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Afterschool Club www.afterschoolclub.com

Luco Education Partners, Inc.
1015 N. Corporate Circle, Suite C
Grayslake, IL 60030
847/548-0771 (Office)
847/548-2445 (Registration) Fax: 847/548-0772

Afterschool Club offers several summer camp locations. Themed camp activities include sports, taste of the arts, swimming, field trips and more. You may email info@afterschoolclub.com to receive camp registration information.

American Camp Association www.acacamps.org

Local area office:
67 E. Madison St., Suite 1406
Chicago, IL 60603
312/332-0833 or 312/332-2497

Antioch Parks & Recreation Department

806 Holbek Drive Google "Antioch Park District" – click on "Village of Antioch – Parks"
Antioch, IL 60002
847/395-2160

Bradford Woods, Martinsville, IN www.bradwoods.org

Bradford Woods hosts a variety of camps throughout the summer. Camp Riley is regarded as one of the best residential camping facilities in the Midwest and is available to youth with disabilities and special medical needs. Camp Kan Du is an award-winning week long camp, which is designed for youth whose cognitive level is assessed between 0 to 48 months. Camp About Face, sponsored by the Craniofacial Clinic and Riley Children's Foundation, is a week-long camp for children with craniofacial anomalies. Camp About Face is attended by youth from all over the nation. These are just a sample of the camps currently offered for youth with disabilities and their families!

Contact:
Bradford Woods Phone: 765/342-2915
Indiana University's Outdoor Center TTY: 765/349-5117
5040 State Road 67 North Fax: 765/349-1086
Martinsville, IN 46151

Camp Ability www.sbail.org/programs.html#ability

Ages 7-adult

Camp Ability (sponsored by the Spina Bifida Association) is a residential camp program designed to teach independent living skills to children with Spina Bifida over the age of 7. It is open to all individuals with Spina Bifida ages 7 and up. Camp Ability will be held at Camp Red Leaf, which is located on Fox Lake in Ingleside, IL. Sessions are divided by age group, allowing the staff to better tailor programming. Activities include horseback riding, swimming, fishing, canoeing, outdoor camping, arts and crafts, art therapy, drama, music therapy, nature and science, basketball, talent shows, dances, cookouts, golf, target sports, pontoon boat rides and more.

Contact: Spina Bifida Association
8765 W. Higgins Rd., Suite 403
Chicago, IL 60631
773/444-0305

Camp Courageous of Iowa www.campcourageous.org

A year-round respite and recreational facility for individuals of all ages with disabilities.

Contact: Camp Courageous
12007 190th St.
P.O. Box 418
Monticello, IA 52310
319/465-5916

Camp Duncan (YMCA) www.ymcacampduncan.org

YMCA Camp Duncan
32405 N. Highway 12
Ingleside, IL 60041

847/546-8086 Fax: 847/546-3550

e-mail: info@ymcacampduncan.org

YMCA Camp Duncan is a coed summer resident camp located on 278 acres of land near Fox Lake, Illinois. Camp Duncan is a special place for campers and staff.

YMCA Camp Duncan is an EXCITING camp serving a diverse socioeconomic mix of 5-18 year old campers. Day Camp is offered to the local community. Specialty camps for teens are offered in CIT and LIT camps. Sessions for burn survivors, tourette youth, asthmatic youth, youth with kidney disease, and diabetic youth are also held. Traditional activities are offered in a non-competitive atmosphere. With strong leadership and innovative programming, YMCA Camp Duncan inspires campers to become exemplary citizens and leaders, develop independence, appreciate others, and have fun!

Camp Henry Horner (JCYS) www.jcys.org

26710 W. Nippersink Rd.

P.O. Box 297

Ingleside, IL 60041

847/740-5010 Fax: 847/740-5014

Camp Henry Horner offers day camp, overnight camp, special needs camping, conference center facilities, teambuilding programs, outdoor education and a hot shot hoops basketball program. There are 10 acres of camp facilities located on 180 lush acres on Wooster Lake in Ingleside near Round Lake and Mundelein.

Camp Hope www.camphopeillinois.org

P.O. Box 687

Lake Forest, IL 60045

312/401-4673

Camp Hope is a five-day recreational and residential summer camp in the Chicago area (Lake Forest) for children, teenagers, and young adults who are challenged by developmental disabilities. Camp Hope offers typical summer camp activities such as swimming, dancing, singing, arts and crafts, adaptive sports, cookouts, a magic show, and a carnival. The established age range of campers is 11-30, and a wide range of developmental disabilities are accepted. Camp Hope is one of the only residential summer camps in the United States that offers one-on-one care for each camper.

Camp Jorn YMCA www.campjorn.org

Camp Jorn is a residential camp located on Rest Lake in Manitowish Waters, WI. It is approximately 5½ hours (350 miles) north of Lake County, IL. Six one-week sessions are available for the summer of 2010, beginning June 20th, with the last session beginning on August 8th. The mission of Camp Jorn YMCA is to help all persons develop in spirit, mind, and body; strengthen family life and enrich human relations; and strive for a community founded upon peace, social justice, and the recognition of the dignity, freedom, and equal worth of all persons.

Physical camp location:

#28 Red Feather Rd.

P.O. Box 430

Manitowish Waters, WI 54545

715/543-8808 Fax: 715/543-2390

Contact:

Camp Jorn YMCA @ 2000 Western Ave.

2000 Western Ave.

Waukegan, IL 60087

847/360-9622, ext. 25 Fax: 847/623-2386

Camp Little Giant [Google "Camp Little Giant"](http://Google.com/Camp+Little+Giant)

Camp Little Giant is a program of Southern Illinois University located at Touch of Nature Environmental Center, a 3,300 acre outdoor education site in the Shawnee National Forest of Southern Illinois. Six-day and 12-day camp sessions are offered to campers ages 8-80 with a wide range of disabilities, emphasizing participation, cooperation, self-expression, achievement, mutual appreciation, and FUN among campers and staff. Staff is comprised of mostly college-age students who are specializing in areas such as special education, therapeutic recreation, outdoor education, rehabilitation, nursing, and other related fields. Special needs accommodated are Attention Deficit Disorder, Asthma, Behavior Disorder, Cancer, Cystic Fibrosis, Diabetes, Learning Disability, Multiple Sclerosis, and Physical Disability.

Contact: Touch of Nature Environmental Center

Southern Illinois University

1206 Touch of Nature Rd.

Carbondale, IL 62901-6888

618/453-1121 Fax: 618/453-1188

Camp LuWiSoMo (Joyful Hearts Program) www.luwisomo.org

For over 20 years, Camp LuWiSoMo has been offering programs for persons with special needs. Formerly known as Handicamp, the Joyful Hearts program is designed for persons who have developmental disabilities. This program provides

a quality camping experience in a safe, Christian environment. Our trained staff members are committed to ensuring that each camper receives personal guidance and assistance as needed. Their Helping Hearts Servant Event program has helped to further achieve this goal. Senior high youth groups, along with their leaders, travel from all over the United States to assist their campers.

Each camper is paired with a Helping Hearts Servant who will act as a day partner or helper. Together, they will participate in many activities during the week including Chapel, Bible studies, hikes, swimming, arts and crafts, sing-alongs, nightly campfires, and a dance. Also included in the week's activities is a trip to the stables where each camper will be given the opportunity to ride a horse if they so desire. *The cost of the ride is included in the camper's registration fees.*

Contact: Camp LuWiSoMo
W5421 Aspen Rd
Wild Rose WI 54984-9177
Phone: 920/622-3350
Fax: 920/622-4960

Camp Red Leaf (JCYS) www.jcys.org/redleaf
26710 W. Nippersink Rd.
P.O. Box 297
Ingleside, IL 60041
847/740-5010 Fax: 847/740-5014

Ages: 9-90

Located on the grounds of Camp Henry Horner, Camp Red Leaf is designed to serve youth and adults with developmental disabilities, emotional and behavioral needs for ages 9 and upward. Various levels of care are available for specific ages and needs during the camp's specialized sessions (Youth ages 9-15; Young Adults ages 15-28; and Adults ages 21 and over). The summer programs at Camp Red Leaf strive to increase self-esteem, improve social skills, and encourage independence in a natural environment. The group living experience facilitates the development of friendships. Camp Red Leaf summer program offers many innovative ways for campers to realize their full potential. Campers take pride in discovering nature and learning new skills. All programs are structured to be adaptable and encourage participation. They are designed to be age appropriate and to meet the needs of all campers.

Camp Winnebago www.campwinnebago.org
19708 Camp Winnebago Rd.
Caledonia, MN 55921
507/724/2351 Fax: 507/724-3786

All individuals with developmental disabilities ages 6 years and older are eligible to attend. Traditional summer camp activities include swimming, cooking over a fire, games, arts & crafts, dancing and more. Each weekly session begins at 1:00 p.m. on Monday and ends the following Friday at 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$850 per camper; scholarships may be available to help defer the cost.

Camps for children with cancer <http://www.cancerindex.org/ccw/guide2s.htm>

Center for Enriched Living www.centerforenrichedliving.org
280 Saunders Rd.
Riverwoods, IL 60015
847/948-7001 Fax: 847/948-7621

All programs are designed so participants acquire new skills and have the chance to socialize with peers. Serves people with developmental disabilities or special needs, primarily mild to moderate mental retardation.

Chicago Park District Therapeutic Recreation www.chicagoparkdistrict.com
Contact: 312/742-7529

Deerfield Park District www.dfpd.org
836 Jewett Park Dr.
Deerfield, IL 60015
847/945-0650 Fax: 847/945-0699

Easter Seals Camping and Recreation www.easter-seals.org
233 S. Wacker Dr., Suite 2400
Chicago, IL 60606
800/221-6827
go to website to locate a camp in your area

Easter Seals is the largest provider of recreation and camping services for people with disabilities in the country. Easter Seals' residential and day camps are available for children and adults of all types and levels of ability. Their camps are barrier-free and designed to be accessible to everyone. A camp experience increases skills and enhances self-confidence while giving families much needed respite from the hard work and responsibility that they face every day. Camping programs serve to let participants discover and explore their interests, values and talents. Additionally, these activities provide an opportunity to learn to problem-solve, make social adjustments to new and different people, learn responsibility, and gain new skills to increase self-esteem.

Equestrian Connection, NFP www.equestrianconnection.org

Located at: Equestrian Connection
600 Bradley Road
Lake Forest, IL 60045

Mailing Address: 872 S. Milwaukee Rd., #273
Libertyville, IL 60048

Phone: 847/615-8696

Therapeutic riding for those with special needs. Equestrian Connection is committed to improving the quality of life for those with disabilities (cognitive, physical, behavioral, emotional, autism spectrum disorders, attention disorders, sensory disorders, multiple sclerosis, depression) and their families. Every participant will be given the opportunity to participate in therapeutic horseback riding, therapeutic art making 3 days a week, fitness 2 days a week, swimming and boating every day, and lots of fun activities. A healthy snack and lunch are provided daily.

Camp Trail Blazers is supported by their clinical staff of nurses, OT's, PT's and art therapist.

2010 Camp dates:

Camp Trail Blazers: 1 week sessions beginning June 14th to August 20th (10:00 am – 2:30 pm, Monday - Friday)

Ages: 4 to 30 years old

Cost: \$450 for the first week; \$400 for any additional weeks.

After Camp Care:

Monday-Friday, 2:30-5:00, June 14th to August 20th. Prices vary.

1:1 staff offered for participants who need extra supervision due to behavior, medical or other needs.

All other participants will be supervised on a 1:4 staff to camper ratio.

General special needs camp info http://www.campchannel.com/campers/browse/special_needs-cc.shtml

A site to search for an appropriate camp for your child.

Grayslake YMCA www.ymcachgo.org (can access all local area YMCA's from this site)

1850 E. Belvidere
Grayslake, IL 60030
847/548-8300 Fax: 847/548-3911

Hastings Lake YMCA www.hastingslakeymca.org

1995 Grass Lake Rd.
Lindenhurst, IL 60046
847/356-4006

Keshet www.keshet.org

Camps offered for school-aged (K-12) persons with various disabilities

617 Landwehr Rd.
Northbrook, IL 60062
847/205-1234

LakeView RecPlex www.recplexonline.com

(offers therapeutic programs and programs for special needs children)

9900 Terwall Terr.
Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158
262/947-0437

Therapeutic Recreation Program:

Discover (Therapeutic Rec.) Summer Day Camp is a specially designed program aimed toward special needs kids ages 5

to adult. This camp offers the opportunity to experience a camp atmosphere, learning new things, participating in fun activities, and making new friends. Well-trained counselors who have experience with various disabilities staff the Discovery (Therapeutic Rec.) Program.

Lambs Farm www.lambsfarm.org
14245 W. Rockland Rd.
P.O. Box 520
Libertyville, IL 60048
847/362-4636

Libertyville Parks & Recreation Dept. (Google "Libertyville Parks & Recreation")
625 West Winchester Rd.
Libertyville, IL 60048
847/918-7275

Lindenhurst Park District www.lindenhurstparks.org
2200 Grass Lake Rd.
Lindenhurst, IL 60045
847/356-6011

The Magic Saddle at Pferde Farm www.pferdekids.com
41770 N. Hunt Club Rd.
Old Mill Creek, IL 60083
847/840-5278

The Magic Saddle provides recreational riding programs for children with special needs. Programs are specially designed for children with autism, blindness, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, or cancer.

Muscular Dystrophy Association www.mdausa.org
430 N. Michigan Ave., #603
Chicago, IL 60611
Contact: 312/254-0632

National Multiple Sclerosis Society <http://www.nationalmssociety.org>
800/344-4867

Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association (NISRA) www.nisra.org
285 Memorial Dr.
Crystal Lake, IL 60014
815/459-0737 (voice and TTY) Fax: 815/459-0388

NISRA offers a wide range of recreation programs throughout the year, for all ability levels and ages, from early childhood through seniors. Serves families in McHenry County (Barrington, Cary, Crystal Lake, Dundee, Elgin, Hampshire, Huntley, Harvard, Lake in the Hills, Marengo, McHenry, Wauconda, Woodstock).

Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA) www.nwsra.org
3000 Central Rd., Suite 205
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
847/392-2848
TTY: 847/392-2855

Program benefits include increased socialization and community awareness, development of new leisure skills including physical and emotional well being, and increased self esteem. NWSRA serves 17 park districts in Arlington Heights, Bartlett, Buffalo Grove, Elk Grove, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Inverness, Mt. Prospect, Palatine, Prospect Heights, River Trails, Rolling Meadows, Salt, Creek, Schaumburg, South Barrington, Streamwood and Wheeling.

North Suburban Special Recreation Association (NSSRA) www.nssra.org

3105 MacArthur Blvd.
 Northbrook, IL 60062
 847/509-9400
 TTY: 711 – Illinois Relay for TTY

Year-round recreational programs and services for children and adults with disabilities who live in partner communities (residents of Deerfield, Glencoe, Glenview, Highland Park, Kenilworth, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Northbrook, Northfield, Riverwoods, Wilmette, and Winnetka).

Partners for Progress www.partnersforprogressnfp.org

P.O. Box 306
 Wadsworth, IL 60083
 847/226-1300
 Service Location: Fields & Fences Equestrian Center
 36550 N. Hunt Club Road (Hunt Club & Stearns School Roads)
 Gurnee, IL 60031

Partners For Progress is a non-profit organization that provides unique equine therapy-based programs for individuals with disabilities. They utilize trained volunteers, quality certified and/or licensed staff and equine superstars, to make Partners For Progress a premier goal oriented equine therapy facility.

Equine therapy involves horse related activities uniquely designed for people with cognitive, physical, emotional and social disabilities. Individuals of all ages experience benefits such as increased balance, mobility, normalized muscle tone, coordination, posture, independence, concentration and self-esteem.

Round Lake Area Park District www.rlapd.org

814 Hart Road
 Round Lake, IL 60073
 847/546-8558 Fax: 847/740-8180

Shady Oaks Camp www.shadyoakscamp.org

16300 Parker Rd.
 Homer Glen, IL 60491
 708/301-0816 Fax: 708/301-5091
 E-mail: soc16300@sbcglobal.net

Private overnight summer camp located in Homer Glen, Illinois provides outdoor fun and recreational opportunities for children and adults with Cerebral Palsy and other similar disabilities.

Special Recreation Association of Central Lake Co. (SRACLC) www.sraclc.org

290 Oakwood Rd.
 Vernon Hills, IL 60061
 847/816-4866 (Phone TDD) Fax: 847/816-4876

Provides year-round community based recreation to individuals with special needs and disabilities and their families. Serves park districts in the communities of Grayslake, Hawthorn Woods, Lake Zurich, Libertyville, Lincolnshire, Mundelein, Vernon Hills.

Special Recreation Services of Northern Lake County (SRSNLC) www.waukeganparks.org (then click on SRSNLC link)

SRSNLC is an association of Lindenhurst Park District, Round Lake Area Park District, Waukegan Park District, and Zion Park District. As an extension of the Park District, SRSNLC conducts a variety of year round recreation programs for individuals with disabilities, ages 3 and older, and also assists the Waukegan Park District with inclusion needs. Program options include: social outings, dances, indoor and outdoor fitness programs, art and cart programs, bowling leagues, summer, spring, and winter day camps, youth and teen specific programs, and sports teams that compete in the Special Olympics of Illinois.

It is the mission of SRSNLC to educate our citizens to become responsible, productive, healthy, and contributing members of our society by preparing them through recreation with a dynamic and caring environment, which excites them and invites them to participate.

Special Recreation is not available for online registration.

847/360-4700 TTY: 847/662-3800

Lindenhurst Park Dist.
2200 E. Grass Lake Rd.
Lindenhurst, IL 60046
847/356-6011

Round Lake Area Park Dist.
814 Hart Rd.
Round Lake, IL 60073
847/546-8558

Waukegan Park Dist.
2000 Belvidere St.
Waukegan, IL 60085
847/360-4700

Zion Park District Leisure Center
2400 Dowie Memorial Dr.
Zion, IL 60099
847/746-5500

Tourette Syndrome Camp USA

Please refer to: **Camp Duncan (YMCA)** www.ymcacampduncan.org

Twin Lakes Camp, Inc. www.twinlakescampinc.com

15543 12th Road
Plymouth, IN 46563
574/941-2750 Cell: 574/540-6659 Fax: 574/941-2060

Located just outside of Plymouth, Indiana, about 90 miles southeast of Chicago, on the shore of Cook Lake. The camp consists of 15 wooded acres with 12 permanent buildings.

Twin Lakes Camp, Inc. is a not for profit organization that provides camp programs for "Special Needs" children and young adults ranging in age from 8-27. These campers suffer from a wide range of maladies including crippling accidents, Spina Bifida, epilepsy, Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Quadriplegia, Paraplegia, Autism, and other disabling diseases. Twin Lakes Camp strives to positively affect the life outlook and outcome of these campers. Campers come from the Midwest States with a large percentage from Chicago and its suburbs.

Twin Lakes Camp is expanding its scope of helping children by developing programs for abused, abandoned and children at risk. They are currently looking for associations with other organizations to develop these programs and utilize their facilities for the good of children.

Vernon Hills Park District www.vhparkdistrict.org

294 Evergreen Dr.
Vernon Hills, IL 60061
847/996-6800 Fax: 847/996-6801

Warren Special Recreation Association (WSRA) www.warrentownship.net

17801 W. Washington St.
Gurnee, IL 60031
Contact: 847/244-6619

Warren Special Recreation Association provides leisure and recreation activities for individuals with disabilities. Enhancing abilities in enjoyable social setting is a goal of WSRA programs. Participants learn new skills, practice sports, dance and sing with friends and take advantage of WSRA's large variety of programs. WSRA is a cooperative of three part districts and one township (Warren Township, Wildwood Park District, Gurnee Park District, Grandwood Park District).

Wauconda Park District www.waucondaparks.com

600 N. Main Street
Wauconda, IL 60084
847/526-3610 Fax: 847/526-3791

Waukegan Park District www.waukeganparks.org

2000 Belvidere St.
Waukegan, IL 60085
847/360-4700
(Also see SRSNLC)

Wildwood Park District www.wildwoodparkdistrict.com

33325 Sears Boulevard
Wildwood, IL 60030

847/223-7275

Wisconsin Association of Blind Athletes www.wcblind.org/resources_recreation.htmle-mail: aconnolly@wi.rr.com

Attn: Tony Connolly, Sports Education Camp

The Wisconsin Association of Blind Athletes is a state chapter of the United States Association of Blind Athletes. The state association sponsors three sports education camps on a yearly basis. The camps include a 5-8 year-old/Parent Sports Camp; Junior Sports Camp for ages 9-12; Senior Sports Camp for ages 13-18. The camp serves youths with varying degrees of vision loss and individual needs, and focuses on exposure to physical education, recreation, and competitive sports. Sports practiced at the camp include bowling, cycling (coming soon), goal ball, gymnastics, judo, power lifting, swimming, track and field, weight training/cardiovascular conditioning and wrestling. In addition, individual attention is available for the athletes who require some assistance with the pre-sport movements.

Wisconsin Lions Camp

3834 County Road A

Rosholt, WI 54473

715/677-4969 Fax: 715/677-3297

Email: info@wisconsinlionscamp.com

Lions Camp, located in central Wisconsin, is a project of the Wisconsin Lions Foundation. Accredited by the American Camping Association, it provides camping experience at no cost to visually handicapped children and adults from Wisconsin. Lions Camp offers quality camping and outdoor recreational activity. Programs are individualized; there are separate sessions for children, youths, and adults. The Lions Camp also has programs to accommodate multiply handicapped blind children. Family camp sessions are also available in the spring and fall. Camp facilities are available for rental by special population groups. Contact the camp for year round program information.

Wisconsin Badger Campwww.badgercamp.org**Summer Address (June - Aug. 16)**

Mailing: P.O. Box 723

Platteville, WI 53818

Street: 1250 E. Business Hwy. 151, Ste. K

Platteville, WI 53821

Phone: 608/348-9689

11815 Munz Lane

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 608/988-4558

The mission of Wisconsin Badger Camp is to serve people with developmental disabilities by providing quality outdoor recreational experiences.

All individuals with developmental disabilities (ages 3 and up) are welcome, regardless of the severity of their disability, race, religion, creed, geographic location, sex, age, or national origin. Well-trained staff work with campers who have epilepsy, Down Syndrome, cerebral palsy, autistic-like behaviors, use wheelchairs, wear braces, are visually or hearing impaired, or experience other developmental disabilities. Individuals are welcome at camp as long as there is a degree of cognitive disability. A current physical and physician's approval to participate are required. Financial assistance is available.