

2009  
Sauk  
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Summer  
Events



**June 1 – September 15, 2009**

### **Rock Falls**

**Wednesday, June 17** - Open house - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Rock Falls Tourism Open House, 603 W. 10th Street #1A, Rock Falls (city municipal complex). Meet Catherine Brunner, Executive Director; Visit with the Board of Directors; Refreshments will be served.

**Saturday and Sunday, July 11-12** - Rock Falls Chamber Community Cookout & Antique Tractor Show Featuring: Elk Burgers, Buffalo Burgers, Alligator Brats, Andouille Sausage, and Pork Chops on the grill, Antique Tractors, Antique Camper Trailers, and more! Jeff Bright RV Center, East Route 30, Rock Falls, IL (815) 625-4500 [www.rockfallschamber.com](http://www.rockfallschamber.com)

**Saturday, August 8** - Ampalooza – 20 bands on the Rock Falls Riverfront. An all ages youth event. 10am-11pm. [www.ampalooza.com](http://www.ampalooza.com)

**Friday and Saturday, August 28 & 29** - Harvest Fest. Locally grown produce, crafters, and antiques. 1801 1st Ave - Rock Falls (815) 625-4500 [www.rockfallschamber.com](http://www.rockfallschamber.com)

**Saturday, September 12** - Hennepin Canal Heritage Days. 5 K Run, family activities and more along the Canal in Rock Falls, IL (815) 625-4500 [www.rockfallschamber.com](http://www.rockfallschamber.com)

**Friday through Sunday, September 11-13** - Fiesta Days. Parade September 12 at 1pm

## **Prophetstown**

**Saturday, June 13** – Prophetstown-Lyndon Alumni Dinner

**Friday through Sunday, June 19 - 21** – Kids Day

**Wednesday, June 24** – Marching Band Contest

**Saturday, June 27** – Main Street Golf Outing

**Sunday, June 28** – Sesquicentennial Vesper Service

**Friday, July 3** – Streetscape

**Friday, July 3** – 5k and 1 mile Fun Run

**Saturday, July 4** – Prophetstown Lions Fireworks

**Thursday through Sunday, July 23 – 26** – Dud Drummet Little League Baseball Tournament

**Saturday and Sunday, August 1 and 2** – Native American Pow Wow

**Saturday and Sunday, August 1 and 2** – Asa Crook Home

**Sunday, September 6** – Prophetstown Fireman's Breakfast

**Saturday, September 12** – Peder Eide Concert

## **Polo**

**Every Friday June 5 – August 21** - Movies in the Park held in the Louise D. Quick Park. (Every Friday night except June 19.)

**Thursday through Sunday, June 18-21** - Town & Country Days  
Polo Town & Country Days. The Log Hoggers chainsaw artists will return. Their artwork will be auctioned at 2:30pm on June 21. All proceeds benefit the festival.

**Saturday, August 8** - 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Car, Truck & Tractor Show

## **Sterling**

**Wednesday, June 10** - Every Wednesday Night Summer Concert - 7:30 PM, Sterling Municipal Symphony Band Summer Concert Series @ Grandon Civic Center, Central Park, Sterling. - Season Opener - For more information call Jon or Cathy at 815-622-1681 or visit [www.sterlingmunicipalband.com](http://www.sterlingmunicipalband.com)

**Wednesday, June 10** - Workshop - 06:30 PM - 08:30 PM Community Coordinated Child Care will offer "Play it Safe", a free workshop on playground safety issues for child care center staff & family child care providers @ CGH Medical Center, Sterling. 4-C membership & registration is required. Call Kim Sciacero 800-848-8727, ext. 226.

**Wednesday, June 10** - Bingo - 12:30 PM Bingo, no charge to play, prizes and snacks. Sponsored by Good Neighbor Care, Sterling at the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Thursday, June 11** - Support group - 5:00 PM Alzheimer's Support Group at the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Friday, June 12** - Golf Outing - 11:00 AM SVACC's annual Golf Play Day @ Deer Valley Golf Club. \$75 per person before June 1st & \$85 after June 1st. Includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner & team picture.

**Friday, June 12** - Library program - 1:30 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program for children in grades K-5th. Program is FREE. Today's theme is "Illinois Erdmann - Magic, puppetry & storytelling!" For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Friday, June 12** - Golf outing - 12:00 PM Christ Lutheran School's 2nd annual Golf Outing Fundraiser @ Emerald Hill. For more information call Toni Fossett at 815-499-5005. [www.christlutheralschool.com](http://www.christlutheralschool.com)

**Saturday, June 13** - Touch a truck - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Sterling Park District's Touch a Truck Day at the Bethel Reformed Church parking lot (across from the Duis Center), all ages, FREE

**Saturday, June 13** - Golf Tournament - 12:00 PM 4th annual Golf Tournament to benefit kids with special needs @ Emerald Hill Golf Course, Sterling. Contact Mike or Denise at 815-625-4878, michael.flynn@countryfinancial.com or [denise.davilo@countryfinancial.com](mailto:denise.davilo@countryfinancial.com)

**Saturday, June 13** - Computer club - 1:00 PM Computer Club at the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Saturday, June 13** - Recital - 2:00 PM Woodlawn Dance Academy proudly presents: Music Recital at the J. Mark Beaty Performance Center. For more information: 815-626-4ART (4278) or [www.woodlawnartsacademy.com](http://www.woodlawnartsacademy.com)

**Sunday, June 14** - Casino trip - Meskwaki Bingo & Casino, Tama, IA overnight trip. Cost is \$80.00 Double; \$100.00 Single. Cost includes transportation, room, \$6 in meal coupons, Give \$40 Get \$80 back. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit the Whiteside County Senior Center 1207 West 9th St. in Sterling 888-622-9230

**Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 15, 17 and 18** - Learn internet - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Internet & E-Mail class - Cost is \$15. This class is a discussion of what the internet is & how it works; explains the browser, setting a home page, favorites, searches & internet safety. We will set up a personal E-mail account & discuss how to utilize it to stay in touch with friends & family. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit or call the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th St., Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Tuesday, June 16** - Support group - 5:30 PM Grandparents Raising Grandkids Support Group at the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Tuesday, June 16** - Young adult reading - 6:00 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program-Read on the Wild Side for grades 6-12. "Read to the Extreme". Special incentives offered. For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Wednesday, June 17** - Breakfast - 7:30 AM - 9:30 AM Breakfast at Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th St., Sterling, 815-622-9230. Cost is \$3. Menu is pancakes, sausage links, fruit, orange juice & coffee.

**Wednesday, June 17** - Luncheon - 11:15 AM - 1:00 PM NICIL 22nd Annual Awards & Recognition Luncheon @ Holiday Inn. Guest speaker Mark Searing, City of Rock Falls, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement.

**Wednesday, June 17** - Every Wednesday night Summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Thursday, June 18** - Juneteenth - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Join the YWCA of the Sauk Valley in celebrating freedom and embracing unity at our annual Juneteenth celebration, 412 First Avenue, Sterling. This cultural expose will feature live performances by local musicians, dancers & story tellers. Light picnic-style refreshments will be served. This event is open to the public. For more information call 815-625-0333.

**Thursday, June 18** - Library program - 1:30 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program for children in grades K-5th. Program is FREE. Today's theme is "Wild and Crazy Pizzas - Make your own pizza!" For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Thursday, June 18** - Kick-off party - 6:00 PM

Sauk Valley Summer Fest Corporate Olympics @ Westwood Sports & Expo Center, Sterling. Bean bag tournaments; basketball shooting challenge/ golf skills challenge; beer garden; concessions. FREE concert featuring "The Funnies" at 8pm. For questions contact Jim Spencer at 815-718-4784 or [jspencer@sterlingschools.org](mailto:jspencer@sterlingschools.org).

**Thursday, June 18** - Starlight's - 7:00 PM - 1:00 AM Our First Annual

Celebration of African-American History Freedom & Achievement - JUNETEENTH DAY CELEBRATION @ Starlight's Theatre & Lounge, 314 1st Ave., Sterling. Food \* Arts \* Poetry \* Live Music - Blues, Gospel, Soul, R&B, Jazz, Reggae, Hip-Hop, & Rap. For Info call 847-254-2878; email [starlightstheatre@live.com](mailto:starlightstheatre@live.com) or visit [www.starlightstheatre.com](http://www.starlightstheatre.com). FREE Admission / Donations Accepted.

**Saturday, June 20** - Summer Fest - 8:30 AM Sauk Valley Summer Fest @

Westwood Sports & Expo Center, Sterling. 3 on 3 basketball tournament; beer garden; concessions; bean bag tournament. For more information contact Jim Spencer at 815-626-0022 or [jspencer@sterlingschools.org](mailto:jspencer@sterlingschools.org).

**Saturday, June 20** - Auction - 10:00 AM Annual Junque and Gem AUCTION

Bidding will begin at 10am sharp; Concessions will be available. Auction will be at Christ Lutheran School, 2000 18th Avenue, Sterling. To donate or with any questions please call the school at 815-625-3800 or email [mperales@christlutheralschool.com](mailto:mperales@christlutheralschool.com)

**Saturday, June 20** - Starlight's - 3:00 PM - 1:00 AM THE CELEBRATION

CONTINUES @ Starlight's Theatre & Lounge, 314 1st Ave., Sterling. \*Best Sweet Potatoe Pie & Peach Cobbler Contest\* For Info call 847-254-2878; email [starlightstheatre@live.com](mailto:starlightstheatre@live.com) or visit [www.starlightstheatre.com](http://www.starlightstheatre.com). FREE Admission / Donations Accepted.

**Tuesday, June 23** - Young adult reading - 6:00 PM Sterling Public Library's

summer reading program-Read on the Wild Side for grades 6-12. "X-treme Sports". Special incentives offered. For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Wednesday, June 24** - Casino trip - 8:30 AM Whiteside County Senior Center

trip to Isle of Capri, Bettendorf, IA - \$20 per person. Cost includes transportation, buffet lunch & \$5 slot play. Pickup 8:30am at K-Mart in Sterling. Call 815-622-9230 for more information.

**Wednesday, June 24** - Word processing - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Introduction to

Word Processing-Using the Computer to Write a Letter, Poem or Story. Cost - \$5. This class is designed to teach the basics of computer word processing applicable to today's word processing software. We will be using Microsoft Word but this program is extremely similar to the FREE Open Office suite (available for online

download) which contains a Text Document editor. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit or call the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th St., Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Wednesday, June 24** - Support group - 6:00 PM Caregivers Support Group at the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Wednesday, June 24** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Wednesday, June 24** - Bingo - 12:30 PM Bingo, no charge to play, prizes and snacks. Sponsored by Heritage Woods, Sterling at the Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230.

**Thursday, June 25** - Grief support - 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Grief Support Group is free of charge & open to everyone. They meet the fourth Thursday of every month at the Hospice of the Rock River Valley, 264 IL Route 2, Dixon (1 mile east of Sauk Valley Community College). For more information call 815-288-3673.

**Friday, June 26** - Golf outing - 11:00 AM Seventh Annual Hospice of the Rock River Valley Memorial Golf Outing. For more information, call 815-288-3673 or email [market@hospicerockriver.org](mailto:market@hospicerockriver.org).

**Friday, June 26** - Lunch & movie - 11:30 AM Lunch and a Movie at Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling, 815-622-9230. Cost \$4 for lunch & includes creamed chicken over biscuit, salad & dessert. The movie & popcorn are free. Movie starts at 12:30pm and will be "RV", a hilarious comedy starring Robin Williams & Jeff Daniels.

**Friday, June 26** - Library program - 1:30 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program for children in grades K-5th. Program is FREE. Today's theme is "Furry Friends - Live animals on the North lawn!" For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Friday, June 26** - Reception - 7:00 PM Woodlawn Dance Academy proudly presents: Artist Reception. The Summer Art Exhibit opens June 15 featuring artists' photography. For more information: 815-626-4ART (4278) or [www.woodlawnartsacademy.com](http://www.woodlawnartsacademy.com)

**Saturday, June 27** - Bucket brigade - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Sterling/Rock Falls Jaycees Fireworks Bucket Brigade in Sterling. Help raise money for the annual fireworks display (July 3rd, dusk @ Westwood)

**Saturday, June 27** - Jazz band concert - 7:30 PM Rock River Jazz Band Concert @ Grandon Civic Center. For more information call Jon or Cathy at 815-622-1681 or visit [www.sterlingmunicipalband.com](http://www.sterlingmunicipalband.com)

**Tuesday, June 30** - Serious reader - 6:00 PM Sterling Public Library's Serious Readers' Group selection for June is "The Ponder Heart" by Eudora Welty. Discussion will be held in the library conference room. All serious adult readers are welcome.

**Wednesday, July 1** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Friday, July 3** - Fireworks - Sterling/Rock Falls Jaycees Fireworks - Westwood (at dark)

**Friday, July 3** - Young adult reading - 1:30 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program-Read on the Wild Side for grades 6-12. "X-treme Rides". Special incentives offered. For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Saturday, July 4** - WOW, Inc. - 6:30 PM Join other widows & widowers at Hospice of the Rock River Valley, 264 IL Route 2, Dixon for an evening of fellowship & fun the first Saturday of each month. Bring a friend, your favorite game, a snack to share & light-hearted conversation. For more information call (815) 288-3673.

**Tuesday, July 7** - Young adult reading - 6:00 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program-Read on the Wild Side for grades 6-12. "Wild Frontier". Special incentives offered. For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Wednesday, July 8** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Saturday, July 11** - Race - 8:00 AM YWCA Race Against Racism at Westwood Trails in Sterling. FREE Unity Run to children ages 10 and younger. Join the YWCA of the Sauk Valley in racing against racism at our annual 5K run/walk! This event is open to women and men ages 11 and up.

**Saturday, July 11** - Jazz band concert - 7:30 PM Rock River Jazz Band Concert @ Grandon Civic Center. For more information call Jon or Cathy at 815-622-1681 or visit [www.sterlingmunicipalband.com](http://www.sterlingmunicipalband.com)

**Sunday, July 12** - Casino trip - Meskwaki Bingo & Casino, Tama, IA overnight trip. Cost is \$80.00 Double; \$100.00 Single. Cost includes transportation, room, \$6 in meal coupons, Give \$40 Get \$80 back. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit the Whiteside County Senior Center 1207 West 9th St. in Sterling 888-622-9230

**Tuesday, July 14** - Young adult reading - 6:00 PM Sterling Public Library's summer reading program-Read on the Wild Side for grades 6-12. "We'll Wrap It Up". Special incentives offered. For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Wednesday, July 15** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Thursday, July 16** - Workshop - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Hospice of the Rock River Valley invites anyone who is coping with the loss of a loved one & cannot commit to an ongoing group, to attend a Grief Workshop at Chadwick Public Library, 110 Main, Chadwick. The workshop is free of charge. Registration can be made by calling Chris Larson at 815-288-3673 or email at [bereave@hospicerockriver.org](mailto:bereave@hospicerockriver.org).

**Friday, July 17** - Golf outing - 11:30 AM Sterling-Rock Falls Family YMCA 5th Annual Golf Fund-Raiser. We are planning to play at Rock River Country Club with lunch at 11:30am and shotgun start at 12:45pm. Call 815-535-9622 for more information.

**Saturday, July 18** - Cookout - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Sterling/Rock Falls Jaycees Christmas for Kids Cookout at Schriener's Mobile in Rock Falls

**Saturday, July 18** Celebrate - 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Sterling Rock Falls Historical Society will host "Party in the Park with Abe" @ Propheter Park for the 3rd anniversary of the Lincoln Statue dedication. There will be entertainment, food, music, activities for children & loads of fun!

**Wednesday, July 22** - Senior center trip - U.S. Mailboat Tour around Lake Geneva - \$50 nonmembers; \$45 members. Cost includes transportation & Mailboat Tour. Meals on your own. To sign up & pay or for questions please visit or call Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling; 815-622-9230.

**Wednesday, July 22** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Thursday, July 23** - Corn boil - 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM Sterling Schools Foundation Corn Boil @ Sterling High School Commons

**Thursday, July 23** - Grief support - 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Grief Support Group is free of charge & open to everyone. They meet the fourth Thursday of every month at the Hospice of the Rock River Valley, 264 IL Route 2, Dixon (1 mile east of Sauk Valley Community College). For more information call 815-288-3673.

**Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 24, 25 and 26** - Play - Centennial Auditorium Presents: The Wedding Singer, July 24-26 (pending approval of performance rights. For more information: 815-626-4ART(4278) or [www.woodlawnartsacademy.com](http://www.woodlawnartsacademy.com)

**Saturday, July 25** - Bike run - 10:00 AM Toys For Tots Christmas in July Bike Run - registration 10am-Noon at Sterling American Legion; last bike in 5pm at Rock Falls American Legion. More information to come...

**Saturday, July 25** - Jazz band concert - 7:30 PM Rock River Jazz Band Concert @ Grandon Civic Center - Big Band Night. For more information call Jon or Cathy at 815-622-1681 or visit [www.sterlingmunicipalband.com](http://www.sterlingmunicipalband.com)

**Wednesday, July 29** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Friday and Saturday, July 31 and August 1** - Play - 7:00 PM Woodlawn Theatre Camp Proudly Presents: Disney's Mulan Jr. For more information: 815-626-4ART(4278) or [www.woodlawnartsacademy.com](http://www.woodlawnartsacademy.com)

**Saturday, August 1** - WOW, Inc. - 6:30 PM Join other widows & widowers at Hospice of the Rock River Valley, 264 IL Route 2, Dixon for an evening of fellowship & fun the first Saturday of each month. Bring a friend, your favorite game, a snack to share & light-hearted conversation. For more information call (815) 288-3673.

**Wednesday, August 5** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Friday, August 7** - Golf outing - 1:00 PM Sterling/Rock Falls Jaycees 2nd Annual Golf Outing - Emerald Hill 1 p.m. Shotgun Start

**Saturday, August 8** - Jazz band concert - 7:30 PM Rock River Jazz Band Concert @ Grandon Civic Center. For more information call Jon or Cathy at 815-622-1681 or visit [www.sterlingmunicipalband.com](http://www.sterlingmunicipalband.com)

**Sunday, August 9** - Casino trip - Meskwaki Bingo & Casino, Tama, IA overnight trip. Cost is \$80.00 Double; \$100.00 Single. Cost includes transportation, room, \$6 in meal coupons, Give \$40 Get \$80 back. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit the Whiteside County Senior Center 1207 West 9th St. in Sterling 888-622-9230

**Wednesday, August 12** - Every Wednesday night summer concert - 7:30 PM

**Thursday, August 13** - Steak Fry - 25th Annual SVACC Agri-Business Steak Fry in the Country. More details at a later date; location TBD.

**Tuesday, August 18** - Senior center trip - Cabaret Lunch Cruise aboard the Spirit of Chicago - \$68 nonmembers; \$63 members. Cost includes transportation & Cabaret Lunch Cruise on Lake Michigan. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit or call Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling; 815-622-9230.

**Wednesday, August 26** - Casino trip - Riverside Golf & Casino, Riverside, IA - \$25.00 per person. Cost includes transportation, \$5 off buffet & \$5 on card. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit the Whiteside County Senior Center 1207 West 9th St. in Sterling 888-622-9230.

**Thursday, August 27** - Grief support - 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Grief Support Group is free of charge & open to everyone. They meet the fourth Thursday of every month at the Hospice of the Rock River Valley, 264 IL Route 2, Dixon (1

mile east of Sauk Valley Community College). For more information call 815-288-3673.

**Saturday, August 29** - Adult readers - 08:00 AM - 11:30 AM The Recycled Reads Bookstore will be open at Sterling Public Library for summer reading participants only. For more information call 815-625-7037.

**Wednesday, September 2** - Ball game - CHICAGO CUBS VS. HOUSTON ASTROS - Come join us for a fun day at the ballpark! Motorcoach ride and ticket at a bargain price of \$50. Seats are on first base/right field. Call the Whiteside County Senior Center, Sterling, 815-622-9230 for details.

**Thursday, September 3** - Senior center trip - Arlington Racetrack in Arlington Heights, IL - \$40 nonmembers; \$35 members. Cost includes transportation, reserved box seats & daily racing guide. Meals on your own. To sign up & pay or for questions please visit or call Whiteside County Senior Center, 1207 W. 9th Street, Sterling; 815-622-9230.

**Saturday, September 5** - WOW, Inc. - 06:30 PM Join other widows & widowers at Hospice of the Rock River Valley, 264 IL Route 2, Dixon for an evening of fellowship & fun the first Saturday of each month. Bring a friend, your favorite game, a snack to share & light-hearted conversation. For more information call (815) 288-3673.

**Sunday, September 13** - Casino trip - Meskwaki Bingo & Casino, Tama, IA overnight trip. Cost is \$80.00 Double; \$100.00 Single. Cost includes transportation, room, \$6 in meal coupons, Give \$40 Get \$80 back. To sign up and pay or for questions please visit the Whiteside County Senior Center 1207 West 9th St. in Sterling 888-622-9230

## **Morrison**

**Saturday, June 6** - Farmer's Market opens at Heritage Museum

**Monday through Wednesday, June 8 – 10** - Morrison Rockwood Day Camp, Rockwood State Park

**Sunday, June 14** - Mounted Patrol Horse Show at Double G Farms

**Thursday, June 18** - Ice Cream Social at Resthave Nursing Home

**Saturday, July 4** - Firecracker Weekend Bogs-Drags-Demo at The Bike Barn

**Monday through Friday, July 6 – 10** - Vacation Bible School at Morrison churches.

**Monday through Thursday, July 13 – 16** - Whiteside County 4-H Show, Whiteside County Fair Grounds

**Tuesday through Saturday, August 18-22** -Whiteside County Fair, Whiteside County Fair Grounds

## **Dixon**

**Friday, June 5** - First Musical Fridays Concert  
Dixon Main Street presents “Musical Fridays” at noon in downtown Dixon. Come downtown, check out our shops and restaurants and stay for a free concert on First Street by Town Square Centre. Performers vary week to week. Concerts are ongoing every Friday through the summer.

**Friday, June 5-July 7** – The Next Picture Show  
“A River Runs Through It” - Opening Reception Friday, June 5, 6-8pm. Come meet the artists--free to the public. To coincide with Cabala’s Catfish Fishing Contest, The Next Picture Show is running an art show that pays homage to Midwestern water ways. This is a 2-D/3-D show that hopes to bring out the angler in everyone who drops a line, dips a paddle or hypnotically watches the power and beauty of rivers. Show continues June 5-July 7.

**Friday, June 12** - Musical Fridays

**Friday and Saturday, June 12 - 13** - Relay for Life. Relay for Life will be at Dixon High School Friday evening through Saturday morning. You may start your own team or just show up to join the fun. This is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. \$50 per team. 800-892-9296

**Friday, June 19** - Musical Fridays

**Saturday, June 20** – Mud Volleyball Tournament. Dixon Main Street is unveiling a new event for Dixon and the Sauk Valley area this summer. On June 20, Dixon will play host to an all-day Mud Volleyball Tournament. The action will take place at the Meadows field, at the horse trail parking lot off of Brinton Ave. The event is a cooperative effort between Dixon Main Street and the Dixon Park District and will feature tournament play with each team being guaranteed at least two matches. Cost to have a co-ed team of six players is \$120, with day of registration \$150. This year’s event features music by 3D Sound, a pork chop cook out by the Dixon Park District and a beer garden. An age limit of 21 years-old will be enforced for play in the tournament, although those younger can come and watch the event. The tournament will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude when a champion is crowned. For more information about the tournament, call 815-288-2308.

**Friday, June 26** - Musical Fridays

**Wednesday to Sunday, July 1 to 5** – Dixon's 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Petunia Festival - The Dixon Petunia Festival is scheduled for July 1 - 5 . See [www.petuniasfestival.org](http://www.petuniasfestival.org) for complete schedule of events. Throughout Page Park, Dixon High School grounds and various event locations throughout the city of Dixon. Celebrating our 45th year with favorite events returning such as carnival, pancake breakfasts, Taste Trail, and daily entertainment for all ages. Parade and fireworks on Sunday. Adults, Seniors and Children 13 and over \$5. Children 12 and under free. 815-284-3361

**Saturday, July 04** - 10th Anniversary of the Reagan 5K Race - Begins at the Reagan Boyhood Home, 816 S. Hennepin Ave., Dixon at 8:00 a.m. Free Kids Fun Run at 7:30 a.m. for 9 years and younger. [www.getmeregistered.com](http://www.getmeregistered.com) 815-288-3211 or 815-284-3306

**Friday, July 10** - Musical Fridays

**Wednesday, July 15** - Main Street Lunch & Learn  
The Lunch and Learn series continues Wednesday, July 15 at noon at the Post House Ballroom. The program cost is \$3 and is open to the public. Program is by Shawn Ortgiesen on what is happening in Dixon.

**Friday, July 17** - Musical Fridays

**Friday, July 17** – Lincoln re-dedication and re-enactment - The Dixon Tourism Board and the City of Dixon is planning a re-dedication of the Monument and re-enactment of the speech given July 17th, 1856, by Abraham Lincoln. He was in Dixon giving a campaign speech for Fremont for President. The speech was given in the 200 block of South Ottawa on the East side of the Old Courthouse Lawn, which is the location of the monument. The re-dedication and re-enactment will take place on the same spot at 2 p.m. Call Dixon Welcome Center, 815.284.3496 for information.

**Friday, July 24** - Musical Fridays

**Friday, July 31** - Musical Fridays

**Friday and Saturday, July 31 & Aug 1** - Two-Cylinder Days - John Deere Historic Site, 8334 So. Clinton St., Grand Detour. The show will feature more than 100 restored tractors. Their owners, who like to talk about tractors, will be there. Four collectors' clubs work with the historic site personnel to coordinate the show. Food vendors on site 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission \$4, children under 12 free. 815-652-4551 - [www.johndeereattractions.com](http://www.johndeereattractions.com)

**Friday, August 7** - Musical Fridays

**Tuesday through Sunday, August 11 to 16** - Reagan Trail Days

**Thursday, August 13** - Golf outing - 12:30 PM - Sinnissippi Foundation Golf Open @ Timber Creek Golf Club, Dixon. \$75 per golfer or \$300 per foursome; sponsorship opportunities available. For more information call Jim Sarver at 815-284-9380

**Friday, August 14 , 11:30 AM** - Heritage Crossing Riverfront Dedication - Heritage Crossing - River Street & Hennepin Avenue, Dixon

**Friday August 21** - Musical Fridays

**Saturday and Sunday, August 22 & 23** - Dixon Carp Fishing Tournament - Downtown Dixon on River Street between the bridges. \$2,000 in prizes for the 10 largest carp by weight. Entry forms available at Bunny's Bait Shop, 1024 E. River St. Sponsored by Dixon Tourism. Saturday afternoon tournament party at the Royal Palms at 3 p.m. Adults \$7, Children \$3. Sat. 7 a.m.- 3 p.m., Sun. 7 a.m.- Noon. 815-288-3812 or 288-1485.

**Friday, August 28** - Musical Fridays

**Saturday, September 05** - Dixon Fall Art, Craft and Collectible Show - John Dixon Park, 500 N. Galena Ave., Dixon. Many crafters will exhibit handmade arts and crafts with no manufactured or "Flea Market" items. Food and drinks will be provided by the Lions. 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Sponsored by Dixon Lions and Lioness Clubs. 815-251-4767

**Sunday, September 13** - 61st Anniversary Grand Detour Fine Arts Festival - John Deere Historic Site, Grand Detour, IL Route 2 between Oregon & Dixon. One of the oldest art fairs in Illinois sponsored by KSB Hospital. Forty plus artists, music, food, John Deere Museum, blacksmith and gift shop. Adults \$2, children 11 and under free. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. 815-285-4924