Welcome to LOMC

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center

We are pleased you have chosen to spend time in God's Creation experiencing relationships with God, nature and each other while you are staying with us.

LOMC is 640 acres of prairie, St. Peter sandstone, a beautiful pond, hills, numerous trails and amazing flora and fauna throughout.

LOMC is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and also part of the Central/Southern Illinois, Metropolitan Chicago and Northern Illinois Synods.

ELCA Lutherans are rooted in Martin Luther's understanding that we are ALL saved by Grace through faith. You are most welcome here at LOMC and we hope your time allows you to have an experience of rest, re-creation and growth.







FOR EMERGENCIES DIAL 911

Address: 1834 SOUTH ILLINOIS ROUTE 2, OREGON IL

QUESTIONS/NEEDS DURING YOUR STAY

We ask that only the leader of your group contact us so we can be more efficient.

Preferred Contact: TEXT us at 815-732-2220

You may also call us at the above number.

CHECK-OUT

Please be out of Marander or Dody by **9AM** the day of your departure. If your departure time is different, please check with your group leader.

- Please place towels on bathroom floor.
- Turn off all lights.
- Turn off the heat/air in your room.
- Please check your room for personal items completely before you leave.

ACTIVITIES

Swimming and Zip Line: Available seasonally and subject to extra fees and staff availability.

Arrangements must be made at reservation time.

Prayer Labyrinth: Located a short distance from Freedom Tree Village and available year-round.

Gaga Ball, Human Foosball, Volleyball: Balls are available for your group's use. Please contact the office before your stay so we can accommodate you.

Hiking: Extensive trails are located throughout our 640+ acres. Please pick up a map for more information.

DAMAGES

Your group is responsible for all damages to LOMC property. Accidents can happen and we appreciate you letting us know when damages occur as soon as possible.

DRIVING / PARKING ON LOMC GROUNDS

Please park only in designated parking areas (do not park on or off the road). Please do not park in the small parking area next to the Dining Hall (reserved for food service staff).

For safety, please drive SLOWLY throughout LOMC. Please keep vehicles to 15mph. Dirt roads are different than paved surfaces so drive carefully.

FIREPLACE

Dody and Marander each have a wood-burning fireplace for your use. BEFORE starting a fire make sure the flue is open. Do not leave the building unoccupied while a fire is still burning.

FURNITURE

Please do not move any beds or furniture in the buildings. If you need furniture moved, please let a staff person know.

GOLF CART

The golf cart is for use by permission only. Please do not allow children to drive the cart and use only for those that are unable to walk or for luggage needs.

HOUSEKEEPING

We do not routinely change out towels or linens to save money. If you have housekeeping needs please have your group leader contact us.

ICE MACHINE

There is an ice machine available in the Hospitality Center for guest use. Please use only the scoop on top of the machine and DO NOT place anything (other than the scoop) inside the ice machine.

KITCHEN (Hospitality Center)

The kitchen in the hospitality center is not for guest use. You may use the refrigerator labeled for guest use only.

Arrangements to use the kitchen must be made at reservation time.

KITCHENETTE (Marander and Dody)

The microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker and other items are available for your use in Marander and Dody. Please remove everything from the refrigerator before you leave and keep the area clean.

LOST and FOUND

If you are missing an item please let your group leader know. If you arrive home missing an item, please contact the LOMC office. We can ship your item back to you at your expense. Please check your room completely before you leave.

MEETING EQUIPMENT

A limited number of A/V and other meeting equipment is available for group use. Equipment is used as-is and we do not provide technical assistance.

Arrangements to use equipment must be made at reservation time and may require an additional fee.

MEAL TIMES

Meals are served in the Hawkins Hospitality Center.

Breakfast: 9:00 am Lunch: 1:00 pm Dinner: 6:00 pm

If your meal times are different,

please check with your group leader.

PAYMENT

1.5% Late Fee After 30 Days

As a non-profit, we expect payment be made before your departure. Any exceptions should be arranged before your stay with our registrar in the LOMC Office. A late fee is assessed after 30 days from your stay.

PETS

Due to the wide variety of guests and the limited number of rooms we do not allow pets at LOMC.

QUIET HOURS

We respectfully ask every guest to observe quiet time between the hours of 10:00 pm and 6:00 am daily.

SAFETY and SECURITY

IN CASE OF FIRE: Leave the building and dial 911

IN CASE OF TORNADO: Move to a bathroom (lodges) or the inner hallway of the Hospitality Center

LOMC is a very safe place to stay and to build relationships. A security camera is located on the office building and we monitor/record visitors. Despite LOMC being a safe place, we always recommend using your best judgment with your personal safety.

Please be aware that locking the front door of Marander or Dody may accidentally lock your group out of the building if the whole group leaves.

SAVING ENERGY

Please turn lights out when not in use and adjust the temperature when not in a room or building. As an outdoor ministry, we are concerned about the environment, costs and our natural resources.

SMOKING

Smoking and vaping is not allowed in any buildings at LOMC.

TVs and DVDs

TVs are available for your use in each building. You may connect your own device to the TV if you desire. The TVs do not have cable or any streaming services. A small selection of movies are available in the Hawkins Hospitality Center. Please return any movie back to the Hospitality Center after it has been watched.

Coffee and Drinks



Blackhawk Nutrition Smoothie and Juice Bar

312 Washington St, Oregon

Hazel's

307 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-7017

The Village Bakery

101 N 3rd St, Oregon 815-732-3830

Cork & Tap (Wine & Tap House)

305 W Washington St, Oregon 815-677-6776

Ice Cream



Dairy Queen

210 E Washington St, Oregon 815-881-8025

Jay's Drive In

107 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-2396

Northside BarbaO

117 N 4th Street (815) 881-8277

Banks ®



Central Bank

307 Franklin St, Oregon 815-732-3282

Harvard State Bank

510 W. Washington Street, Oregon 815-732-3111

Stillman Bank

1445 IL-2, Oregon 815-732-7956

Entertainment & See and Do

AMC Classic Sauk Valley 8 4110 30th St, Sterling

Castle Rock State Park 1365 W Castle Rd, Oregon

John Deere Historic Site

Demonstrations, Tours, Artifacts (FREE) 8334 South Clinton Street Grand Detour (Dixon), IL

Lowden State Park

features "Blackhawk Statue" 1411 N River Rd, Oregon

Maxson Restaurant and Riverboat

1469 Illinois 2, Oregon www.maxsons.net

Plum Hollow Family Center

Bowling, arcade, laser tag, mini golf 1933 IL Rt 26, Dixon Phone (815) 271-4101 www.bowldixon.com

Town and Country Lanes Bowling

4031 W Mud Creek Rd. Mt. Morris 815-734-7787

White Pines Roller Rink

6929 W Pines Rd, Mt Morris 815-946-9988

White Pines Playhouse

(Dinner Theater) 6712 West Pines Road, Mt. Morris

www.whitepinesinn.com

White Pines State Forest Park

6712 West Pines Road, Mt. Morris



Casey's General Store

901 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-6100

BP

108 E Washington St, Oregon 815-732-6931

Shell

201 S 4th St, Oregon 815-732-2688

Gifts, etc. 🖳

Books On First

201 W 1st St, Dixon

Conover Square

(retail, resale & more)
201 N 3rd St #236, Oregon
www.conoversquaremall.com

Oregon Soap Shoppe

91C Daysville Rd, Oregon 866-411-6614

Medical 🖢

Dial 911 for Emergencies

KSB Hospital

403 East 1st Street , Dixon 815-288-5531

Physicians Immediate Care

Partner with KSB Hospital 1672 South Galena Ave, Dixon 815-677-9899

Synders Pharmacy / Ace

Hardware

201 N 4th St #1418, Oregon 815-732-7340

RESTAURANTS **=**

Sit Down

Aero Ale House

120 N Union St, Byron 815-406-8053

Dos Amigos

198-100 N Hastings Ave, Oregon 815-732-4444

Blackhawk Steak Pit

1429 IL-2, Oregon 815-732-2500

Hairy Cow Brewing Company

450 E Blackhawk Dr, Byron 815-406-8198

Hector's Cocina

201 N 3rd St, Oregon 815-881-8338

Galena Steakhouse

1101 N Galena Ave, Dixon 815-285-1625

La Vigna

2190 Daysville Rd, Oregon 815-732-4413

Maxon Riverboat & Restaurant

1469 N, IL-2, Oregon 815-732-6761

Spring Valley

300 E Washington St, Oregon 815-732-4877

Sunrise 3

116 N 4th St, Oregon 815-732-2022

Swedish Pancake House & Café

127 W 2nd St, Byron 815-234-7660

The Pepper Mill

On Route 64 10 E Hitt St, Mt. Morris 815-734-4141

Fast Food Chains

Casey's General Store (Pizza, Subs, etc.)

901 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-6100

Culver's

1317 N Galena Ave, Dixon 815-288-9403

Dairy Queen

210 E Washington St, Oregon 815-881-8025

McDonald's

211 S 4th St, Oregon 815-732-6035

Subway

511 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-7827

Casual Food

China House

509 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-0887 (Not open Mondays)

Jay's Drive In

107 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-2396 (Open seasonally)

Hazel's Café and Chocolates

307 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-7017

Northside BarbaQ

117 N 4th Street (815) 881-8277

Sam's Drive-In

705 W Blackhawk Dr, Byron 815-234-8281

Scoops—Deli and Subs

108 N 4th St, Oregon 815-881-8353

The Village Bakery

101 N 3rd St, Oregon 815-732-3830

Pizza

Alfano's

801 S 4th St, Oregon 815-732-2774

Casey's General Store

901 W Washington St, Oregon 815-732-6100

Father & Son Pizza

137 S 4th St, Oregon 815-732-9700

Services 🚓



42 Tech Computer Services

313 Washington St, Oregon 815-881-8004

Butitta Brothers Automotive

1007 Pines Road, Oregon 815-732-2887

Kunes Country Auto Service

Department

601 Gale St. Oregon 815-205-5501

Laundromat

210 S 4th St, Oregon

Nash Fitness Center, Oregon Park District / Swim and Fitness Center

304 S 5th St, Oregon 815-732-3101

Oregon Post Office

500 W Washington St, Oregon

Oregon Public Library

Features the Eagle's Nest Art Collection 300 Jefferson St, Oregon

Stores 🖺



Dollar General (Not a dollar store)

Closest to LOMC 1050 W Pines Rd, Oregon 815-595-4234

Dollar Tree

(dollar store)

Next To Walmart 1630 Miller St. Dixon IL 815-288-4015

Walmart

(approx. 20 minutes south) 1640 S Galena Ave, Dixon 815-288-7770

Sullivan's Foods

101 IL-64, Mt. Morris 815-734-6868

Super Valu Supermarket

204 N 4th St, Oregon 815-732-7870

Synders Pharmacy /

Ace Hardware

201 N 4th St #1418, Oregon 815-732-7340

AREA LUTHERAN CHURCHES

All Saints Lutheran Church

624 Luther Drive in Byron IL Worship services at 8:00 & 10:30 AM on Sunday Mornings allsaintsbyron.org

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

764 N Stillman Road in Oregon IL Worship service at 9:00 AM on Sunday Mornings emmanueloregon.tumblr.com

Freedom Lutheran Church

Meets at Oregon United Methodist Church 200 South 4th Street in Oregon IL Worship service at 5:45 PM on Sunday Evenings freedomlutheran.org

Immanuel Lutheran Church

1013 Franklin Grove Road in Dixon IL Worship services at 5:30 PM on Saturday Evenings and 8:00 & 10:30 AM Sunday Mornings ilcdixon.org

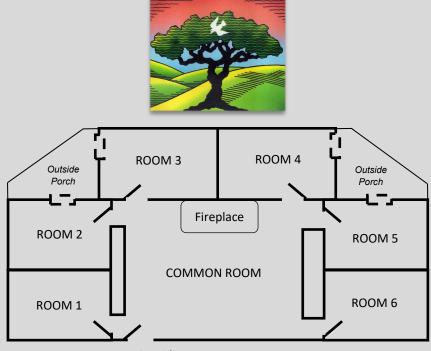
St. Paul Lutheran Church

421 S Peoria Avenue in Dixon IL Worship services at 5:30 PM on Saturday Evenings and 8:30 & 10:45 AM Sunday Mornings stpauldixon.org

Trinity Lutheran Church

300 East Brayton Road in Mount Morris IL
Worship services at 5:30 PM on Saturday Evenings
and 9:30 AM on Sunday Mornings
trinitymmil.net

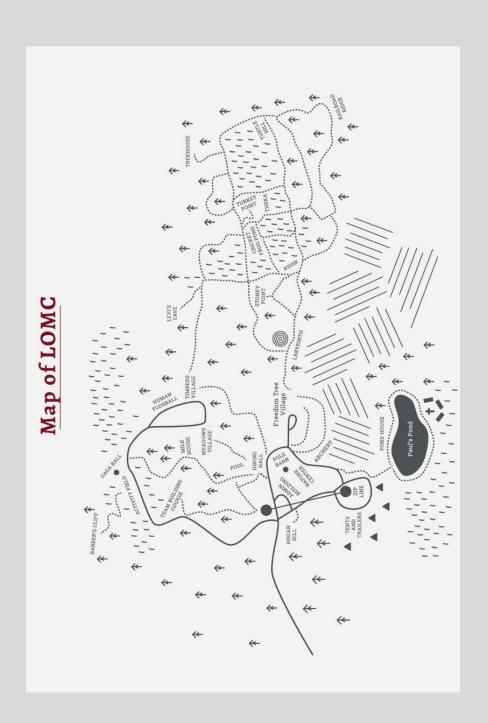
DODY HOUSE and MARANDER LODGE

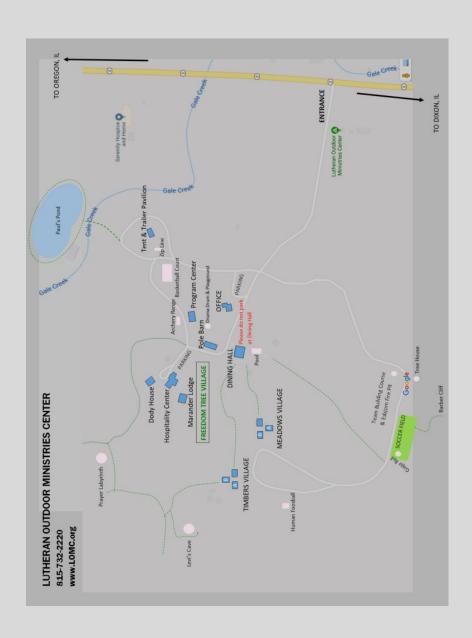


Outside Entrance

TIPS FOR YOUR STAY

- OPEN the fireplace flue before starting a fire. Extra firewood is outside near the front door.
- Keep food in containers and in the main room to discourage critters from visiting.
- Although we have commercial water heaters staggering and minimizing shower times will ensure a hot shower.
- Please turn off lights and adjust heat/AC when you are not in the room or building. Help us conserve our resources.





THANK YOU!

We are very thankful that you are with us!

As a non-profit, we are able to keep fees lower than other hospitality venues because of generous donors.

Without donations throughout the year, our costs and fees would be significantly higher.

Consider making a donation to LOMC to help us continue to help groups just like yours.

Donation boxes and suggestion/comment forms are available in both Marander Lodge and Dody House.

Please take a few minutes and let us know about your experience at LOMC.