

The Heron

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Iowa's Prairie Heritage – A Special Traveling exhibit

from the Iowa Association of Naturalists

Americans and millions of people around the world will sit down to a meal sometime today courtesy of the prairies that once covered much of Iowa. Clinton County Conservation invites visitors to experience the story of our prairie heritage through the exhibit “Tallgrass Prairie – Past, Present and Future” on display at the Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center now thru January 7th. Hands-on displays and interactive components will engage visitors in learning about the prairie landscape and native plant species.



The “Tallgrass Prairie” exhibit was produced by the Iowa Association of Naturalists with funds from the Resource Enhancement and Protection – Conservation Education Program (REAP – CEP), Living Roadway Trust Fund, Pheasants Forever, Iowa Trust for Local Conservation, the Tallgrass Prairie Center – UNI and Truax Company. REAP is supported by the state of Iowa, providing funding to public and private partners

for natural and cultural resource projects, including water quality, wildlife habitat, soil conservation, parks, trails, historic preservation and more.

“We want visitors to leave with a better understanding of the story of Iowa’s prairie heritage and to become aware of, enjoy and take action to enhance prairies in Iowa today,” noted Anita Fisher, a member of the exhibit design team. “Protected remnants in a pioneer cemetery, native prairie flowers in a garden, and strips of reconstructed prairies along our roadways – these are all ways Iowans are saving



a part of our heritage as well as important habitat.”

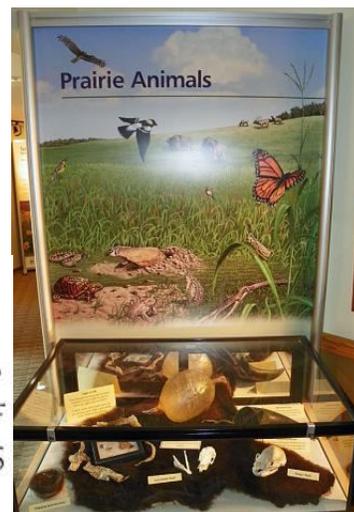
The display is more than just great information. It has many interactive features that will engage adults to small children.

There are puzzles and games that teach about wildlife on the prairie. There is also terrific animals of the prairie display with furs and native items produced from the bison. It all ties in well with taxidermy collections from Cole James and the Clinton Izaak Walton League.



Here in Clinton County, Manikowski Prairie near Goose Lake is a prime example of Iowa’s native prairie. It contains Iowa’s largest tract of remaining limestone prairie, a very dry form of prairie growing out of very shallow soil covering limestone bedrock. The native prairie is being surrounded by prairie restoration to further protect the remnant and to provide more wildlife habitat.

Folks may also want to check out Duke Prairie, a 40-acre remnant of mesic (partially wet) prairie. It is located southwest of Grand Mound. Many of Clinton County Conservation’s park and wildlife areas have restored prairie acres on them. Lands such as Ringneck Marsh, McAndrews, Eden Valley, Lost Nation, Sherman, Killdeer and Malone all have prairie restorations from small displays to hundreds of acres in size. Marie Ketelsen, Goose Lake and Soaring Eagle also have large tract restorations. Many schools have “Prairie for Schools” plots provided by Clinton County Conservation and Pheasants Forever. Check the map on the back of “The Heron” and take a drive.



A Huge Success!

by Jill Schmidt, Interpretive Naturalist

On November 1st, 2014 Clinton County Conservation Foundation, Staff and the *Friends* group of Rock Creek hosted their first annual Foundation Banquet fundraiser. The work leading up to the banquet included organizing the ticket sales, deciding on the meal, obtaining raffle items and collecting donations amongst much more. The goal for the Foundation Banquet was to raise money in efforts to continue the progress in the Nature Gallery at the Eco Center. As many of you may know, the progress has been slow and for the most part, been put on hold until we could financially afford moving forward. I must say, we had quite the night!

With the banquet sold out, the room was filled with 180 plus people all there to help us in our efforts. The prime rib meal prepared and sliced on request by Tom Taylor, owner of Marks' Locker of Rowley, Iowa was amazing. In addition to donating his time and efforts for the meal, Tom donated portions of the prime rib that were later auctioned off for further donations. The meal alone brought in \$3,600 less the meal cost. We included a dessert auction, over 40 desserts were donated by local businesses and personal homes that brought in over \$500 in donations of goodness.



Our sold-out event!

I asked Dave Stedwell, who is on the Foundation as well as an active member of the *Friends* group of Rock Creek, what he'd like to say about the event, this is how he replied, "I want to express my appreciation for the support of the community for the donations and the folks who showed up for the dinner and the opportunity to spend money to support the educational mission of the Eco Tourism Center. I certainly hope that this can be our big fundraiser each year. I was extremely pleased about the success of this first event. Everyone coming together to make it a volunteer-driven event was perhaps the most wonderful aspect of

pulling this off. It is important to note that most of the money raised for the event will go to the Eco Tourism Center rather than to overhead for the event. This is certainly one of the lowest expense vs. receipts ratio events I have been involved with." On behalf of the Clinton County Conservation Board we want to say "thank you" to Dave, for being such a large part of this fundraiser and for supporting our efforts in conservation education.



A barn quilt, one of the many donations in the auction

In addition to Dave, there are so many other businesses and people we would like to thank. We had over 100 donations for the event, business throughout Clinton and Scott counties contributed to both our live and silent auctions. With that many auction items, we brought in close to \$4,000 in donations alone. In addition we had large cash donations made by Clinton County Pheasants Forever, Ashford University, Clinton National Bank, Park Farms, and Krieger's of DeWitt totaling \$2,000 that help offset any total expenses of the banquet. Without these donations from these businesses, our banquet would not have been the success that it was. All and all, we made over \$10,000 that will go directly to the educational displays in the Eco Center. What an amazing turn out! Thank you all for your contributions!

As we move forward, the slower months of winter will allow us the time and manpower to complete several new displays such as our live fresh water mussel display and our Cottonwood tree display. Both displays have interactive components that will educate the public on different ecosystems that make up the Mississippi River watershed. If all goes well, Turtle Island will be on the list of completion as well. A long overdue project. We look forward to bringing some new components into the Eco Center for everyone to enjoy!

Biting Off More than You Can Chew

by Jessica Steines, Interpretive Naturalist

Working with the public, we here at Conservation hear some pretty good animal stories. While they have good entertainment value, they can also have teachable lessons.

While working at our Barn Quilt Workshop in October, one of our Board member's son, Will, a teacher, told me his journey of finding a suitable pet for his 3rd grade classroom. Remember, this story is told second hand and Will tells it better!

Will went on to explain that his classroom really wanted a class pet. Well, being the good teacher he is, he caved and decided to go to a pet store in the Quad Cities to search for the perfect pet. He walks in and finds a sales associate. He then proceeds to explain that he is looking for a classroom pet for his 3rd grade class, it must be easy to care for and not stinky.



So they go and look at this small frog called a South American horned frog (named for the horn-like structures above the eye), but also known as a pacman frog, named for their resemblance to the arcade game character with its large mouth and abdomen.

Trusting the "experts", Will decided to go for it! He followed the associate around getting the right equipment to care for the new member of his class. They were getting ready to finalize the sale of the unique looking frog. So, they call in another associate to retrieve the frog. Here she comes with a bandaged hand. When they tell her what they want, she adamantly refused to do it, saying she would never stick her hand in that aquarium again pointing to her bandages.

Well, with this new information he had a bunch of questions that he had not thought of before. Did that frog do that damage, how did it do it and what does it eat? With the pacman frog he learned that males can get up to 4 inches long with females reaching 6 inches, that is bigger than a dessert plate! Eating insects when they are young and small but having a voracious appetite eventually able to eat mice when full grown. They are able to eat this prey because of their large features along with sharp teeth like structures in their mouth and a strong jaw. They are ambush hunters, sometimes called a lazy pet as it hides and waits for its next meal to come. They are also a commitment as they can live for 10 years or more. In conclusion, not a great pet for a young classroom that would like to interact with it.

Needless to say he returned what was gathered and left the pacman frog at the store. But he did pick up a bunch of

pamphlets of different animals that you could purchase as pets for his students to research the animals before purchasing a classroom pet.

After the class researched and reported what they found out. I

was told they learned that pets take money to not only get the pet but the equipment to make the habitat and to maintain the pet. Though a pet might look simple and harmless, that may not be the case and you should find out about such pets before purchase.

Well, after I heard his crazy story of a toothed frog, that I did not know existed, I started thinking of a pet that I would recommend. I came up with the salamander. You can get them at a pet stores.

They are fairly hardy, though you have to be sure not handle after putting lotion or anything on your hands because they absorb chemicals quickly

through their skin. Voracious eaters of worms, minnows or crickets but they do not have teeth, just a rough mouth. Keep the bedding moist and they don't have much of an odor (earthy smell from bedding decomposing). Lastly, they are great for students to learn about amphibians.

I also thought of a animal I would not recommend, though it seems every kid thinks they want one. That is a turtle of any kind. Of all the reptiles and amphibians we take care of, turtles are the messiest. They are messy eaters, they eat a lot, produce a lot of waste, therefore, they are stinky too. Please take it from me, do not be tempted to get a small, cute turtle, they do not stay that way for long.

Our phone rings far to often from people whose turtles have gotten too big or have out lived the child's interest in them (turtles live decades!). Or they have this really cool snake that is getting so big it is scary. Never release pets into the wild. They are either not native and cannot live in Iowa outdoor conditions or they can cross with local populations creating hybrids or spreading bad genes. Please remember to research any pet thoroughly before you buy!



EvEnts Cal Endar - Free Family Fun in the Outd00rs!

Cross-country Skiing, Ice Skating, and Snowshoeing ~ As weather conditions allow please call Rock Creek at 563-259-1876 to check on conditions.

December

4th ~ Music in the Loft ~ 7 PM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Come enjoy an evening of home spun music in the loft of the center's 1938 barn. Local talents are invited to offer up their favorites in coffee house style. So bring your family and friends, your instrument if you have one and add your voice or just sit back and enjoy. It's musical fun for the whole family.



12th ~ All About Amphibians ~ 10 AM ~ Discovery Center, Clinton ~ Naturalist, Jess Steines will share her love for animals by giving your children a chance to meet some live animals, touch some animal artifacts and learn some fun facts with activities.

12th & 13th ~ Third Annual Young Ladies Lock-in ~ (Fri. 6 PM - Sat. 10 AM) ~ Rock Creek ~ Jill and Jessica are creating this is a lock-in geared for 5th and 6th grade girls to spend the night in the Eco Tourism Center! The night will be filled with fun lock-in activities like movies, crafts, games and a night hike. Registration is required, www.mycountyparks.com to register your child by December 5th. Cost is \$10/girl and space is limited so register your child today!



13th ~ Winter Sports Outing ~ 9 AM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Clinton County Conservation's cross country ski and snowshoe equipment will be available for use till noon.

13th ~ Riverside Jam ~ 2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come enjoy an afternoon of home spun music at the Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center. Area musicians and vocalists are invited to bring their instruments and talents to blend as others gather to listen, sing along and sometimes dance. It is truly enjoyable for all.

18th ~ A Nature Story ~ 10 AM ~ Rock Creek ~ Preschoolers and their parents can enjoy a free nature-related story followed by a themed craft or nature activity.

27th & 28th ~ Free Snowshoe Weekend ~ 8 AM- 2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Stop in the camp store to check out a pair of our snowshoes or bring your own and enjoy a nice walk through nature in the wintertime. Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on snow conditions.



January

3rd & 4th ~ Free Ice Skating Weekend ~ 8 AM-2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Stop in the camp store and check out a pair of our skates or bring your own and try your skills at a nostalgic winter activity. Sizes and availability are limited. Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on ice conditions or available sizes.



5th ~ Full Moon Snowshoe ~ 6 PM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Clinton County Conservations snowshoes will be available and a hike lead through the center's trails to the river overlooks of Eagle Point Park. Call 563-847-7202 and reserve your pair today.

6th ~ Friends of Rock Creek ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come see how you can get involved with the park!

8th ~ Music in the Loft ~ 7 PM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Come enjoy an evening of home spun music in the loft of the center's 1938 barn.

10th & 11th ~ Free Snowshoe Weekend ~ 8 AM-2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on snow conditions.



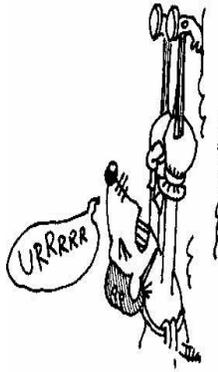
10th ~ Thirtieth Annual Bald Eagle Watch ~ 8:30 AM-2:30 PM - Exhibits & Programs at Clinton Community College ~ 9 AM-2 PM Eagle Watching at Lock & Dam 13 ~ Lock & Dam 13 is located 3 miles north of Fulton, IL along Highway 84. Clinton Community College is located at 1000 Lincoln Blvd., Clinton, IA. The program is dedicated to the understanding, appreciation and protection of our national symbol. Programs will feature live birds of prey. The exhibit hall at Clinton Community College will feature exhibits, door prizes, food and drinks. For information contact the Thomson Park Rangers at 815-259-3628.

15th ~ A Nature Story ~ 10 AM ~ Rock Creek ~ Preschoolers and their parents can enjoy a free nature-related story followed by a themed craft or nature activity.

17th ~ Choose to Care ~ 9 AM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Lend a hand at your local, privately run nature center lovingly known as the Nature Barn. Its buildings and grounds are maintained through the efforts of volunteers and serve as a unique venue for area schools and groups out for some relaxation, recreation or nature study. Call 563-357-0759 and let us know you're joining us.

17th ~ Cross County Ski Clinic ~ 9 AM-Noon ~ Emma Young Park, Clinton, IA ~ Clinton County Conservation cross-country ski equipment will be available and lessons taught. After a brief intro to the equipment we will move outdoors for lessons and a gently rolling trip along the groomed trails of the park.

17th ~ Winter Survival ~ 10 AM-12:30 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Take a minute to learn about the many challenges winter has and have fun doing it! This family fun program will teach you how to build fires, boil water and build shelters all while having fun outside! All children must be accompanied by an adult, registration is required for this free event. Space is limited, sign up at www.mycountyparks.com or call 563-847-7202 by January 14th.

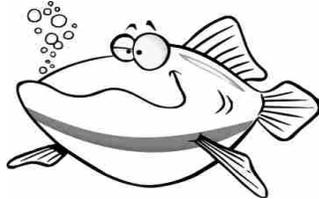


17th ~ Riverside Jam ~ 2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come enjoy an afternoon of some home spun music at the Mississippi River Eco-tourism Center.

24th & 25th ~ Free Cross Country Ski Weekend ~ 8 AM-2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on snow conditions.

27th ~ Friends of Rock Creek ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come see how you can get involved with the park!

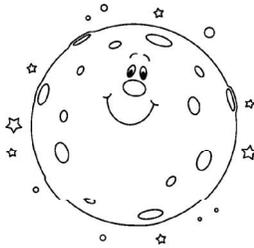
30th ~ Funny Fish ~ 10AM ~ Discovery Center, Clinton ~ Naturalist, Jess Steines will share her love for animals by giving your children a chance to meet some live animals, touch some animal artifacts and learn some fun facts with activities.



31st ~ Birds of Prey ~ 10 AM ~ Camanche Public Library ~ Come listen to a naturalist speak on different birds of prey found in the area with a great view of the Mississippi River where Bald Eagles congregate. Along with a slideshow there will be a variety of animal artifacts to see and touch.

February

3rd ~ Full Moon Snowshoe ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Clinton County Conservation's snowshoes will be available and a hike lead through the Upper Mississippi Fish & Wildlife Refuge. Call 563-847-7202 and reserve your pair today.



5th ~ Music in the Loft ~ 7 PM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Come enjoy an evening of home spun music in the loft of the center's 1938 barn.

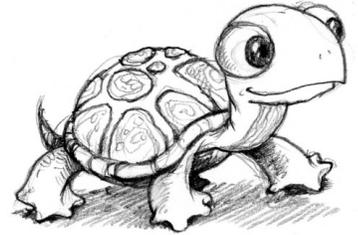
7th & 8th ~ Free Ice Skating Weekend ~ 8 AM-2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on ice conditions or available sizes.

7th ~ Whitetails Unlimited Banquet ~ 5 PM ~ Millennium Ballroom, Goose Lake ~ Help provide public hunting, wildlife habitat and the future of the hunting tradition. See the largest trophy deer display in the county. Each child receives a special prize. Call Mark Roberts at 563-349-0956 for tickets.

12th ~ A Nature Story ~ 10 AM ~ Rock Creek ~ Pre-schoolers and their parents can enjoy a free nature-related story followed by a themed craft or nature activity.

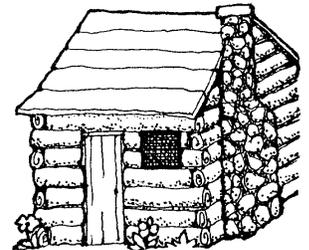
14th & 15th ~ Free Snowshoe Weekend ~ 8 AM-2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on snow conditions.

20th ~ Turtle Talk ~ 10 AM ~ Discovery Center, Clinton ~ Naturalist, Jess Steines will share her love for animals by giving your children a chance to meet some live animals, touch some animal artifacts and learn some fun facts with activities.



21st ~ Choose to Care ~ 9 AM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Call 563-357-0759 to let us know you'll join us.

21st ~ Cabin Fever Fun Day ~ 10 AM-2PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Is your family getting bored stuck inside all winter? Participants 12 years old and up can experience a fun way to use up those old t-shirts that accumulate in your closet. Bring about a dozen of your old t-shirts and a pair of fabric scissors, we will weave a simple rug for you to use at home. For participants, 4-11 years old, you will hang out with a naturalist learning all about animals in winter through an interactive program and craft. After lunch we'll go outside and enjoying some fun winter activities such as snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and ice skating! Cost for this program is \$5 and registration is required, visit www.mycountyparks.com to register by February 13th.



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21st ~ Riverside Jam ~ 2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Enjoy a warm drink and an afternoon of home spun music at the Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center.

21st ~ Friends of Rock Creek Trivia Night ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come for a fun night of trivia to raise funds for the Friends of Rock Creek. Their mission is to support Rock Creek by promoting the site through volunteering and events to enhance visitor experiences at the Eco Center. Doors will open at 6 PM, questions start at 7 PM. Register your table at www.mycountyparks.com. A table for 8 people is \$80. Bring your own snacks and beverages.

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Night

24th ~ Friends of Rock Creek ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come see how you can get involved with the park!

28th & March 1st ~ Free Cross Country Ski Weekend ~ 8 AM-2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Please call the Eco Center at 563-259-1876 to check on snow conditions.

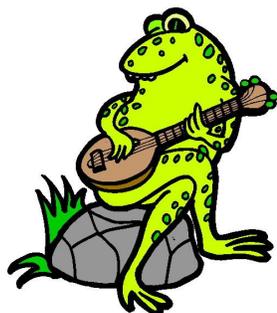


March Sneak-A-Peek



4th ~ Nearly Full Moon Snowshoe ~ 6 PM ~ Mockridge Preserve ~ Clinton County Conservations snowshoes will be available and a hike lead through this aging pine plantation. There's no place better for night birds and we'll take a look at Orion at its zenith. Call 563-847-7202 and reserve your pair of snowshoes today.

5th ~ Music in the Loft ~ 7 PM ~ Soaring Eagle Nature Center ~ Come enjoy an evening of home spun music in the loft of the center's 1938 barn.

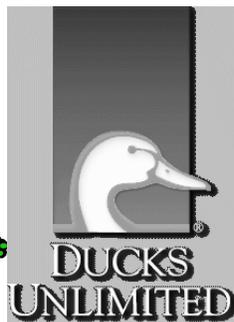


6th ~ For Goodness Snakes ~ 10 AM ~ Discovery Center, Clinton ~ Naturalist, Jess Steines will share her love for animals by giving your children a chance to meet some live animals, touch some animal artifacts and learn some fun facts with activities.

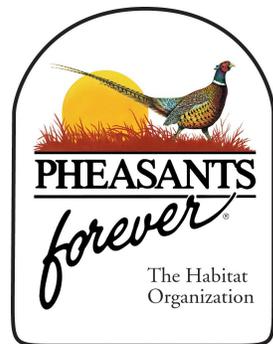
15th ~ Youth Hunter Education Challenge - Open Try-outs ~ 1 PM ~ Wapsi Valley Izaak Walton League, DeWitt ~ Y.H.E.C. is a weekend-long event that takes place each June. Youth compete in 8 events, learn about the outdoors and have fun with other young people that have similar interests. The events include four shooting events (archery, muzzleloader, shotgun and small-bore rifle) and four non-shooting events (wildlife id, orienteering, hunter safety trail and a written exam).



21st ~ Camanche Ducks Unlimited Dinner ~ 5 PM ~ Imperial Lanes, Camanche ~ Contact Ruth Marsh 563-212-8133 for tickets.



28th ~ Spring Pheasant Festival ~ 5 PM ~ Wheatland Community Center ~ Clinton County Pheasants Forever is planning a night of fun & fund-raising. Tickets are just \$10. Call Brad Taylor at 563-357-0465 for tickets.



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Signs of new Times

by Melisa Jacobsen, President, Soaring Eagle Nature Society

To kick off their annual Fall Fest, Soaring Eagle Nature Center unveiled a new reason to come for a visit. The center already boasts a great combination of the Nature Barn, Flannery One-Room Schoolhouse, Soaring Eagle Dog Park, a restored prairie, and several miles of hiking trails. Now to enrich the visitor experience, the center is proud to offer outdoor interpretive signs with full-color, high-resolution graphics and photos.

Soaring Eagle has been working to grow the center and preserve their history while creating new ways to serve visitors. There is much to be shared and learned with the diversity available at the center. The signs will share the story of the land, the barn, our Iowa prairies, the old zoo and of the one-room school house and how it was moved from its original site.

The signs were obtained through a grant from Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area. The Clinton County Conservation Board Environmental Education Program, Clinton County Historical Society and Central Clinton Historical Society were instrumental supporters.

Mark Roberts, Environmental Education Coordinator shared "Any addition that can enhance visitor experience is a plus for any nature center. The signage will provide a way for the center to serve more visitors and provide for inde-

pendent and meaningful learning experiences outside of organized classes, workshops and events. It is an excellent way to better connect visitors to the natural and historic resources available at the center."

The signs were unveiled on Saturday, October 25th. Just prior to the start of the Nature Barn's biggest annual event, Fall Fest. 200 people turned out for the big event that featured a Halloween hike, pumpkin carving, music and hay-rack rides through Eagle Point Park.



Soaring Eagle Board from left: Melisa Jacobsen, Pam Wisor, Wendy Krajnovich, Judy May & Chuck Jacobsen

Mockridge Wildlife Preserve closed for shotgun deer seasons

by Darin Voss, Natural Resource Technician

Mockridge Wildlife Preserve will be closed to the public from December 1st thru December 22nd annually. During this period, only authorized conservation personnel will be allowed access on the property.

The decision was made by the Conservation Board during its October meeting to close the park after a suggestion from Director Walt Wickham and other staff members was given. Mockridge was dedicated as a wildlife preserve from the beginning of the Conservation Board's ownership in 1975 and remains that way today. We want to ensure that this area is being fully protected as a wildlife refuge.

The greatest amount of hunting activity for the surrounding area tends to be during the first and second shotgun deer seasons which coincides with the first three full weekends of December. By closing the park the first three weeks in December it will cover the entirety of the shotgun seasons.

There was plenty of discussion whether to close Mockridge entirely to the public during these dates. There are other activities such as hiking, birding and cross country skiing



that people enjoy at this area during the winter months, especially during Christmas break.

Upon further discussion it was determined that it may not be the safest time for families to be utilizing this area with the amount of hunting activity that takes place on the surrounding landscape. It has also been brought to our attention that deer, as well as other game animals, should have a refuge from such hunting pressure. However, when these other activities are still allowed, animals are inadvertently bumped off of the refuge, no longer giving them the protection that is intended.

Mockridge will open back up on the 23rd of December each year to accommodate the individuals and families that would like to enjoy winter activities during the holiday seasons on the preserve.

We feel by closing public access during these dates the wildlife will get a refuge that this area was intended to be and by reopening before the Holiday Season, the public will still get to enjoy their favorite winter activities on the preserve, giving a best of both worlds scenario.

If any questions or emergency access is required, please contact the Clinton CCB office at 563-847-7202.

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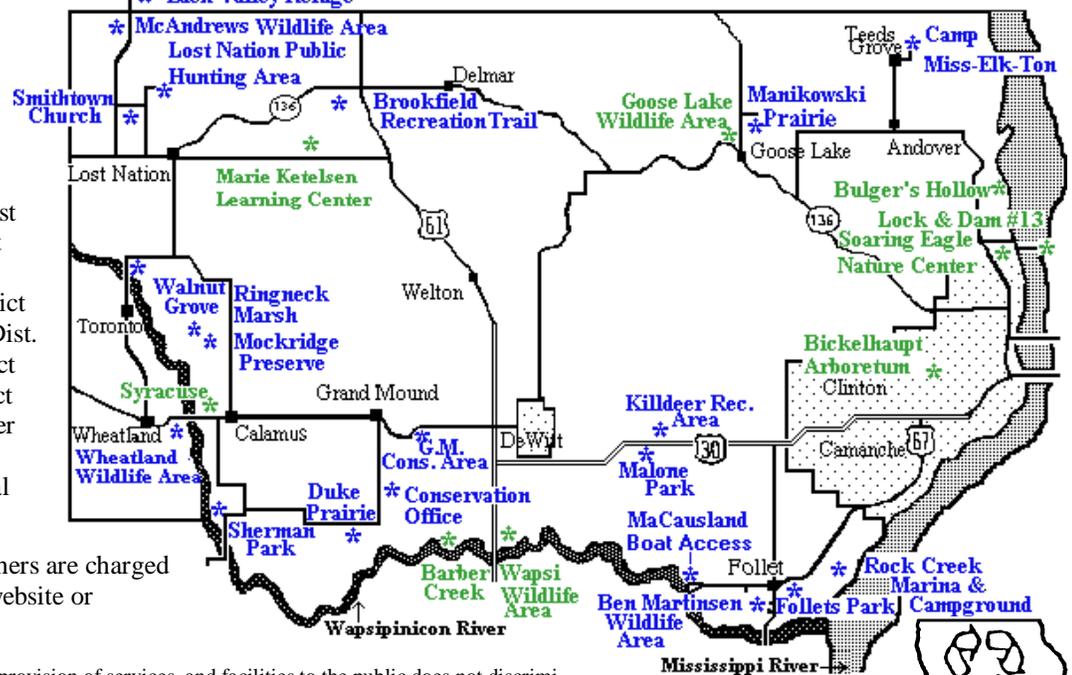
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BOARD MEETINGS

The Clinton County Conservation Board meetings are open to the public and visitors are welcome. The Board meets the second Tuesday the month, at 6 PM, in the Conservation Office, located 1 mile south of Grand Mound at 2308 255th St. Please note, this date can be changed.



The Clinton County Conservation Board in the provision of services and facilities to the public does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, color, sex, creed, national origin, age or handicap. If anyone believes he or she has been subject to such discrimination, he or she may file a complaint alleging discrimination with either the Clinton C.C.B. or the Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Dept. of Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240.

