



Conservation Quarterly Cass County Conservation Board Summer 2013

Exciting Events in the Parks

Cass County Conservation Board has a fun filled summer planned. Of course these events are listed in the upcoming events on page 3 but we wanted to show case them on the front page too! Movies in the Park this year will be held at the Hitchcock House Recreation Area and Cold Springs Park. The first movie is the John Brown's Holy War Movie July 20th. The next day Sunday July 21st at the Hitchcock House Recreation Area Bob Everhart kicks off Music on the Lawn at 2 pm. Check out live raptors at Breakfast with the Birds 9 AM on August 10th in Sunnyside Park, Atlantic. This year our speaker will be Kay Neuman with SOAR. On August 18th at Hitchcock House Music on the Lawn will feature The Blue Tones. The August 30th movie is "Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'hoole".

E- Newsletter!

Save a tree, email Lora at lkanning@casscoia.us and let her know to add your email to get the email/PDF version of the Conservation Quarterly!

Friendly Reminders!!

As you visit Cass County Parks this Summer, we would like refresh your memory on some rules:

- *We do not take camping reservations, sorry.
- *As a visitor to our wonderful parks, please don't hesitate to talk to our staff! Also, there are comment cards (in the campground ticket holder) at Cold Springs and deposit like you would tickets.

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Recycling in Cold Springs!

The Cass County Environmental Control Agency, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, and the Cass County Conservation Board would like to announce the purchase of new Recycling Trailers. In an effort to expand the recycling programs in Cass County, the Cass County Landfill and recycling center received grant funds from the Iowa DNR to purchase 2 recycle trailers to collect recyclable materials at Cass County parks. The purchase of these trailers was made possible through funding from Iowa EMS funds and the Cass County Landfill. Cass County Landfill is a Tier II EMS participant and continues to expand environmental programs in the county. We have placed one trailer at the Lake Anita State Park Campground and one trailer at Cold Springs Park Campground. We anticipate to be able to expand this effort to other campgrounds in Cass County.



It is located in Campground near the shelter. Our four compartment trailer can accept: Plastic, Metal, Cardboard and pop cans or beverage containers. The proceeds from the redeemable beverage containers will be used for Cold Springs Park improvements.

Happy 55th Birthday!

Yes, Cass County Conservation Board is 55 years old this year! We were established in 1958 as the county resource agency with the authority to acquire lands specifically for recreation and conservation. Each member of our board is appointed by the Cass County Board of Supervisors and appointed five year terms. Our board members are listed on the front page this edition. We decided to celebrate this birthday a couple ways! The first way is our digital treasure hunt!! You read that right– TREASURE HUNT! Our parks are our treasures so we would love for you to visit them. Follow our clues and take a picture. Two special clues involve using a GPS. Prizes will be awarded, but you will have to wait until our Birthday Celebration. Come meet our employees and board members at our Birthday Celebration On September 14th at Cold Springs Park– Campground Shelter 7 PM. Cake and refreshments will be served.

Treasure Hunt Rules:

1. All photos must include at least one member of the family or person. Self-portraits are allowed as long as we can verify your location by the picture.
2. Photos shall be submitted through the following email: lkanning@casscoia.us
3. Entrant will only receive an email back if their submission was Incorrect.
4. One entry per family.
5. Deadline for submission is Sept 3rd 2013 at 4:30 PM CST. Winners will be drawn and announced at the Birthday Celebration Sept. 14th 2013.
6. The CCCB reserves the right to display winners' photos and other contest images.
7. Board members, staff and their families are ineligible for the drawing.

Prizes: all correct submissions will be entered into one drawing. There will be 3 additional drawings one for each of the correct GPS clues, and one for correct pictures for ALL of the picture clues.

Clues:

1. Over 70,000 Mormons traveled by on the Road to Zion. Take your picture with the sign describing these events.
2. Travel to this park on a "dry" day and take your picture with the park entrance sign!
3. Enjoy our "newest" Cass County park, take your picture in the "newest" structure on the shore.
4. Named after a pioneer town that had a saw mill and a hotel. Take your picture with the park entrance sign.

Get out your GPS unit for these special prizes:

Go to these coordinates (N 41° 18.200 W 095° 06.195) and leave your full name in the log to qualify for a special prize!

Go to these coordinates (N 41° 25.724 W 094° 58.955) and find a wildflower or tree sign. Email the correct name from the sign to the email above to qualify.

Upcoming Events

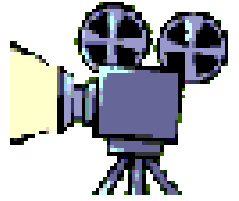


Denotes an Oak Stroller approved event!

Movie in the Park

Saturday, July 20th 9:00 p.m. Hitchcock Recreation Area

Come enjoy the Movie "John Brown's Holy War" shown on our historic barn at the Hitchcock Recreation Area. Learn more about John Brown's life as an abolitionist. If it Rains the movie will be **inside the barn!**



Music on the Lawn

Sunday, July 21st 2:00 p.m. Hitchcock Recreation Area

Bob Everhart and friends return to the Hitchcock House Lawn to play some country and bluegrass. If it Rains the music will be **inside the barn!**

Ride with an Expert—T-Bone Trail

August date to be announced 10:00 a.m. I80/71 Trailhead

Jon Jordan is our "expert" leading the ride. Come out and learn more about endurance training and how to utilize trails!

Breakfast with the Birds

Saturday, August 10th



9:00 a.m.

Sunnyside Park, Atlantic

Camblin Addition Shelter.

Come see live birds with Kay Neuman of S.O.A.R! Free will donations accepted.



Movie in the Park

Friday, August 30th 9:00 p.m.

Come enjoy the movie "Legend of the Campground. If it Rains movie



Cold Springs Park

the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'hoole" shown near the shelter in will be **cancelled!**

Music on the Lawn

Sunday, August 18th 2:00 p.m Hitchcock Recreation Area

Blue Tones Reunion Show will be performing. www.bluetonesreunionshows.com for more information. If it Rains the music will be **inside the barn!**

Mysterious Monarchs

Friday, August 30th



Lake Anita State Park 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, September

7th Cold Springs Park Shelter 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, September

14th Sunnyside Park, Atlantic Camblin Addition Shelter 2:00 p.m.

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!

55th Birthday Celebration

Saturday September 14th Cold Springs Park 7 PM

Come meet our employees and board members at our Birthday Celebration in the Campground Shelter where cake and refreshments will be served.

Dutch Oven Cookoff and Fall Festival

Saturday September 28th Lake Anita State Park— Primitive Campground

Meeting at Noon, Judging at 3PM

Categories for Appetizers, Main Dish, Bread, Dessert, and new this year, a 3 course meal. Prizes will be given, for details contact Kathie Mailander 712 783-4438.

Programs are FREE, but free will donations are always accepted.

Mark your Calendars

22nd Biennial Halloween Hike

Saturday, October 26th



Sunnyside Park, Atlantic Camblin Addition Shelter

Call to volunteer or for more information!! Please call Lora to sign up!

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You can tag Monarchs!

As more and more people learn that the Cass County Conservation Board tags Monarchs, it is becoming common for people to ask for 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 10 tags, instructions on how to tag the monarchs, a datasheet, 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, nine 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!

People Making a Difference...

Thank you to the over **30 volunteers** who helped make Hitchcock House Festival be a success!

Thank you to the following businesses, **Atlantic News Telegraph, Cappel's, Downtowner, Fareway, Hy-vee, and Orscheln's** for donations to the Hitchcock House Festival.

Thank you to the **Hitchcock House Advisory Board** who helped plan the Festival!

Thank you to **Christina Roelofs**, for coming and doing her raptors program for Conservation Day! Also, to everyone who volunteered at the conservation day!

Thank you to **Bruce Henderson** who helped the National Trails Day- T-Bone Trail Ride be a success.

Thank you to our **4-H volunteers** at our summer camps.