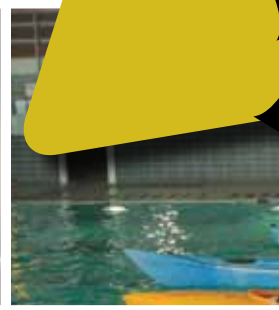
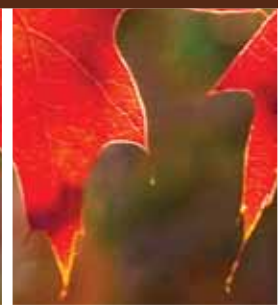


2011-2012 - City of Prairie du Chien

Fall & Winter

Park & Recreation

ACTIVITY GUIDE



FROM THE DIRECTOR

Last year at this time I was looking forward to the upcoming Packer season but little did I know I would be bragging about the great things the team did to eventually "win it all" and now I also get to smile at the Brewers success. Like the Packers and the Brewers we also have great team effort happening here in Prairie du Chien. If you look closely at what we are trying to do for the community you will see many "Special Teams".

First I need to mention the unbelievable efforts that the Hoffman Hall Capital Campaign Committee "team" has done in getting us over the \$1 million mark with the help of many who have really "stepped up to the plate" to make this happen for the community. Our team instructors and coaches continue to show hard work in



providing on-going programming to meet the needs of the community. A recent program evaluation showed all programs rating either good to excellent which we hope we can continue to provide this high level of play. We may be a small market town but we deliver top-notch activities and services for all ages and ability levels that rival any large community. We also have some wonderful facilities in which to "recruit" new talent such as Hoffman Hall

or the various parks that people continue to visit and provide those important quality of life needs. Our level of community organizations assistance, sponsorships, and volunteers continue to grow where we can keep "swinging for the fences" in tough economic times for all while making programs affordable and user friendly.

Finally you the "fans" are what we are all about as without your commitment to our Parks & Recreation Team this would not happen and we appreciate your ongoing support. If I don't bump into you at the Super Bowl or World Series I would be happy to chat with you at one of our fine Parks or Hoffman Hall!

Have a great Fall/Winter!

Sincerely,

Mike Ulrich

Park & Recreation Director

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS



Tom Nelson, Chairperson, Judy Sagedahl, Deb Trautsch, Jaaren Riebe, Ivan Hoffland, Nick Gilberts, Angie Kramer, Marty McEachern.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

REGISTRATION INFO:

Registration for all Park & Recreation Department programs is simple. We ask that you help us by signing up prior to all deadlines.

ADULT PROGRAMS: individuals must attend the designated team organizational meeting on the specified date.

YOUTH PROGRAMS: use one of the following procedures:

1. **Mail-in Form** with check to: City of Prairie du Chien Park & Recreation, City Hall, PO Box 324, Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
2. **Office Walk-In** at the Park & Recreation Dept., City Hall or Hoffman Hall.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

ALL PROGRAMS: interested persons must complete a registration form (signed by parent or legal guardian). Registration forms will be available as a hand-out for area schools, in addition to the cut-out form found on page 11 of this guide.

Please Note: Some city programs are jointly run with the PDC School district.

Hoffman Hall Recreation Center: See pages 6 & 7 for registration information & fees

The City of PDC may utilize pictures of individuals in programs for advertising purposes.



CITY PARK SHELTERS

Park shelter reservations may be made for dates between May 1 and October 31.

Fort Fun Shelter on East Wells Street
(by the swimming pool)

O'Brien Park Shelter at 12th & Fowler Streets

Lochner Park large open shelter & smaller closed-in shelter at South Wacouta & Wells

Lawler Park Rock Building (no food or drink allowed)

Lawler Park South Shelter (gazebo across from The Depot) & North Shelter

St. Feriole Island Shelter at Fisher St. & Villa Louis Rd.

St. Feriole Island Jaycee Shelter at Bolvin & 5th Streets

St. Feriole Island Lessard Park Shelter (at end of East Blackhawk on the left)

St. Feriole Island Gardens Gazebo and Patio.

Washington Street Park Shelter (by the marina)

LaRiviere Farm Park Barn

Reservation Procedure: Contact the receptionist in the City Hall office (326-6406) to reserve a shelter. Residents pay a \$25 reservation fee, non-residents pay \$35. This fee is per shelter per day and must be paid one week after making reservations

Over One Million Dollars... Wow!

Fit for the Future

I am thrilled to report that the "Fit for the Future" Capital Campaign to renovate Hoffman Hall has exceeded the One Million Dollar Mark. Thank you to the committed businesses and citizens that have helped our campaign achieve this huge milestone.

Many of our local businesses such as Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital, 3M and Cabelas, have taken a leadership role and come forward as major donors. In addition, many individuals throughout our community have made their commitment to Hoffman Hall. However, it will take all of us to see this campaign through to success.



I would like to take this opportunity to invite those of you that have not yet made your pledge to Hoffman Hall to join the wave of people that believe that we, the citizens of Prairie du Chien, Southwest Wisconsin and Northeast Iowa deserve to have this great facility to enhance and enrich our lives. Our immediate goal is \$2,000,000, we are more than halfway there....let's reach this goal together, as a community for our community.

Pam Ritchie
Campaign Chair Person

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MAJOR SPONSORS:



Cabela's



Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital



3M

The Campaign for Hoffman Hall

YOUTH SPORTS, LEISURE & FUN

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?

This is offered for youth grades 1st-6th with emphasis on learning skills, playing different positions and having fun! Co-Sponsored by Fund 80 & PdC Jaycees.

Instructional League (1st & 2nd graders) begins Sept. 7th. (7 weeks) from 4:00-4:45 p.m. with practices on Monday and Wednesdays at Lochner Park.



Junior Varsity League (3rd & 4th graders) begins August 30th. (8 weeks) Tues. practice times at 4:00-5:00 p.m.

and Thurs. practice times from 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Varsity League (5th & 6th graders) begins August 30th (8 weeks) with Tues. practice time at 5:00-6:00 p.m. and Thurs. practice times from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Practice Sites: All JV and Varsity practices will be held at the old Prairie Maison site. (17th & Brunson St.)

Games: All games at Lochner Park on Saturdays beginning, September 17th. (Note: Saturday am scrimmages for Instructional League)

Program Fees: Resident \$20.00; Non-School Resident \$40.00.

To Pre-Register: Bring/send activity registration form to City Hall. Payable to City of PdC.

LITTLE NETTERS CAMP

Co-Sponsored by Fund 80, Blackhawk Volleyball Club & Sutton Insurance



Comprehensive program open to boys and girls introducing basic skills & modified game play of volleyball with emphasis on participation and fun! Open to grades 2nd-8th. **Site:** Bluffview School.

Practice Days/Times: Meets Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22.

Note: Sept 29th meet at High School for Little Netter Showcase.

Program Fees: PdC Resident \$20; Non-School Resident \$40.

To Pre-Register: Bring/send activity registration form to City Hall (Payable to City of PdC).

BASKETBALL – TAKE IT TO THE HOOP!

Co-Sponsored by Fund 80 and Scream Extreme.

This comprehensive basketball program emphasizes basic fundamentals, participation, sportsmanship and FUN!

Open to grades 1st-4th. Begins week of Nov. 14th.

Practice Site: Twice a week at Hoffman Hall Please see separate basketball flyer for exact days/times.

Games: All games on Saturdays a.m. beginning in December.

Program Fees: PdC Resident \$20; Non-School Resident \$40.



INDOOR SOCCER – PLAY GAMES, HAVE FUN!

All games on Saturdays beginning Jan. 28 - March 24.

Site: Hoffman Hall (Separate flyer coming)

4 Year Olds 8-9 a.m. • 5 Year Olds 9-10 a.m. • 6 Year Olds 10-11 a.m.

Program Fees: \$20.00 Resident; Non-Resident: \$30.



SPORTS SAMPLER **Site:** Hoffman Hall

Beginning Monday nights February 20. K-6 Gr. Separate flyer coming. **Program Fees:** \$20; Resident; Non-Resident: \$30.



WINTER DRAMA CLUB

Explore creative dramatics and build theater skills through games and activities. Our emphasis is on having fun as a group while preparing for a final performance on stage.

Open to ages 8 & above (younger with approval of instructor) **Meets:** Tues. & Thurs. evenings from 6-7:30



p.m. in the basement of Hoffman Hall. **Classes begin:** Tues., Jan. 17 & end on Thurs., March 8, with a culminating performance on Sat., March 10.

Program Fees: PDC resident fee: \$20/non-resident: \$30.

LEARN TO SKATE PROGRAM

PdC Park & Rec is offering Ice Skating instructions for ages 4 and up.

Days/Time: Starting Jan 10-Feb. 16. Tues. & Thurs. 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Site:** Lochner Park

Program Fees: PDC Resident \$20; Non-Resident \$30. **Efforts will be made to provide skates. However we cannot guarantee them for all. Please call 326-7207 to pre-register. If you have skates you would like to donate please let us know!**



FAMILY FUN NIGHTS **NEW!**

At Hoffman Hall. Includes theme nights, foosball, table tennis, X-Box, hoops, trivia contest, feature movies and fun for the entire family! Concessions also available.

Begins: Saturday, Oct. 15; Nov. 12; Dec. 10; Jan. 14; Feb. 11; Mar 10. Second Saturday of the month. **Time:** 7-8 p.m. games; 8-9:30 p.m. Movie. **Cost:** \$2 per person. Drop-In Program.



RHYTHM & ROLL

This six week program combines music & movement activities in fun experiences for young children. Theme based classes provide noncompetitive, success-oriented, creative experiences taught through rhyme, games, props & more. (Class limited to 10 participants.

Site: Hoffman Hall.

Times: 10-10:45 a.m.

Fall Class: Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12

Winter Class: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 7, 14

Program Fees: Resident \$15.00; Non-Resident \$20.00.

Pre-Register: Bring/send activity registration form to City Hall.



OUTDOOR RECREATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

“TAKE ME FISHING”

PROGRAMS:

Please call Mike at 608-326-7207 for more information.



GROUP FISHING INSTRUCTION

This hands-on 1 1/2 hour class will provide participants the opportunity to learn a variety of basic techniques to get them started and help them enjoy this lifetime activity. All poles and bait provided.

Site: Washington St. Park Shelter **Fee:** \$3.00 per person

YOUTH FISHING DERBY & PADDLING DAY

All equipment and bait provided. Co-sponsored by PdC Rod & Gun Club, Stark's Sport Shop and Great River Paddlers Club.

Date/Time: Sun., Sept. 25, 12:30-2:30 p.m. **Site:** Washington St. Park Shelter **Fee:** \$2 per participant

ICE FISHING FUN DAY

As part of Carp Fest

Date/Time: December 31st, 10:00 a.m.-12 noon

Site: Blackhawk bridge area. **Fee:** \$2.00 per person **Register:** Call: 608-326-7207



PADDLING “SAMPLER” RENTALS

Prairie du Chien Parks & Recreation Dept. is giving you the opportunity to rent canoes or kayaks. Rentals available and used at Washington St. Park. Must call for reservations 3 days in advance at 326-7207. **Fees:** \$7/canoe; \$5/kayak. Includes paddles & personal flotation devices. Group rental/instruction available on request.

GREAT RIVER PADDLERS CLUB

Co-sponsored by the City of Prairie du Chien Parks & Recreation Department. The club's goals are to increase participation & education of canoeing/kayaking and provide public awareness & appreciation of our environment.

On-going Trips will be planned for experienced paddlers by members of the Great River Paddlers Club.

For more information on Day Trips please contact Great River Paddlers Club Members Sally Marshall at 326-0542 or Hans Gill at 608-734-3389.



“SPIRITS” OF PdC BUS TOUR

Hear stories and visit sites of PdC's most infamous hauntings. (For adults only!) Includes entertainment by Scream Extreme!

Date /Time: October 1st & 8th, 6:00 p.m.

Begins & Ends: at Sawmill Saloon.

To pre-register call 326-7207 & pay on site



HAUNTED POKER RUN **NEW!**

Begins: at Hoffman Hall

Date /Time: October 1st, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. For more information call 608-326-4949

HAUNTED HALL'S OF TERROR

You have heard all the stories from last year and the Scream Extreme is back again, but will you be brave enough to attend? This will be the scariest place in the tri-state



area for four nights, as we lead you to the dungeon of Hoffman Hall's of Terror. New this year will include more scary rooms, ongoing movies in the gym and concessions available.

Days/Times: Oct 21, 22, 28 & 29 from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Admission: \$6.00

For more information visit: www.screamxtreme.webs.com

GO APE

“Planet of the Apes” that is, as we will be hosting an overnight “Movie Marathon” watching these scary flicks all night long!

Date/Time: October 22 - 8 p.m. - 8 a.m.

Site: Hoffman Hall Gym

Fee: \$5.00 per person. (Please bring sleeping bag & pillow)

Pre-Register by calling 608-326-7207.



HOFFMAN HALL RECREATION CENTER

1600 S. Wacouta Ave. • Prairie du Chien, WI • 608-326-2985

POOL SCHEDULE

(Week Day Pool Opens Sept. 20 • Weekends Beginning Nov. 6).

Open Swim	M-F	11:00 am-12:00 pm
	M-F	1:00-2:00 pm
	M & W	6:30-8:00 pm
	Sat. & Sun.	1:00-5:00 pm
Lap Swim	M-F	7:30-8:30 am
	M-F	12:00-1:00 pm
	M-Th	4:30-6:30 pm
	Sat.	8:30-9:30 am (Begins Nov. 6)
	Sat. & Sun	12:00-1:00 pm

(One lap lane will always be available during pool hours)

Water Aerobics	M-F	8:30-9:15 am
	M-F	10:00-10:45 am
	M, T, Th	5:30-6:30 pm
	Sat.	8:30-9:30 am (Begins Oct. 1)
Deep Water Class	W	5:30-6:30 pm



YOUTH SWIMMING LESSONS

Fall Class (Levels 1 & 2)

Meets Saturdays, Oct. 1st - Nov. 5th

Session 1: 9:30-10:10 am

Session 2: 10:30-11:10 am

Holiday "Carp" Class

(Levels 1-4) Meets: Mon-Fri, Dec. 26-30, 1:00-1:40 pm

Winter Class: (Levels 1-3)

Meets: Saturdays, Jan. 14 - Feb. 18

Session 1: 9:30-10:10 am, 10:30-11:10 am

Fee: \$15 Resident; \$25 Non-Resident

To Pre-Register: Pay in Person at Hoffman Hall.



ADULT PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS **NEW!**

For more information on specific days, times & fees contact Suzette at 326-2985

LIFEGUARD TRAINING CLASS

Must be 15 with good swimming skills, will lead to employment with the city's indoor/outdoor pools

Meets: Begins February 12, Sundays.

Fee: \$50 for School District Residents only

Register: by calling 326-2985 after Jan. 2, 2012

Hoffman Hall Gymnasium & Pool are both available for rentals

Accommodations can be made for business meetings, birthday parties, family reunions, receptions, sporting events, club activities and overnight stays. The historic facility includes: Lobby/meeting room, large gym, fitness rooms and heated olympic size pool. Call 326-7207 for more information.

HOFFMAN HALL PRICES:

	Resident/City Taxpayer	Non Resident
Walking:	\$1.00	\$2.00
Individual	Open Gym, Golf, Tennis	
Activity:	Swim or Fitness.....	\$3.00.....\$4.00
Punch Pass:	10 Punches.....	\$30.00.....\$40.00
Monthly Rate:	Youth	\$35.00.....\$50.00
	Adult	\$40.00.....\$55.00
Corporate	(10 or more Employees).....	
	\$35.00.....	\$50.00
Senior	\$35.00.....	\$50.00
Family	\$55.00.....	\$75.00

FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE

Mon.	5:30 – 6:30 a.m.	Step Aerobics
	9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	Tai Chi
	4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Pilates & Toning
Tues.	5:30 – 6:30 a.m.	Body Sculpting
	4:30 – 5:15 p.m.	Pilates & Toning
	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Tae Kwon Do Club
Wed.	9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	Tai Chi
Thurs.	5:30 – 6:30 a.m.	Step Aerobics
	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Adult Yoga
	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Tae Kwon Do Club
Fri.	9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	Tai Chi

PILATES & TONING: Toning through breathing, movement, with weight and resistance.

BODY SCULPTING:

Tighten and firm using weights, bands, balls & more.

ADULT YOGA: Increase your strength, flexibility & balance.

STEP AEROBICS: Listen to great tunes in the A.M., while toning & elevating your heart rate.

TAE KWON DO CLUB: Provides excellent exercise, discipline & confidence for all family members. Call 326-6658 to register & pay separate club fee.

TAI CHI: Emphasis on deep breathing and mental focus. Creates balance, flexibility and calmness which relieves stress.



CULVERS WALKING & LAP SWIM FITNESS PROGRAM

Stay in shape and get rewarded with nutritious Culver's meals!

Meets: Mon. - Fri. from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Begins: September 19 throughout the year.

HOFFMAN HALL RECREATION CENTER

A HOPPIN' PLACE!

SPORTS & LEISURE

All teams' managers must attend the required organizational meeting with entry fee at designated date. Team rosters are due prior to first scheduled game. All meetings held at Hoffman Hall. All programs held at Hoffman Hall, unless noted.

BADMINTON LEAGUES

Largest league in the tri-state area! All levels of play!

FALL:

Begins: Both leagues begin Oct. 12 - Nov. 30 with play on Wed. nights. **Fee:** \$25.00/Team
Organizational Meeting: October 5, 6:00 p.m.

WINTER: Begins: Jan. 4 - Feb. 22 on Thursday.



ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Begins: Sun., Nov. 27 (10 wks.) from 8 a.m.-approx. 3 p.m.

Fee: \$265.00/Team

Organizational meeting: Nov. 6th at 6:00 p.m.



ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE **NEW!**

Begins: November. Organizational Meeting to discuss days and times: November 6, 7:00 p.m.

ADULT BEAN BAG LEAGUE **NEW!**

Begins: November. Organizational Meeting to discuss days and times: November 6, 8:00 p.m.

ADULT/YOUTH OPEN GYMS

Open gym dates/times may change during the season. Basketball begins October 8 Meets: Saturdays & Sundays, 1:00-5:00 p.m.

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN TAE KWON DO CLUB

Co-sponsored by the Prairie du Chien Parks & Rec. Dept. **Meets year-round.** Instructor Eric Frydenlund is a 3rd Degree Black Belt with 30 years of teaching experience. Authentic Korean Tae Kwon Do provides excellent aerobic exercise for the entire family through both hand and foot techniques, and is especially successful at teaching children courtesy, confidence, discipline, and respect. **For more information call 326-6658.**

OPEN JAMS

This Jam Session will meet every 3rd Sunday of the month from 2 - 5 p.m. **Dates:** October 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18; **Special Carport Jam: Dec. 31st (from 12-2 p.m);** Feb. 19, March 18, Apr. 15, May 20. Bring your instrument and share your talent with fellow music lovers! Or bring a neighbor or friend and just sit back and listen to good foot stompin' music! This program is free and open to the public but donations are accepted!



KAYAK CLASSES

Geared for recreational users 12 & older. 2 hour clinics teach essentials of boat fitting, maneuvering, paddling skills and techniques. Ideal for new paddlers. No roll experience needed and no roll instruction provided. Must be a competent swimmer.

Date/Time: All sessions run on Saturdays from, 3-5 p.m. - Jan. 28, Feb. 25, Mar. 24, Apr. 14, 28, May 5.

Fee: PdC Res. \$10; Non PdC Res. \$20 per session.

Pre-registration required by calling 326-7207 or sign up at Hoffman Hall.



ADULT & SR. ACTIVITIES

WEEKLY CARD PARTY

Great way to meet people, play Euchre and have fun!

Date/Time: Monday & Thursday, 1:00 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Site: PdC City Hall Community Room.

POTLUCK WITH PAT

Help Pat prepare and cook delicious meals, then enjoy it with music and friends.

Begins: September 30th on Select Fridays, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Fee:** \$1/per session **Site:** Hoffman Hall



BOOK CLUB **NEW!**

Read interesting books and have great discussions! Coffee & cookies included.

Fee: \$1.00/session.

Pay on site at Hoffman Hall



SPECIAL EVENTS

Mississippi Mud Run September 17, 2011 St. Feriole Island, Prairie Du Chien Registration starting at 7AM Races starting at 9AM

~4 miles of running along & into the Mississippi River
Course includes several Obstacles & a Mud Pit
All ages Welcome • Short Course for children 11 & under
\$40 per person up to September 10th
\$50 per person after the 10th until race day

CASH PRIZES FOR THE BEST TIME!
First & Second place
Men & Women overall

MEDALS GIVEN FOR!
First and Second place
in each age group

Age groups:
Group A - 12 and under
Group B - 13 to 18 years of age
Group C - 19 to 25 years of age
Group D - 26 to 35 years of age
Group E - 36 to 45 year of age
Group F - 46 and older

Register Online:
www.pdcskatepark.org
or in person at the
Prairie Peddler or
Family Resource Center
www.pdcskatepark.org • pdcskatepark@gmail.com
Lorie Floyd - (608) 996-2107




HOLIDAY CRAFT & GIFT FAIR

Holiday Sites, smells and sounds will transform Hoffman Hall into the place to be for getting that special person (which may be yourself!) that perfect gift. Music & entertainment will be provided throughout the day by local musicians.

Date/Time: Nov. 19,
10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Interested vendors
call 326-7207 for info.



FALL "QUILT THE DAY AWAY"

Hoffman Hall Invites you to participate in a quilting retreat to be held at 1600 S. Wacouta St, Prairie du Chien, WI.
Friday, Sept. 16
8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 17
8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Info & Registration: PdC Park & Rec. - 608-326-7207.



2nd ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST

"Bier in the Garden" at St. Feriole Island Gardens.
An opportunity to eat, drink listen and enjoy an authentic German experience. All proceeds go to St. Feriole Gardens.

Date/Time:
Oct. 15,
10 a.m.-6 p.m.



2011/2012 CARP FEST

Co-sponsored by PdC Park & Rec Dept.

Tentative list of events:

- Dropping of the Carp
- Carp Hot Air Balloon Rides (pending weather)
- Catch "Lucky" Contest
- Carp Paddle
- Food Tent
- Arts & Crafts
- Pool Activities
- Daily Youth Games
- Karaoke Contest
- Carp Bowl
- Carp Run/Walk
- Carp Open Jam Session
- Family Ice Fishing Fun!
- Carp Youth Skating Party • King & Queen Contest
- Bean Bag Tournament • Carp Coloring Contest!



THE ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

5k (3.1 mile) Fun Run & Walk. Jack Mulrooney will start your day and "Old school" Jack Kluesner will end it with some great door prizes! Bring the whole family!

Site: Hoffman Hall.

Fees: \$5.00 per person with proceeds going to Hoffman Hall Improvement Fund. Bring canned good to be donated to the local pantry.
Date/Time: Thanksgiving morning.
Registration: 8:00 a.m.



PRAIRIE DU CHIEN PARKS

ST. FERIOLE ISLAND

Our Busiest Park! This park is the site of the earliest settlement & activity in Prairie du Chien.

- Site of the Battle of Prairie du Chien during the War of 1812 & of the First Fort Crawford, where three important Indian treaties were signed.
- Fourth Ward residential neighborhood, until it was relocated following the record flood of 1965.



- Home of the Villa Louis, the Dousman family estate built on the site of Fort Crawford.
- Contains Lawler Park on the riverfront, Mississippi River Sculpture Park, St. Feriole Island Garden & St.

Feriole Island Ball Park.

- Host to annual events including the Prairie Villa Rendezvous, Prairie Dog Blues Fest, Villa Louis Carriage Classic & Country on the River.
- Ideal for walking, biking & fishing.
- Good location for watching ducks and eagles in season.
- Boat landings & picnic areas.
- Two approaches to the island at Blackhawk Ave. & Washington St.

Enjoy what the Island has to offer!

PDC SKATE PARK

Four years ago, the Children's Advisory Board started the process of adding a permanent skateboard park to the Prairie du Chien Park system. With input from the young people of the Prairie du Chien area and the American Ramp Company, a design was developed to meet the needs of local skaters. There will be no admission charge to the new park and it will be open to skateboards, rollerblades and BMX style bikes. The City of Prairie du Chien has designated a piece of property for the park. It is located in the gravel parking area at the Aquatic Park complex. The total cost of the park with excavation, concrete, shipping, building and maintenance, will be approximately \$80,000. More Info: www.prairieduchien-wi.gov. Go to Park & Recreation facility, click on Skate Park. View the progress and ways you can help.



LA RIVIERE PARK

A 300 acre city park managed for its natural beauty and wildlife. The park is a mix of hardwood forest, grasslands, and native prairie. Provides six miles of hiking trails, nature viewing, bird watching, cross-country skiing, archery area, free primitive camping, picnic area, and shelter house. Horse trails in the park and adjoining trails cover over 50 miles. For horse trail conditions, call (608)- 326-0005. Located at 62036 Vineyard Coulee Rd, SE of Prairie du Chien.



ST. FERIOLE ISLAND GARDENS

This 10 acre garden & paths are in development stages. Various unique gardens will be part of the project, such as the Children's Garden, Spring Pond Garden, The Stream Garden & Backwater Garden. See Prairie's first roundabout!



MISSISSIPPI RIVER SCULPTURE PARK

City historic sculpture park located on St. Feriole Island. Open year round, various sculptures, including a life-size bronze sculpture of Chief Black Hawk and fire circle with bronze cultural symbols, park is under development. Plans for approximately 24 life-size bronze historical figures.

Log onto: www.mississippiriversculpturepark.com.



URBAN FORESTRY MANAGEMENT

The City of Prairie du Chien recognizes that trees provide important economic, ecological and environmental benefits that significantly improve the quality of urban life. With the help of a DNR funded grant, Prairie du Chien has made a commitment to preserve and protect these benefits through the creation of its Tree Inventory Management Plan and urban forestry program. An effective urban forestry program will improve the overall health of our trees, reduce costs associated with clean-up after storm events, eliminate hazard trees, plant new trees of a variety of species, all for the purpose of improving the urban environment. Like any other living things, trees need proper care and maintenance to flourish. The City Public Works and Parks Divisions strive to provide the care and maintenance needed to provide for a healthy urban forest. The City Public Works Department is responsible for the care and maintenance of trees within city right of ways and on city properties. We look forward to providing the community with this Urban Forestry Plan for the future!



Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

While nobody can predict when the emerald ash borer will arrive in Prairie du Chien, it is assumed that the insect will arrive in Prairie du Chien in the near future. Currently, the insect has been confirmed in multiple locations in Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, since EAB's first detection nine years ago, it has spread to 15 additional states and Canada. By all appearances it is unstoppable and is spreading quickly. The city of Prairie du Chien is anticipating proactive measures before an infestation occurs to spread costs over time and maintain public safety.

Purpose of Readiness Plan

The purpose of this Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) readiness plan is to identify the essential personnel, resources, procedures and fiscal resources to combat the Emerald Ash Borer in Prairie du Chien. Advance planning is the key to minimizing and mitigating the effects of EAB.

History of the Emerald Ash Borer

The Emerald Ash Borer is an exotic pest native to Asia that was identified in southeastern Michigan near Detroit in the summer of 2002. The adult beetles munch on ash foliage but cause little damage. The real damage is caused by the EAB larvae that feed on the inner bark of ash trees, disrupting the tree's ability to transport water and nutrients. It is suspected that the insect was initially introduced to the United States via solid wood packing material carried in cargo shops or airplanes originating in its native Asia.

Control

The City of Prairie du Chien is currently under quarantine, which means people CAN NOT move regulated material including firewood. EAB larvae can survive hidden under the bark of firewood. You should visually inspect your trees. Early detection is a key factor. If trees display any sign or symptom of EAB infestation, contact your State agriculture agency. Spread the word about EAB. Talk to your neighbors, friends, and coworkers and get them onboard. Public awareness and education is an ongoing process; support the effort. **Go to www.emeraldashborer.wiscon.gov for excellent information about these pests.**

New Tree Planting

Think of the tree you just purchased as a lifetime investment. How well your trees and investment grows depends on the type of tree and location you select for planting, the care you provide when the tree is planted, and follow-up care the tree receives after planting.

Planting the Tree

The ideal time to plant trees and shrubs is during the dormant season-fall after leaf drop or early spring before bud-break. Weather conditions are cool and allow plants to establish roots in the new location before spring rains and summer heat stimulate new top growth. However, trees properly cared for in the nursery or garden center, and given the appropriate care during transporting prevent damage; can be planted throughout the growing season. In either situation, proper handling during planting is essential to ensure a healthy future for new trees and shrubs. Before you begin planting your tree, be sure you have had all underground utilities located prior to digging.

If the tree you are planting is balled and burlapped, or bare rooted, it is important to understand that the tree's root system has been reduced by 90-95% of its original size during transplanting. As a result of the trauma caused by the digging process, trees will commonly exhibit what is known as "transplant shock" (TS). TS is indicated by slow growth and reduced vigor following transplanting. Proper site preparation before and during planting, coupled with good follow-up care will help your tree grow!

For more information on proper tree planting go to dnr.wi.gov/forestry/publications/newtreeplanting.pdf

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FISHING FUN DAYS

Catch fish and have fun! All supplies will be provided and no fishing license required.

Meet at the Washington Street Park at the shelter on: **Wed., Sept. 21st and 28th from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Fee \$3.00.** per day.

ST. FERIOLE ISLAND TRAIL HIKING

Come walk the trail and see the color of the leaves as fall approaches and have great fun.

Meet: **St. Feriole Island ball field at 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Fridays starting October 7th to October 28th. Fee: \$10.00.**

HOFFMAN FITNESS CLUB

Come and exercise, get and stay in shape while having fun!

Meet **Wednesdays beginning January 4th to February 15th. From 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Fee: \$10.00.**

WATER AEROBICS **NEW!**

This new program will emphasis staying fit in the water and having fun!

Meet at **Hoffman Hall at 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Fridays. We will begin January 6th to February 24th. Seven week program. Fee: \$10.00.**

BASKETBALL

Shoot hoops, have fun and learn some basics of basketball.

Meet at **Hoffman Hall at 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on Fridays. We will begin January 6th to February 24th. Seven week program. Fee: \$10.00.**

INDOOR SOCCER

Come and have a great time with soccer and meet new friends. **Meets Friday beginning March 2nd to April 20th From 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Hoffman Hall. Fee: \$10.00**

ADOPT A BENCH

CREATE A LASTING MEMORY

Celebrate someone you love by adopting a bench in their honor. Perfect for weddings and anniversaries, births and birthdays, business gifts, in memoriam - - or just saying "I love you."

Adopting a bench is a great way to support St. Feriole Island Park and upgrade the existing benches that have been weathered over the years! Those who make these donations receive a personalized plaque on the bench. For more information on how you can enhance the park with a lifetime gift call Parks & Recreation Director, Mike Ulrich at 608-326-7207.



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Res. Fee: _____ Non-Res. Fee: _____

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Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ School Attending: _____

Parent's Name: _____ T-Shirt Size (if Applicable): YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, AL, AXL (Circle one)

Name of Program: _____ Practice Site: _____ Level & Time: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: I hereby understand that my son/daughter has registered to participate in the above stated programs, like most programs similar in nature, has some degree of inherent risk involved. Furthermore, my son/daughter is in good physical condition appropriate for the stated activities) and that participants must assume full responsibility for personal injury incurred while taking part in the activities). No accident insurance is provided through the City of Prairie du Chien. Prairie du Chien Park and Recreation has permission (both before and anytime after) to use the participants likeness, name, voice, or words in either television, radio, film newspaper, magazines, and other media, and in any form, for the purpose of advertising or communicating the purpose and activities of Prairie du Chien Park and Recreation and/or applying for funds to support these purposes and activities. Please list any special considerations we should know of (medicines, disabilities, etc.).

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