net

Hazel's Café

Oregon • 307 W. Washington St. 815-732-7017 | FB | IG

Sweet Revival

Kings • 12554 IL Rt. 64 815-761-5643 | FB

FAMILY RESTAURANTS

Bella's Café

Oregon • 317 W. Washington St. 815-732-0991 | FB

Butterfly Restaurant

Rochelle • 1165 Lincoln Hwy. 815-562-5530

Campus Café

Mt. Morris • 101 S. Wesley Ave. 779-545-0007

Cardinal Café & Pizzaria Stillman Valley • 130 N. Walnut St. 815-645-7129

The Depot Forreston • 314 W. Main St. 815-938-2025

Dogwood Inn Restaurant Polo • 2452 N. IL 26 815-946-2499 | **FB**

Farmers Family Restaurant Forreston • 317 E. Main St. 815-938-3653 | FB

Fritz Wooden Nickel

Stillman Valley • 208 N. Walnut St. 815-645-9828 | FB

The Garden View Polo • 118 W. Mason St. 815-946-3703

Grubsteakers Restaurant Rochelle • 14698 E. State Rt. 64

815-562-3430 | FB

Iron Skillet Restaurant Rochelle • 900 Petro Rd. 815-562-5840

Nava Family Restaurant Mt. Morris • 4449 IL-64 815-734-0995

The Pepper Mill Mt. Morris • 10 E. Hitt St.

815-734-4141

The Roadhouse

Oregon • 807 S. 7th St. (Pines Rd. & Rt. 2) 815-732-2300 Rhouse.org | FB

Salt 251

Rochelle • 531 S. 7th St. 815-561-2727 | FB

Spanky's Byron Inn Byron 216 N. Union St. 815-234-2692

Spring Valley Restaurant Oregon • 300 E. Washington St. 815-732-4877

Sunrise Family Restaurant Rochelle • 1181 N. 7th St. 815-562-4877

Sunrise Family Restaurant Byron • 101 W. 2nd St. 815-234-4229

Sunrise III Family Restaurant Oregon • 116 N. 4th St. 815-732-2022

Swedish Pancake House Byron • 127 W. 2nd St.

FINE DINING

815-234-7600

Blackhawk Steak Pit

Oregon • 1429 N. IL Rt. 2 815-732-2500

blackhawksteakpit.com

LaVigna Restaurant Oregon • 2190 S. Daysville Rd. 815-732-4413 | FB

Maxson's Riverside Restaurant

Oregon • 1469 IL Rt. 2 815-732-6761 Maxsons.net | FB

White Pines Lodge

Mt. Morris • 6712 W. Pines Rd. 815-655-2400 whitepinesinn.com/restaurant

PIZZA/GRILLS/PUBS

2nd Chance Tavern

Byron • 109 W. 2nd St. 815-234-3000 | FB

Aldo's Pizzeria & Red Brick Pub

Rochelle • 418 Lincoln Hwy. 815-562-3456

Alfano's Pizzeria Rochelle • 1115 Turkington Terrace 815-562-3312

Alfano's Restaurant

Oregon • 810 S. 4th St. 815-732-4110

Breaker's Saloon & Eatery

Oregon • 100 S. 2nd St. 815-732-3319 | FB

Brewski's Bar & Grill Rochelle • 406 Cherry Ave. 815-888-7955

brewskisbg.wixsite.com/brewskis

Cardinal Café & Pizzaria

Stillman Valley • 130 N. Walnut St. 815-645-7129 Cardinal-cafe.business.site | FB

The Cave

Byron • 111 W. 2nd St. 815-234-3401 Thecavebyron.com | FB

Chesty P's Polo • 104 E. Mason St. 815-946-3326

Chili Pepper Bar & Gril Oregon • 416 W. Washington St. 815-732-1583 | **FB**

Cimino's Pizza Restaurant Rochelle • 126 May Mart Plaza 815-561-9777 | FB

Cimino's Pizza Restaurant Polo • 107 E. Mason St. 815-946-9123 | FB

Cimino's Pizza Restaurant Mount Morris • 202 E. Hitt St. 815-734-6660 | FB

Cornett's Chana Tap Chana • 104 Center Ave. 815-732-3922

chanatap.com | FB Cork & Tap Oregon • 305 W. Washington St. 815-677-6776

Corkntap.com | FB Costa's Pizzaria & Ristorante Byron • 133 E. Blackhawk Dr. 815-234-4707 | **FB**

Courthouse Tavern Oregon • 133 S. 4th St. 815-732-9700 | **FB**

The End Zone Sports Bar Rochelle 417 Cherry St. 815-561-6029 | FB

Father & Son Pizzeria of Oregon Oregon • 137 S. 4th St. 815-732-9700 | FB

Fibbers Bar & Grill Leaf River • 110 N. Main St. 815-738-2277 | FB

Flight Deck Bar & Grill Rochelle • 1207 W. Gurler Rd. 815-561-3664 flightdeckbar.com | FB

Franklin Street Pub

Oregon • 306 Franklin St. 815-732-1272 Franklinstreetpub.com | FB

Fritz's Wooden Nickle

Stillman Valley • 208 N. Walnut St. 815-645-9828 | **FB**

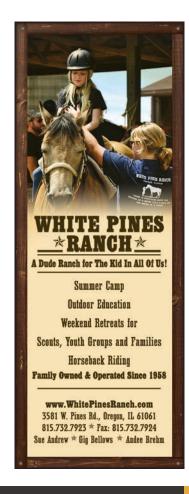
Fuzions Bar & Grill Rochelle • 200 N. Washington St. 815-888-7175 | **FB**

Hub City Express Rochelle 900 Petro Rd. 815-561-9595

The Hunt Club

Oregon • 101 S. 1st St. 815-732-3500 thehuntcluboregon.com | FB

The Idle Hour Mt. Morris • 115 S. Wesley Ave. 815-734-4110 | **FB**





PINE CREEK ESCAPE

Pine Creek Escape has built a portfolio of spaces to help you disconnect from your daily routine and enjoy what life is really about. Just 90 miles west of Chicago, located in Oregon, Illinois, they are close enough for a day trip, but their spaces entice you to stay much longer. The Cabins at Pine Creek sit high on a bluff overlooking the flowing Pine Creek. The twoacre lush green property is home to its three sister cabins, Knotty Pine, Whispering Pine, and Porcupine. The cabins sleep 6-12 people and have gas fireplaces, whirlpool tubs, and private outdoor spaces. Located just across the street from White Pines State Park, there is plenty to do within a couple of miles of The Cabins.

Just west of The Cabins you will run into The Canyon at Pine Creek. Once you enter The Canyon, you will feel like you have been transported somewhere out west. The limestone walls accent the green oasis that surrounds the pond and waterfall. After 20 years of attention to detail, the property is a stunning space for a wedding ceremony. The Canyon is open for weddings May-October and can accommodate up to 300 guests.

Located right next door to the Canyon, is a 72-year-old operating roller skating rink, The Rink at Pine Creek. The Rink is the perfect space to dust off those old skates and remember how it feels to be a kid again. And better yet, bring your kids so they can enjoy some exercise and engagement away from their phone and tv screen. The Rink is open every weekend for roller skating with a live DJ and full arcade.

Tthere is something for everyone at Pine Creek Escape. Check us out online at www.pinecreekescape.com for more information.

JC's Junction Corner

Jeff's Refs Polo . 113 W. Mason St. 815-946-2860 Jeffsrefspolo.com | FB

Josh's Saloon Forreston • 212 1st Ave. 815-938-2910

Kenny's Place Rochelle • 411 Cherry Ave. 815-562-6568 | FB

LaRosa's Pizza & Pasta Stillman Valley • 402 W. Roosevelt Rd. 815-645-1100 | FB

Mullarkey's Bar & Grill Mt. Morris • 12 West Main St. 815-734-0759 | FB

Monroe Center • 303 Pacific St. 815-393-3503 | **FB**

Mimmo's Pizza and Lounge Forreston • 111 Main St. 815-938-2406 Mimmoslounge.com | FB

Davis Junction • 13939 E. IL Rt. 72 815-874-2337 | **FB**

Ten Pennies Oregon • 210 S. 4th St. 815-881-8064

815-562-5000

ScaleHouse Lounge Rochelle • 407 Lincoln Hwy. 815-762-8212 | FB Sledgehammer's Oregon - 1450 Rt. 2 Oregon 815-762-7395 | FB

Tipsy Hog Oregon 101 S. 3rd St. 815-440-1962 | FB

Trippies Bar & Grill Oregon • 17 N. River Rd. 815-732-1234 | FB

Northside BarbaQ Oregon • 408 E. Washington St.

northsidebarbaq.com | FB **Ogle County Brewery** Oregon • 400 W. Washington St.

815-881-8277

815-881-8033 oglecountybrewery.com Oregon VFW Oregon • 1310 W. Washington

815-732-6851 The Polo Room Polo • 712 N. Division Ave. 815-946-2886 thepoloroom.com | FB **Prairie Grass Pub** Byron • 6734 German Church Rd. 815-234-4653 (GOLF) prairieviewgolf.com The Rack Bar & Grill Rochelle • 406 Cherry Ave. 815-561-6254 | FB Rosati's Pizza Rochelle • 1233 N. Caron Rd.

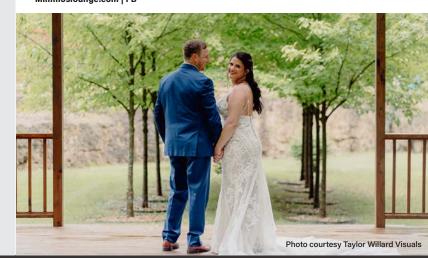
Uptown Lanes/Back Alley Bar and Grill Byron • 106 W. 2nd St. 815-599-3251

uptownlanesbyron.com

Vince's Pizza Rochelle • 1071 N. 7th St. & Hwy. 251 N. 815-562-7300 | **FB**

Weezy's Sports Bar & Grill Byron 110 W. 2nd St. 815-234-2696 Byronweezys.com | FB

Wildcard Saloon Rochelle • 417 Cherry Ave. 815-561-6029 | FB



QUICK-SERVICE FOOD

Country School Rochelle • Hwy. 251 N. 815-562-6039

Dog Hub

Rochelle • 134 May Mart Dr. 815-561-0001 dog-hub.com

Jay's Drive Inn

Oregon • 107 W. Washington St. 815-732-2396

Sam's Drive Inn

Byron • 705 W. Blackhawk Dr. 815-234-8281

Sammy's Dog Stand Oregon • Conover Square - 201 N. 3rd St. 815-217-1780

BREWERIES/DISTILLERIES

Hairy Cow Brewing Company

Byron • 450 E. Blackhawk Dr. 815-243-2866

hairycowbrewing.com | FB | IG

Kennay Farm Distilling

Rochelle • 416 Lincoln Hwy. 815-901-3207

Kennayfarmsdistilling.com | FB | IG

Ogle County Brewery

Oregon • 400 W. Washington St. 815-881-8033

oglecountybrewery.com | FB

MEETING/ WEDDING/ RECEPTION SPACE

Barnacopia

Polo • 2570 N. Westbranch Rd. 815-238-1417 Barnacopia.com | FB | IG

The Barn on the Hill

Leaf River • 7 E. Rt 72 815-703-0628

thebarnonthehill.net

Bubba Bus Adventures

ridewithbubba.com | FB

A fully insured bus service that allows you to safely enjoy local breweries, wineries and restaurants. Service cover all of Northern

The Canyon at Pine Creek

Mt. Morris • 6797 W. Pines Rd. 815-881-1180 info@pinecreekescape.com

pinecreekescape.com/weddings

The Command Post Byron • 114 W. 2nd St. 815-209-7099 | **FB**

Cork & Tap Oregon • 305 Washington St. 815-677-6776 | FB

Creston Historical Opera House Creston • 204 S. Main St.

Crestonboosterclub.org | FB

Flight Deck Bar & Grill at CSC Rochelle • 1207 W. Gurler Rd.

815-561-3664 Flightdeckbar.com | FB

Jarrett Prairie Center

Byron • 7993 N. River Rd.

815-234-8535 Byronforestpreserve.com | FB

Kennay Farms Distilling

Rochelle • 416 Lincoln Hwy. 815-901-1512 kennayfarmsdistilling.com Kilbuck Creek

Monroe Center • 6752 N. Kilbuck Rd. 815-393-3247 Kilbuckcreek.com | FB

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries

Oregon • 1834 S. IL Rt. 2 815-732-2220 lomc.org

Oak Lane of Oregon Wedding & **Event Venue**

Oregon • 3261 S. Daysville Rd. 815-871-0948 Oaklaneoforegon.com | FB

The Polo Room Banquet Hall

Polo • 712 N. Division Ave. 815-946-2886

thepoloroom.com | FB

Rock River Center

Oregon • 810 S. 10th St. 815-732-3252 or 800-541-5479 Rockrivercenter.org | FB

Storybook Gardens

Rochelle • 13501 E. Bethel Rd. 815-764-9968

Storybookgardens.club | FB

Stronghold Castle Conference Center

Oregon • 1922 IL Rt. 2 N. 815-732-6111 Strongholdcenter.org

SHOPPING

ANTIQUES

Artifacts

Grand Detour • 8331 Clinton St. 815-440-0936

Bill's Trading Post Rochelle • 408 4th Ave.

815-562-2627

Black Hawk Antiques & Fiber Arts

Oregon • 302 Franklin St.

Cheri Picked Vintage

Rochelle • 525 Lincoln Hwy. 815-677-3134

cheripickedvintagellc.com | FB

Don's Flamingo Palace Oregon • 109 S. 3rd St.

779-861-3699 | FB

Earth Reclaimer's

Oregon • Conover Square Mall 201 N. 3rd St. 815-713-5063 | FB

Just Antiques & Collectibles Oregon • 1107 IL Rt. 64 815-761-1402 | FB

Mairzedotes Cherished

Boutique

Byron • 133 W. 2nd St. 815-222-1220 | **FB**

Neighbor's Antiques & Collectibles

Oregon • Conover Square Mall 201 N. 3rd St. 815-543-4230 | FB

Our House Antiques Polo • 510 E. King St. 815-441-4533 | **FB**

Pickin Station

Rochelle • 708 Lincoln Ave. 815-562-7915 | FB

Roadhouse Antiques Creston • 124 E. Rt. 38 815-384-3222 | FB

Second Time Around

Oregon • 201 N. 3rd St. (Conover Square 1st Floor) 815-632-1687 | FB

Split Decisions

Oregon • 201 N. 3rd St. (Conover Square Mall 2nd floor) 815-762-3598 | FB

Sweet Revival Antiques

Kings • 12554 E. Rt. 64 815-761-5643

Sweetrevivalantiques.com | FB

Trotter Restorations & Antiques Polo • 115-117 W. Mason St.

815-946-2592 Trotterantiques.com | FB

Vintage Chicks & Feed Leaf River • 700 E. State Rt. 72 815-973-2432 | FB

ARTISAN WORKS

Art Casting of Illinois/Adagio Fine Art

Oregon • 5 Madison St. 815-732-7475 Harryspell.com | FB

Beryl's Country Ceramics Stillman Valley • 5618 N. Armour Rd.

815-645-2590 Jeff Adams' "Images in Bronze" Mt. Morris • 309 W. Wesley Ave.

815-734-7578 Inbronze.com

Slip & Slurry Pottery Oregon - Conover Square Mall 815-732-3367 | FB

COUNTRY MARKETS

Barnhardt's Stone Corner Organic Farm Market

Oregon • 2169 E. Honey Creek Rd. 815-732-7816 | **FB Berryview Orchard**

Mt. Morris • 7504 W. Midtown Rd. 815-734-7551 Berryvieworchard.com | FB

Byron's Sunshine Farmer's Market

Byron • Sunshine Park - Rt. 2 815-234-5500 | **FB**

Market on the Lawn at The **Cypress House**

Rochelle • 718 10th Ave. Cypresshouse.net | FB

Mt. Morris Community Farmers

Mt. Morris • 4 E. Main St. 815-734-6006 | FB

River's Edge Farmers Market Oregon • 100 Washington St.

GIFTS/COLLECTIBLES

The Artists' Garden Rochelle • 407 Lincoln Hwy. 815-673-8714 | FB

Colonial Flowers and Gifts Rochelle • 408 Lincoln Hwy. 800-239-0974

Country Floral & Freight Room Framing
Polo • 101 N. Division St.

815-946-3952

floristrochelleil.com

The Cypress House Rochelle • 718 10th Ave. 815-562-4159

cypresshouse.net

The Frameworks II

Oregon • 807 Pines Rd. 815-732-3413

Free Spirit Vintage

Oregon • 201 N. 3rd St. (Conover Square 1st Floor) 815-298-7261 | FB

John Deere Historic Site Gift Shop

Grand Detour • 8334 S. Clinton St. 815-652-4551

iohndeereattractions.com

Mattison and Son Mercantile

Oregon • 201 N 3rd St. (Conover Square 2nd Floor) 815-631-6639 | FB

Merlin's Greenhouse & Flowers / The Other Side

Oregon • 300 Mix St. 815-732-2969

merlinsgreenhouseandflowers.com

Petro Travel Plaza Rochelle • I-39 & Rt. 38 815-562-5922

Route 64 Vintage Oregon • 101 E Washington 815-973-6461 | FB

The Spark Shop Rochelle 500 Lincoln Ave.

Sweet Revival

Kings • 12554 E. Route 64 815-761-5643 sweetrevivalantiques.com | FB

Unique Boutique Crafters Mall Oregon • 111 S. 4th St. 815-677-4302 uniqueboutiquecraftermall.com | FB

Vanaseys

Oregon • Conover Square Mall 815-499-3600 | FB

Vintage Chicks & Feed Leaf River • 700 E. State Rt. 72 815-973-2432

Where the Dragon Fly Oregon • 101 E. Washington St. 773-203-7588 | **FB**

White Pines Lodge Gift Shop Mt. Morris • 6712 Wt. Pines Rd. 815-655-2400 whitepinesinn.com

MALLS

Conover Square Mall Oregon • 201 N. 3rd St. 815-732-3950 | FB

SPECIALTY SHOPPING

The ADM Studios

Oregon • 208 W. Washington St. 815-596-0059 theadmstudios.com

AM Floral Co. Oregon • 120 N. 4th St. 815-732-7031 amfloralco.com | FB

Arbor on Market Flower Shop Byron • 105 Market St. 815-234-4682

Barniture

Oregon • Conover Square Mall 201 N. 3rd St.

Bad Ash Cigars Oregon • 114 N. River Rd. 815-201-3848

Black Hawk Antiques & Fiber

Oregon • 302 Franklin St.

blueflamedecor

Rochelle • 400 Lincoln Hwy. 815-994-0013 | blueflamedecor.com

Celestial Sun Boutique

Byron • 8725 N. IL Rt. 2 815-234-5588 | FB | IG

Chana 64 Auction House/Flea

Chana • 620 S. Stonehill Rd. 815-830-3898 | FB

Chatty Lady Creations

Leaf River • 605 Main St. 815-738-2938 | FB

Cheri Picked Vintage

Rochelle • 525 Lincoln Hwy. 815-677-3134 cheripickedvintagellc.com | FB

Cin's Treasures Ceramics & Art

Oregon • 201 N. 3rd St. 815-994-6313 etsy.com/shop/cinstreasures | FB

Creative Designs

Oregon • 306 W. Washington St. 815-535-3432 | **FB**

The Cypress House

Rochelle 718 10th Ave. 815-562-4159

cypresshouse.net | FB | IG

Colonial Flowers & Gifts

Rochelle • 408 Lincoln Hwy. 815-562-8101 floristrochelleil.com

Dandelion Feathers Farm

Oregon • 2 S. Gale Rd. 309-242-7086 | FB dandelionfeathers.com

Diamond "G" Ranch & Western Store

Rochelle • 4564 Knoll Rd. 815-562-4050 diamondgranchandwesternstore.net

Grungy Roots LLC

Grand Detour • 8094 IL Rt. 2 815-615-8381 | FB

Happily Handmade Pottery

Oregon • 312 W. Washington St. 815-970-0056 | FB

Hazel's Café

Oregon • 307 W. Washington St. hazels-cafe.com | FB | IG

Hidden Timber Gardens

Chana • 462 S. Chana Rd. 815-751-4162 hiddentimbergardens.com

Hydro Bar

Oregon • 410 Washington St. 779-861-2277 | **FB**

In the Beginning Naturals Rochelle • 405 Lincoln Hwy.

815-561-6466

Joann's Doll Shop

Byron 728 W. Blackhawk Dr. 815-234-8332

Joyeria Ruby Jewelry Rochelle • 406 Lincoln Hwy. 815-561-9093

K. Paige Shop

Byron 128 W. 2nd St. 815-561-9093

K.Paige@kpaigeshop | FB

Leaf River Quilt Co.

Leaf River • 6679 W. IL Rt. 72 815-738-2855 leafriverquiltco.com

Lifeline Resale Shop

Oregon • Conover Square 201 N. 3rd St. 815-732-7891

Little Blue Cottage

Oregon • 502 Franklin Št. 815-681-1101 littleblue502.com

Midwestern Clothing Company

Byron • 130 W. 2nd St. midwesternclothingcompany.com | FB

Midwestern Clothing Company

Rochelle • 519 4th Ave. midwesternclothingcompany.com | FB

Mindful Zen

Oregon • 1302 Pines Rd. 815-275-3360 | **FB**

Needles

Rochelle • 120 May Mart Dr. 815-384-2107 needlesrochelle.com

Oregon Soap Shoppe

Oregon • 91 S. Daysville Rd. 866-411-6614 oregonsoapshoppe.com

Otter Creek Craft & Paint

Forreston • 101 E. Main St. 815-218-3457 | FB

The Scarlett Page Used Book

Oregon • 201 N. 3rd St. (Conover Square) 815-994-0160 | FB

Stems & Stuff Designs

Byron • 115 W. 2nd St. 815-978-7429

stemsandstuffdesigns.com | FB

Sparklefox Confections

Oregon • 108 N. 4th St. 815-988-7998

sparklefoxconfections.com | FB

Ukulele Station America

Oregon • 1000 Washington St. 815-994-1246

ukulelestationamerica.com | FB

Vicarioustyle Oregon • 221 W. Washington St. 815-978-2510 | FB

"THIS LODGE IS THE HIDDEN GEM OF OGLE COUNTY"

(as quoted from many guests!)



WHITESIDE COUNTY



History buffs explore the community of Tampico, where tours tell the tale of President Ronald Reagan's 1911 birth in a flat above the town bakery at 111 S. Main Street. Other travelers are attracted to the early-American village of Heritage Canyon in Fulton, where special events and historical re-enactors hearken back to life in the 1800s.

things to do and see.

At Albany Indian Mounds State Historic Site, visitors are fascinated by one of the largest prehistoric Hopewell Mound groupings in the state of Illinois, where interpretive exhibits explore an Indian culture that existed more than 2,000 years ago. With hiking, biking and cross-country ski trails, as well as picnic tables and free admission, this is a favored place.

Escape back in time and visit Fulton's de Immigrant Windmill. Manufactured in the Netherlands and delivered to Fulton, this massive 100 ft. tall fully-functional windmill showcases the amazing craftsmanship and ingenuity of the Dutch millwrights and masons that constructed it.

Whiteside County's Lake Carlton is pegged as the state's premiere spot for muskie fishing. Throughout the year, this region is home to an endless array of entertaining special events, including the Prophetstown Pow Wow, Rock Falls Summer Splash, Fulton Fall Festival, and Dillon Home Museum Victorian Christmas Walk.

The Hennepin Canal is one of northwestern Illinois' most historic waterways. The canal, originally known as the Illinois and Mississippi Canal, was conceived in 1834 as a project that would reduce the distance between Chicago and Rock Island by 419 miles. Construction finally began in 1892 and the first boat went through in 1907. It was mainly used by small barges hauling coal and grain. An account made by the Sterling-Rock Falls Historical Society said that the peak of the canal's success was made in 1927 when 30,000 tons of freight moved down her calm waters. From that point on she saw a steady decline in use, as railroads and trucking companies took

over the freight industry. This, however, was a blessing for the Illinois sportsman. The canal is home to 78 miles of canoeing and kayaking opportunities and is snaked by parks and a beautiful walking path. This waterway is perfect for beginners as the waters are very calm, there are no obstructions and wildlife is abundant. There Route 40, providing access and many take-

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GETAWAYS

rivers running through the Blackhawk Waterways Region, just waiting to be explored. Speak to your outfitter about other canoeing or kayaking opportunities and examine local maps to find the trip that's perfect for you, your family and your skill level. Now, throw on that life jacket, grab those paddles and go!

ATTRACTIONS

ADVENTURE SPORTS

The Bike Barn Morrison • 13524 Black Rd. 815-631-5400 Motocross & 4 wheel tracks

BAIT & TACKLE

Bo's Bait & Tackle

Rock Falls • 1417 10th Ave. 815- 441-6260 | FB

K's Corner Trading Post

Sterling • 13030 Galt Rd 815-626-2988

Morrison Rockwood Marina

Morrison • 18301 Lake Rd. 815-772-3613 www.dnr.illinois.gov

Oppold Marina Harbor House

Sterling • 532 Stouffer Rd. 815-622-6203

sterlingparks.org

Free boat launch facilities, boat slip rentals, picnic shelters, restrooms, fishing, playground equipment.

BIKING/HIKING

Great River Trail Fulton • 815-589-3925

greatrivertrail.org | FB

20-plus miles of dedicated & shared-use biking or hiking trail, with six-mile loop around & through the City of Fulton, with Mississippi River & Fulton's Dutch Windmill

Green River Cyclery Sterling • 201 13th Ave. 815-622-8180

greenrivercyclery.com
Located adjacent to Sterling's Multipurpose and Recreational Trail and is easily accessible from the Trail or street. At the corner of 13th Avenue and 2nd Street.

Hennepin Canal Parkway

Rock Falls • 209 Emmons Ave. 815-380-2300

visitrockfalls.com

From Rock Falls to Sheffield. Miles of bike & hiking paths, canoeing, fishing & historical sites along the way.

Martins Landing/Sinnissippi Dam Walkway Sterling • 10 Broadway (behind Dillion

Home Museum) 815-622-6200

sterlingparks.org

The Sinnissippi Dam Walkway provides a link between the ever expanding trail system in Sterling and the Hennepin Feeder Canal in Rock Falls. The Feeder Canal ties into the main Hennepin Canal and becomes part of the Grand Illinois Trail. The Sinnissippi Dam Walkway offers bicyclists, runners, walkers and other recreational users a safe and scenic route across the Rock River.

Mead's Bike Shop

Sterling • 414 Locust St. 815-626-4601

meadsbikeshop.com

We offer a wide selection of bicycles plus repair service, bike rentals and have a large selection of bike accessories and appare

Morrison Rockwood State Park & Marina

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd. 815-772-4708

Mountain Bike Pump Track Sterling • 17th Ave. & 15th St. facebook.com/Sterling-IL-Pump-Track

Built specifically for mountain bikers looking for a challenging and fun experience. The 1.5-acre site has two main sections, including space for beginners and a more advanced section. There's no age limit and rules are posted. Helmets are strongly recommended.

Prophetstown State Recreation Area

Prophetstown • Park Ave. & River Dr. Near Rt. 172 & 78 815-537-2926

53-acre state park: boat launches, fishing, camping, electrical service, restrooms/ showers, playground, small picnic shelters, horseshoe pits, dump station & hiking. Between Rock River &. Coon Creek a nature

Rock Falls Bike Share Program

RB&W Park April - October

visitrockfalls.com

These bikes are controlled by Bluetooth technology and users must download an application on their smartphones. Works with iPhone and Android and instructions are posted on the racks. Bikes are mainly sized for teens and adults.

Rock River Trail rockrivertrail.com

The Rock River Trail is a 320-mile trail through 11 counties in Wisconsin & Illinois and travels through Ogle, Lee & Whiteside counties. Go to website for routes with GPS maps and cue sheets so you can follow the beautiful Rock River Trail corridor. The Rock River Trail is a National Water Trail for you to Drive, Hike, Bike or Paddle!

Storybook Trail

Rock Falls • 7th Ave. & 10th St.

BOAT/CANOE RENTALS

Benson's on Lake Carlton

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd. 815-772-9090

bensonsonlakecarlton.com | FB

Centennial Park

Rock Falls • E. 11th St. & Ave. D 815-625-0272

50-acre park with canoe rentals, fishing, hikina & more.

Crystal Lake Recreation Park Rock Falls • 600 E. 17th St.

815-499-0520,

crystallake1.com | FB

Located adjacent to the Hennepin Canal Parkway which offers 70 miles of canoeing and kayaking in a slow current and we offer canoe & kayak rental. Other amenities include a man-made lake for swimming, a go-kart track, aqua-golf range, an RV park and campground. Easy access from Exits 41 or 44 off I-88.

Morrison Rockwood Marina

Morrison • 18301 Lake Rd. 815-772-3613

www.dnr.illinois.gov

COMMUNITY PARKS

10th Ave School Park

Fulton • 10th Ave.

Grills, pavilion, restrooms, parking, playground & basketball courts.

Bowman Park

Rock Falls • 200 W 1st St. colomaparkdistrict.com

Cattail Park

Fulton • 100 19th St.

Community bldg., pavilion, picnic area, outdoor grills, playground.

Centennial Park

Rock Falls • 11th St. & Ave. D 815-625-0272

colomatownshippparkdistrict.com

50 acre park: canoe rentals, fishing, biking, picnic area, playgrounds & more.

Den Besten Park

Fulton • 1st St.

Picnic tables, restroom, interpretive kiosk.

Douglas Park

Sterling • 2100 Chestnut Ave. sterlingparks.org

basketball courts, playground equipment, open play areas.

Drives Athletic Park

Fulton • 1300 Park Dr.

Baseball & soccer fields, picnic pavilion, playground.

Eclipse Square Memorial Park

Prophetstown - 301 Washington St. 815-537-5598

Eberley Park Sterling • 2699 W. LeFevre Rd. sterlingparks.org Walking/running course

French Creek Park

Morrison • Portland Ave. S. IL Rt. 78 16-acre park, walking path, playground & picnic area.

Gartner Park

Sterling • 2121 W. LeFevre Rd. sterlingparks.org Lighted & unlighted ball diamonds

Harry Kidd Field

Sterling • 1219 W. 7th St. sterlingparks.org Football field

Hoover Park

Sterling • 3603 Woodlawn Rd. sterlingparks.org

Cross-country skiing, picnic area, playground equipment, open play areas & S.M.A.R.T. Trail System (paved walking course).

Joshua Park

Rock Falls • Riverdale Rd. & A St. 815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com 18 hole disc golf course, family picnic shelter, modern restrooms, basketball court, playground area, baseball diamond. Handicapped accessible parking lot.

Kelly Park Morrison • E. High St. 3.4 acre park: professionally designed 9-hole Frisbee golf course, tennis courts, picnic area, new playground & walking path.

Kilgour Park

Sterling • 400 W. 15th St. sterlingparks.org Outdoor basketball courts, historical

site, picnic area, playground equipment, Imagination Station, open play areas, outdoor tennis courts & walking course.

Kiwanis Park

Fulton • 4th St. & 16th Ave. Baseball fields & playground.

Kiwanis Park

Morrison • N. Genesee St. Rolle Bolle court, playground & picnic area.

Lawrence Park

Sterling • 13650 Ave. G 815-622-6205

sterlingparks.orgBoat launches, fishing & recreational areas.

Logan Park

Rock Falls • 1909 E. Rock Falls Rd. 815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com Ball diamonds, family picnic shelter,

playground equipment, restrooms

Lower Dam Park
Rock Falls • Downtown riverfront 815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com

1- acre park: exciting view of the Rock River, excellent fishing, boat ramp just below the

Morrison Sports Complex

Morrison • E. Rt. 30 & Bishop Rd. 815-535-1105

quickscores.com/morrisonsports

35 acre: baseball/softball & football fields, sledding hill, nature trail & walking path.

Nims Park

Rock Falls . E. 3rd St. & Ave. E 815-625-0272

Picnic shelter, restrooms, playground, basketball court, a Frisbee golf course, baseball diamond, offers fishing & canoeing.

Neighborhood Community Park

Fulton • 6th St. & 22nd Ave. Shelter house, picnic tables, grills, playaround.

Optimist Park

Rock Falls • N. 14th Ave. & Prophet Rd. 815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com

Restrooms, playground, picnic tables & ball diamonds.

Propheter Park

Sterling • 506 E. 6th St. sterlingparks.org

Basketball courts, playground, open play areas & Lincoln statue.

RB&W District Park

Rock Falls • 301 E. 2nd St. 815-622-1106

Visitrockfalls.com | FB Located on the banks of the Rock River, this public space has a display of large sculptures that change yearly and an amphitheater with

seating for up to 400. **Redfield Park**

Sterling • 14th Ave. & 2nd St.

sterlingparks.orgPlayground equipment, open play areas, trail, biking/walking path.

Robert A. Millikan Park

Morrison • W. Main St.

Icons of Morrison's past: hitching post, railroad crossing signal, horse trough, & historic brick pathways.

Scheid Park

ducks to feed.

Sterling • 1102 Woodburn Ave.

sterlingparks.org
Outdoor basketball courts, playground, open
play areas, shelters & soccer fields.

Seward Riverside Park

Rock Falls • E. 2nd St. & Ave. C

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com Boat launch area, picnic area, playground &

Sieglinger Memorial Park Rock Falls • 9th Ave. & W. 22nd St. 815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com

Pavilion, picnic tables, playground, ball diamonds, horseshoe courts, concessions. Sinnissippi Park Sterling · Sinnissippi Rd.

815-622-6200 sterlingparks.org 150-acre park: playground equipment, picnic shelters, fishing, hiking, restrooms,

recreational areas, disc golf. **Thomas Park**

Sterling • 230112th Ave. sterlingparks.org Outdoor basketball courts & ice skating,

picnic area, playground & open play areas.

Veteran's Park Rock Falls • 5th Ave. & West 5th St. 815-622-1100

Dedicated to those who served in all branches of the military

Wallingford Park

Rock Falls • E. 8th St. & Ave. C 815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com

3 baseball diamonds, restrooms, concession stand, a family picnic shelter, outdoor basketball court & playground

WaterWorks Park

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com

12.4 acres baseball diamond, sand volleyball courts, tennis courts, playground, picnic area, new playground, walking path & new

FAMILY FUN/AMUSEMENT

Andresen Nature Center

Fulton # 409 N. 4th St. 815-208-7059

cityoffulton.us

Displays of local wildlife, insects, and flora found along the local watershed of the upper Mississippi River.

Aubree's Fun World

Rock Falls • 707 1st Ave. 815-716-8410 | FB

Bugsy's Arcade & Gaming

Sterling • Northland Mall/2900 E. Lincolnway 815-677-2307 | FB

The Cage

Morrison • 222 W. Main St. 815-499-0404

thecagemorrison.com

Indoor Batting, Pitching Mounds, Golf Tees

Crystal Lake Recreation Rock Falls • 511 E. Rt. 30

815-499-0520

crystallake1.com | FB

Go-karts (800-foot track), sun bathing, trampoline, big floating raft, food & more.

Deitricks' Alpaca Ranch

Prophetstown • 11200 Lomax Rd. 309-373-5281

deitricksalpacaranch.com | FB

Dillon Home Museum

Sterling • 1005 E. 3rd St. 815-622-6202

sterlingparks.org Tours, Weddings & Formal Events

Duis Recreation Center

Sterling • 211 E. St. Mary's Rd.

815-622-6200 sterlingparks.org

Indoor swimming pool, outdoor skatepark, diving well, gymnastics & tumbling; full fitness facility available.

Happy Trails

Sterling • 2300 W. LeFevre 815-626-3115

5-acres: walking paths, water gardens, greenhouse, 5-hole mini golf, swings & gardens. All designed & maintained by the developmentally disabled.

Lock & Dam 13

Fulton • 4999 Lock Rd

Lock-and-Dam-13/

mvr.usace.army.mil/Missions/ Navigation/Lock-and-Dam-Information/

Boats of all kinds from small canoes to tugs pushing huge strings of barges pass through these locks located on the Mississippi River and visitors can view the activities from an observation deck

Midway Drive-In Theater Sterling • 91 Palmyra Rd 815-647-3124

www.themidwaydrivein.net

Pack up the kids and enjoy the nostalgia, comfort and fun of attending a drive-in theater! One of only 20 remaining drive-in theaters in Illinois. Go to our website for a full listing of upcoming movies & events and friend us on Facebook

Millview Disc Golf Course

Fulton . S. 4th St.

815-589-3925

A nine-hole disc golf course on the banks of the Mississippi River.

NASCAR-Themed Event **Planning**

Sterling • 866-416-0083

chapman-motorsports.com

Everything you need for NASCAR-themed events for special occasions

Paone's Blackhawk Lanes

Sterling • 2325 E. Lincolnway 815-625-0771

blackhawklanes.com

20-lane bowling, pro shop, lounge

Rock Falls Birding Trail

Rock Falls • 811 E. 2nd St. 815-622-1106

visitrockfalls.com/rock-falls-birding-

The purpose of this trail is to feature the birds found along the Rock River in Rock Falls including Bald Eagles.

Selmi's Farm Market

Rock Falls • 1206 Dixon Ave. 815-626-3830

selmi.com | FB

Haunted house & wagon ride, corn maze, little spooks house, petting farm, outdoor play area, & more fun! Pumpkins, gourds, home decorating, Pumpkin Masters, Pez Candy dispenser headquarters

Triple Play Bowling Center Fulton • 1601 9th Ave.

815-589-3215

Open & league bowling, banquet facilities, pizza & snack bar. Tues.- Sun. lunch &

Westwood Fitness & Sports

Sterling • 1900 Westwood Dr. 815-622-6201

sterlingparks.org

6 lane 200 meter indoor track, indoor 60 AstroTurf football/soccer field, indoor tennis courts, outdoor tennis courts, racquetball/ wallyball courts, batting cages, wrestling room, 12,000+ square foot fitness center, CrossFit, 8 indoor basketball/volleyball

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courts, special events space

Sterling 2317 E. Lincolnway/Ste C. 815-213-7493

whoopyouraxe.com

Axe throwing in a fun and safe environment.

FARM TOURS/ **AGRI TOURISM**

Circle C Alpacas

Fulton • 21919 Hillside Rd. 815-772-3175

ccalpacas.50megs.com



Deitricks' Alpaca Ranch Prophetstown • 1120 Lomax Rd

815-373-5281

deitricksalpacaranch.com Alpaca ranch open by appt only.

Muller's Lane Farm

Rock Falls • 9767 Hickory Hills Rd. 779-245-8148

mullerslanefarm.com

A working homestead offering tours and lessons in the homesteading lifestyle. Animal care, gardening, blacksmithing, soapmaking, spinning and more. By appointment only.

Spring Valley Farm

Fulton 21919 Hillside Rd. 815-772-3175

Dairy farm offering tours by appt.

HISTORY/HERITAGE

Albany Indian Mounds State

Historic Site Albany • Cherry St. & 12th Ave. www.albanymounds.com FB: @albanymounds

Free! One of the largest prehistoric Hopewell Mound groups in Illinois. Interpretive displays, bike trails, cross-country ski trails, picnic tables.

Barn Quilt Trail

815-622-1106 Facebook.com/whitesidequilttrail

Whiteside County is fortunate to have many barn quilts located throughout our area and we encourage you to go to our Facebook page for a full listing and information.

Asa Crook Home

Prophetstown • 680 E. 3rd St. 815-537-5139

First frame house built in 1839 by Whiteside County's first settler. Restoration in progress.

Civil War Cannon

Prophetstown • 400 Block of Washington & Riverside Dr. 815-537-5139

prophetstownil.comWWI brass naval cannon on carriage.

Civil War Monument

Prophetstown • 400 E. 3rd St. 815-537-5139

prophetstownil.com

Statue of Civil War soldier.

Covered Bridge

Morrison • Crosby Rd. 815-772-3757

On the road to Morrison-Rockwood State Park, at 148 feet, the two-span covered bridge is much larger than those you will find

Dillon Home Museum

Sterling • 1005 E. 3rd St. 815-622-6202

sterlingparks.org

Built in 1858, Italian Renaissance period, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Features: history of Dillon family, NW steel, wire & fine antiques, belonging to

de Immigrant Dutch Windmill Fulton • 1st St. & 10th Ave.

815-589-3925

citvoffulton.us

Authentic Dutch Windmill prefabricated in The Netherlands & erected by Dutch craftsmen. Fully operational windmill on the flood control dike overlooking the Mississippi River. Fresh ground flour available. Open May- Oct.

Eclipse Square Memorial Park

Prophetstown - 301 Washington St. 815-537-5598

Named after the Eclipse Lawnmower which originated in Prophetstown, park was created to honor all those who served such as veterans, law enforcement, fire fighters, & EMTs.

Firehouse Ministries Fire Museum

Rock Falls • 402 W. 2nd St. 815-622-9490

firehouseofgodministries.com/ firemuseum.htm

The museum displays vintage firefighting equipment and offers family friendly tours and children's educational activities.

Fulton Lincoln Highway Interpretive Gazebo & Mural Fulton 10th Ave. & 3rd St.

Fulton's Ronald Reagan Trail Link

Fulton Catholic Cemetery 815-589-3925

ronaldreagantrail.net

Ronald Reagan's ancestral lineage began in Fulton in the mid-1800s. President Reagan's parents were born & married in Fulton, IL. The former President's father, John Edward Reagan, worked in a dry goods store in downtown Fulton & his mother, Nellie Clyde Reagan, worked as a milliner in Fulton. Several of the former President's relatives including grandparents, aunts & uncles, are buried in the Fulton Catholic Cemetery.

Henry C. Adams Memorial

Prophetstown • 209 W. 3rd St. 815-537-5462

Erected in memory of Henry Adams who was founder of Eclipse Lawn Mower, was built in Prophetstown.

Hennepin Canal State Parkway

Rock Falls • 209 Emmons Ave. visitrockfalls.com

Heritage Canyon

Fulton • 515 N. 4th St. 815-589-3925

cityoffulton.us

A restored mid-1800s settlement including home sites, church, one-room school house, doctor's office, covered bridge, swinging

Historic Lyndon Bridge Lyndon • 126 6th Ave. W. The Lyndon Bridge, located on the Rock River Trail, is a metal Parker Pratt throughtruss bridge built in the late 1890s and restored by the village of Lyndon in 2003 to be used as a walking bridge

Lincoln Manahan Museum

Sterling • 607 E. 3rd St. 815-622-6215

srfhs.com

Abraham Lincoln, then 47, came to Sterling to speak at a rally for presidential candidate, John C. Fremont. On July 18, 1856, a twist of fate brought Mr. Lincoln to the home of Sheriff William Manahan to spend the night. He slept on a sofa with two chairs placed at its end to accommodate his long legs. In the morning he left Sterling for a speaking engagement in Chicago and the rest is history! The home has been restored & its interior, furnishings, & facade reflect the time when Lincoln visited in the late 1850s.

Little Red Schoolhouse Museum

Rock Falls • 512 E. 11th St.

Replica of an early 19th-century American one-room schoolhouse.

Lyndon Area Historical Society Museum

Lyndon • 405 W 4th St. 815-499-4015

lyndonareahistoricalsociety.org

Located in a 130 yr old former church. The chapel has beautiful stained glass windows and is an ideal setting for small intimate weddings and events. The lower level showcases the area's history through both permanent and seasonal displays. Open by

Martin House Museum

Fulton • 707 10th Ave. 815-589-3809

cityoffulton.us

The Fulton Historical Society is located in this Civil War-era home which houses several antiques and Fulton memorabilia

Morrison's Heritage Museum

Morrison • 202 E. Lincolnway

815-772-8889

morrisonchamber.com/area-attractions

Collections include: toys, Post Office, antique farm tools, women's finery, one-room school house, wooden trains & local Morrison

Morrison Lincoln Highway Interpretive Mural Morrison 208 F. Main St.

Morrison Welcome Center Morrison • 221 W. Main St.

815-772-3757

morrisonchamber.com

Maps & visitor info available

Morrison Veteran's Park

Morrison • E. High St.
Dedicated to area veterans' flags, memorial tablets & Howitzer field artillery.

Muller's Lane Farm

Rock Falls • 9767 Hickory Hills Rd. 815-625-2607

mullerslanefarm.com
A working homestead offering tours and lessons in the homesteading lifestyle. Animal care, gardening, blacksmithing, soapmaking, spinning and more. By appointment only.

Murals of Prophetstown

Prophetstown • Downtown business district 815-537-5139

prophetstownil.com

Depicts the history of the community & received a state of Illinois 2005 "Arts-Friendly Community" award.

Rock Falls Lincoln Highway **Interpretive Mural**

Rock Falls • 1412 W. Rock Falls Rd. Rt 30

Ronald Reagan Birthplace Tampico • 111 S. Main St.

815-438-2130 tampicohistoricalsociety.com

Apartment where Ronald Reagan was born, restored & decorated in early 1900s. Gift shop & museum. Donations. Open Apr. - Oct. or anytime by appt by calling 815-622-8705

Ronald Reagan Trail ronaldreagantrail.net

13 communities in NW Illinois celebrating the legacy of President Reagan. Historic landmarks, museums, & events honoring this great man.

Sterling Lincoln Highway Interpretive Mural Sterling • 424 Locust St.

Sterling Mural Society Sterling • Downtown 815-626-8610

sterlingmainstreet.org

The Sterling Mural Society, originally established in 1995, includes 20 handpainted, historical murals that adorn the walls of downtown Sterling. Go to website for pictures and a full listing of locations of

Sterling Rock Falls Historical Museum

Sterling • 1005 E. 3rd St. 815-622-6215 srfhs.com

Museum traces history from prehistoric days to the modern industrial era.

Tampico Area Historical Museum

Tampico • 119 S. Main St. 815-590-2143

tampicohistoricalsociety.citymax.com

Includes: family history library & research center, family & local histories, Ronald Reagan photos & documents, memorabilia from the HY&T railroad & more.

Windmill Cultural Center

Fulton • 111 10th Ave. 815-589-4033

cityoffulton.us

Collection of 21 European windmills in sizes between 3 ft. & 6 ft. tall from 10 European countries. Interpretive exhibits, children's activities, gift shop, fresh stone-ground flour, Delft pottery & souvenirs of Fulton. Special exhibits will be featured throughout the year. Open May to mid Nov. - call for days & hours of operation

HORSE/EQUESTRIAN

Copper Bit Ranch

Sterling • 29145 Pilgrim Rd. 815-625-4961 | FB

A riding lesson facility set on 30 acres with a 16-stall barn, 3-stall quarantine barn, indoor arena, outdoor arena, cross-country jumping field, turnout paddock, and grazing pastures.

Fancy Boot Riding Ranch

Prophetstown • 29366 E. 2400 St. 815-537-2299

Board your horses here or rent ours, lessons & trail rides. Lessons for beginners, training, beautiful setting. Enjoy the other animals: miniature donkeys, goats, cows, bull, calves, peacocks, pheasants, bunnies, kittens, deer, wild turkey.

Hollow Crest Farm

Morrison • 11417 Loron Rd. 815-590-1144

hollowcrestfarm.com

Full-service training facility. We welcome visitors to our farm to see beautiful Arabian horses, take lessons, or just visit. Call or go to our website for more information and check us out on Facebook

Morrison-Rockwood State Park

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd. 815-772-4708

White Oaks Theraputic **Equestrian Center**

Morrison • 201 W. Winfield St. (Whiteside County Fairgrounds) 815-772-2669

HUNTING/PRESERVES/ GUIDES

Big Bend State Fish & Wildlife Area

Prophetstown • Van Damme Rd. 815-537-2270

1188-acre state fish & wildlife area: fishing, hunting & hiking. Hilltop Meadows Hunt Club

Fulton • 7737 Long Rd. 815-535-1056

hilltopmeadowshuntclub.com

Hunt club with 350 acres grasslands, 5-stand sporting clays, ponds & wooded

Morrison Hunt Club

Morrison • 21887 Pigeon Rd. 815-772-3394

Morrisonhuntclub.com | FB

Our club gives hunters access to 460 acres of prime hunting habitat and beautiful rolling terrain for hunting pheasants & chukars



LAKES/RIVERS

Lawrence Park

Sterling • 13650 Ave. G sterlingparks.org

Free boat launch facilities, fishing, horseshoe courts, picnic area, playground, open play areas, shelters.

Oppold Marina

Sterling • 532 Stouffer Rd. 815-622-6203

sterlingparks.org

Free boat launching facilities, boat slip rentals, picnic shelters restrooms, fishing, playground equipment and open play areas.

Thomas Park

Sterling • 2301 12th Ave. sterlingparks.org

Outdoor basketball & tennis courts& ice skating, picnic area, playground, open play

MARINAS/BOAT RAMPS

Albany Marina

Albany • 1st Ave. & Water St. 309-887-4064

Boat launching & marina services

Bitler Marina

Albany • 202 2nd Ave. N. 309-887-4804 fishingworld.com/vDealers/IL/ BitlerMarine/

Cattail Park

Fulton • 100 19th St. 815-589-3902 Boat launches, fishing, hiking, restrooms.

Cattail Slough

Fulton • Diamond Rd. 813-273-2732 Mississippi River boat launching, parking, restrooms, fishing.

Docks on the Rock

Rock Falls • 1409 Shore Acres Rd. 815-622-6742

docksontherock.com

Fulton Marina

Fulton . 1800 4th St. 815-589-2222 Boat launches, camping, fishing, concessions, restrooms

Glen Miller Marina

Erie - Erie Rd. 815-946-2108

Rock River boat launches, fishing & parking

Jim Arduini Boat Launch Area

Rock Falls . E. 2nd St. at Upper Dam 815-625-4500

Boat launches, parking

Lawrence Park Sterling • 13650 Ave. G

sterlingparks.org Free boat launching, fishing, horseshoes, picnic areas, playground, open play areas,

Lock & Dam 13

Fulton • 4999 Lock Rd

mvr.usace.army.mil/Missions/ Navigation/Lock-and-Dam-Information/ Lock-and-Dam-13/

Boats of all kinds from small canoes to tugs pushing huge strings of barges pass through these locks located on the Mississippi River and visitors can view the activities from an observation deck. There are boat ramps and fishing areas.

Moonlight Bay Marina & Restaurant

Sterling . Moonlight Bay Ln. 815-625-1700 Boat launches, restrooms, parking, concessions.

Morrison-Rockwood Marina

Morrison • 18301 Lake Rd. 815-772-4708

Oppold Marina

Sterling - Stouffer Rd. 815-622-6203

sterlingparks.org

30-acre marina on the Rock River: boat launches, fishing, restrooms, picnic shelters, playground equipment.

Roadside Park Boat Ramp

Como • W. Lincolnway Rock River boat launches

Seward Riverside Park

Rock Falls • E. 2nd St & Ave. C

815-625-0272

colomatownshipparkdistrict.com Boat launch area, picnic area, playground equipment

U.S.A.C.E. Lock & Dam 13

Fulton • 4999 Lock Rd. 815-259-3628

Summer, view the big barges traveling the Mississippi. Winter, watch eagles dive for fish. Fishing, hunting, primitive campsites, picnic shelter, grills, public parking, restrooms, boat launches, more

BAIT/TACKLE

Benson's on Lake Carlton

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd. 815-772-9090

bensonsonlakecarlton.com | FB

Docks on the Rock

Rock Falls • 1409 Shore Acres Rd. 815-622-6742 docksontherock.com

RECREATION CENTERS

7:24 Fitness on the Rock Rock Falls • 107 1/2 1st Ave.

815-564-9000 | FB

Morrison • 126 E. Lincolnway 815-704-2049 B-fittoday.com | FB

Duis Recreation Center

Sterling • 211 E. 23rd St. 815-622-6200

sterlingparks.org

5 lane pool, fitness center, gymnastics & tumbling, diving well, skate park.

KT3 Fitness

Fulton • 912 4th St. 563-219-2187 Kt3fitness.com | FB

Prophetstown Pool & Recreation Center

Prophetstown • Park Ave. & River Dr. 815-537-2093

Indoor/outdoor pool, aerobic classes, open swims, volleyball, basketball court. Fully equipped weight & training paraphernalia.

Sterling-Rock Falls YMCA Sterling • 2505 YMCA Way

815-535-9622

srfymca.org

Indoor pool, gymnasium, wellness & fitness centers, programs for all.

Triple Play Bowling Center Fulton • 1601 9th Ave. 815-589-3215 | FB

Westwood Fitness & Sports Center

Sterling • 1900 Westwood Dr. 815-622-6201

sterlingparks.org | FB

6 lane 200 meter indoor track, indoor 60 AstroTurf football/soccer field, indoor tennis courts, outdoor tennis courts, racquetball/ wallyball courts, batting cages, wrestling room, 12,000+ square foot fitness center, CrossFit, 8 indoor basketball/volleyball courts, special events space.

Woodlawn Arts Academy **Dance Studio**

Sterling • 3807 Woodlawn Rd. 815.626.4278

woodlawnartsacademy.com | FB

STATE PARKS/FORESTS

Hennepin Feeder Canal

Rock Falls

815-625-4500

5,400-acre recreation area boasts boating, fishing, hiking/biking trails, horse trails, nature preserves & more!

Morrison-Rockwood State Park

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd.

1152-acre state park: fishing, boating, concessions, hiking, cross-country skiing

Prophetstown State Recreation Area

Prophetstown • Park Ave. & River Dr. Near Rt. 172 & 78

53-acre state park: boat launches, fishing, camping, electrical service, restrooms/ showers, playground, small picnic shelter, horseshoe pits, dump station, hiking. Between Rock River & Coon Creek & nature

RKR & Associates Arboretum

Morrison • 9585 Henry Rd.

815-778-3664

7-acre mini arboretum over 250 different trees, shrubs & perennials, prairie grass & pine trees, natural habitat for animals.

SELMI'S FARM MARKET

Selmi's is a 4th generation, family owned greenhouse, farming and agritourism business. We have a deep rooted tradition in the Sauk Valley and NW Illinois areas. We originally started as what was commonly known as "Truck Farmers" in the early 1930s. We would load up our trucks during the produce season, selling ours and other smaller, local farmers' tomato, pepper and other harvests into the wholesale markets of Chicago. In the 1950s we got into the retail greenhouse business, expanding slowly throughout the next 70 years. In the late 1980s we also pivoted to the agritourism business, opening our first pumpkin patch and entertainment farm.

The Greenhouse/Garden Center is open daily to the public February through June, with retail open Late April to June. You'll find many beautiful homegrown flowers, hanging

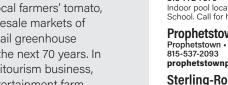
baskets, containers and vegetable plants, as well as a nice selection of tropicals, perennials, shrubs, succulents and other hard to find items.

Selmi's farm markets in Dixon and Sterling are open for the the summer and sweet corn season in mid July to Labor Day.

Labor Day to Halloween, with Fall is in the air, they offer homegrown Mums and Fall flowers, apples from our orchard, pumpkin



patch, decorating items, corn maze, other entertainment and everyone's favorite, Cliff's Apple Cider Donuts! Selmi's is in the process of expanding the apple orchard and pumpkin patch to include a U-Pick experience by 2024!



Sterling-Rock Falls YMCA Sterling • 2505 YMCA Way 815-535-9622

srfymca.org

Indoor pool, gymnasium, fitness center

THE ARTS

Morrison • 112 E. Main St.

RB&W District Park Art in the

Rock Falls • 301 E. 2nd St. 815-622-1106 Visitrockfalls.com | FB

Woodlawn Arts Academy

woodlawnartsacademy.com

Starlight's Theatre & Lounge Sterling • 314 1st Ave. 815-564-9430

starlightstheatre.com

Premier venue ready to accommodate private or semi-private party & special event. VIP lounge area & balcony available for private use. Formerly the old "State Movie Theater" renovated into "big city style" nightclub, feature a pre-event lobby/ reception area, full service cocktail bar, 35ft

Duis Recreation Center

Sterling • 211 E. St. Mary's Rd. 815-622-6200

sterlingparks.org

Indoor swimming pool, diving well, gymnastics & tumbling, outdoor skatepark,

Morrison Swimming Pool Morrison • 643 Genesee Ave

815-772-7570

Indoor pool located in the Morrison High School. Call for hours.

Prophetstown Park District Pool

Prophetstown • 410 W. Riverside Dr.

prophetstownparkdistrict.com

The Corner Gallery

Sterling • 2522 E. Lincolnway 815-441-3791 | FB

The Loft on Main

loft112morrison.org | FB

Park Sculpture Walk

Sterling • 3807 Woodlawn Dr. 815-626-4278

THEATRE/NIGHTLIFE

stage & large dance floor.



Sauk Valley Cinemas Sterling • 4110 E Lincolnway 815-625-2344 carmike.com

Sterling Theatre

Sterling • 402 Locust St 815-632-3708 sterlingtheatres.com

FOOD & DINING

BAKERY

Air Play Espresso & Bakery

Sterling • 115 E. 3rd St. 815-585-4327

Airplaysports.com | FB

Aurelio's Bake Shop Sterling • 517 Locust St.

815-626-2253

Folsom's Bakery

Rock Falls • 319 1st Ave. 815-622-7870 folsomsbakery.com | FB

Harvest Bakery & More

Erie • 916 Albany St.

harvestbakeryandmore.com | FB

Krumpets Café & Bakery

Fulton • 1016 4th St. 815-208-7143 | **FB**

CAFÉS & DELIS

Arthur's Garden Deli

Rock Falls • 1405 1st Ave. 815-625-5566

Arthursdeli.com

Arthur's Garden Deli

Sterling • 2312 E. Lincolnway 815-625-5566 Arthursdeli.com

Brother Daryl's

Sterling • 312 Locust St. 815-590-8513 brotherdaryls.com

Brunch House Fulton • 1901 4th St. 815-589-4747 | FB

Harbor Cafe & Pizzeria

Fulton • 1901 S. 4th St. 815-589-4747

Harvest Bakery & More

Erie • 916 Albany St. 309-515-9025

harvestbakeryandmore.com | FB

Krumpets Café & Bakery

Fulton • 1016 4th St. 815-208-7143

krumpetsbakery.com | FB

Mom's Diner

Sterling • 23 E. 3rd St. 815-622-9007 momsdiner.menu | FB

Sophie's Café Rock Falls • 1204 W. Rock Falls Rd.

Sophie's Café

Sterling • 4311 E. Lincolnway Blvd. 815-718-8518

shopsophiescoffee.com | FB

Steam Anchor Coffee & Café

Fulton • 1310 17th St. 815-208-7074

steamanchor.com | FB



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Airplaysports.com | FB

Blooms-a-Latte

Prophetstown • 319 Washington St. 815-537-2000 Bloomsalatte.com | FB

Flip Side Coffee & Espresso Bar

Rock Falls 116 W. 2nd St. 815-718-0022 | **FB**

Morrison Mocha

Morrison • 301 W. Lincolnway 815-677-4391 | FB

Steam Anchor Coffee Co.

Fulton • 1310 17th St. 815-208-7074 steamanchor.com

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Angelo's I

Rock Falls • 608 12th Ave. 815-625-5163 angelospizzeria.net

Angelo's II

Sterling • 2525 E. Lincolnway 815-625-5451 angelospizzeria.net

Asian Buffet

Sterling • 3106 E. Lincolnway 815-625-7838 asinabuffetmenu.com

The China House

Morrison • 222 W. Main St. 815-772-3973

Dynasty

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El Jacalito

Sterling • 1225 W. 4th St. 815-625-3404

Rock Falls 1100 1st Ave. 815-564-0510

Sterling • 218 Locust St. 815-625-7969

La Familia Restaurant

Rock Falls . 201 W. 2nd St. 815-626-0158 | FB

Maks American & Indian Bar & Grill

Rock Falls • 2105 1st Ave. 815- 626-1041 all-american-bar-grill.business.site

Original Taco

Morrison • 123 E. Main St. 815-772-8226

Touch of Thai II

Rock Falls • 102 W. 2nd St. 815-716-8559 touchofthai2rockfalls.com | FB

Willy's Restaurant

Sterling • 3210 W. Lincolnway 815-626-0401

FAMILY RESTAURANTS

A's Kitchen

Rock Falls • 2004 1st Ave. 815-625-6574 | FB restaurantji.com/il/rock-falls/as-kitchen

Benson's on Lake Carlton

Morrison • 18750 Lake Rd. 815-772-9090

bensonsonlakecarlton.com | FB

Benson's on the Mississippi

Albany • 108 S. Main St. 309-514-2046

bensonsonthemississippi.com | FB

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Fulton • 1901 4th Street 815-589-4747 | FB

Chuck's Grub

Sterling • 1201 E. 4th St. 815-213-7207 | FB

The Corner Cafe

Erie • 902 Albany St. 815- 537-2731

Don's Seafood & Chicken

Sterling • 1501 W. 4th St. 815-622-0258

Eggs in Paradise

Sterling • 3506 E. Lincolnway 815-654-0735

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Happy Joe's

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The Happy Spot
Deer Grove • 1667 Hoover Rd
815-438-5282 | FB

Isle of Rhodes

Morrison • 111 W. Main St. 815-772-7431

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Rock Falls • 110 W 2nd St 815-716-8062 | FB

Manny's Too Fulton • 305 11th St. 815-589-2520

Maple Pancake House

Sterling • 405 5th Ave. 815-564-0542

Morrison-Rockwood **Restaurant & Marina**

Morrison • 18301 Lake Rd. 815-772-3613

Parkway Village Family Restaurant

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Pizza Ranch

Sterling • 3900 A. Lincolnway Ave. 815-716-8599 | FB

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Sunrise Family Restaurant

Fulton • 927 14th Ave. 815-589-4880

Wagon Wheel Restaurant & Lounge

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Candlelight Inn

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Candlelight Inn

Sterling • 2907 N. Locust St. 815-625-2600 candlelightinnrestaurant.com

Forest Inn Restaurant &

Morrison • 20657 Lincoln Rd. 815-772-4557 | FB

The Industrial

Rock Falls • 205 E. 3rd St. 815-800-0313 | FB

Toby's

Deer Grove • 3298 Hoover Rd. 815-631-8080

PIZZA/GRILLS/PUBS

78 South Bar & Grill

Prophetstown • 4319 Bishop Rd. 815-537-5226

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Bartini's

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The Boulevard Pub and Grill

Sterling • 2501 Avenue E 815-905-2583 theblvdpub.com

The Break Room Pub & Grub

Tampico • 122 S. Main St. 815-982-0014 | **FB**

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Brink's

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ROCK FALLS

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Rock Falls has many opportunities for visitors to indulge in such as art, nature, recreation, and events.

RB&W District located along the beautiful banks of the Rock River allows you to take in art with our 10 unique/thoughtprovoking sculptures. New sculptures arrive every September during our annual Art in the Park Sculpture Walk. The Sculpture Walk is featured on the Otocast app downloadable on any smartphone or device. The app allows visitors to learn information on the artists and hear each artist speak about their sculpture.



The Rock River offers fantastic fishing and boating. Drive along The Rock Falls Birding Trail and see a variety of birds and eagles. The Hennepin Canal is a treasured spot for kayakers and canoers to take in the beautiful scenery. The path along the Hennepin Canal is perfect for joggers, walkers, and bicyclists of all ages. Didn't bring your bike? No problem, they have bikes to rent at the RB&W District.

Rock Falls Tourism hosts many events throughout the year including Flock to the Rock, Eats 'n' Beats at the District with concert series, Art in the Park Sculpture Walk, Lumberjack Show & Beard Contest, and Jammin' On The Rock. There are many other community sponsored events throughout the vear as well.

Book a night's stay at one of their comfortable hotels - The Holiday Inn Express & Suites is located on the Rock River next to the RB&W District, Country Inn & Suites, Days Inn, Super 8, and the All Season's Motel located off of Interstate 88.

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Lyndon • 407 1st Ave. 815-778-1007 | FB

Chuck Wagon Saloon Sterling • 1201 E. 4th St.

8150-213-7207 | **FB**

Corner Tap Rock Falls • 102 W 2nd St 815-625-4463

Co-Z Corner Pizza

Morrison • 401 Tech Dr. 815-772-2343

Cragel's

Prophetstown • 345 Washington St. 815-989-6018

Morrison • 109 E. Main St. 815-772-4415

Double G Saloon

Morrison • 113 W. Main St. 815-400-9204 | FB

Ellie's Gaming Cafe and Spirits Sterling • 1202 W. 4th St. 815-632-3521 | FB

The Factory Pub & Grub Sterling • 103 W. 3rd St. 815-548-9550 | FB

Fat Boy's Bar & Grill Morrison • 201 E. Main St.

815-772-3978

Froggy's Bar & Grill Rock Falls • 215 W. 2nd St. 815-625-4783

Happy Joe's Pizza - Morrison

Morrison • 109 W. Main St. 815-772-7840 | **FB**

Hero's Tap Morrison • 208 E. Main St. 815-772-8770

Hunters Sports Bar 2 Fulton • 6046 Penrose Rd.

815-589-3883 | FB

Jane's Place

Rock Falls • 110 W. 2nd St. 815-716-8062 | FB

Johnny's Bar & Grill Sterling • 707 Freeport Rd. 815-626-7767

JW's 3rd Base

Rock Falls . 207 W. 2nd St. 815-632-2070 | FB

Kaddy's Kitchen & Clubhouse

Sterling • 13464 Galt Rd. 815-827-1110

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Fulton • 18675 13th St. 815-208-7066

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Lisa's Brick House

Sterling • 216 Locust St. 815-590-5472 | **FB**

Manny's Too

Fulton • 305 11th Ave. 815-589-2520

Nick's Tap & Grill

Rock Falls • 1301 Prophetstown Rd. 815-626-1470

Paddle Wheel Pizza & Pub

Fulton • 1112 4th St. 815-589-2001

The Precinct

Sterling • 113 E. 3rd St. 815-622-4078

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815-625-4708

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The Stumble Inn

Prophetstown • 213 Washington St. 815-989-6052 | **FB**

Triple P BBQ

Rock Falls - 3312 W. Rt. 30 815-625-7138

triplepbbq.com

Whiskey Barrel Saloon Rock Falls • 305 W. 2nd St. 815-716-8061 | FB

X-Golf Sauk Valley

Sterling • 13464 Galt Rd. 815-629-4653 xgolfsaukvalley.com

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The Dog House Sterling • 2325 E. Lincolnway 815-622-9184

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Rock Falls • 511 1st Ave 815-716-8732 | FB

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The Barn at Allen Acres

Wedding and Reception Venue Rock Falls • 2206 Prophet Rd. 847-687-3348

thebarnatallenacres.com

Candlelight Inn Rock Falls • 2105 1st Ave. 815-626-1397 candlelightinnrestaurant.com

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Wyndhamhotels.com | FB

Deer Valley Banquets Deer Grove • 3298 Hoover Rd.

815-438-4653

deervalleybanquets.com

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815-768-7996 | **FB**

McCormick Event Center

Rock Falls • 205 E. 3rd St. 815-284-8484 | **FB**

Mexicali Rose Banquet Hall

Rock Falls • 1409 8th Ave. 815-590-3110

mexicalirosebanquethall.com

Parties on Pope

Nelson 207 Pope St. 815-441-1446 partiesonpope.com

Old Fulton Journal Building

Fulton • 408 10th Avenue. 815-266-7619

Westwood Fitness & Sports

Sterling • 1900 Westwood Dr. 815-622-6201 sterlingparks.org

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Gallery Sterling • 15 E. 3rd St. 815-626-8610 sterlingmainstreet.org

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Fulton • 18405 Frog Pond Rd. 309-887-4941 | FB

Morrison Farmers' Market

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Rock Falls • 9571 Hoover Rd 815-626-0630

Rock Falls Farmer's Market

Rock Falls • 401 W. 2nd St. 815-625-4500

Selmi's Farm Market

Rock Falls • 1206 Dixon Ave. 815-626-3830 selmi.com | FB

Twin City Farmer's Market Sterling • 106 Ave. A 815-626-8610

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Company Sterling • Northland Mall 2900 E. Lincolnway

815-622-5996 bbcandle.com

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Rock Falls • 221 1st Ave. 815-716-8147 chakratreecrystals.com | FB

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Country Orchids Fulton • 1019 4th St. 815-589-4045 countryorchids.com

Golden Key Gifts Sterling • 702 W. 4th St. 815-622-3903 goldenkeygifts.com

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Rock Falls • 100 E. 5th St. imprintablememories.com

The Little Chocolatier

Sterling • 317 1st Ave. 815-626-2752

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Country Lane Market Tampico • 4515 Tampico Rd.

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Country Orchids Fulton • 1019 4th St. 815-589-4045 countryorchids.com

Dancer's Hut

Morrison • 123 W. Main St. 815-772-4653

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Prophetstown • 13760 Cooper Rd. 815-537-5100

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Prophetstown • 338 Washington St. 224-662-0114 jennascifres.com | FB

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