

**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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**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.**

**The Town of Dryden Recreation Department is located in the Dryden Town Hall-93 East Main St, Dryden NY 13053**

**MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR  
Spring 2010**

The snow is melting away and the days are getting longer— Spring is right around the corner in Dryden! As winter programs come to an end, planning for spring is in high gear at Dryden Recreation.

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department experienced many successes during the 2009 season. From our community wide events, introduction of annual summer fireworks, to youth sport tournaments, we have enjoyed providing services which make Dryden a special place to live and raise a family.

We look forward to your family's participation in our Spring 2010 programs. We have added a Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt to our list of fun events. Please be sure to share the information with your teen!

As always, please feel free to contact me with feedback, suggestions and ideas.

Sincerely,

Melissa Bianconi  
Town of Dryden Recreation Director

**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](http://www.drydencommunityscafe.blogspot.com)

**Ellis Hollow Community Center**

111 Genung Road  
[www.ehcc.clarityconnect.com](http://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.

# AMERICAN RED CROSS Training

## Important Red Cross Information:

We are pleased to be working with the Tompkins County Red Cross again this season.

Thanks to a generous grant from the Park Foundation, any child eligible for Free OR Reduced lunch will not be required to pay a registration fee for these programs!

Please contact the Recreation Department at 607-844-8888 ex. 228 to take advantage of this great opportunity!

**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.

Date: April 17, 2010

Time: 9:00-4:30 \*bring bagged lunch

Ages: 11-15 (girls and boys)

Where: Dryden Town Hall

Fee: 45.00

Registration Code: 2010BT



## 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 ½ hour class. Parents are invited to attend the last 30 minutes.

When: April 10, 2010

Ages: 8-11 (Boys and Girls)

Location: Dryden Town Hall, 93 East Main St

Fee: \$15.00

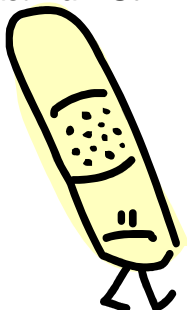
We will offer TWO time slots:

9:30-12:00, 1:00-3:30

Registration code info:

9:30-12:00—code WIC1

1:00-3:30—code WIC2



\*Please bring a snack

# Community Events

## Traditional Egg Hunt!

APRIL 3, 2010

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! Please bring your own basket



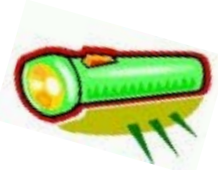
## Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt

APRIL 2, 2010

MONTGOMERY PARK

AS SOON AS IT GETS DARK!

AGES: 12-16 (or grades 6-10)



Find eggs stuffed with cool prizes such as movie passes, i-tunes gift cards, restaurant certificates and more! Bring your friends! Bring your own flashlight.

## 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 8

**Rain Date:** May 15

**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!!** There is a separate competition for girl's softball this season!

# Youth Programs



## 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.**

**2010 Lacrosse Coordinator: Lance Cole, 844-4532**

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

**Program Begins: April 22, 2010**

**Parent Meeting: April 22, 2010 6:15-7:15 Dryden Town Hall (mandatory for one parent/guardian to attend this meeting)**

**Ages: K-6**

**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 12, 2010--\$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 (Tuesdays and Thursdays)**

**Seniors: Grades 5-6 (Tuesdays and Thursdays)**

If games are scheduled, Lance Cole will communicate dates, times and locations.

**Youth LAX has its own website: [www.drydenlax.com](http://www.drydenlax.com)**

## Cayuga Floating Classroom

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 four 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.**

**Ages: Grades 6, 7, 8**

**Dates: 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25**

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

**Times: 2:30-6:00**

**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  
5/4—Instructional Day NO FEE**

**5/12-A200IFC**

**5/19- A2001FC**

**5/26- A2001FC**

**Registration Deadline: May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**\* JOIN US ON MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> for an informational session for FREE! Meet the instructors, play with cool gadgets and learn about what to expect out on the lake!**



## 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

**GIRLS LAX Program Begins: April 21, 2010**

**Parent Meeting: April 22, 2010 6:15-7:15 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, 2010--\$10.00 late fee**

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

## 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!

**Ages: grades K-6**

**Location: Dryden High School Fields**

**Dates: Wednesday May 5**

Wednesday May 12

Wednesday May 19

Wednesday May 26

Wednesday June 2

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

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

**Registration Code: A2001TF**

**Registration Deadline: April 23, 2010--\$10.00 late fee**

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

This program is weather contingent. If inclement weather cancels the program, there will be no make ups.



## 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!



### 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.

### Dryden Lake Festival

August 14, 2010

Fireworks, music, races, games!

### 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 June 30, 2010.

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)

### REFUND POLICY

Refunds are not issued after registration deadlines. If a program is cancelled by the Town full refunds will be issued to all registrants. Exceptions may be made in extenuating circumstances, as determined on a case by case basis.

Refunds are subject to a \$10.00 administrative fee.

### 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)

### Town of Dryden Recreation

#### Scholarship Policy

The Town of Dryden Recreation Department will not turn any child away based on inability to pay. If your child receives free or reduced lunch at school, you are eligible for a scholarship.

Participants receiving free lunch have **100%** of registrations waived. Reduced lunch participants will have **50%** of their registration fee waived.

Please contact us at 607-844-8888 or email [recreation@dryden.ny.us](mailto:recreation@dryden.ny.us) for additional information.

### Dryden Dairy Day!

June 12, 2010

[www.drydendairyday.org](http://www.drydendairyday.org)

### 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!