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## 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, Downtowner, Fareway, and Hy-vee for donations to the Hitchcock House Festival.

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

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

Thank you to our ISU Extension Cass County and 4-H Leadership Council at our summer camps.

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

Mark your Calendars Stay tuned for our 60th Birthday Party later in Fall of this year!

Preserving Pellett Memorial Woods Workday at the Pellett Memorial WOODS outside of Atlantic IA on October 20th 2018 at 1 pm- 4 pm (come and go).

5th Biennial Lighted Halloween Campground Saturday, October 29th Cold Springs Campground, Lewis, IA Call to volunteer or for more information!! Please call Lora to sign up!

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## Cass County Monarch made it to Mexico!

A 7 year dry streak has come to an end. A Cass County Tagged Monarch Butterfly made it to Mexico! We hope it has already made it back as well! This butterfly was tagged by Atlantic Washington Elementary, XEA 906 was tagged in September 2017 and made it 1,848 miles to Cerro Pelon, Mexico. This is near the Monarch Butterfly Biosphere Reserve. The tag was recorded March 3rd of 2018. To date, this makes 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! 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 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!

**Exciting 2018 Updates** We were awarded an E.F & Sylvia Schildberg Foundation Grant for our Movies in the Park. We are excited to show 4 movies in Cold Springs Park over the next two camping seasons! Check out the upcoming movie on the next page. We thank E.F & Sylvia Schildberg Foundation for their continuing support of our programming. You will note in our Upcoming Programs section, our Breakfast with the Birds this year is NOT during Atlanticfest. This is due to availability of our presenters. We hope you can join us for the program on the 18th! Reminder: Iowa is a guarantine state for firewood, please do not move firewood from state to state it is Illegal. Don't be surprised anywhere you camp, park rangers may ask to see proof of location on your firewood. Keep receipts or the tag on any bundle of firewood you purchase. Buy local & Burn local! continued on the next page...

# **Conservation Quarterly Cass County Conservation** Board **Summer 2018**

Start thinking about fall hunting opportunities in our areas. Hitchcock House Recreation Area has a one acre sunflower plot. West Nodaway has two plots totaling 3 acres of sunflowers for Doves as well. That park also has a soybean plot. So many exciting upcoming events we have more than one page worth! We have a great variety of events at different parks! Come join us!

## Friendly Reminders!

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

\*We do not take camping reservations, sorry.

\*The Cold Springs Trailer Dump Station is for Registered Campers only! Also, our recycling bins are ONLY for items that can be Recycled, Not TRASH!

\*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.

\* Please respect park parking areas and park boundaries.

\* Our Shelter in Cold Springs, Barn at Hitchcock House Recreation Area, and Lodge at Outdoor Educational Classroom are Reservable and FREE! Contact our office for more information!



# **Upcoming Events**

Denotes an Oak Stroller approved event!

Dutch Oven Cooking

Saturday July 21st 5PM

#### Cold Springs Park Campground Shelter

Join us for a Dinner of dutch oven cooking. We plan on making a main dish and dessert. Please bring your own placesetting for samples.

## Kids Bike Ride

Saturday August 11th 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.

### Standup Paddleboard Demonstrations

### Cold Springs Park- Beach

You must weigh less than 250 lbs, you must call to pre-register for your spot! Anyone under 16 must have a parent with them at all times.

July 28th 1pm- 1 Spot available 2:30PM- 4 Spots available August 25th 9am- 4 Spots available 10:30am- 4 Spots available September 1st 1pm- 4 Spots available 2:30PM- 4 Spots available

# (Jpcoming Events Cont.

Breakfast with the Birds X

Saturday August 18th 9AM

Camblins Shelter Sunnyside Park Atlantic Enjoy a morning with the birds and a Free will donation breakfast. Join Kay Neumann of SOAR for a raptors program.

Civil War Era and Iowans

Sunday August 19th 2PM

Hitchcock House Recreation Area

Come listen to David Cannon describing Iowan's history during the Civil War. FREE and program will be held Rain or Shine.

Movie in the Park- Nut Job 2 Friday August 31st 9PM

Cold Springs Park Campground Come out for a great movie under the stars! We will be showing Nut Job 2 Movie. Bring a blanket or chair, Dress for the weather and if it RAINS it will be Rescheduled.

Mysterious Monarch Programs Friday August 31st 4:30PM- Lake Anita State Park Campground loop Saturday September 1st 4:30PM- Cold Springs Park Campground Shelter Saturday September 8th 2PM - Camblins Addition Shelter Sunnyside Park Atlantic Saturday September 8th 4PM- 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!



Dutch Oven Cooking

Saturday September 22nd 9AM-12PM

Lake Anita State Park Primitive Campground Join us for a Brunch of dutch oven cooking. We plan on making a main dish and dessert. Please bring your own placesetting for samples.

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

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