

Nights are held four times each year. Family and individual memberships available.

HIDDEN DIAMONDS PARK

200 Weber Road, Albion, 46701
(260) 636-2246

A city park with camping sites with full hook-ups, open primitive camping, playground, baseball, soccer fields, sand volleyball, and trail.

KENDALLVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION

211 Iddings St., Kendallville, IN 46755
(260) 347-1064

Bixler Lake Park and Campground on Kendallville's east side offers fishing piers, supervised beach with sand volleyball court, playground areas, ball field, nature trails, birdwatching, nature programs, pavilions and basketball. On its west side are a boat launch and tennis courts. Sunset Park can be accessed from Drake Road or Weston Avenue. It offers basketball courts, softball diamonds, soccer fields, playground, shuffleboard courts and pavilion.

The Youth Center on Iddings Street offers activities throughout the year including teen dances, Second Time Around euchre club, basket and craft classes, preschool, aerobics, indoor walking and other events. The center is available for rental for receptions, reunions or other special events.

The Kendallville Outdoor Sports and Recreation Center is an 80-acre complex of baseball, soccer and football fields, playground, shuffleboard court and basketball court off Allen Chapel Road and just east of Bixler Lake Park.

KENNEY PARK

Ligonier Sports and Recreation Center, 520 Union St., Ligonier, IN 46744
(260) 894-7344 or (260) 894-7395

The recreation center in Kenney Park has a full gym and two fitness rooms, as well as a public meeting room with kitchen facilities. Youth and adult programs also available.

Jennie Thompson Gardens are at the entrance to Kenney Park on Union Street and feature beautiful floral displays.

NOBLE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Fair office: (260) 347-0666 or
(260) 349-0114

Location of the annual Noble County 4-H Community Fair in July, Bluegrass Festival in May and September, the Midwest GeoBash, and the Apple Festival of Kendallville in October as well as many other special events. Located at the corner of U.S. 6 and Fair Street, Kendallville.

NOBLE COUNTY SADDLE CLUB

S.R. 8, Albion, IN 46701
(260) 636-7356 or (260) 636-2748
www.noblecountysaddleclub.org

Special events are held throughout the year, including the the Mounted Cowboy Shoot that is open to the public. NCSC is home to equestrian events, both club-oriented and public. Located on S.R. 8 east of Albion.

Hiking Trails and Nature Paths

Albion Area

CHAIN O' LAKES STATE PARK: refer to pages 10 and 11.

LLOYD W. BENDER MEMORIAL FOREST:

By following the 1 mile loop trail through this preserve, you will find a variety of

plants, lowland forest, and sedge meadow. The meandering broad floodplain is known as "the spreads" of the Little Elkhart River. Acres Land Trust maintains the 116 acres of forest. Take S.R. 9 to the south edge of Albion and turn west on River Road. Follow River Road (C.R. 250N) just past the crossing over the Elkhart River, preserve is located on the right side of the road.

HIDDEN DIAMONDS, ALBION TOWN PARK:

Enjoy a 1 mile marked path that encircles the 90 acre Hidden Diamonds Park. Maintained by Albion City Park Dept. Phone (260) 636-2246. South of stoplight on S.R. 9 in Albion, turn west on Weber Road. Sign markers at the corner.

NOBLE COUNTY 4-H PARK: This park features 7 mapped trails. Signs along walking trails introduce a variety of native flora. Open all year, 7 days a week. Map available at Purdue Extension office in Albion. (260) 636-2111. From stoplight in Albion travel west on Main Street 1.3 miles to the park on north side of road. At the Black Pine Animal Park.

Kendallville Area

DETERING NATURE PRESERVE: This just under 1 mile trail leads to Round Lake, where you will find wetlands, dogwood, and wild iris. Deer are a common sight. Well marked trail system and old farm lanes. The 50 acres are maintained by Acres Land Trust. Entrance to the preserve is on the north side of U.S. 6 and corner of

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