

The Heron

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In the Mind of an Artist

by Jill Schmidt, Interpretive Naturalist

For those of you who have had the opportunity to visit Clinton County's new Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center you will understand when I say "it is a work in progress". This great addition to Conservation's Rock Creek Marina & Campground has been open since April 2012 but is continuously being completed. As we are rounding the corner of our one-year anniversary in operation, we are taking the staff's and the public's input to modify and improve not only the way the building is run but also what the building has to offer our visitors.

The building is divided up into four main rooms, the Camp Store, Theater, Community Room and the Nature Gallery. For most of the first year, the Nature Gallery in the Eco Center has been left pretty bare. Additional funding and the time needed to plan out this interactive room finally is taking shape. Generally speaking, the vision of the Nature Gallery is to create the river ecosystem by combining several habitats such as woodlands, wetlands and river banks. In order to do that, we first needed the room to "come alive" by utilizing the wall space and create a river mural.

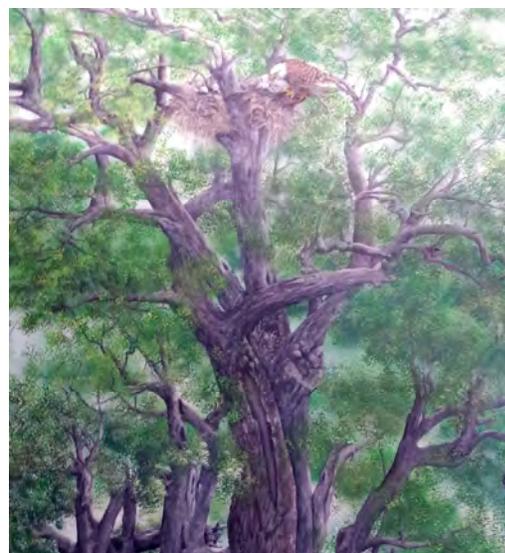
In November of 2012, artist Susan Holgersson took our vision and began transforming an ordinary room into the backwaters of the Mississippi River. Over the last several months, Susan has become a member of the CCCB family. She plays a vital role in making our dream of the nature gallery come true and for that I wanted to step into the mind of the artist. I took the opportunity to sit down with Susan and find out more about this creative visionary. Susan has many titles, Exhibit and Scenic Designer, Muralist, Scenic Painter and Art Instructor. Born in Chicago, she



soon moved with her family to the Quad Cities. Susan says she's always enjoyed art, in 1976, she graduated from Augustana College where she studied art, technical and scenic design. Like a lot of people during this time, once out of college, she faced the hardships of finding a job in her field and chose to

work as a pharmaceutical representative to pay the bills. She traveled and lived in many places including Nashville and Sweden before coming home to the Quad Cities.

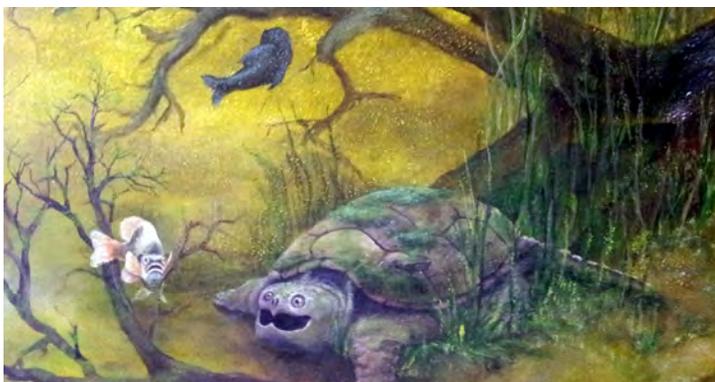
When I asked Susan about her form of art she explained that what sets her apart from other artists is that she is given a "script" to work from. A lot of artists create images from their mind, Susan takes images, thoughts, and ideas from her clients and brings them to



An eagle's nest, sits high in the mural.

life. Although difficult to explain, she enjoys creating illusions out of her art, taking something that is not there literally by staying within restrictions and creating opportunities for people to see her scenes come alive. Her art evolves as she paints and when completed she has created experiences from her painting.

When Clinton County Conservation began looking for a muralist, it didn't take long to figure out Susan was the right person for the job. She has completed many projects throughout the United States and her resume includes a



This snapping turtle was painted by Mik Holgersson.

long list of well-known murals or scenes around the area. She has done projects for the *Putnam Museum* including the *Titanic* backdrop and her work can be seen at the *Niabi Zoo*. She has also done several backdrops for many different theaters including the Illinois ballet where she's known for her work on the backdrops of *Swan Lake* and *Alice In Wonderland*. She is a very busy woman and at one time, Susan has been working on anywhere from four to six projects simultaneously.

For the past twelve years, Susan has been an independent contractor through her own business *Scenic Design by Hologersson*. We found her through Midwest Exhibits out of Davenport. In order to get the project started, we presented her with our thoughts and ideas and she put them on paper. She strongly believes in taking input from everyone involved and using it in her plan. Once she sold us on her ideas, the painting began. In order to fulfill her ideas, Susan uses a variety of acrylic paints depending on the amount needed. If she is painting more of the background where



Underwater mural of the Mississippi River.

more paint is needed she will use ordinary house paint, but for those finer details she uses tubes of artist paint. To develop the textures into the painting she uses ordinary cloths to manipulate the object into what she wants. She says she does not concentrate on the technicalities of painting but lets her emotions and feelings create what she is looking for. Every project has its ups and downs Susan says and when I requested to know about the challenges she's faced while painting in the nature gallery, her answer seems to be fitting. The biggest challenge she has faced is the size of the project, just how really big it is. It is difficult to manage her time between actual painting and speaking with the inquiring public that enters her mural on a daily basis. She encourages the interest from the public and is thrilled to hear the feedback from those that provide it. But, for her, she says it sometimes can be difficult to "get back on track when her creative mind has been interrupted". She also adds the fact that she, personally, has to put a limit on what she is going to do. Her mind will continuously turn, thinking of new things to add, if she allows it to!



Susan & Moose outside the Eco Center.

When I asked Susan what has been her favorite part about doing this job she simply replied "the place". During the project Susan and her Yorkie Bear dog, "Moose", have spent some time living in one of the cabins at Rock Creek. She has enjoyed taking Moose for walks and soaking up the environment. Her job is to take the outside and bring it inside the Eco Center and there is not a better way to do that than to spend time in the environment she is painting. The winter has provided her opportunities to get to know the bones of Rock Creek and she has thoroughly enjoyed the peacefulness. She feels the "love of this park is contagious and that it is just a grounding place to be."

The major part of the project is near completion and Susan says she should be wrapping up within the next couple of weeks. She plans on helping the staff include some more 3-D aspects of the mural by adding actual branches to the scene as well as incorporate some wildlife mounts.

Susan would like to thank all of the Clinton County Conservation staff for being so kind to her these past few months. She "appreciates everyone's input and involvement" in making this mural come to life.

Future plans for the Nature Gallery include a large turtle tank that will be located in the center of the room and a riverbank exhibit, that Susan will also be helping with, will grace the north wall. When you are in the area, I encourage you to stop by the Eco Center and take some time studying Susan's work; you will be amazed at the details she has incorporated into her painting. You may find things she didn't even know were there!



A red-tailed hawk gives a 3-D effect. P2

"Ticked" Off Naturalist!

by Jessica Steines, Interpretive Naturalist

Last year my family and I went fishing one warm April day. So warm, I unfortunately decided to wear shorts. The area was shady and the grass was up around my ankles. We got a couple of bites from the bull heads in the pond and that was great but little did I know I got bit by something else and when I found out by what, I was not pleased!

It was the morning after fishing and I had an itch on my stomach, "hmmm, that didn't feel right.". So I looked and there was a blacklegged (deer) tick burrowed into skin. Ewww! You know, I am an outdoors type of gal but there is something about an eight-legged creature sucking blood out of you that makes your mind scream, "get it off, off, OFF!" Especially from something that is known to carry Lyme disease.

So I go to try to get it out, just like they say to. I took tweezers to grasp the tick as close to my skin's surface as possible and pulled upward with steady, even pressure. Unfortunately, I did not get it out. It has been my experience with my dog and family is that these ticks dig deep! I tried and tried with no luck and I decided to call it quits and cleaned the spot with alcohol. Well, I hoped that it would heal but the same day, it itched, hurt and a small red ring appeared around it. Okay, time to call the doctor.

Luckily the doctor was able to remove the rest of the critter and gave me some medication for infection. Of course, I asked about Lyme disease, she tried to reassure me that I probably did not contract the disease, which I believed because a tick had not been attached for 24 hours. But some of her advice was not reassuring, particularly the information about the "bull's-eye" rash and prevalence in the state of Iowa.

So I did some research, starting with the website for Centers for Disease Control www.cdc.gov/ticks/. This website tells you all you would ever want to know about ticks, from species of ticks, the diseases they carry, lifecycle, geographic distribution and more. From there, I learned the "bull's-eye" rash only develops in

approximately 70-80% of infected persons and begins at the site of a tick bite after a delay of 3-30 days (average is about 7 days). The rash gradually expands over a period of several days, and can reach up to 1 foot across.

The rash usually feels warm to the touch but is rarely itchy or painful. Not very reassuring, but good to know.

Now I wanted to know more about the prevalence in the area. Coincidentally, I went to the vet's office for something and I saw a poster about ticks and Lyme disease in dogs and it showed that Iowa has quite a few cases. So I asked them if they see Lyme disease in pets often. She replied that they usually diagnose 5 cases per year. Interesting. So then I looked at another website, www.extension.iastate.edu and found the publication Ticks and Tick-borne Diseases in Iowa. It showed that there are 23-52 cases of Lyme disease per 100,000 people for Clinton County for 1991-2009. That is much more than I was led to believe.

It has been a year later and fortunately the scar tissue has finally disappeared but the scar has not, reminding me to be properly dressed, sprayed with a repellent containing DEET and check myself and my family after we have been where ticks are likely to hide (grass or shrubs in partial to full shade, they tend not to like full sun). Especially in the late spring and early summer when the blacklegged tick's nymphs (teenage ticks, usually 2 mm in length) are looking for a blood host before they transform to adults.

Since that doctor's visit, I have learned the if you do your research if you have concerns about anything, it will make you feel better to be informed and logical about things that are threatening to people. Remember to focus your research on credible sources.



Conservation Tidbits

Sherman Park Showerhouse. The new showerhouse and modern restroom at Sherman Park is completed.

Wetlands & Turtle Display. Work begins on new wetland/turtle display at the Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center. We hope installation will happen in June.

Wanted Alive! A few good fish. We need some nice specimen fish for our 8,000 gallon aquarium at Rock Creek.

New rates at Rock Creek. Camping, \$12/primitive and \$17/electric. Canoes, kayaks and paddleboats, \$7 per hour. Rates at our other three campgrounds will remain \$10/primitive and \$15/electric.

Habitat Rental Equipment and Services. Contact Natural Resource Technician, Darin Voss, for advice, no-till drills, tree planter, ATV seeder, disc and ripper. Plus, free sorghum and sunflower food plot seed, courtesy of Pheasants Forever, is available. He can even plow and plant for you, for a reasonable fee.



Open 7 days a week thru Sept.

- *Camping and Cabin Rentals
- *Canoe, Kayak, Paddleboat and Motorboat Rentals
- *Banquet Hall/Meeting Rental
- *Hot Food *Cold Soft Drinks
- *Fishing bait

Reservations: mycountyparks.com P.3

31st ~ Atlatls & Tomahawks ~ 7:30 PM ~ Eden Valley ~
We will have our targets, throwing spears and tomahawks in the main campground for park goers.

June

1st ~ Registration Deadline for Summer Camps ~ Sign up for these wildly popular summer camps for kids ages 6-14 at www.mycountyparks.com/county/Clinton/Events.aspx Hurry, space is limited. (see camp dates later in calendar)

1st ~ Garage Sales ~ 8 AM-Noon ~ Rock Creek ~ It's time to clean out the closets. All registered campers are invited to have a garage sale at your campsite. Please stop in or call the camp store at 563-259-1876 for rules and to register your sale. At the conclusion of your sale please consider donating one item to the camp store to be used for another activity.

1st ~ Early Bird Eco Cruise ~ 9 AM ~ Rock Creek

1st ~ Atlatls & Tomahawks ~ 1 PM ~ Rock Creek
We will have our throwing spears and tomahawks for park goers under the new Eco Tourism Center.

1st ~ Nature Center Open ~ 1-4 PM ~ Eden Valley

1st ~ Garage Sale Bingo ~ 2 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Please join us for our 1st ever garage sale bingo. Admission is free and you can win somebody else's treasure.

1st ~ Camp Café Dinner ~ 4-7 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Too tired to cook, let us make dinner for you. Dinner will be served in the camp store/café along the shores of the beautiful backwaters of the Mississippi. Call the camp store to find out our dinner special at 563-259-1876.

1st ~ Saturday Night At the Movies ~ Dusk ~ Eden Valley ~ The campground at Eden Valley will show family movies on the big screen for campers and park visitors.

4th-6th ~ 3-day Summer Camp ~ 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Sign up for these wildly popular summer camps for kids ages 6-8 at www.mycountyparks.com/county/Clinton/Events.aspx. \$10 per child, per day. Hurry, space is limited and the deadline to register is June 1st!

6th ~ Sunset Eco Cruise ~ 7 PM ~ Rock Creek

6th ~ Music in the Loft ~ 7 PM ~ Soaring Eagle ~ Local talents will provide entertaining instrumental and vocal offerings of a wide variety of music. Participants with musical talents are invited to bring their instruments along for this "coffee house" style jam. Refreshments are available. Donations to support the center are always welcomed.

7th-9th Free Fishing Weekend ~ Iowa residents may fish and possess fish without a DNR fishing license.

7th-8th ~ Overnight Canoe Adventure ~ 4:30 PM (Fri) - 2 PM (Sat) ~ Wapsi Center ~ Join naturalists to explore the Wapsipinicon. Individuals will meet at the Wapsi Center on Friday, float Syracuse to Sherman, stay overnight at the Owl's Nest Dormitory (\$7/person) and then canoe to Allen's Grove. Call 563-328-3286 by June 5th.

7th ~ Gyotaku - Japanese Art of Fish Printing ~ 7:30 PM ~ Walnut Grove ~ We have forms for bass, walleye, bluegill, bull frog and painted turtle to create a one-of-a-kind design on a t-shirt, pillowcase, bandana or other small piece of cloth that you bring. Adults must accompany children.



8th ~ Kid's Big Fish Contest ~ 7 AM-3 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ To celebrate Free Fishing Weekend, we will have a kid's big fish contest. Kids must come into the camp store and have your fish weighed by our staff before 3 PM. The winner of our contest will be called to claim their prize.

8th ~ Early Bird Eco Cruise ~ 9 AM ~ Rock Creek

8th ~ Gyotaku - Japanese Art of Fish Printing ~ 1 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ We have forms for bass, walleye, bluegill, bull frog and turtle to create a one-of-a-kind design on a t-shirt, pillowcase, bandana or other small piece of cloth that you bring. Adults must accompany children.

8th ~ Nature Center Open ~ 1-4 PM ~ Eden Valley

8th ~ Rock Creek Fish Boil ~ 4-7 PM ~ Rock Creek

11th-13th ~ 3-day Summer Camp ~ 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ See June 4th description.

13th ~ Nature Scavenger Hunt ~ 3:30 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come discover the amazing things the Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center has to offer by exploring in and around the building in an adventurous scavenger hunt! You will need your walking shoes as you venture out on your own searching for your clues and answers hidden in the center and throughout the campground!

13th ~ Sunset Eco Cruise ~ 7 PM ~ Rock Creek

14th ~ Up-cycled T-shirts ~ 10 AM - 12 PM ~ Soaring Eagle ~ This is a workshop to create something new and different from old t-shirts! There will be stations that you can visit at your own leisure. Stations include but not limited to; t-shirt loom, shopping bags, leaf printing and home decor. Bring old t-shirts and a good pair of scissors.

14th ~ Leaf Printing ~ 7:30 PM ~ Eden Valley ~ Bring out your creative minds and connect nature with art in the main campground! We will take a closer look at leaves as we design our own leaf print. Please bring an article to print on, t-shirt, pillow case, bandana, etc.



15th ~ Early Bird Eco Cruise ~ 9 AM ~ Rock Creek

15th ~ Canoe/Kayak Races ~ 1 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Join us for a friendly competition of canoe/kayak racing! Warm up with a few paddling pointers before you take your spot at the starting line! BEWARE, you will not leave dry!

15th ~ Nature Center Open ~ 1-4 PM ~ Eden Valley

15th ~ Camp Café Dinner ~ 4-7 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Too tired to cook, let us make dinner for you. Dinner will be served in the camp store/café along the shores of the beautiful backwaters of the Mississippi.

15th ~ Hayrack Rides ~ 7 PM ~ Eden Valley ~ Ride to the back valley. Adults must accompany children.

15th ~ Menke Open House ~ Dusk ~ Wapsi Center ~ Join the director of the observatory, for a celestial tour of the spring sky. Call 563-333-6141 for weather conditions.

20th ~ Sunset Eco Cruise ~ 7 PM ~ Rock Creek

21st-23rd ~ Hunter Safety Camp ~ 7 PM (Fri.)-5 PM (Sun.) ~ Wapsi Center ~ Standard hunter safety courses are 10 hours long. In this event, we will go far beyond the basics. In addition to all of the hunter education standards, we will be teaching advanced shooting techniques, bowhunter safety, trapping, waterfowl, turkey & raccoon hunting, dog training, caring for game in the field, first aid, wildlife ID, calling and a whole lot more! The course is open to kids, ages 11-16. They don't need to have received the Hunter Education Certificates already. Cost per student is \$20 for dorm stay, meals, ammo and targets thanks to donations from Clinton County Pheasants Forever, Scott County Pheasants Forever, Mississippi Valley Sportsmen Chapter of Waterfowl USA and Clinton Area Whitetails Unlimited plus donations from Clinton CCB & Grand Mound Sportsmen's Club. Overnight chaperones will be provided by participants' parents. Space is limited to 50 kids, so sign up early by calling 563-847-7202.



21st-23rd ~ Luau Weekend ~ Rock Creek ~ Decorate your campsite Hawaiian-style for fun and get your neighbors into the spirit.

22nd ~ Nature Center Open ~ 1-4 PM ~ Eden Valley

22nd ~ Limbo Contest ~ 1 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Meet under the deck of the Eco Tourism Center deck and enjoy a friendly limbo contest as part of the Luau.

22nd ~ Riverside Jam ~ 2PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Local musicians and vocalists gather to share and enjoy music of many types from Folk to Rock and Roll. Bring your instrument or voice and join in the fun.

22nd ~ Hog Roast ~ 4 PM-7 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Dinner will be served in the camp store along the shores of the beautiful backwaters of the Mississippi. We will be having a hog roast and all the fixings during Luau Weekend.



24th-27th ~ EDIWILD 2013 ~ Ghosts of the Grasslands ~ This is a 4-day workshop to facilitate the incorporation of environmental education into the school curriculum. Participants will attend informational sessions at different local sites for further learning experiences. If you would like to register, contact the Wapsi Center at 563-328-3286.

25th ~ Friends of Rock Creek ~ 6 PM ~ Rock Creek, Eco Tourism Center ~ No dues! New members welcome!

27th ~ Sunset Eco Cruise ~ 7 PM ~ Rock Creek

28th-29th ~ Customer Appreciation Weekend ~ 4-7 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ To thank you for your patronage to our campground, we are going to be giving back. Our canoes will be available for a free rental to our customers.

28th ~ Turtle Talk ~ 7:30 PM ~ Eden Valley ~ Bring your camp chairs or blankets to meet some of Iowa's turtles! Check out the cool adaptations turtles have to help them survive in the wild!



29th ~ Half-price Canoe Rentals ~ 8 AM-Noon ~ Rock Creek ~ As part of Customer Appreciation Weekend, our canoes will be available for half price.

29th ~ Early Bird Eco Cruise ~ 9 AM ~ Rock Creek

29th ~ Canoe/Kayak Clinic ~ 1 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Come extend your paddling knowledge with some canoe instruction! Practice your paddle strokes while testing your skills on the water in a slalom course.

29th ~ Nature Center Open ~ 1-4 PM ~ Eden Valley

29th ~ Public Open House, Jens-Wendt Observatory ~ Dusk ~ Sherman Park ~ The last Saturday of the month April-September. Starts at dusk (must be clear skies) in Sherman Park. View skies through a 20-inch telescope.

July Sneak-Peek

4th ~ No Sunset Eco Cruise

6th ~ Early Bird Eco Cruise ~ 9 AM ~ Rock Creek

6th ~ Nature Center Open ~ 1-4 PM ~ Eden Valley

9th-11th & 16th-18th ~ 3-day Summer Camp ~ 9:30 AM - 3 PM ~ Rock Creek ~ Sign up by June 1st for these wildly popular summer camps for kids ages 9-12 at www.mycountyparks.com/county/Clinton/Events.aspx.

23rd-25th ~ Three-day Middle School Camp ~ Rock Creek ~ This is a 3-day and 1-night camp for kids ages 12-14. On Wednesday we will have a fun day learning how to "rough it" at Rock Creek from 9:30 AM - 3 PM. On Thursday (9:30 AM at Rock Creek) we will leave for a canoe adventure and stay the night on a sandbar on the Wapsipinicon River! We will then paddle to Rock Creek on Thursday morning. Only \$30 per child. Sign up at www.mycountyparks.com/county/Clinton/Events.aspx. Hurry, space is limited and the sign-up deadline is June 1st.

Out of State Visitor

by Walt Wickham, Executive Director

The conservation office receives a lot of wildlife-related phone calls. Typically, the calls are simple and sometimes even fun, so when a local trucking company called the other day about a snake on a semi-trailer, my curiosity was peaked. It sounded like a good way to end a Friday at work. The driver had just returned with a truckload of honey bees from California, an interesting story in itself, but he had another passenger that he hadn't counted on. After unloading the bees, he found a snake on his trailer. This particular driver was not a fan of snakes. In fact, he said he "hated snakes" so he phoned our office to see if we could be talked into removing it for him. Since he was close by, we told him that we could and would be there in a couple minutes.

Bob Schaefer and I jumped in the truck and drove over see what was up. Our curiosity had the best of us. What were we going to find? A six-foot rattlesnake? Maybe something more exotic? After all, he did say he had just returned from a cross-country haul. It could literally be anything.

We arrived at the trucking company and were immediately directed to a truck parked in the back. The driver told us the snake was on the deck of the truck. Sure enough, there was a snake. It was a whopping 12 inches long. I wasn't sure at first just what kind of snake it was, but I was certain it wasn't a poisonous species. Because he was acting a little feisty, I found a stick to pin it down so that I could grab it behind the head without hurting it or myself. Once I had the snake in hand, I hoped I would be able to identify it and set it free. Boy was I wrong. This snake resembled a couple of our native snakes somewhat, but it just wasn't quite the same. We took the snake back to our office to see if we could ID it. After searching the field guides without any success, I decided to turn to the source of all knowledge... the internet. I did a Google search for California snake spe-

cies and sure enough, there it was. Our hitch-hiker is a California Glossy Snake. This snake is from Southern California. It's range overlaps the portion of California where almonds are grown. The bees that the trucking company were hauling had been shipped to California to help pollinate the almond crop. Once the bees had done their work there, they are brought back to Iowa. Apparently, the snake had stowed away on one of the bee hive boxes and stayed there for the cross-country trip.

Often times hitch-hiking wildlife can become a real problem. This is one of the ways that non-native species find their way into a new territory. Once moved, they can multiply and compete with native species for food and space. Examples of this include the zebra mussel and the European corn borer. Zebra mussels came to the U.S. in ship's ballast water. They are voracious filter feeders that out-compete native clams, foul boats and clogs intake pipes at power plants and municipal water sources. The European corn borer is a common corn pest in Iowa. It arrived here in the U.S. by hitching a ride on a shipment of corn brooms. It is estimated to cost U.S. farmers \$1 billion dollars annually by feeding on corn leaves, stalks and ears. Our California snake is not going to be causing any of those problems. In fact, he only survived a few hours after we retrieved him. Had he lived, he would not have been released into the wild. But it goes to show, that in today's mobile society, wildlife can and does move great distances.

We should all be cautious about moving plants or animals that might become a nuisance. And if you do find something unusual, give us a call. We might be able to help.



Nature Photo Contest

Purpose: To highlight the beauty and recreational activities at Rock Creek Marina & Campground and Mississippi River Backwater Area.

Photographers may submit photos in any of 4 categories and two age groups (Adult and Youth).

1. People at Rock Creek
2. Wildlife
3. Scenery/Landscape
4. Macro/Close-ups

One winner will be selected from each category and age bracket. The winning photos will be printed and framed for



display by July 4th in the Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center for the remainder 2013 camping season. Each winner will receive a \$20 Rock Creek Gift Certificate.

Submission Guidelines

- a. Only digital submissions in JPEG.
- b. Only pictures taken in Rock Creek Marina & Campground or the Mississippi within 3 miles.
- c. Black & white or color images.
- d. Include the completed registration form with photos.
- e. Submit your entries no later than Saturday, June, 15th.

Email conservation@clintoncounty-ia.gov or drop off submissions at Rock Creek. Call 563-847-7202 for official registration or get one at Rock Creek.

Rock Creek Theme Weekends

July

- 4th-7th Independence Day Weekend
- 12th ~ Family Picnic Weekend
- 19th ~ Wet & Wild Weekend
- 26th ~ Christmas in July Weekend

August

- 2nd ~ Bumps in the Night Weekend
- 9th ~ Back to School Blues
- 17th ~ Catfish Classic Tournament
- 31st ~ Labor Day Weekend

September

- 6th ~ Grandparents Day Weekend
- 13th ~ Fall Festival Weekend
- 20th ~ Tailgate Weekend

October

- 4th ~ Halloween at Rock Creek

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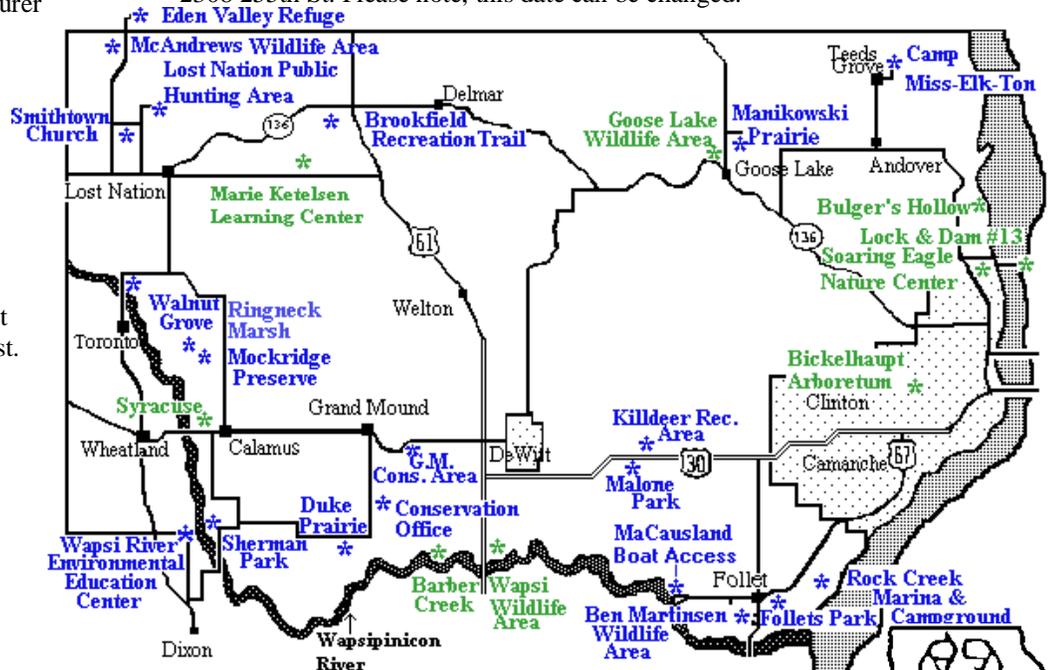
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The Clinton County Conservation Board meetings are open to the public and visitors are welcome. The Board meets the second Tuesday the month, at 6 PM, in the Conservation Office, located 1 mile south of Grand Mound at 2308 255th St. Please note, this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



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