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Your last paper newsletter! It is available to be delivered by email as a full color interactive PDF. IF you do not have email please call our offices. Our Conservation board's goal is to be to paperless for this newsletter by Fall 2020! Please email <u>lkanning@casscoia.us</u> to get on our list! Our newsletters will be available in the local libraries, and at our offices and programs as well.

You can tag Monarchs!

As more and more people learn that the Cass County Conservation Board tags Monarchs, please sign up for a tagging kit. We would like residents to have a few tags so they can tag at home and show others how to participate. The Cass County Conservation Board has ordered "tagging kits" that will each consist of 5 tags, instructions on how to tag the monarchs, a data sheet, monarch information sheets and even a pre-addressed envelope so you can return the tagging information....ALL OF THIS WILL BE FREE!!! Twenty kits have been ordered and will be distributed in September (one per family, please) to those interested, and in attendance, at the Mysterious Monarch program advertised in the Upcoming Events section of this newsletter. If more than twenty families are interested the kits will be distributed through a drawing.

The kits mentioned above are intended to be learning opportunities with hopes that in following years the recipients will decide to order tags on their own and become an official Monarch Tagger! To date, ten Monarchs tagged by the Cass County Conservation Board and/or Cass County citizens have been recovered in Mexico, a journey of over 1,500 miles!

Get social with us! We are on the following social media platforms for you follow us on: Facebook: <u>https://</u> ww.facebook.com/CassCountyIAConservation/ Pinterest: <u>https://www.pinterest.com/</u> www.facebook.com/CassCountyIAConservation/ casscountyiacon/ Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/cassccbia/ Please respect we run our social media during staffed work hours. Please understand if it is In this Issue: an emergency, weather it's wildlife or human related contacting our law enforcement is faster! We would like to take this opportunity to TWO pages of highlight the digital age we live in! Our board is always looking for feedback social media is a great way to get ahold of us. Upcoming Events



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People Making a Difference...

Thank you to our ISU Extension Cass County and 4-H Leadership Council at our summer camps. Thank you to **Sue Rodgers** for her time as our Hitchcock House Caretaker.

Staff

Websites: https://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Cass.aspx https://www.atlanticiowa.com/ county/county-departments/conservation-office/

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Mark your Calendars

6th Biennial Lighted Halloween Campground Saturday, October 24th Cold Springs Campground, Lewis, IA Call to volunteer or for more information!! Please call Lora to sign up!

Preserving Pellett Memorial Woods Workday at the Pellett Memorial Woods outside of Atlantic IA on November 14th 2020 at 1 pm- 4 pm (come and go).

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We've also created 2 surveys to get some feedback! We have one survey on our camping area for feedback found here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z8MCHVH Another survey for feedback on our naturalist programs found here: https://www. surveymonkey.com/r/ZCHBJ5L If you are a teacher we also have one for field trips to our parks, it should end up in your email this fall. **Also, the Hitchcock House remains** closed to the public this summer, thank you for understanding!



Upcoming Events

Denotes an Oak Stroller (families welcome) approved event!

Our programs are FREE unless designated otherwise, free will donations are accepted!

Pop-Up Program- Optics 101

Thursday July 16th 7PM- Outdoor Educational Classroom- Massena

Come learn all about picking out optics for Wildlife watching.

Stand-up Paddleboard Demonstration- Cold Springs Park- Beach 10:30AM- FULL Saturday July 25th 9AM- 4 spots

Come learn about the hottest watersport in Iowa. After a guick demonstration try out the boards for yourself! If you do not bring a life jacket one will be provided to you. Children must be 16 years or older.

Art in the Park

Wednesday July 29th 6PM-Cold Springs Park Campground

Learn about wildflowers as you paint this prairie scene on a piece of of wood. Paint brushes, paint and the wood canvas for this program will be provided by the Cass County Conservation Board. Please pre-register by calling 712-769-2372.

Family Pop-up Programs

We are striving to provide families opportunities to enjoy and hour together while exploring the

outdoors. Therefore, the Adult MUST accompany a child while attending the program.

Guided Blooming Prairie Hike Wednesday July 8th 11AM Outdoor Educational Classroom- Massena

Come join our Naturalist for a hike in the prairie, families welcome to pack a lunch for a picnic afterwards.

Turtles

Tuesday July 14th 10AM Cold Springs Park- Campground Shelter Lewis

Blooming Artists

Saturday July 25th 2:00PM Outdoor Educational Classroom- Massena

Using nature to inspire and create art. Please pre-register your family group by calling 712-769-2372.





Insects- (even aquatic bugs!)

Breakfast with the Birds Ser.

Saturday August 15th 9AM- Camblins Shelter Sunnyside Park Atlantic Join Kay Neuman of SOAR for a raptors program and a free will donation breakfast!



Movie in the Park- Captain Marvel

Friday September 4th 9PM-Cold Springs Park Campground Captain Marvel movie will be playing out under the stars! Bring a blanket or chair, Dress for the weather and if it RAINS it maybe rescheduled.

Stand-up Paddleboard Demonstration- Cold Springs Park- Beach Saturday August 29th & Saturday September 5th 9AM- 5 spots 10:30AM- 5 spots Please call to pre-register and to get on the list! More information is on the page to the left.

Mysterious Monarch Programs Ľ

Friday August 28th 4:30PM- Lake Anita State Park Campground loop Saturday August 29th 2PM- Cold Springs Park Campground Shelter Saturday September 5th 2PM - Camblins Addition Shelter Sunnyside Park

Atlantic

Saturday September 12th 2PM- Outdoor Educational Classroom Massena Learn about Monarch Butterflies, including how to tag them! Participation required if you would like a home tagging kit. Call Lora to get more information and to get on the list for a kit!



Register for ride by calling or emailing Audubon County Tourism office 712-563-2742 /actorg@windstream. net. Live music with Studio 728 following the ride at the REC Center. \$25 per rider-proceeds will go to trail improvements. Deadline to get a t-shirt is August 30, but will take riders day of ride. Drink & Food stops at

Feed Mill, Darrell's Place, and Barn Burner.



Saturday September 26th 10:30 AM Schildberg Recreation Area Atlantic- West Parking Lot Bring the kids and their bikes and go for a ride around the lake! Ride routes are appropriate for age group.

Upcoming Events Cont.

Tuesday August 4th 10AM Cold Springs Park- Beach Parking lot