

**TOWN OF DRYDEN RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
MISSION**

*To provide diverse recreational programs and leisure services which enhance the physical, social and cultural growth of all residents of Dryden, while promoting citizen involvement and a strong sense of community.*

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**Town of Dryden Recreation Commission**

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**Mission of the Dryden Recreation Commission:**

*The Town of Dryden Recreation Commission (DRC), in conjunction with the Town of Dryden Recreation Department, will strive to improve the quality of life for all residents by facilitating the opportunity to participate in healthy and satisfying recreation and leisure activities.*

**If you are interested in joining the DRC, please contact the Town of Dryden Recreation Department.**

**MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

The past year has brought many changes to the Town of Dryden Recreation Department, and there are many more to come as we continue to grow.

In the Fall of 2007, you welcomed me into the community, and we have worked together to bring in new programs such as Track and Field, Water Wizards, Adult Yoga and more. Dozens of volunteers came together last spring and built dugouts at the Wall Street Ball Field, giving our kids a field they can be proud of. There is still much to do, and we look forward to continued cooperation and shared success.

The Department also has a new member—Andrew Pierce was hired in September as the Recreation and Sports Coordinator. Andrew comes from a strong recreation background, is full of energy and is eager to become part of the Dryden community!

We are excited to bring you our new Spring/Summer brochure. We hope this will make programming decisions easier for you and help your family keep track of what we are offering and registration deadlines.

As always, please let us know if you have comments, thoughts or suggestions.

Thanks!  
Melissa Bianconi *Director of Recreation, Town of Dryden*

**Town of Dryden Facilities**

**Dryden Lake Park**

Fishing dock  
Ice fishing  
Boating (non motor)  
Picnic area/Pavilion  
BBQ Grills  
Nature Trails  
Open fields  
Playground

**Jim Schug Trail**

4.2 miles  
Handicap Accessible  
Walking/Hiking  
Biking  
Horseback riding  
Cross Country Skiing  
Snow Shoeing  
**Additional info: Call the DPW Department: 844-8888 option 8**

**Other community facilities**

**Etna Park—Etna Road**

Playground  
Tennis Courts  
Basketball Hoop  
Open Space  
Picnic Table

**Montgomery Park**

**Dryden Village, Elm St**

Gazebo  
Pavilion  
Basketball  
Skateboard Park  
Tee-Ball diamond

**Groton Ave Park-Freeville**

Ball fields  
Playground  
Picnic area

**Dryden Community Café**

1 West Main St, Dryden Village  
www.drydencommunityscafe.blogspot.com

**Ellis Hollow Community Center**

111 Genung Road  
www.ehcc.clarityconnect.com

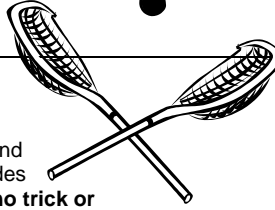
**Varna Community Center**

943 Dryden Road

**Etna Community Center**

Main Street, Dryden  
Lower Creek Road

Community Associations are not managed by the Town of Dryden. We are proud to partner with the centers on a variety of programs and projects, but each center is independent and unique. We encourage the public to become aware of the Community Associations in your Dryden neighborhood.



## Spring Lacrosse

Practices are rain or shine! Participants need to provide rubber sole cleats, lacrosse stick, glove and mouth guards. The Recreation Department provides shoulder pads, helmet, and elbow pads. **Please no trick or toy sticks. PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR INFO ON GIRLS LACROSSE**

**2009 Lacrosse Coordinator: Lance Cole, 844-4532**

**Equipment Hand Out: April 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:00 at the Town Barn, located at 65 East Main, next to Empire Livestock**

**Program Begins: April 21, 2009**

**Parent Meeting: April 23rd 2009 6:00-7:00 Dryden Town Hall (mandatory for one parent/guardian to attend this meeting)**

**Ages: K-6—open to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders not playing modified**

**Location: Dryden Elementary School, field inside the track**

**Time: 6:00-7:30 (except Little Sticks)**

**Fee: \$45.00 (scholarships are available)**

**Registration Code: A2001SL**

**Registration Deadline: April 10, 2009--\$10.00 late fee**

**Little Sticks: Boys and Girls Grades K-2, practice from 6:00-7:00 Tuesdays and Thursdays.** This is a strictly In-House Program with games on Sundays.

**Juniors: Grades 3-4**

**Seniors: Grades 5-6 (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to play as seniors after the modified season ends...must pay full fee)**

**Juniors and Seniors will play games against other towns, and will include travel to some games and tournaments. The season always ends with a Tournament in Canandaigua—date and time TBA Youth LAX has its own website: [www.drydenlax.com](http://www.drydenlax.com)**

## GIRLS Spring Lacrosse

We are now offering a separate lacrosse program for girls, playing by girls rules. This program is **skill building and focuses on understanding the game of Girls Lacrosse.** Girls lacrosse plays by very different rules and with very different equipment. There will be no travel games, all game situations will be scrimmages held during practice times! Practices are Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 and Sundays from 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

**Program Begins: April 22, 2009**

**Parent Meeting: April 23rd 2009 6:00-7:00 Dryden Town Hall (mandatory for one parent/guardian to attend this meeting)**

**Ages: Grades 3-7 (8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome if not playing at school)**

**Location: Dryden Elementary School, field inside the track**

**Time: 5:30-7:00 (Wednesdays) 1:00-2:30 (Sundays)**

**Fee: \$25.00 (scholarships are available)**

Participants must provide their own sticks, goggles and mouth guards. We suggest you go to Gear2 Sports in Cortland for these basic needs, though any sporting goods store should have all items.

**Registration Code: A2001GSL**

**Registration Deadline: April 10, 2009--\$10.00 late fee**

Girls Lacrosse Coach: Charlie Dardia: [dardia6@hotmail.com](mailto:dardia6@hotmail.com)

## Water Wizards!

Become an environmental scientist on Cayuga Lake! As the junior crew of the M/V Haendel, a working research vessel, students will spend one afternoon each week learning boating skills, exploring cool places and legends, and trying their hand at the science of lake ecology. During this six week program, we'll get to see what happens as spring creeks and waterfalls rush to the lake and new life blooms in the water as well as on shore. Much of our program will be guided by the interests of our participants. **Limited to 20 youth participants per trip. Parents are encouraged to join—must also pay fee. This year we will spend time in areas like Fall Creek and Dryden Lake Park, and be on Cayuga Lake 3 of the 6 weeks.**

**Ages: Grades 4, 5 and 6**

**Dates: 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9, 6/16 Rain date: 6/23**

**Pick Up/Drop off location: Dryden Elementary School**

**Times: 3:30-6:30 (6<sup>th</sup> graders and participants from other locations need to be at DES by 3:30 sharp—we cannot wait for late arrivals!)**

**Fee: \$8.00 per trip, per person. You may sign up for all or just some dates (scholarships available).**

**Registration Codes: If you want ALL DATES-A2001WW**

**5/12-A2001W12**

**5/19- A2001W19**

**5/26- A2001W26**

**6/2- A2001W2**

**6/9- A2001W9**

**6/16- A2001W16**

**Registration Deadline: May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009**



## Spring Track and Field

The Town is pleased to offer this popular program again this Spring! This program is open to all interested Boys and Girls, grades K-6. All sessions will be held at the Dryden High School Track—see below for dates and registration information.

Participants will need to wear sneakers and bring water!

**Track and Field:**

**Ages: grades K-6**

**Location: Dryden High School Fields**

**Dates: Monday April 27**

**TUESDAY May 5<sup>th</sup>**

Monday May 11

Monday May 18

Monday June 1

**Time: 6:00-7:00**

**Fee: \$10.00 (scholarships available)**

**Registration Code: A2001TF**

Program Coordinator Karen Weaver: [kweaver1@dryden.k12.ny.us](mailto:kweaver1@dryden.k12.ny.us)



## ARE YOU LOOKING FOR KIWANIS SPRING BASEBALL/SOFTBALL INFORMATION?

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department does not facilitate or manage the Kiwanis Program, but we are happy to share information on the league. Please go to [www.drydenkiwanisonline.com](http://www.drydenkiwanisonline.com) to check on registration deadlines and locations!

# AMERICAN RED CROSS Training

# Community Events

## American Red Cross: Babysitting Training

Everything you need to be a great babysitter! Learn first aid and safety skills and to identify hazards, prevent injuries, supervise children and perform basic care routines and problem solving.



This class took place on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009.  
For additional information, please contact us.

## Annual Egg Hunt!

APRIL 11, 2009  
MONTGOMERY PARK  
11:00 AM

AGES: 8 and under  
FREE!

Prizes in select eggs! Candy in all! AND a very special visitor to kick off the hunt!

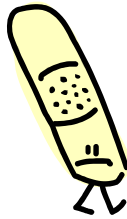


## American Red Cross: When I'm in Charge

Provides children safe options if they were to find themselves alone for any reason. Enhances self reliance and preventing and preparing for emergencies. In addition, the course includes information on phone, internet and gun safety. This is a 2 1/2 hour class, parents are invited to attend the last 30 minutes.

### Session I: CLOSED

**Ages:** 8-11 BOYS AND GIRLS  
**Location:** Dryden Town Hall, 93 East Main St  
**Date:** March 14<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 9:30 AM-12:00 PM  
**Registration Code:** A2001WIC1  
**Note:** March 14<sup>th</sup> class is full!



### Session II: OPEN

**Ages:** 8-11 BOYS AND GIRLS  
**Registration Code:** A2001WIC2  
**Location:** Dryden Town Hall, 93 East Main St  
**Date:** April 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 9:30 AM-12:00 PM  
**STILL OPEN SPOTS!**

## Aquafina Pitch, Hit and Run

PHR is an exciting baseball skills competition that provides boys and girls, ages 7 to 14, the opportunity to showcase their pitching, hitting and running abilities. PHR participants can advance through four levels of competition, including Local and Sectional competitions, Team Championship events at all 30 Major League ballparks, and the National Finals at the MLB All-Star Game.

**Ages:** 7-14 BOYS AND GIRLS  
**Location:** Dryden High School Ball Fields  
**Date:** May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Rain Date:** May 9<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

**Fee:** FREE

**Registration Information:** Register at the event—no pre-registration will be accepted. Scores will not be tabulated until each participant has completed all three stations.

**WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO BRING YOUR DAUGHTERS!!!**



# LOOKING AHEAD...

## Summer Travel Baseball/Softball

The Town of Dryden Recreation offers a Summer Travel Baseball and Softball Program to participants seeking a more competitive, tournament oriented summer travel program. This is a serious, summer long commitment. Before you sign up, please discuss participation in these programs with your participant, family and coach.

## Music in the Park

We are back for another great season of music at Montgomery Park, every Wednesday night from 6:30-8:30 beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. Be sure to check the line up at our website: [www.dryden.ny.us/music-in-the-park](http://www.dryden.ny.us/music-in-the-park)

## Music in the Hollow

Did you know the Town of Dryden Recreation Department has a music series at the Ellis Hollow Community Center each summer? Take a trip out to the West side of town this season to check it out! Be sure to check the line up at our website: [www.dryden.ny.us/music-in-the-park](http://www.dryden.ny.us/music-in-the-park)

## Dairy Day!

June, 13, 2009

Theme: Cows on the Mooooove  
More info at: [www.drydendairyday.org](http://www.drydendairyday.org)

## Letterboxing Workshop

Letterboxing is an intriguing pastime combining navigational skills and rubber stamp artistry in a charming "treasure hunt" style outdoor quest. A wide variety of adventures can be found to suit all ages and experience levels. This has become popular in the Dryden area. We are planning on holding a workshop in early May, 2009. Planning is still in progress, so please check our website in early April for details!

## Are you interested in Volunteering?

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department could not do what we do without the support of our wonderful community volunteers. It doesn't matter if you have a lot of time or a little, there is always a way to help out. From park clean up days to coaching to slinging hotdogs or even office work, there is always a way to give back to your community through our department. Please never hesitate to call us at 844-8888, email us at [recreation.dryden.ny.us](mailto:recreation.dryden.ny.us) or visit the website at [www.dryden.ny.us/recreation-department](http://www.dryden.ny.us/recreation-department) to learn about ways to volunteer!

# Town of Dryden Recreation Department

## Spring 2009 Brochure



**Town of Dryden Recreation...where fun has no boundaries!**

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