

MONEY DOG ADVENTURES

**Let's Go
Outside!**



Belk Park

Have you ever been to Belk Park in Wood River? There's SO much to do when you visit this beautiful place!

There are THREE big playgrounds, swing sets, and a path all the way around the lake where you can walk, run, ride your bike, skate, and play.

You could fish, play ball, chase the ducks and geese, have a picnic with your family, or just run through the fields and have fun with your friends.

As you can see, Money Dog had a great time swinging and walking around the lake.

Do YOU like to go to the park? What's your favorite thing to play on in the playground?



Grafton is Fun!

Money Dog took in the sites at Pere Marquette Park in Grafton, then played for a while at the park at Clifton Terrace. Playing really makes us thirsty, doesn't it?!

The turtle and fish playground at the riverfront is so cool. Do you think turtles can really grow that big? Do you think it's possible that a fish can grow bigger than you?

There's so much to see and do in Grafton. Have you been there? What is your favorite thing to do?



Livingston

Livingston has been around since about 1904. Much like Litchfield, this town got its start due to railroads running through the area. The height of Route 66 saw a lot of traffic through the area, as well.

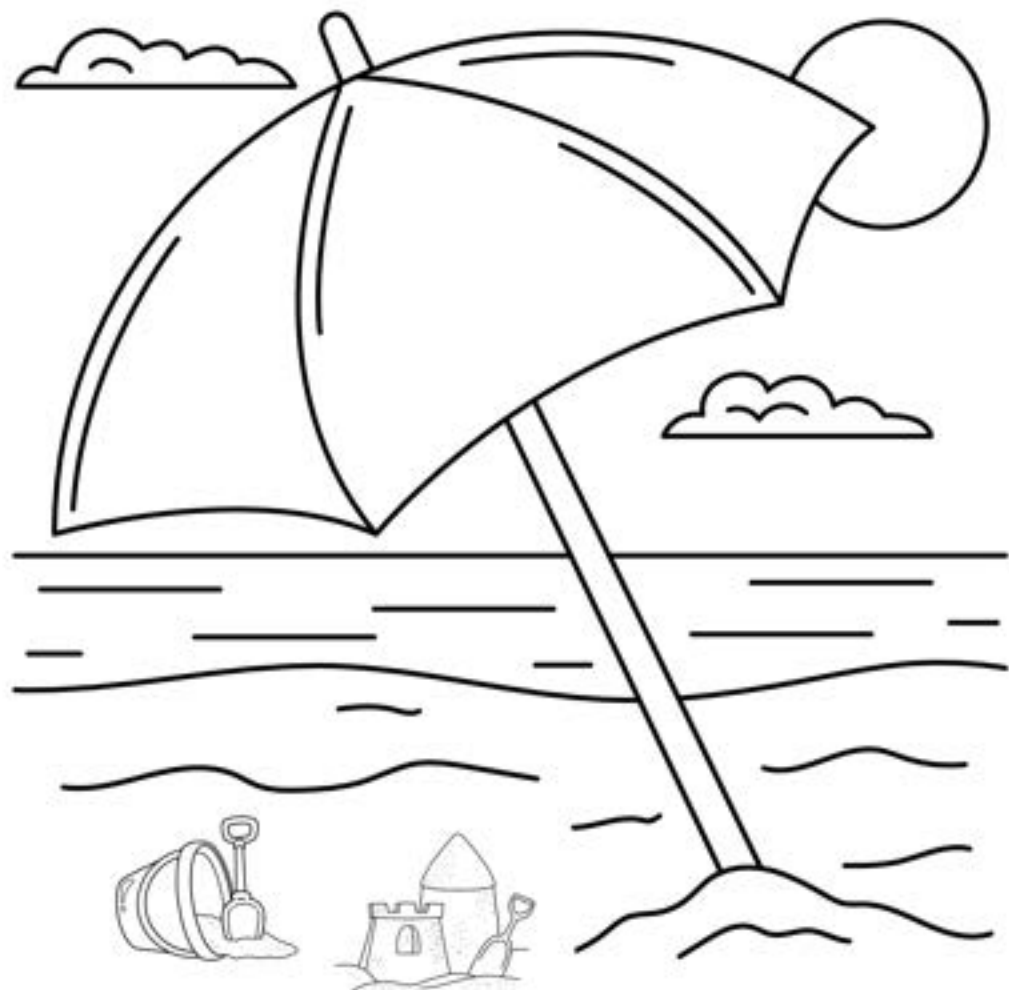
The Pink Elephant Antique Mall is a great place to visit. You can see the Route 66 mural, pink elephant, spaceship, Big Boy, and Twistee Treat ice cream!



Can you find 5 differences?







Lucy Haskell Playhouse

Lucy Haskell lived on Henry Street in Alton in the 1800s. Her parents made her a playhouse that looked exactly like their big house. How cool is that?!

Now the area that was once her back yard is the site of Haskell Park. It's a fun place to play on the playground, and in the winter it's a really great spot for sledding! In the summer, there are lovely concerts to listen to and watch.

Have you been to Haskell Park or Lucy's playhouse?



Money Dog was so excited to visit the Lucy Haskell playhouse, he decided to sit and enjoy it a while.



Old Chain of Rocks Bridge

The Old Chain of Rocks Bridge was part of Route 66, which was a highway built in 1926. It went all the way from Chicago, Illinois to Los Angeles, California. It was a popular place for road trips and vacations.

This bridge goes over the river at a very rough spot. You can see the rapids behind Money Dog. Boats could not safely travel this spot, so they built the Chain of Rocks Canal nearby.

This is a pretty spot! Cars can't travel on it anymore, and you can walk or ride your bike all the way across it!



Money Dog at the entrance to the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge in Granite City. It's such a pretty walk across the bridge.



PERE MARQUETTE STATE PARK

13112 Visitor Center Lane, Grafton

Marquette State Park is a great place for families who like to be outdoors. You can hike, take in the amazing views of the bluffs, farmland, and rivers, go for a walk, or stop in at the lodge for a bite to eat and a life-size chess board. In the winter, you might be able to spot an eagle.





Shivers Frozen Custard

3318 Godfrey Road ~ Godfrey ~ 618-466-6915

Shivers Frozen Custard is home of the cute little penguin. Besides frozen custard, they also serve coffee and baked goods. They have a featured Flavor of the Day every day, which might include flavors like Cookie Monster, Groundhog, Princess Peach, Pumpkin Pie, or Peanut Butter Oreo.

Moms and Dads might like their coffee. They have hot, iced, and frozen drinks which include regular drip coffee, espresso, cappuccino, latte, macchiato, and chai tea.

Try a Penguin Delight, Cookie Slide, Fishbait, or Clown Car.