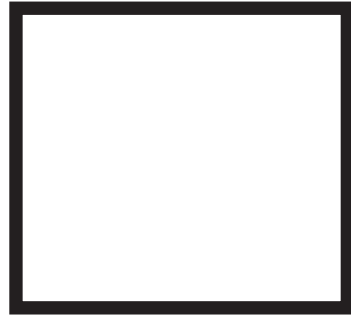


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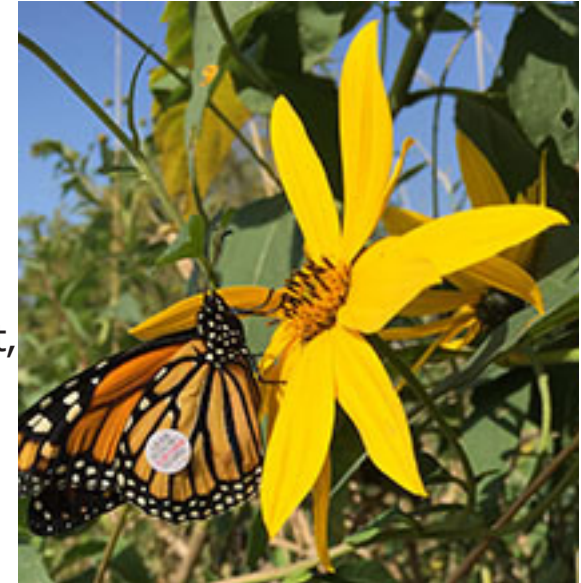
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You can tag Monarchs!

As more and more people learn that the Cass County Conservation Board tags Monarchs, 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!

People Making a Difference...

Thank you to the over **15 volunteers** who helped make Hitchcock House Festival be a success!

Thank you to the following businesses, **Atlantic News Telegraph, and Cappel's** for donations to the Hitchcock House Festival.

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

Thank you to **Kay Newman for SOAR**, 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.

Mark your Calendars

26th Halloween Hike

Saturday, October 30th

Sunnyside Park Camblins addition, Atlantic, IA

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

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Butterfly Surveys

Cass county is participating in butterfly surveys through the Iowa Butterfly Survey Network. Our surveying route is at the Outdoor Educational Classroom. The Iowa Butterfly Survey Network (IBSN) is located at Reiman Gardens with the ultimate goal of educating Iowans

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about butterflies, while at the same time encourage people to take an active role in conservation. To that end IBSN conducts research using volunteer citizen scientists of all skill levels to collect data for yearly population surveys of butterfly species in the state of Iowa. Volunteers are trained in survey techniques specifically developed for butterflies. Contact us if you are interested in learning more!

Get social with us!

Our board is always looking for feedback social media is a great way to get ahold of us. 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. We are on the following social media platforms for you follow us on: Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CassCountyIAConservation/> Pinterest: <https://www.pinterest.com/casscountyacon/> Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/cassccbia/> Please respect we run our social media during staffed work hours. Please understand if it is an emergency weather it's wildlife or human related contacting our law enforcement is faster!

Park Updates

We will have some projects going on this fall inside Cold Springs Park. We had some help this spring from Cass County 5th graders planting trees inside Cold Springs as well as Atlantic 6th grade planting trees at our Outdoor Educational Classroom. Start thinking about fall hunting opportunities in our areas. West Nodaway has 2 acres of sunflower plots for Doves. We had a great summer so far! Next year we will have a different rotation of our Nature Tots series, 3-5 yr olds come join us in 2022. 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!

Upcoming Events



Denotes an Oak Stroller approved event!

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

Stand-up Paddleboard Demonstration

Saturday July 31st 9AM- 5 spots 10:30AM- 2 spots

Cold Springs Park- Beach

Come learn about the hottest watersport in Iowa. After a quick 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.



Kids Bike Ride

Saturday August 14th 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.



Music on the Lawn

Sunday August 15th 2:45PM

Hitchcock House Recreation Area

Come listen to Schmidt sisters duet, they grew up near Lewis, Iowa and are music educators. A free-will offering lunch with pulled pork sandwiches, maid rites, chips, a drink and cookies will be available. The music program is FREE and will be held Rain or Shine.

Upcoming Events Cont.



Breakfast with the Birds

Saturday August 21st 9AM

Join Cassie Wendl for a live birds program and a free will donation breakfast!

Raptor Identification

Saturday August 21st 10AM

Camblins Shelter Sunnyside Park Atlantic

Join us for our third session of building better birders with a program on Raptor identification.



Movie in the Park- Raya and The Last Dragon

Friday September 3rd 9PM

Cold Springs Park Campground

Raya and The Last Dragon 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

Saturday August 28th 9AM- 5 spots 10:30AM- 5 spots

Cold Springs Park- Beach



Please call to pre-register and to get on the list! More information is on page 2.

Mysterious Monarch Programs

Friday September 3rd 4:30PM- Lake Anita State Park Campground loop

Saturday September 4th 1PM- Cold Springs Park Campground Shelter

Saturday September 11th 2PM- Outdoor Educational Classroom Massena

Saturday September 11th 4PM - Camblins Addition Shelter Sunnyside

Park Atlantic

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!

Stand-up Paddleboard Demonstration

Saturday September 4th 9AM- 5 spots 10:30AM- 5 spots

Cold Springs Park- Beach

Please call to pre-register and to get on the list! More information is on page 2.