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An Interview with Greg Langan

Part of the Dixon Historic Center's
Ronald Reagan Oral History project

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Greg Langan, who was born and raised in Dixon, Illinois, authors many historical articles for the local newspaper as well as leads tours throughout Dixon highlighting Ronald Reagan's history in the town. He was interviewed on the dates listed below as part of the Dixon Historic Center's *Ronald Reagan* Oral History project.

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: Greg Langan was born and raised in Dixon, Illinois. He had moved away for a few decades and moved back to Dixon about thirty years later in 1994. At the time of this interview he was a writer for the local newspaper and was in charge of a variety of different historic tours of Dixon. He discusses these tours in detail, highlighting the primary locations in Dixon on which the tours focus, and why. Greg talks about his family history and his connection to the Dixon area. In 1921, Greg's father moved to Dixon to work at the Colony, an institution for treating epilepsy that grew into a larger institution for developmentally disabled adults. Greg was also close friends with Ron Marlow, who in 2000 did extensive research using local newspapers, and also scanned and digitized those items for future researchers. One of Greg's major projects in Dixon was the renovation of the Dixon Historic Theatre.

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