

## **PARKS AND PUBLIC RECREATION FACILITIES**

The Village of Athens has 4 recreational parks as well as a Sporting Range, Village Ball Diamond, and Community Hall.

The Community Hall is located at 221 Caroline Street and is available to rent for parties, meetings, etc. The capacity of the building is 600 people but currently we only have 17 tables and 175 chairs available in the hall (we are in the process of trying to obtain more). The rental fees are \$12/hour or \$120/day. A refundable \$75 security deposit is also required. Reservations can be made by calling the Village Clerk's Office.

The **Village Ball Diamond** is his 3 acre ball park is located at Washington and Elm Streets. This facility has a lighted ball diamond, bleachers, small concession stand with men's and women's bathrooms, two dugouts, electric score board, backstop, and cyclone fence, one unit volleyball court, basketball court and bubbler. This facility is adjacent to the elementary school playground which enables utilization of the elementary school playground equipment by children. Any wishing to use this facility must contact Doug Brodziski from the Athens Ball Association (257-9091)

The **Sporting Range** is approximately a 3 mile drive from Athens and is located on Iron Bridge Road. The sporting range area includes archery, rifle, and pistol target areas. A local archery organization utilizes the sporting range in summer months to an area used for an archery 3 dimensional shooting league.

**Erbach Park** is located on the North end of Well Street adjacent to the Black Creek. This land was donated to the village specifically for park development and has been extensively developed in recent years. Currently this park includes a beach area, restrooms, shelter with kitchen (there is no running water though), playground equipment, nature trails, and volleyball courts. Rentals costs are \$40/day and reservations can be made by contacting the Village Clerk's Office at 257-9170.

**Village of Athens Park** is located at the southern village limits on State Highway "97" and encompasses 25 acres. This facility provides a secluded scenic picnic grounds with an enclosed shelter with kitchen, playground equipment, and upgraded hiking trails and walk across bridges. Rentals costs are \$40/day and reservations can be made by contacting the Village Clerk's Office at 257-9170.

**Memorial Park** is a .3 acre park located at Caroline and Mueller Streets. This facility has a shelter with blacktop floor, men's and women's restrooms, camping hookups, two grills, picnic tables, modern playground equipment, drinking bubbler, park benches, a memorial site which includes an army tank and flags, as well as a skating rink. This park does not require reservations and can be used on a first come, first serve basis.

**Jensen Street Park** is a .3 acre park located at Jensen and Alfred Streets and includes a swing set and a sand box. New playground equipment was added to this park in 1985.

### **FESTIVALS**

4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration is sponsored by the Village, which includes a volleyball tournament, horseshoes, food and beverages. At dusk Fireworks are set off up by the Athens High School.

The Athens Fair is held annually in August in the Village. The Fair features carnival rides, games, music, dancing, and food & beverages. Also on Sunday of the fair a parade is held.

Music at the Village Square is held every Friday evening at 8pm in June, July and August.

### **CHURCHES**

- \* Athens Assembly of God, 220 Kreutzer St., (257-7747)
- \* Christ United Church, 712 Pine St., (257-7777)
- \* St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 417 Caroline St.,(257-7684)
- \* Trinity Lutheran Church LCMS, 301 Elm St, (257-7526)

### **ORGANIZATIONS AND CLUBS**

American Legion and Auxiliary Post 486 Club	Athens Booster
Athens VFW	Archery Club
Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts	Youth Bowling League

### **PHYSICIANS, DENTISTS, AND VETERINARIANS**

Allied Health Chiropractic Center, 317 Washington St, Athens 257-7331	
Athens Dental Clinic, 317 Washington St., Athens 9278	257-
Athens Veterinary Services, 625 W. Village Limits Rd., Athens 257-7003	

### **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

US Bank, 203 Alfred St, Athens	257-7551
Athens Area Credit Union, 112 Alfred St, Athens	257-9337